



## **Ambattur Paint Plant fire incident.**

**Date Of Incident: 08.06.10**

**Location : Chennai**

### **Description of the accident:**

Massive fire that broke out at a paint company in Ambattur on 08.06.10<sup>th</sup> evening. Preliminary investigations suggest that human error caused the fire. Panic gripped Pattaravakkam near Ambattur Industrial Estate on Tuesday evening after thick smoke engulfed the area following a major fire in the production unit of a paint company. According to police, the fire broke out around 7 p.m. and short circuit is suspected to be the cause. However, no casualty was reported.

### **No. of persons Injured:**

There was no causality.

### **Potential Root Cause:**

Possible root cause:

Human Error or electrical short circuit.

### **Other possible news about the incident:**

As the chemical solvents were lighter than air, the fire spread quite quickly but the firemen were able to contain it. "If there had been inflammable materials that were denser than the air, LPG for instance, fighting the fire would have been a greater challenge. Such denser substances can cause powerful blasts and throw fireballs.

The incident brought the traffic in the area to a halt for sometime as vehicles were stopped one km from the factory.

The heat from the fire was felt around half a km away. Power supply was also cut in the area.

Personnel of the Fire and Rescue Services battled for over three hours to put out the fire.

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