

Pre AGM Talk on "Latest St Updates on Electricity Supply Act and Regulation & Route To St Competent Engineer & Service Engineer" and 31st Annual General Meeting of the Electrical Engineering Technical Division, IEM

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The Electrical Engineering Technical Division has successfully organized talks on "Latest St Updates on Electricity Supply Act and Regulation & Route to St Competent Engineer & Service Engineer" prior to the 31st Annual General Meeting at Wisma IEM on 7th May 2016. A total of 145 IEM members predominantly from electrical engineering background from across the country has gathered to cast their votes and make their voices heard at the annual general meeting. Nonetheless, the AGM kickstarted with pre-AGM talks delivered by Mr. Mohd Elmi Anas as well as Ir. Shafie bin Mohamed. In the first talk, Mr. Elmi presented on the latest amendment of Electricity Supply Act 1990 henceforth called Electricity Supply (Amendment) Act 2015 which is also known as Act A1501. For the record, the act was passed by the parliament in July 2015 with enforcement commencing from 1st January 2016. In the new amended act, enhancement has been done to ensure that regulatory and enforcement exercises can be performed at higher efficiency and effectiveness. The enhancement sweeps through four major aspects namely government framework, safety practices through codes of practice, protection of consumer interest and application of latest technology. Mr. Elmi concluded his talk by emphasizing that the Energy Commission will further prioritize the implementation of safety codes to enhance the rigour of the regulation of safety management practices.

In the second talk, Ir. Shafie presented on the procedures to become a competent electrical engineer and competent service engineer. Ir. Shafie highlighted the importance of competent electrical engineers especially in controlling, managing and overseeing electrical installation. He then provided an overview of the categories and responsibilities of competent engineer in general. This was followed by the competency examinations which candidates must pass as part of the requirement to become a competent engineer.

All in all, the pre-AGM talks and the AGM was a huge success as 145 participants were there.



Figure below shows Mr. Elmi delivering his talk.