

# INDIA TEXTILES AND APPAREL FAIR (ITAF)

15<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) – 17<sup>th</sup> (Friday) March 2023

Ruby Hall, Hotel Marriott, Jaipur, Rajasthan

**Theme:**

***Sustainability in Textile & Apparel Value Chain***

## PROGRAMME

(Wednesday) 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1015 – 1100 Hrs	<b>INAUGURAL SESSION</b>	
	Welcome Address	<b>Dr. S.N. Modani</b> Chairman, Rajasthan Textile Mills Association
	Address	<b>Shri T. Rajkumar</b> Chairman, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI)
	<b>Inauguration of ITAF by the Chief Guest</b>	
	Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest	<b>Shri Rajiv Arora</b> Chairman, Rajasthan Export Promotion Council
	Vote of Thanks	<b>Shri Rakesh Mehra</b> Deputy Chairman, CITI & Chairman, Banswara Syntex Ltd.
1100 Hrs.: BREAK		

# 3<sup>rd</sup> GLOBAL TEXTILE CONCLAVE (GTC)

15<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) – 17<sup>th</sup> (Friday) March 2023  
Ruby Hall, Hotel Marriott, Jaipur, Rajasthan

**Theme:**  
***Strategies for Balancing Sustainability & Profitability in Textile Value Chain***  
**PROGRAMME**

(Wednesday) 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1100 – 1200 Hrs	<b>Theme SESSION: <i>Strategies for Balancing Sustainability &amp; Profitability in Textile Value Chain</i></b>	
	Welcome Address	<b>Mr. T. Rajkumar</b> Chairman, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI)
	Presentation	<b>Dr. Suraj Bahirwani</b> President and Global Sales Head Grasim Industries. Pulp & Fibre, Aditya Birla Group
	Address by	<b>Mr. Manoj Kumar Patodia</b> Past Chairman, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL)
		<b>Mr Naveen Sainani</b> Jt Hon Gen Secretary The Clothing Manufacturers' Association of India (CMAI)
	Vote of Thanks	<b>Dr. S.N. Modani</b> Chairman, Rajasthan Textile Mills Association
1200 Hrs.: TEA BREAK		

**(Wednesday) 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**1210 – 1310 HRS - SESSION 1:  
TRENDS ON FIBRE VALUE CHAIN – EXPORTS & DOMESTICS**

Discussion Points:

- What is the outlook for the fibre trade and usage in the next decade?
- Throw some light on the new innovations in the man-made fibre space.
- With sustainability concerns, do you think synthetic fibres are evolving to cater and stay on the growth path?
- While polyester demand is consistently high the use of recycled polyester is also increasing. What are your thoughts?
- What do you feel is the scope of recycled cotton fibres in the global and domestic markets?
- How do you anticipate Indian brands on their adoption of synthetic and natural fibres?
- With active wear on the rise, what role does this industry play in the overall fibre market evolution?

1210 Hrs\		
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Amit Gugnani Senior Partner, Fashion & Textile, Technopak Advisors
	Panellists	Mr. Uday Gill ITMF Board Member and Chief Strategy Officer, Indorama, Thailand
		Mr. Basrie Kamba President Director Asia Pacific Rayon (APR), Indonesia
		Mr. Updeep Singh President & CEO Sutlej textiles and Industries Ltd
Mr. Elangovan Viswanathan Vice President, Tiruppur Exporters' Association CEO, SNQS Internationals		
1300 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1310 HRS: LUNCH BREAK		

(Wednesday) 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1400 – 1500 HRS		
SESSION 2: INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN INDIA FOR GLOBAL T&C VALUE CHAIN		
1400 Hrs	Chairman	Smt. Shankuntala Rawat Hon'ble Industries Minister Government of Rajasthan
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderators	Mr. Nikit Popli, Partner Indirect Tax, KPMG in India  Ms. Sonam Bhandari Chartered Accountant, Director, B S R & Company
	Panellists	Mr. Om Kasera, IAS Commissioner, Bureau of Investment Promotion Govt. of Rajasthan
Ms. Bhavna Rathee Assistant Vice President Invest India		
1450 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1500 HRS: BREAK		
1500 Hrs	Presentation: The Future of Materials	Ms. Nia Silva Materials Director, Fashion Snoops, USA
1515 HRS: BREAK		
1515 – 1550 HRS		
SESSION 3: INDIA – UAE - FOSTERING ECONOMIC TIES		
1515 Hrs	Welcome Address	Mr. Nimesh Karwanyun Board Member, UAE – India Business Council (UIBC) and CEO-India, First Abu Dhabi Bank (FAB)
1525 Hrs	Special Address	Mr. Bipin Menon Development Commissioner, Noida Special Economic Zone Chairman & CEO, Noida SEZ Authority
1535 Hrs	Address	Mr. Ankur Gupta Partner, SW India
1545 Hrs	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Mukesh Kalra, Head – Business Development, UIBC

<b>1600 – 1700 HRS</b> <b>INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL</b> Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, Commerce and Industry and Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution		
1600 Hrs	Welcome Address	<b>Shri T. Rajkumar</b> Chairman Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI)
1610 Hrs	Inauguration of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Global Textiles Conclave and Keynote Address by the Chief Guest	<b>Shri Piyush Goyal</b> Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution
1625 Hrs		Q&A Session
<b>TEA BREAK</b>		

1700 Hrs	<b>Meeting of the Committee of RTMA</b> at Amber Hall (Restricted for RTMA Members)
1800 Hrs	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Committee of CITI &amp; CITI-CDRA</b> at Amber Hall (Restricted for Committee / YEG and Special Invitees)
1900 Hrs	<b>Meeting of Textile Sector Skill Council</b> at Amber Hall (Restricted for Board Members and Special Invitees)
2000 Hrs	Dinner at Amber Hall

(Thursday) 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1000 Hrs	Welcome Address & Highlights of Day 1	
1015 – 1130 HRS		
SESSION 4: SUSTAINABLE TEXTILES: RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION		
Discussion Points:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you interpret by Sustainable Development Goal no 12 on Responsible Consumption and Production?</li><li>• What initiatives have your company taken and what is the progress?</li><li>• Any successful initiatives have you witnessed in Indian context,</li><li>• What about the companies involved in domestic supply chains? How do we motivate them to act on SCP?</li><li>• What barriers do you face in achieving a circular and collaborative business models?</li><li>• Where do you see the fashion industry heading towards in terms of sustainability?</li></ul>		
1015 Hrs		
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Dr. Rajesh Bheda Principal & CEO Rajesh Bheda Consulting Pvt. Ltd
	Panellists	Dr. Suraj Bahirwani President and Global Sales Head Grasim Industries Limited Pulp & Fibre, Aditya Birla Group
		Ms. Bhavna Rathee Assistant Vice President Invest India  Presentation: Sustainability Initiatives in Textiles
		Mr. Subhasis Basu Sr. General Manager LNJ Denim-unit of RSWM Ltd
		Mr. Divesh Kumar Senior Technologist, Tesco International Sourcing
Mr. Peush Narang Programme Representative – India & Sri Lanka, Cotton Council International cottonusa.org		
1120 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1130 HRS: TEA BREAK		

(Thursday) 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1145 – 1300 HRS SESSION 5: TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION		
Discussion Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sustainability &amp; Digitalization</li><li>• Disruptive technologies</li></ul>		
1145 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Navdeep Sodhi Partner, Gherzi Textil Organisation AG Switzerland
	Panellists	Ms. Priyanka Khanna Head of Asia Expansion Fashion for Good
		Mr. Vivek Arora DGM - Sales (Domestic) and Marketing, Head North Zone Lakshmi Machine Works Ltd. (LMW)
		Ms. Manisha Saroha Marival Recycling Business Manager, European Center for Innovative Textiles (CETI)
		Mr. Prasanta Deka Head Market India Head Market & Product BG RMS Rieter India Private Limited
		Mr. James Phillips Partner, Gherzi Tekstil Organisation Asean
		Dr. Swapneshu Baser Managing Director Deven Supercriticals Pvt. Ltd.
1250 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1300 HRS: LUNCH BREAK		

(Thursday) 16th March 2023

1400 – 1515 HRS

**SESSION 6: TECHNICAL TEXTILES**

**Discussion Points:**

**Global perspectives**

- Overview of global technical textiles industry
- Global leaders in technical textiles and reasons of their success
- Innovation & trends in the technical textile industry

**Indian perspectives**

- High potential segments for the Indian players
- Strategy to tap those segments – key success factors
- Importance of global collaboration and partnerships
- Role of FDI in the growth of technical textiles
- Potential challenges and mitigation strategies
- Scope of growth for Indian players and way forward

1400 Hrs	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Shri Rajeev Saxena</b> Joint Secretary (Technical Textiles) Ministry of Textiles
	<b>Opening Remarks by the Moderator</b>	<b>Mr. Prashant Agarwal</b> Jt. Managing Director, Wazir Advisors
	<b>Theme Presentation</b>	<b>Mr. Varun Vaid</b> Business Director, Wazir Advisors
	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	
	<b>Panellists</b>	<b>Mr. Uday Gill</b> Chief Strategy Officer, IVL Group and Board Member, Indorama Ventures PCL
		<b>Dr. Thomas Gries</b> Director ITA RWTH Aachen University, Germany – <i>Virtual Attendance</i>
<b>Mr. Sanjay Bhayani</b> Director India Operations Avgol India Pvt Ltd.		
<b>Mr. Avinash Misar</b> Vice Chairman Indian Technical Textile Association (ITTA)		
<b>Dr. Arindam Basu</b> Director General, NITRA		
1500 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1515 HRS: TEA BREAK		



(Thursday) 16th March 2023		
1530 – 1630 HRS SESSION 7: Regional Cooperation Through Textile Trading		
1530 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council
	Panellists	Mr. Danang Girindrawardana Executive Director, API - Indonesia Textile Association
		Ms. Jannatul Ferdous Nipa Vice - President (RMG), Indian Importers Chambers of Commerce & Industry (IICCI), Bangladesh
		Mr. Aseem Kumar Singla Director, Fashion Images Overseas
1615 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1630 HRS: TEA BREAK		

## Awards Night

### CITI Textile Sustainability Award – 2022-23

Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Hotel Marriott - Jaipur

Time	Topic	Speaker
1800 Hrs	Opening Remarks	<b>Shri T Rajkumar</b> Chairman, CITI
1810 Hrs	Address by Jury	<b>Dr Arindam Basu</b> Director General, Northern India Textile Research Assn.
1825 Hrs	<b>Awards Distribution: CITI Birla Economic &amp; Textile Research Foundation Awards – 2022-23</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Award I: Contribution Towards Zero Carbon Mission</li> <li>Award II: Excellence in Water Conservation by Textile Mills</li> </ul>	
1835 - 1915Hrs	<b>Fashion Show – displaying collection based on Sustainability</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apex School of Fashion &amp; Design</li> <li>Poddar Group of Institutions</li> <li>Arch College of Design &amp; Business</li> </ul>	
1915 Hrs	Address	<b>Ms. Sudipta Bhadra</b> Chief Technical Officer International Labour Organisation
1925 Hrs	Address	<b>Ms. Bhavna Rathee</b> Assistant Vice President Invest India
1935 Hrs	Address by Jury	
1945 – 1955 Hrs	<b>CITI Textile Sustainability Awards – 2022-23  Texfash.com – Knowledge Partner</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Award I: Progress Towards Sustainability</li> <li>Award II: Expanding Circularity</li> <li>Award III: Recyclers</li> </ul>	
1955 Hrs	Vote of Thanks	<b>Ms. Chandrima Chatterjee</b> Secretary General, CITI
2000 Hrs	<b>Dinner at Amber Hall</b>	

(Friday) 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1000 Hrs	Welcome Address & Highlights of Day 2	<b>Mr. Ravi Sam</b> Chairman, Southern India Mills Association
1010 Hrs: BREAK		
1015 – 1130 HRS SESSION 8: INCREASING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN IN TEXTILE & APPAREL INDUSTRY		
<b>Discussion Points:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Women in the Workplace: More Women in leadership and managerial roles for a sustainable Apparel and textile industry</li><li>• The importance of Hybrid-work options in Apparel and textile industry</li><li>• Going beyond the traditional job roles - Opportunities for women in supply chain, sales and customer development operations in Apparel and textile industry;</li><li>• Business opportunities for Women in Textile Industry</li><li>• ‘Un-stereotyping’ the advertising campaigns in Apparel and textile industry.</li><li>• Importance of financial services like savings account and insurance for entry-level workers.</li><li>• Access to social protections like pensions, unemployment benefits, maternity protection, and equal pay.</li><li>• Equal access to education, training, new skills, new technologies, management positions, benefits, and entrepreneurship.</li><li>• Importance of Grassroot-level women’s organizations and collectives.</li><li>• Progressive policies and practices in the workplaces and supply chain operations;</li><li>• Promoting rights and safety,</li><li>• Increase the share of corporate, government and institutional procurement secured by women vendors for the ultimate purpose of bringing greater economic benefit to women and their communities.</li></ul>		
1015 Hrs	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Mr. Sandeep Poundrik, IAS,</b> Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Industries, Government of Bihar
	<b>Panel Discussion</b>	
	<b>Opening Remarks by the Moderator</b>	<b>Mr. Rajesh Jain</b> Director, Grant Thornton
	<b>Panellists</b>	<b>Ms. Sudipta Bhadra</b> Chief Technical Officer, International Labour Organization (ILO)
		<b>Ms. Shaonli Chakraborty</b> Director, Upfront
		<b>Ms. Devyani Hari</b> Director - Programmes, Centre for Responsible Business (CRB)
<b>Ms. Shipra Goyal</b> Promoter, Goyal Fashions & MD, Chyrslis		
1120 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1130 HRS: TEA BREAK		

1145 – 1300 HRS		
SESSION 9: SKILLED WORKFORCE FOR STRONG, SUSTAINABLE AND BALANCED GROWTH		
1145 – 1300 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	<b>Dr. Swapna Mishra</b> COO, Textile Sector Skill Council (TSC), India
	Panellists	<b>Dr. J.V. Rao</b> Advisor, Textile Sector Skill Council (TSC), India
		<b>Ms Bia Cunha</b> , Specialist in the textiles, clothing, leather and footwear sector, The International Labour Organization (ILO) - <i>Virtual Attendance</i>
		<b>Dr. Seshadri Ramkumar</b> Professor, Nonwovens & Advanced Materials Laboratory, Texas Tech University - <i>Virtual Attendance</i>
		<b>Mr. Somes Bhaumik</b> V P Operation, TRADC, Birla Cellulose, GRASIM
		<b>Mr Gurpreet Singh</b> CGM – Technical, Vardhman Textiles
		<b>Mr. Padma Raj Keshri</b> Sustainability Expert, Ex Shahi exports, Alumni NID, NIFT, IIM Indore
		<b>Dr. Ritu Pandey</b> Assistant Professor, Department of Textiles & Clothing, Faculty of Home Science, CSAUAT, Kanpur
		<b>Ms. Shubhi Sachan</b> Founder, Material Library of India
1240 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1250 – 1300 Hrs	<b>Presentation:</b> Awareness Programme on Cotton Hedging	<b>Mr. Badruddin Khan</b> AVP - PMT-Agri Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd.
1300 Hrs	Lunch Break	

(Friday) 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
1400 – 1500 HRS		
SESSION 10: TEXTILES & APPAREL INDUSTRY: BEST PRACTICES		
1400 Hrs		
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	<b>Mr. Varun Vaid</b> Business Director, Wazir Advisors Ltd.
	Panellists	<b>Mr. Arhant Nopany</b> Sutlej Textiles and Industries Ltd.
		<b>Mr. Sav Bedi</b> CEO, Fine Spinners Uganda, Head of Strategy, Bedi Investments Group - <i>Virtual Attendance</i>
		<b>Mr. Garvit Sahdev</b> Cofounder, InfiniteX  Presentation
		<b>Mr. Vivek Mehra</b> Chief Strategist & Cofounder, Only Good  Presentation
1455 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	

(Friday) 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023		
<b>1500 – 1545 Hrs</b>	<b>VALEDICTORY SESSION – 3<sup>RD</sup> GLOBAL TEXTILES CONCLAVE 2023</b>	
1500 Hrs	Welcome Address	<b>Mr. T. Rajkumar</b> Chairman, CITI
1510 Hrs	Special Address by the Guest of Honour	<b>Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh</b> Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles and Railways
	On Dais	<b>Mr. Zakir Hussain</b> President, Garment Exporters Association of Rajasthan
		<b>Mr. Updeep Singh</b> President & CEO Sutlej Textiles & Industries Ltd.
1525 Hrs	Curtain Raiser – <b>GTC-2024 Gujarat</b>	<b>Ms. Chandrima Chatterjee</b> Secretary General, CITI
1535 Hrs	Vote of Thanks	<b>Mr. Rakesh Mehra</b> Deputy Chairman, CITI