

“Star Rating Program” in collaboration with Maharashtra Pollution Control Board and Energy Policy Institute, University of Chicago, USA and Department of Environment Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur.

On 08th August 2018, we have organized “Star Rating Program” in collaboration with Maharashtra Pollution Control Board and Energy Policy Institute, University of Chicago USA and Department of Environment Science at Shivaji University, Kolhapur to the industrialists as well as the representative of various companies situated near to the Kolhapur. Prof. Dr. P. D Raut Sir (HoD, Environmental Science, Shivaji University, Kolhapur) has initially highlighted the objectives of this program. In this program, Mr. Ishan Choudhary (Communications and Outreach Coordinator EPIC, India), Shri. Prashant Gaikwad (Maharashtra Pollution Control Board) and Mr. Uday Gaikwad (VidyaPrabhodhani, Kolhapur) gave the lectures on Star Rating Program and its importance to know the environmental status of industry in terms of star rating. State government as well as in Indian government recently launched this ‘Star Rating Program’ for the industries to know their ratings related to reduce the pollution. The objective of this program is to regulatory efforts to reduce pollution of the industries. It is a first of its kind transparency initiative under which industries will be categorised from one to five stars, with one star being the least compliant and five stars being the most compliant to the pollution standards set by the regulator. The initiative has been launched with a view to combat industrial pollution, which has become a grave matter of concern for the entire nation. The move will also help citizens to identify the sources of pollution in their neighbourhood and city. The star program also recognizes the efforts of industries that take responsibility to maintain a clean environment and go beyond what the regulations require them to do. This system will also encourage and induce industries to adopt clean technologies. At the end, Prof. S. D. Delekar (Coordinator UIIC, Shivaji University, Kolhapur) proposed the vote of thanks.



Some photographs of the “Star Rating Program”