

13th Annual General Meeting of Indian Technical Textile Association - FY 2023-2024

The Indian Technical Textile Association (ITTA) is pleased to provide an overview of the key outcomes and highlights from its 13th Annual General Meeting (AGM), held on 25th September 2023 at the Orchid Hotel, Mumbai.

The meeting was conducted under the Chairmanship of Shri. Amit Agarwal. The AGM was conducted as per the program circulated to all stakeholders. Dr. Anup Rakshit, Executive Director, ITTA, welcomed ITTA Members, the Chief Guest, Directors of ITTA, Eminent Speakers & representatives of the Press present in the meeting.

The meeting was graced by the honourable Shri. S. P. Verma, Addl. Textile Commissioner & Secretary- Textile Committee, Ministry of Textiles (MoT), GoI as the Chief Guest. He acknowledged the significant growth potential within the technical textiles sector and commended ITTA for fostering industry interactions. He highlighted the importance of addressing industry challenges through research and development collaborations. Shri. Verma encouraged the industry to invest in technical textiles and undertake new R&D projects under the National Technical Textile Mission (NTTM), assuring full support from the textile ministry. Additionally, he stressed the need to reduce bottlenecks and enhance facilitation processes to make exports more competitive. Shri. Verma emphasized the opportunities for joint ventures and innovations to bridge technological gaps in the sector.



Shri. S. P. Verma addressing the delegates

The “Father of Technical Textiles”, Shri. Yogesh Kusumgar, Chairman, Kusumgar Corporates Pvt. Ltd. was felicitated with The Lifetime Achievement Award in the Technical Textile Industry. This award serves as a testament to his unwavering commitment and extraordinary impact on the technical textile industry.



Shri. Yogesh Kusumgar was honoured with The Lifetime Achievement Award



In his address, Chairman Shri. Agarwal expressed deep gratitude to the Ministry of Textiles for their unwavering support and encouragement in propelling the Technical Textile (TT) sector towards holistic growth. He emphasized the significant role played by ITTA and the support received in organizing conferences and exhibitions under NTTM scheme. ITTA also represents numerous policy-making bodies of the Government of India. The Chairman also highlighted the impact of recent government schemes such as the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Textiles, PM MITRA Scheme, and NTTM, which are expected to stimulate the

growth of the Technical Textile Industry. He urged that Govt. may consider extending the period of NTTM scheme for 2 years which will enable the industry to utilize the funds effectively which are allocated by NTTM.

BUSINESS SESSION -

Shri. Avinash Misar, Vice Chairman, ITTA conducted the Business Session and the following decisions were taken-

1. ITTA Members unanimously passed - the Directors' Report & Audited Balance Sheet for the FY 2022-23; agreed to appoint M/s. Maitra & Chopra, Chartered Accountants, as Auditors for FY 2023-24.

2. Announcement of new Board of Directors for FY 2023-24 -

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

SR NO	NAME OF DIRECTOR	COMPANY NAME	DESIGNATION
1	SHRI. AVINASH MISAR	TEXPORT SYNDICATE INDIA LTD.	CHAIRMAN
2	SHRI. MAHESH KUDAV	VENUS SAFETY & HEALTH PVT. LTD.	VICE-CHAIRMAN
3	SHRI. VIKRAM JAIN	SBT TEXTILES PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
4	SHRI. ANJANI PRASAD	ARCHROMA INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
5	SHRI. GAURAV JAIN	E.I. DUPONT INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
6	DR. DHAVAL PATEL	NIKOL ADVANCE MATERIALS PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
7	SHRI. SHRAMIK MASTURLAL	MASTURLAL PRIVATE LTD.	DIRECTOR
8	SHRI. ANKUR KOTHARI	KUSUMGAR CORPORATES PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
9	SHRI. UDAY K S	SRF LTD.	DIRECTOR
10	SHRI RAKESH MEHRA	TESCA TEXTILES & SEAT COMPENENTS INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR
11	SHRI. KAPIL BAHETI	SHUBH SWASAN INDIA PVT. LTD.	DIRECTOR

3. Announcement of Ex- Officio Member to the ITTA Board -

The list of Two Ex-Officio Member to the ITTA board for one year is given below -

1	SHRI. AMIT AGARWAL	CTM TECHNICAL TEXTILES LTD.	EX-OFFICIO MEMBER
2	DR. SUNDARARAMAN K. S.	SHIVA TEXYARN LTD.	EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

4. Announcement of Special Invitees to the ITTA Board -

The list of Six Special Invitees to the ITTA board for one year is given below -

1	SHRI. NIRAV MEHTA	DIMA PRODUCTS	SPECIAL INVITEE
2	SHRI. ADITYA MEHTA	MECORDS INDIA PVT. LTD.	SPECIAL INVITEE
3	SHRI. KARTHIK KUMAR SUNDARAJ	SIVSHREE MEDITTEX (INDIA) PVT. LTD.	SPECIAL INVITEE
4	SHRI. SIDDHARTH GUPTA	BARNET INDIA MARKETING & DISTRIBUTION LLP	SPECIAL INVITEE
5	SHRI. VIVEK KULKARNI	GARWARE TECHNICAL FIBRES LIMITED	SPECIAL INVITEE
6	SHRI. AMIT JAIN	SHINGORA TEXTILES LTD.	SPECIAL INVITEE

During the AGM, new ITTA Board was formed wherein Shri. Avinash Misar, Director & CEO, Texport Syndicate India Ltd., formally took over as the Chairman of ITTA and Shri. Mahesh Kudav, Managing Director, Venus Safety & Health Pvt. Ltd. was elected as the Vice Chairman of ITTA.



Shri. Avinash Misar, Chairman, ITTA



Shri. Mahesh Kudav, Vice-Chairman, ITTA

Shri Amit Agarwal continues to be the ex-member of the Board and will be a guiding force of the association along with Dr. Sundararaman K. S (Ex- Officio Member).

During the welcome address, Dr. Anup Rakshit, ED-ITTA highlighted key developments of over the past year. Notably the National Technical Textile Mission (NTTM) Scheme has approved 109 research projects in various technical textile domains, amounting to Rs. 336 Crores, with more projects under consideration. Quality Control Orders (QCOs) were also a focus, with 19 items notified under Geotextiles and 12 items under Protective Textiles. Several other items are under consideration across different technical textile verticals.



KNOWLEDGE SESSION -

The AGM also featured a knowledge session aimed at providing valuable insights and industry expertise with two insightful presentations:

- a) "Concepts on Sustainability and Circular Economy for Technical Textile Industry" by Shri. Miklesh Goel, Director PWM-EPR, JB Ecotex Ltd. highlighted sustainability principles, recycling PET bottles, and the importance of RPET as a sustainable raw material.
- a) "Diverse Applications of Industrial Yarn and Nonwoven - Oerlikon Innovative Technologies & Solutions" presented by Shri. Shridhar Dhumal and Shri. Sudipto Mandal from Oerlikon Textile India Pvt. Ltd. covered various technologies and applications in the man-made fibre and nonwoven industry.



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Shri Anil Kumar Vasupillai, Additional Executive Director, ITTA, extended a vote of thanks to all the attendees and invitees, reaffirming ITTA's commitment to being the voice of the Indian Technical Textile industry and collaborating with the government on policy initiatives.

