



National Institution for Quality & Reliability

Chennai Branch

NIQR KAIZEN COMPETITION 2026

Theme: Small Improvements, Sustainable Excellence

Date: 21st February 2026 (Saturday) | Venue: Chennai (Exact location will be intimated soon)

ABOUT KAIZEN: Kaizen is a philosophy of continuous, incremental improvement achieved through total employee involvement. It focuses on systematic improvements in Quality, Productivity, Cost, Delivery, Safety, Environment, Energy, and Service through disciplined problem solving and teamwork.

“There will be no progress if you keep on doing things the same way all the time. Only continuous improvement involving everyone—from managers to grassroots employees—will lead to organisational growth.”

-Prof. Masaaki Imai, Founder of the Kaizen Movement



OBJECTIVES

- Build a strong culture of continuous improvement
- Encourage teamwork, leadership, and communication
- Promote practical, shop-floor driven problem-solving
- Enable cross-industry learning and benchmarking

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

Professionals from Manufacturing and Service sectors, including: Production, Quality, Maintenance, Supply Chain, Finance, HR, Marketing, R&D, and Health & Safety.

COMPETITION FORMAT

- Team of minimum 2 members • Presentation language: English or Tamil • Duration: 15 minutes (10 minutes presentation + 2 minutes Q&A) • Projects: Recently implemented Kaizen initiatives after January 2025.

EVALUATION & AWARDS

Presentations will be evaluated by eminent Kaizen and Quality professionals.

- Platinum Award – Above 80% • Gold Award – Above 70% to 80% • Silver Award – Below 70%

WHY PARTICIPATE

- Showcase your Kaizen success stories • Learn proven improvement practices • Receive expert jury feedback • Network with quality professionals

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