



Diamond Jubilee Celebration

INDIAN LEATHER TECHNOLOGISTS' ASSOCIATION



OUR ORGANIZATION

Indian Leather Technologists' Association previously known as Leather Technologists' Association (India) was formed in the year 1950,

under the Presidentship of Prof. B.M.Das and General Secretaryship of Prof. Moni Banerjee. It was incorporated in the year 1957 under Indian Companies Act. Sixty years back the Association prime motto was to weave all segments of people sincerely devoted to the cause of Leather and Allied Technology all around the country. ILTA has members not only in all parts of the country representing every branch of Leather & Allied Industries but also abroad. Through the Regional Centres, the Association strives to bring the Technologists around the country closer together and now have more than 600 members in different categories.

In the past the Association has been headed by many stalwarts, like Padmasri Dr. Y. Nayudamma, Padmasri Nagappa Chettiar, Mr. V.P. Pandit, Mr. S. P. Pandit, Mr. Sanjoy Sen a past IULTCS President who are reckoned with great respect in the Leather Industry.

ILTA represents India and the sole affiliate organization from the country in the "International Union of Leather Technologists and Chemists Societies" the foremost body of its kind in the world since 1956.



SALIENT ACHIEVEMENTS

- ILTA has been publishing a journal. Since January 1952 as "Journal of Leather Technologists' Association (India)" on a quarterly basis. It was converted to bimonthly in the year 1956 and renamed "Journal of Indian Leather Technologists Association (JILTA) and now getting published on monthly basis since 1959 with a world wide circulation.
- It published the 1st All India Directory in 1960-61 for the Leather Industry.
- Other than the publication of Journals & Directories, ILTA has published books like "Analytical Chemistry of Leather Manufacture by Prof. P.K. Sarkar, "An Introduction to the Principles of Leather Manufacture by Prof. S.S.Dutta, "An Introduction to the Principles of Physical Testing of Leather by Prof. S.S.Dutta "Practical Aspects of Upper Leather by Mr. J.M.Dey. "A Comprehensive Book on Footwear Technology by Sri Somenath Ganguly for the benefit of the students and the Industry.
- ILTA with strong support of CLRI organized the International Congress of IULTCS in 1999 in Chennai under the International Presidentship of Sri Sanjoy Sen for the first time not only in India but also in any Asian country. The proceedings of the Congress, titled "Science & Technology for Leather into the Next Millennium" was published on the occasion.
- ILTA in its Golden Jubilee Celebration organized the first South Asian Conference in 2001 in Calcutta. ILTA with the strong support of College of Leather Technology, Calcutta, (now known as Govt. College of Engineering & Leather Technology) organized a National Seminar at Calcutta in 2003 alongwith CLRI, Institute of Chemical Engineers, West Bengal University of Animal Husbandry and Fisheries. Science by bringing different streams of science for a holistic approach for technological advancement.
- On its Foundation day i.e. on 14th August each year it organizes prestigious Prof. B.M.Das Memorial Lecture and 2002 onwards every year on 14th January it organizes Sanjoy Sen Memorial Lectures. On these days the 1st class 1st Gold Medalist students in M. Tech and B. Tech in Leather Technology from Institutes of College of Leather Technology, Calcutta, A.C. College of Engineering, Chennai, Hardcourt Butler Technical Institute, Kanpur and National Institute of Technology, Jalandhar are awarded medals and citations to encourage and motivate the students.
- ILTA organized the first all India Leather and Allied Products Exhibition in India in Indian Museum Hall Calcutta in 1956.
- It has been organizing Leather fairs and exhibitions in different part of the country regularly. "LEXPO" a trade fair on Leather, Leather goods and allied products is being organised in Calcutta, Siliguri, Ranchi, Bhubaneswar, Kanpur etc. since 1977 to create mass awareness about utility of leather and leather products and providing a direct window for interaction among the end users and manufacturers for their self sustainability and development.
- ILTA organizes HRD Programmes for skill and Technological Up gradation (STUP) and artisan and skilled manpower training with the objective of making them self employed and to cater to the Industry in a better way.
- In different times ILTA organizes seminars and workshops to benefit the Industry about technological advancements and developments. Also it offers services to the Union and State Governments in various advisory capacities and is an integral part of Bureau of Indian Standards.
- The members of our Association are attached to different councils and governing bodies of technological institutions where they have commendable contributions. Whenever any technical assistance is required ILTA has always extended the helping hand to the Industry too. Since 1997 ILTA played an important role, being an integral part of the CLC Implementation Committee formed by the State Govt., in giving a final shape to the CLC, its implementation and its inauguration in 2005.
- In the year 2004, ILTA has taken the first initiative to unite the industry on a common platform and played a Pivotal role in formation of CLCTA, taking over some of the important facilities in CLC and running it smoothly with minimum charge.
- Towards its social obligation ILTA has been steadfast in Putting its foot forward for alleviation of miseries whenever a natural calamity has struck whether it is Tsunami, Super Cyclone in Orissa or AILA in West Bengal.
- ILTA, now has its own six storied building beside E. M. Bye Pass, at the heart of the city as a result of relentless and untiring effort by our members with its own office equipped with all communication facilities, conference room, library & archive.



OUR PUBLICATIONS

OUR PROGRAMMES

- **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations :**
14 August, 2010 : Inauguration, *Prof. B.M. Das Memorial Lecture and National Seminar on "Pollution abatement and cleaner Technology"*
12-14 November , 2010 : **8th Asia International Conference on Leather - 2020 Challenges and Opportunities.** An affiliated programme of **I.U.L.T.C.S.**
14 January , 2011 : **Sanjoy Sen Memorial Lecture and National Seminar on "Water & Energy conservation and carbon reduction".**
10 April , 2011 : **Dr. Y. Nayudamma Memorial Lecture and National Seminar on "Banned Chemicals - origin and management".**
13 August, 2011 : *National Seminar on "Standardisation, Designing and marketability of Leather goods and Footwear" and Validictory Programme.*
- Publication of Book on **Treaties on Fatliquors.** written by eminent scientist Dr. Samir Dasgupta.
- Publication of a Book on Footwear.
- Publication of the proceedings of the National & International Conference and Seminars.
- Introducing Dr. Y. Nayudamma Memorial Lecture on 10th of April.
- Organizing **Regional Programme** in South & North India.
- Undertaking more HRD Programme on regular basis.
- Expanding **Lexpo** to different location.
- Creation of an entrepreneur cell.
- Extending our activities in Calcutta Leather Complex.



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