

13th December 2025 • 10 AM to 10 PM

Annual Conference 2025 Awards Day

Hall Grand Maratha – **Four Points by Sheraton**,
Pune Nagar Rd, Viman Nagar, Pune

Honoring Excellence, Inspiring Quality

- ❖ Curated Quality Seminars led by industry experts, fostering learning and innovation.
- ❖ Recognizing Quality achievers and their inspiring journeys

**Quality
Workshops**
(10AM to 1 PM)

1

Seminar 1:
facilitated by Anil Sachdev
Integrated Quality Assurance System

2

Seminar 2
facilitated by Sudipta Marjit
Quality Journey of TACO

**Inspirational
speeches &
QSA Awards**
(2 PM to 6 00PM)

3

Keynote Speech
Award winners' address

4

QSA 2025
Awards

Awards Night
(6 30 PM to 10 PM)

5

ISQ Awards Night: ISQ awards to be presented to eminent business leaders, executives and professionals for their exemplary contribution to Quality. They will share their experiences

6

Dinner – Opportunity to **network** with the industry leaders and cross learn.

Visit [Awards – ISQ](#) to explore the past ISQ Award Winners

For updates

Call +91 80125 80850, write to info@isqnet.org or visit www.isqnet.org



Invitation message

Vijay Kalra

President Indian Society for Quality

As India advances toward self-reliance and global leadership, quality remains the bedrock of progress across manufacturing and service sectors.

To stay relevant in a rapidly evolving world, our understanding of quality—its definitions, tools, and practices—must continuously adapt.

Since its founding in 1996, the Indian Society of Quality (ISQ) has fostered collaboration among professionals, researchers, business leaders, and academics to champion this cause.

This year, ISQ proudly hosted the prestigious ANQ Congress 2025 in Bengaluru, welcoming nearly 500 delegates from Asia and Europe. The congress theme, "Quality Innovation: Forging a Path to a Sustainable Future – Powered by Asian Synergy," sparked rich dialogue and global insights that will continue to energize our community.

In this spirit, our Annual Conference has been thoughtfully condensed into a one-day celebration on 13th December 2025 in Pune.

This gathering will honour distinguished awardees and offer a platform for reflection, learning, and renewed commitment to excellence.

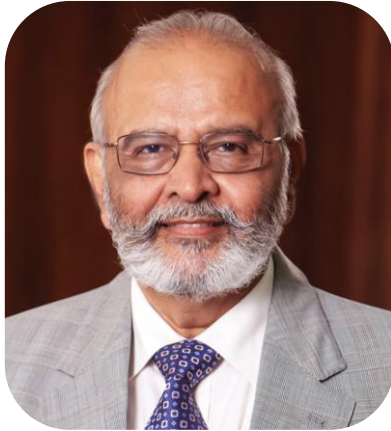
I warmly invite business leaders, senior executives, quality champions, and emerging professionals to join us. Your presence will celebrate achievement and reinforce our shared mission to elevate Indian organizations on the global stage

Vijay Kalra

President

Indian Society for Quality (ISQ)

Chief Guest – Awards Night



Dr. Abhay Firodia

Chairman, Force Motors

Dr. Abhay Firodia is the son of Late Shri Navalmal Kundanmal Firodia—freedom fighter, industrialist, and philanthropist—and grandson of Shri Kundanmal Shobhachand Firodia, the first Speaker of the Bombay State Legislative Assembly and President of the All India Jain Conference (1950).

He is Chairman of Force Motors Limited, having served on its Board since 1975 and as Managing Director until 2009. Under his leadership, Force Motors pioneered iconic vehicles such as the Tempo Autorickshaw, Matador, Traveller, Trax, and Minidor, and today employs over 10,000 people across modern plants in Pune, Pithampur, and beyond.

Dr. Firodia has held several national and international leadership roles, including:

- President, Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) (1990–92, 2017–18)
- President, Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC)
- President, Mahratta Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture (MCCIA) (2010–12)
- President, Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA) (1981–82)
- President, Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI)

Dr. Firodia chairs or leads numerous social, educational, and cultural institutions including

- Chairman of the Gandhi National Memorial Society, Pune and Chairman of Regulating Council, Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute.
- President of Veerayatan – a Transnational Social organization,
- President of the Ahmednagar Education Society.
- Chairman of the Shri Firodia Trust and Multanchand Bora Trust, active in providing relief and support in the field of Health Care, Education and Social Welfare.
- Chairman of the Amar Prerana Trust which operates Abhay Prabhavana – Museum & Knowledge Centre, Navalveerayatan – a Centre for Value Education, International School for Jain Studies (ISJS),

and is closely associated with many other social, educational and healthcare institutions.

His contributions have been recognized with prestigious honors:

- “Jain Ratna” Award, conferred by Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- Cross of the Order of Merit, Federal Republic of Germany
- Honorary degrees: Doctor of Science (Rajiv Gandhi Technological University), Doctor of Literature (Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune; Dr. D.Y. Patil University, Pune)
- Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award (2016), Business Transformation category
- Arutchelvar Dr. N. Mahalingam Award, Kumaraguru Institutions

Speakers & Award Winners



Anant Goenka

Vice Chairman, RPG Group

Winner of Jamsetji Tata Award

Anant Goenka is Vice Chairman of the RPG Group, a USD 5.2 bn conglomerate with interests in tyres, infrastructure, pharma, IT and specialty sectors. He is also President of FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry).

Anant was Managing Director & CEO of CEAT through a transformative 10-year period from 2012 to 2023, during which the company saw a 25x increase in market capitalization. His leadership played a pivotal role in CEAT's achievement of winning the prestigious Deming Grand Prize in 2023, making it the first tyre company in the world to receive this accolade. CEAT was also awarded the Lighthouse recognition by the World Economic Forum in 2023.

Prior to joining CEAT, Anant worked with Unilever and KEC International. He has previously served as the Chairman of the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA). At present, Anant also serves as Vice-Chairman of CEAT and Zensar Technologies.

Anant has been recognised by Forbes as the "Next Generation Business Leader of the Year" in 2017 and as "India's 40 under 40 Business Leaders" by Economic Times-Spencer Stuart. He is the recipient of "Kabiller Science of Empathy Prize" from the Kellogg School of Management.

Anant is an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management and a BS (Economics) from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.

Jamsetji Tata Award is given to industry leaders who have made significant contribution to the Indian society through their work of leading on organization with exceptional and holistic focus on quality. They are persons with humility, constancy of purpose and determination. The Award is given to those who have demonstrated outstanding results and are role models.

Anil Sachdev

President – TQMI
ISQ Harsha Award winner 2025



With over 42 years in industry—including 33 in consulting—he currently serves as President of TQMI. He holds a B.E. in Mechanical Engineering and an M.Tech. in Industrial Engineering. His expertise spans TQM, the Deming Prize framework, Lean, Six Sigma, NPD, and DFSS. He has advised 100+ organizations across India and abroad, leading transformative quality initiatives.

He has been instrumental in the Deming journeys of ~10 companies, including four recipients of the Deming Prize in 2024 and 2025. He co-authored Daily Management and Problem Solving in the Service Sector with Dr. Pankaj Kumar. His professional roles include Past Secretary of ISQ, Past Board Member of ANQ, and current Member of the All India Board for Technical Education.



Sudipta Marjit

Group CHRO, Head of BE & Office of Strategic Management,
Chief Ethics Counsellor and Corporate Communications
Tata AutoComp Systems

Sudipta Marjit is Group CHRO, Head of Business Excellence, Strategic Management, Ethics, and Communications at Tata AutoComp Systems, overseeing 18 business units and JVs across seven countries.

He chairs the CII Maharashtra HR & IR Panel and serves on the boards of multiple Tata JV companies. With expertise spanning HR, Strategy, M&A, and Business Excellence, he has led Tata AutoComp's journeys toward the JRDQV and Deming Awards.

A TEDx speaker and INSEAD alumnus, Sudipta has worked across geographies and helped launch Tata Technologies and Tata Capital. He was named "Most Influential HR Leader of 2024" and "CHRO of the Year," among other honors.

ISQ Harsha Award Winners, Speakers

Harsha Award introduced in 2017, it is given to people who made significant contribution to the promotion of quality management principles, concepts, techniques and practices, leading to the improvement in the performance of the businesses.



Dr. Kaushik Murali

President Medical Administration, Quality & Education – Sankara Eye Foundation India

Dr. Kaushik Murali, a clinician administrator with Sankara Eye Foundation India, has played a crucial role in integrating clinical excellence with rigorous quality systems, enabling Sankara to become the world's largest community eye care provider while maintaining the highest standards.

Through his innovative SanQALP initiative, he fosters a culture of quality by blending design thinking and technology to drive continuous improvement and patient safety. Under his leadership as the President Medical Administration, Quality & Education, Sankara has established robust quality management systems aligned with NABH and ISO standards, ensuring compliance and exceptional healthcare delivery across its network. Dr. Kaushik's capacity building and advocacy extends beyond Sankara to national and global platforms, where he promotes inclusive, quality-driven healthcare. Dr. Kaushik's work reflects humility, service, and systems thinking—values at the heart of the Harsha Award.

Mahesh Hegde

Founder and Trainer, Learnex Consulting



Mahesh specializes in TQM, Six Sigma, and Lean, with hands-on expertise that has driven cultural transformation across industries. He has led over 2,500 problem-solving projects in manufacturing and services, trained senior leaders in operational excellence, and guided the practical use of 350+ quality tools. His core competencies include FMEA, Human Error Prevention, SOPs, MSA, DOE, SPC, and Good-Bad Analysis.

Mahesh is a respected speaker. He has presented at ICQ and ANQ (Japan) and published in NIQR, QCI, and ISQ journals..



Ms. Gowri Kailasam

CEO – Rane (Madras) Ltd., Steering Linkages Division & LMCD

Ms. Gowri Kailasam brings 30+ years of experience in quality and operations, with degrees in Chemical Engineering and an MBA. As GM (TQM) at Rane (Madras) Ltd., she led the company to the Deming Prize (2011) and Deming Grand Prize (2019). She drove operational excellence, lean integration, and a 40% rise in employee quality circle participation.

A vocal advocate for TQM, she mentors professionals and promotes quality education through academic collaboration. Her impact spans 100+ suppliers, improved OEM ratings, and ISO 14001-certified environmental initiatives

For updates

Call +91 80125 80850, write to info@isqnet.org or visit www.isqnet.org

Program Structure

13 12 2025 (subject to minor changes)

9 30 to 10 00 AM	Registration	
10 to 11 30 AM	Seminar on Integrated Quality Assurance System (Need for QA, Elements of QA and some key tools for effective QA)	Anil Sachdev, President TQM International
11 30 to 11 50 AM	Tea break	
11 50 to 01 00 PM	Quality Journey of TACO achieving Deming's Award	Sudipta Marjit, Group CHRO, Head of BE & Office of Strategic Mgmt, Chief Ethics Counsellor and Corporate Communications Tata AutoComp Systems
01 PM to 01 45 PM	Lunch break	
01 45 to 02 00 PM	Brief introduction and Welcome address	Devraj Chattaraj, President Pune Chapter
02 00 to 04 00 PM	Speech by Distinguished Achievers winning ISQ Harsha Awards	Award Winners
04 00 to 04 15 PM	Tea break	
04 15 to 05 00 PM	Keynote address by distinguished ISQ Jamsetji Tata Award Winner	Anant Goenka, Vice Chairman, RPG Group
05 00 to 05 45	Quality Sustainability Awards (QSA 2025) Brief about QSA Presentation of Awards to the National Winners of QSA 2025	Anant Goenka, Vice Chairman, RPG Group with Vijay Kalra – President ISQ

Break/ networking

06 30 to 10 PM	ISQ Awards Night <i>Honoring Distinguished Award Winners</i> Program Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Introduction Address by the Chief Guest (Dr. Abhay Firodia) Presentation of Awards to Honorees Cocktail Dinner	Facilitated by: Mr. Kaniappan P. Member, ISQ Awards Committee Former MD, ZF Commercial Vehicle Control Systems Chief Guest With Chairman and President of ISQ
-------------------	--	--

Registration



You may register using the link <https://forms.office.com/r/epDw8UPYas> or scan the QR Code to register

Please confirm your registration by sending the payment reference to info@isqnet.org. If you encounter any difficulty with online registration, kindly email the required information to info@isqnet.org

Sl No.	Name	Designation	Email ID	Mobile No.	Billing address	GST Number

Registration fees

Members of ISQ: ₹ 5,000/- + 18% GST (Total ₹ 5,900/-)

Non-members: ₹ 5,500/- + 18% GST (Total ₹ 6,490/-)

The fee covers program fees, lunch and tea breaks, awards night programs and cocktail dinner. For more details on registration please write to info@isqnet.org Or call **8012580850**

Note: The fees should be credited to ISQ account below before the start of the program

Refund policy. Change in participant can be allowed if the registered participant is unable to join.

Full refund if desired, can be made if cancellation is made before 24 hours of start of the program.

Payment through cheque, IMPS/RTGS/NEFT may be made to the following account.

Beneficiary Bank Account Name: **Indian Society for Quality**
Type: **Current Account**
Bank Account No.: **00272000001288**

Name of the Bank: **HDFC Bank**
IFSC Code: **HDFC0000027**
Branch: **Greater Kailash 2**

Payment can also be made through the payment link <https://rzp.io/rzp/AacWNjt>

About Us

Indian Society for Quality (ISQ) is a not-for-profit society established in 1996 to fill the need for a national forum for interaction among quality professionals, leaders, practitioners and academicians. ISQ is a non-partisan, independent body that attracts and invites individual members from business organizations, health care and educational institutions, government agencies and NGOs. Members share their knowledge and learn from each other. ISQ is thus engaged in both creating and disseminating knowledge.

Its mission is to **“Contribute to the thriving of humanity in a healthy planet”**

ISQ is well linked to similar national quality bodies in other countries. It is a board member from its very inception and has represented India in the Asian Network for Quality (ANQ). ISQ is a national partner to Quality Sustainability Award promoted by International Academy for Quality. ISQ conducted an international event ANQ Congress Bengaluru 2025 in November 2025 which was well participated.

To know more, please visit www.isqnet.org

Vijay Kalra
President ISQ

Devraj Chattaraj
President –Pune Chapter

For updates

Call +91 80125 80850, 9158002899 write to info@isqnet.org or visit www.isqnet.org