



11th Asian Textile Conference (ATEXCON)

31st August – 1st September 2023

Hotel Radisson Blu, 164/165, Avinashi Road, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu

**THEME: 2025 AND BEYOND – ASIA, THE GLOBAL HUB FOR TEXTILE
MANUFACTURING & CONSUMERS**

PROGRAMME

DAY 1 – 31 st August 2023		
0930 Hrs.	Registration and Welcoming the Delegates	
1015 – 1130 Hrs.	THEME SESSION: 2025 and beyond – Asia, The Global Hub for Textile Manufacturing & Consumers	
1030 Hrs.	Welcome Address	Mr. T. Rajkumar Chairman, Confederation of Indian Textile Industry (CITI)
1040 Hrs.	Theme Presentation	Mr. Navdeep Sodhi, Partner, Gherzi Textil Organisation (Knowledge Partner – 11 th ATEXCON)
1100 Hrs.	Keynote Address by the Guest of Honour	Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles and Railways
	On the Dais	Padma Shri Dr. A Sakthivel President, FIEO Mr. Rahul Mehta Chief Mentor, CMAI Mr. Vijay Kumar Agarwal, Vice Chairman, TEXPROCIL Mr. Ravi Sam, Chairman, SIMA Dr. Christian Schindler, DG, ITMF Mr. Ashwin Chandran Vice Chairman, CITI
1120 Hrs.	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Rakesh Mehra Deputy Chairman, CITI
1130 Hrs.: TEA BREAK		

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1145 – 1300 HRS	SESSION I: ENABLING RESILIENT TEXTILE & APPAREL SUPPLY CHAINS	
1145 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Rahul Mehta Past President & Chief Mentor, Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI) & MD, Creative Garments
	Panelists	Mr. Vijay Agarwal Vice Chairman, The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL)
		Mr. Srinivasan Kari President and Chief of Manufacturing and Operations. Page Industries, Jockey India
		Ms. Annika Passii Executive Director – Business Operations, PDS Ltd.
		Mr T. Sivaraman Managing Director Royal Classic Mills Pvt Ltd
	Mr. Subhash Chahar DGM & RM(SRO), Export Credit Guarantee Corporation Ltd (ECGC)	
1245 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1300 Hrs.: LUNCH BREAK		



1430 – 1600 HRS		
SESSION: REGIONAL COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT		
1430 Hrs	Chairperson of the Session	Ms. Roop Rashi Textile Commissioner Government of India
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Dr. Christian Schindler Director General International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF)
	Panelists	Mr. Boobalan Pitchamuthu President Director Texcoms Worldwide Mr. Debasish Kumar Saha CEO, Esquire Group, Bangladesh
1545 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1600 Hrs.: TEA BREAK		

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1615 – 1730 HRS		
SESSION: BRAND TALK		
1615 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Raman Dutta General Secretary Brands & Sourcing Leaders Association
	Panelists	Mr. Tapan Bansal Director Mothercare Sourcing India Pvt Ltd
		Mr. Mohit Mathur Chief Sourcing Officer Ace Turtle
	Dr. Kiruba Devi Head category and sourcing Zivame	
1715 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1730 Hrs.: BREAK		

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INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL
Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles, Commerce and Industry and Consumer Affairs,
Food and Public Distribution

31st August 2023, 1815 – 1950 HRS

18:15 - 18:25	Welcome Address - ATEXCON'23	Shri T Rajkumar Chairman, CITI
18:25 - 18:35	SIMA 90 Years	Shri Ravi Sam Chairman, SIMA
18:35 - 18:45	Honouring of Guests	
18:45 - 18:50	Special Addresses	Shri K Annamalai President, BJP (Tamil Nadu)
18:50 - 18:55		Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan National President, BJP Mahila Morcha MLA, Coimbatore South
18:55 - 19:05	Guest of Honour Addresses	Shri R Gandhi Hon'ble Minister for Handlooms & Textiles, GoTN
19:05 - 19:10		Shri R Sakkarapani Hon'ble Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, GoTN
19:10 - 19:15		Shri S Muthusamy Hon'ble Minister for Housing & Urban Development and Prohibition & Excise, GoTN
19:15 - 19:25		Smt Darshana V. Jardosh Hon'ble Minister of State for Textiles, GoI
19:25 - 19:45		Chief Guest Address
19:45 - 19:50	Vote of Thanks	Shri Rakesh Mehra Deputy Chairman, CITI

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DAY 2 – 1st September 2023		
1015 Hrs	Welcome Address & Highlights of Day 1	Mr. Ravi Sam Chairman, Southern India Mills Association
1030 – 1130 HRS		
SESSION: EMERGING TRENDS & OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MMF BASED VALUE ADDED TEXTILES INCLUDING TECHNICAL TEXTILES		
10.30 Hrs	Chairman of the Session	Mr Rohit Kansal, IAS Additional Secretary Ministry of Textiles
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Prashant Agarwal Jt. Managing Director, Wazir Advisors
	Panelists	Mr. Bhadresh Dodhia Chairman, The Synthetic & Rayon Textiles Export Promotion Council (SRTEPC)
		Mr. T. Murugan Global Business Development Head Grasim Industries Limited Pulp & Fibre Aditya Birla Group
Shri K.M. Subramanian President -TEA K.M. Knitwear Pvt. Ltd.		
	Dr S K Sundararaman Managing Director Shiva Texyarn Ltd.	
11.20 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
11.30 HRS: TEA BREAK		

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1145 – 1300 HRS		
SESSION: COLLABORATING WITH INDIA: INVITING STATE PARTNERS WITH PM MITRA MEGA TEXTILE PARKS		
1145 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Navdeep Sodhi Partner, Gherzi Textil Organisation
	Panelists	Dr. M Vallalar, IAS Textile Commissioner, Government of Tamil Nadu
		Mr. A. Jeyamohan MD, ICI Projects,
		Mr. Ramanathan V. Executive Director, Silk Park, Kanchipuram
Dr. K. Selvaraju Secretary General, SIMA		
1255 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
13.00 HRS: LUNCH BREAK		

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1400 – 1530 HRS		
SESSION: GREEN REVOLUTION: SCALING SUSTAINABLE TEXTILE & APPAREL MANUFACTURING		
Discussion Points:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways to Achieve Net Zero Emissions & Water Net Zero <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discuss strategies and challenges in transitioning the textile industry towards achieving net-zero carbon emissions and water net zero. ○ Explore the integration of renewable energy sources and sustainable practices in decarbonizing textile manufacturing. • Innovative Green Technologies in Textile Manufacturing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Explore emerging sustainable technologies and their applications in the textile industry. ○ Discuss how these technologies can enhance production efficiency and reduce environmental impact. • Circular Economy & Textile Recycling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discuss the importance of implementing a circular economy approach in the textile sector. ○ Examine effective textile recycling methods and their potential to reduce waste and resource consumption. • Certification & Standards for Sustainable Textiles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Highlight the significance of certifications and sustainable labels for textiles and apparel. ○ Discuss the impact of certified factories on industry practices and consumer preferences. ○ Understand the standards and criteria required for sustainable textile certification. • Negotiating the EU-Green Deal – Impact on Textile Industry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Provide an overview of the EU-Green Deal and its implications for the textile industry. ○ Discuss compliance requirements and potential business opportunities arising from the Green Deal. 		
1400 Hrs	Chairman of the Session	Mr. Dharmendra Pratap Yadav, IAS Principal Secretary, Handloom, Handicrafts, Textiles and Khadi Department Secretariat, Govt. of Tamil Nadu
	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Varun Gulati CEO, India Net Zero Alliance & FirstView Group Media Ventures
	Panelists	Mr. Jayanth Kashyap B Investment Lead, Good Fashion Fund
		Mr. M. Sankar President, Lakshmi Machine Works (LMW)
		Mr. Balakrishna Thoopili AGM, Waaree Energies Ltd.
Mr. Harish Anantharaman Managing Director, Accelerated Cleaning Systems India		
Ms Anjali Krishnan Program Manager, Alternate Materials, IDH		
1505 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	



1545 – 1630 HRS

SESSION: TRENDS, DEVELOPMENTS AND INNOVATIONS IN HOME TEXTILES

Discussion Points:

- Market Dynamics
- New Fabrics and Changing Demand
- Mapping out the new markets`
- Why Indian Home Textile Exporters are Shifting Focus Inwards
- Made-In-India manufacturing solutions for Home Textile Industry
- Responsible sourcing and transparency in the home textile industry
- Home Textiles Growth Trajectory Post Covid-19
- Technological Innovations

1545 Hrs	Panel Discussion	
	Opening Remarks by the Moderator	Mr. Siddharth Rajagopal Executive Director The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL)
	Panelist	Mr. G. Kannappan Chairman & Managing Director Sharadha Terry Products
1610 Hrs	Q&A Session and Summing up by the Moderator	
1620 Hrs	Vote of Thanks : Mr. Ashwin Chandran, Vice Chairman, CITI	

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