



Lorry Tank Explosion in a workshop

Date Of Incident: 28.04.10

Location : Chennai

Description of the accident:

One person died and three others were injured after the fuel tank of an old lorry exploded when it was being welded at a workshop. The welder who involved in the welding of lorry diesel tank suffered serious burns and died soon after he admitted in the hospital. Three other workers suffered minor injuries and burns in the incident. The area bustling with workshops engaged in dismantling out-of-use vehicles and selling spare parts was rocked when the blast occurred around 11.30 a.m. The explosion ripped apart several old vehicles in the vicinity.

No. of persons Injured:

One Person died and three person injured with minor burns

Potential Root Cause:

The sources said sparks from the welding work fell on the leftover fuel inside the tank resulting in the fire.

Inadequate precautionary measures for such hot work activities in shops.

No one is ready to follow the safety clauses in the Shop and establishment acts.

Lessons Learnt:

A strict enforcement needed from the Shop and establishment authorities.

Like other countries, a surprise check on the same should be conducted frequently to avoid such incidents.

The workers need to be trained on environmental hazards nearby in the work spot.

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SEED express its deepest condolence and pray the god to look after the families of the died welder.

Thanks: The Hindu



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