

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Indian Technical Textile Association- FY 2017-18

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of ITTA was held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at Otters Club, Bandra, Mumbai under the Chairmanship of Shri. Pramod Khosla, Chairman, ITTA. Business session was followed by Knowledge sharing Session wherein three eminent experts from Industry & Government of Chhattisgarh presented different topics of interest to the members.



Dr. Anup Rakshit, Executive Director, ITTA, welcomed the ITTA Members and invitees present in the meeting. In his brief welcome address, Dr. Rakshit informed that in knowledge sharing session this year three eminent Industry experts will present three different topics of interest to the members. The topics are- "High Performance fibres used in different segments of Technical Textiles", "Advanced composites made of High Performance fibres and Indian perspective" and "Discussion on Proposed Incentives for inclusion in Technical Textile Policy". He also enlightened the audience by showing a presentation on ITTA's achievements in FY 2017-18.

Shri. K. S. Sundararaman, Vice Chairman, addressed the ITTA members. He narrated the ITTA's contributions during the last couple of years to the growth of various segments of Indian Technical Textile Industry. He highlighted that ITTA has formed the different Technical Textile Sectoral Committee where members can give their suggestions for promoting these sectors in India and also spoke about the progress of Protech & Agrotech sectoral committee.

Shri. Pramod Khosla, Chairman, ITTA, in his presidential address expressed his happiness on the large number of members present in the AGM. He welcomed the patron members of ITTA

i.e. DuPont, Owens Corning, Raymond and IFIBC Association. He highlighted ITTA's contributions towards the growth of the technical textile Industry and ITTA has overcome many challenges and has a long way ahead. He spoke about the ITTA sub-groups for protech, agrotech, Geotech, etc. for the growth of TT industry which has been one of the important milestone of ITTA. He talked about the special packages that have been offered by various State Governments such as Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana specially for TT sector and many more are a proof of the huge awareness that ITTA could generate and become the first and foremost voice of TT industry in India. He spoke about the challenges for ITTA in the future i.e. support from the Govt. for growth, role of TXC in the same, focus on export besides domestic, formation of EPC and increasing revenue to strengthen ITTA further. Lastly he thanked all members for the support provided to ITTA during past years.

### Business Session-

Shri. Amit Agarwal, Hon' Secretary, ITTA Conducted the Business Session and the following decisions were taken-

1. ITTA Members unanimously passed the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure account for the FY 2017-18.
2. ITTA Members unanimously agreed to appoint Messrs. R.A. Sheth & Associates, Chartered Accountants, as Auditors for FY 2017-18.
3. **Announcement of new Board of Directors-**

The list of sixteen Directors in newly constituted ITTA board is given below-

SR. NO.	NAME	COMPANY NAME	DESIGNATION
1	DR. K. S SUNDARARAMAN	SHIVA TEXYARN LTD.	CHAIRMAN
2	AMIT AGARWAL	CTM TECHNICAL TEXTILES	VICE-CHAIRMAN
3	PRAMOD KUMAR KHOSLA	KHOSLA PROFIL PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
4	NIRAV D MEHTA	DIMA PRODUCTS	DIRECTOR
5	MUSTAFA MANSOOR KUDIA	DAMAN POLYTHREAD LTD.	DIRECTOR
6	BASANT KUMAR LOHIA	TARASAFE INTERNATIONAL PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
7	PANKAJ KAPOOR	PARK NONWOVEN	DIRECTOR
8	SHEELAM SHETH	SRF LIMITED	DIRECTOR

9	MAKARAND APPALWAR	IFBCA	DIRECTOR
10	SANJAY VASUDEO RAUT	GARWARE-WALL ROPES LTD.	DIRECTOR
11	KRISHNA KUMAR BAHETI	SHUBH SWASAN INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
12	SHRICHAND SANTANI	RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD	DIRECTOR
13	VIKRAM JAIN	SBT TEXTILES PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
14	MANISH KHEDKAR	OWENS CORNING	DIRECTOR
15	GAURAV JAIN	E. I. DUPONT INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
16	DHAVAL PATEL	NIKOL TEXTILE PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR

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### Knowledge Sharing Session-

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**Abstract of the three presentations in Knowledge Sharing Session are given below-**

“High Performance Fibres used in different segments of Technical Textiles” was presented by Shri. Manoj Jhaver, DuPont India. He explained in detail about the concept of High Performance fibres which covers not only organic but also inorganic fibers of carbon, alumina and boron. High-performance fibers can be classified broadly into three categories according to their applications: Heat-resistant including flame-retardant, High-strength and High-modulus



(HS HM) and Chemical resistance. He highlighted DuPont Product Portfolio from Fibres -- Yarn -- “Sheet” Structures -- Garments and different Protection Solutions i.e. Nomex®, Kevlar® and Tyvek® with their different applications in aircrafts- outside & inside structures, railways, automotive, industrial & nonwoven applications in agriculture.

Dr. Dhaval Patel, Nikol Textile Pvt. Ltd. presented the topic on “Advanced composites made of High Performance Fibres and Indian perspective”. He spoke about the definition of composites and different advanced applications of composites such as aerospace, naval, military, automotive, energy/wind turbine and industrial application. Properties of composites - high weight to strength ratio, high stiffness to density ratio, corrosion resistance, low thermal expansion, etc and its uniqueness like Anisotropic Properties, Ability to achieve desired properties in desired directions and Energy dissipation behaviour. Different Fibre type - Carbon- Toray, Teijin, Formusa, Hyosung & Zoltek, Aramid- DuPont, Teijin & Hyosung and



Glass fibre- Owens corning, Binani, Jushi, PPG, Saint-Gobain & CPIC. He said that Indian composite industry will grow from 3.5 lacs metric ton production to 6 lacs metric ton in next two years. Pipe and tank, transportation, wind energy, construction and defence are the major market segments of composites in India. He also highlighted the opportunities & limitations for India i.e. availability of raw materials, Lack of trained manpower, government policies, quality consciousness/

awareness and Industrial representation.

Dr. Kamal Preet Singh, Secretary, Dept. of Commerce & Industries & Shri. P Arun Prasad, MD, Chhattisgarh State Industrial Development Corporation (CSIDC), Govt. of Chhattisgarh presented an interesting topic know as “Discussion on Proposed Incentives for inclusion in Technical Textile Policy, Chhattisgarh”. Dr. Singh showed a small video explaining about the different Business advantages in Chhattisgarh. He discussed



about the proposed Incentives for Technical textile policy i.e. (a) Fixed Capital Investment



subsidy (b) Interest Subsidy (c) Electricity Duty Exemption (d) GST Reimbursement (e) Stamp Duty Exemption (f) Land Premium Exemption (in Industrial areas/ Industrial parks) (g) Diversion in Land use (h) Training Assistance (i) Reimbursement of EPF (j) Market Development Assistance (k) Assistance for Acquisition of New Technology (l) PWD Employment Subsidy (m) Technical Patent Subsidy (n) Quality Certification Subsidy. He said that these

incentives will create many opportunities for the new entrepreneurs.

Shri. Amit Agarwal, Hon’ Secretary, ITTA proposed a vote of thanks. Shri. Agarwal thanked all the Directors and ITTA members who were present in the AGM. He specially thanked the eminent speakers for making the presentation.