



## **Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme Press Release**

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### **CISRS Accreditation for Safety & Access Ltd Indian Centre**

CISRS has added another training centre to its Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme (OSTS) – as the all-new UG Safety & Access UK (PVT) Ltd Chennai training centre gained accreditation this week.

The purpose-built CISRS OSTS centre in South India cost 1.8 million rupees to create and is a joint venture and long term partnership between Safety & Access and the UG Group in Chennai. It will provide tube and fitting, system scaffolding and scaffold inspection training to thousands.

CISRS Scheme Manager & NASC Director of Training, Dave Mosley, has been out in India this week conducting a full audit of the centre and has granted the new facility accreditation for training in CISRS Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme (OSTS), Basic SITS (Scaffold Inspection Training Scheme), SST (Scaffolding Supervisor Training) and CUPLOK Systems Scaffold Product Training Scheme (SSPTS) courses.

Mr Mosley said: "Congratulations to Safety & Access and the UG group opening and gaining accreditation for the new centre, which is finished to a very high specification.

"CISRS are very pleased with the facility and think it's a great opportunity to further establish CISRS outside the UK. There is a vast number of Indian scaffolders working all over the world, and this centre will provide an opportunity to train them at source in India prior to them heading off to seek employment in such places as Dubai, Saudi Arabia and other parts of the UAE. The introduction of CISRS OSTS will only serve to raise standards of scaffolding and safety across the region. We wish them well with their training over the years."

Rick Statham, Joint Managing Director for Safety & Access Ltd said: "We have been working with our partners on this project for the last year and we are delighted that we have now reached our aim of CISRS accreditation here in Chennai. The availability of scaffolder training in India will be a huge boost for our clients and Indian nationals that seek formal qualifications in scaffolding. There is also a big interest

from our clients in the Middle East that look to India for their labour. Formal qualifications will mean that they can offer CISRS registered competent people to the market which obviously gives the client satisfaction and also can boost employment opportunities for scaffolders."

For further details about CISRS OSTS centres, CISTS card courses, training changes following the introduction of TG20:13, information and dates on courses available, a list of approved training providers, or to find out more about the CISRS scheme, please visit [www.cisrs.org.uk](http://www.cisrs.org.uk) or email [enquiries@cisrs.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cisrs.org.uk).