



From the desk of **General Secretary**

14TH PROF. MONI BANERJEE MEMORIAL LECTURE



The event was organized at 03.00 PM (Registration begins at 02.00 PM) on Tuesday the 18th March, 2025 at Seminar Hall – 19A, The Science City, J B S Haldane Avenue, Kolkata – 700 046.

After delivering the introductory speech, Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA, invited the following to garland the portrait of Late Prof. Moni Banerjee.

1. Mr. Arnab Kumar Jha, President, ILTA
2. Mr. Tapas Choudhury, Senior Member of ILTA
3. Mr. Alope Kr. Basu, Senior Member of ILTA
4. Mr. Dhiman Saha, Senior Member of ILTA
5. Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly, Hon'ble Speaker of the day

6. Mr. Gopal Chatterjee, Mrs. Maitreyee Chatterjee & Dr. Chandana Banerjee (Sarkar), family members of Late Prof. Moni Banerjee
7. Mr. Arindam Halder, Representative from CFTC, Budge Budge
8. Mr. Rinsten Dorjee, Representative from FDDI
9. Mr. Pradipta Konar, Representative from Solidaridad
10. Mr. Tapan Nandi, Representative from ILPA
11. Ms. Sufia Tabassum, Winner of Prof. Moni Banerjee Memorial Scholarship from GCELT, Kolkata

After garlanding session, Mr. Arnab Jha, President, ILTA and Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly, Consultant & Technical Advisor, were requested to take their seats on the dais and Mr. Jha was requested to deliver the Welcome Address. Mr. Jha in his address briefly recalled the life history and achievements of Late Prof. Moni Banerjee and welcomed all the participants.

Name of the recipients of Moni Banerjee Memorial Medals then declared and medals & certificates were handed over to them as stated below: -

- 1) Mr. Abeer Saifi, Topper, Diploma in Footwear Manufacture & Designer Course Examination, 2024, Central Footwear Training Institute, Agra, U.P., was unable to attend (his Medal & Certificate will be sent by speed post).
- 2) Mr. Amarta Sen, Topper, B. Des. in Footwear Design & Production Examination, 2024, Footwear Design & Development Institute, Kolkata Campus, received the Medal & Certificate from Mr. Arnab Kumar Jha.
- 3) Ms. Sarah Mullamithawala, Topper, B. Des. in Fashion Designing Examination, 2024, Footwear Design & Development Institute, Kolkata Campus, received the Medal & Certificate from Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly.
- 4) Ms. Kavinmalar M A, Topper, B. Des. in Leather Goods & Accessories Design Examination, 2024, Footwear Design & Development Institute, Kolkata Campus, received the Medal & Certificate from Mr. Arnab Kumar Jha.

- 5) Miss Tithi Das, Topper, Diploma in Leather Goods Technology Examination, 2024, Central Footwear Training Centre, Budge Budge, West Bengal, received the Medal & Certificate from Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly.
- 6) Mr. Suvam Adhikary, Topper, Diploma in Footwear Technology Examination, 2024, Central Footwear Training Centre, Budge Budge, West Bengal, received the Medal & Certificate from Mr. Arnab Kumar Jha.
- 7) From the year 2023 a Scholarship in the name of late Prof. Moni Banerjee has been introduced. A selection committee consisting of three members with Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, Principal, GCELT, Mr. Gopal Chatterjee, Son-In-Law of late Prof. Moni Banerjee and Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA was formed for the purpose.

Miss Sufia Tabassum, Student of B.Tech., Leather Technology stream of Govt. College of Engineering & Leather Technology, Kolkata, was nominated as the recipient the Prof. Moni Banerjee Scholarship, 2024-25. She received the award from Dr. Chandana Banerjee (Sarkar) & Mr. Arnab Jha.

Mr. Mallick thereafter requested Mr. Arnab Jha to greet Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly, Speaker of the day with a flower bouquet.

Mr. Jha then introduced Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly to the gathering and requested him to deliver the 14th Prof. Moni Banerjee Memorial Lecture titled “*Footwear Industry of West Bengal*”. On conclusion of the lecture, Mr. Ganguly was presented a Memento and Citation by Mr. Susanta Mallick & Mr. Arnab Kumar Jha.

Mr. Susanta Mallick then proposed the Vote of Thanks to the Speaker, Members, Faculties and Students of GCELT, CFTC, CFTI & FDDI and dignitaries from the industry. He also paid heartfelt thanks to the family members of Late Prof. Moni Banerjee for their kind presence and participation in the event and also the Science City authority for their kind support to organize the event in their Seminar Hall as the Venue. Wishing a bright future to the award winners, Mr. Mallick requested all present to proceed to outside of seminar hall for tea & refreshments.

More than 100 participants joined the program.

The whole program would be available on the YouTube Channel, Facebook Page and website of ILTA soon.

DETAILS OF VARIOUS SUB-COMMITTEES FOR THE TERM 2024-2026

The Executive Committee of ILTA in it's 566th Meeting held on 18th October, 2024 have proposed to form sub-committees to conduct various future activities during the term 2024-2026. However, in the 567th Meeting held on 5th December, 2024, the Executive Committee of ILTA have finalized forming of various sub-committees along with their Co-ordinators & Members. Details of the Committees are as follows :

1. Estate Management Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Bibhas Chandra Jana

Members

Mr. Keshab Chandra Mondal
Mr. Laxminarayan Sahoo
Mr. Aniruddha De

Scope to assignments

- a) Statutory obligations – Building maintenance, Electrification, Generator, Fire Safety, Lift etc.
- b) Property Tax related matters
- c) Beautification of ILTA Building
- d) Building related all works including tenants

2. Regional Activities Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Pradipta Konar

Proposed Members

To be selected from concerned Regional Committees

Scope to assignments

- a) Activities in regions to activate the Regional Committee
- b) Bank Account in region
- c) At least One Memorial Lecture per region
- d) Open Regional Office

3. Finance Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Aniruddha De

Members

Mr. Kaushik Bhuiyan
Mr. Laxminarayan Sahoo
Mr. Keshab Chandra Mondal
Mr. Bibhas Chandra Jana

Scope to assignments

- a) Tenants related matters
- b) To manage the tenants and their timely payment

- c) To reduce our financial dependency on rent & interest
- d) To find other source of income like advertisement in JILTA, sponsorship for our events etc.

4. Projects in Calcutta Leather Complex Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Susanta Mallick

Members

Mr. Keshab Chandra Mondal
Mr. Pradipta Konar
Mr. Abhijit Das
Mr. Kunal Naskar
Mr. Kanak Kumar Mitra

Scope to assignments

- a) To buy a land approx. 2,000 sq. mtr. in Leather Complex
- b) To prepare a project report with our activities for this project
- c) To work with GCELT to install a common facility center in the heart of the leather complex in TTSC building
- d) To make an auditorium for holding our events & also of others for numerous activities
- e) To take up activities for the welfare of our members at the Leather Complex

5. Membership Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Abhijit Das

Members

Mr. Bibhas Chandra Jana
Mr. Dipayan Adhikary
Mr. Amit Kumar Mondal
Mr. Kunal Naskar
Mr. Ajay Kumar Mishra

Scope of Assignments

- a) To increase Membership Strength with effective members
- b) To increase the Life Membership Fees
- c) To collect Company Membership – to reach more to the industry
- d) Annual Fee for Ordinary Membership to be revised

6. Seminars & Workshops Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Satyanarayan Maitra

Members

Mr. Suprabhat Jatty
Mr. Amit Kumar Mondal
Mr. Ajay Kumar Mishra

Scope of Assignments

- a) One event per month on relevant topic by ILTA alone or jointly with other Associations / Organizations / Institutes etc. should be organized
- b) Re-structuring the Memorial Lectures Venues

7. HRD & Social Welfare Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Ratan Chowdhury

Members

Mr. Kaushik Bhuiyan
Mr. Abhijit Das
Mr. Dipayan Adhikary

Scope of Assignments

- a) Motivational Lectures for Career Building – speech by managerial people
- b) Practical Knowledge Enhancement – speech by industry people
- c) At least, one lecture per month on the above topics
- d) Medical Camp, Health Talk, Medical Workshop
- e) Employment Cell
- f) A permanent space in the Leather Complex for our members to interact and to hold business meets etc.

8. JILTA Sub Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Dr. Goutam Mukherjee

Members

Mr. Jayanta Chaudhuri
Mr. Diganta Ghosh

Scope of Assignments

- a) Effective Editorial Board
- b) Peer Review Committee
- c) Upgradation of Content
- d) More interesting for readers including Industry & Economics
- e) Advertisement for JILTA to make it economically self sufficient

9. Digitalization of ILTA Publications Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Kunal Naskar

Members

Mr. Ratan Chowdhury
Mr. Dipayan Adhikary

Scope of Assignments

- a) All Publications of ILTA
- b) Restructuring our website

- c) Uploading of all our activities in the website
- d) Digitalization of all Books & JILTA, for all Libraries, Institutes, Association etc.

10. Platinum Jubilee Celebration Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo

Members

Mr. Arnab Jha
Mr. Susanta Mallick
Dr. K. J. Sreeram
Dr. S. Rajamani
Mr. N. R. Jagannathan
Dr. Swarna V. Kanth
Mr. Pulok Mazumder
Mr. J. P. Saraswat

Scope of Assignments

- a) Advance Planning for 75th Foundation Day Celebration.
- b) Curtain Raising Program of the 14th AICLST
- c) All other related jobs regarding the Year-long celebration program.

11. 14th Asian Congress (AICLST) Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Arnab Jha

Members

Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo
Mr. Susanta Mallick
Dr. K. J. Sreeram
Dr. S. Rajamani

Scope of Assignments

- a) Details Planning for Asian Congress & execution
- b) Finding out the Venues
- c) Fixing the Dates of the congress
- d) Other Logistic activities regarding organizing the event.

12. LEXPO Sub-Committee:

Co-Ordinator

Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo

Members

Mr. Tapan Nandi
Mr. Aniruddha De
Mr. Bibhas Chandra Jana

Scope of Assignments

- a) Explore possibilities of holding any fare like LEXPO which will be attractive for common people and will meet our objective to promote the industry.

14TH ASIA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LEATHER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (AICLST)

ILTA is going to organize the 14th Asia International Conference on Leather Science & Technology (AICLST) in the year 2026 at Kolkata, India.

ILTA will also organize it's Platinum Jubilee Celebration in 2025.

Planning and details of both the programs will be shared in due course.

HEALTH CARE BENEFIT FOR ILTA MEMBERS

ILTA has taken an initiative to introduce Health Care Benefits for all the Members of the Association in collaboration with M/s Narayana Health, Kolkata. Initially the scheme is applicable for the members of Eastern Region only as the Pilot Project.

For benefits and other details about this project, you may kindly follow the HRD Corner.

DIGITALIZATION OF ILTA PUBLICATIONS

ILTA is going to launch a digital platform for availing all its publications including Text Books, JILTA and other publications online.

Work on this project is under process. The details of the same will be published very soon.

IDENTITY CARD FOR LIFE MEMBERS OF ILTA

The Executive Committee of ILTA has decided to issue a unique Plastic Identity Card to all the Life Member of ILTA against their Membership.

Hence, all the Life Members are advised to send the following information through official Email ID - **admin@iltaonleather.org** and/or WhatsApp No. - **9432553949** to ILTA office as soon as possible.

- 1) Name of the Member (In capital letter)
- 2) Full Residential Address of the Member
- 3) AADHAR No. of the Member
- 4) Blood Group of the Member
- 5) A HD quality Photo of the Member
- 6) Mobile No. of the Member
- 7) Email ID of the Member

YOUTUBE CHANNEL & FACEBOOK PAGE OF ILTA

You are requested to kindly **Like & Subscribe** the official YouTube Channel of ILTA namely **ILTA Online** and **Follow** the FaceBook Page of ILTA namely **Indian Leather Technologists' Association** to get regular updates on the activities of our Association.

You may find all the Lives / Video recordings of different Seminar, Symposiums & Webinars on both of these Social Media Channels along with our website www.iltaonleather.org time to time.

PUBLISH YOUR TECHNICAL ARTICLE

Faculties, Research Scholars and Students of various Leather Institutes may wish to publish their Research / Project papers in an Article form in this monthly technical journal, JILTA.

We use to offer an honorarium of Rs.1,000/- per article / per issue, against any article selected for publication.

Interested author may sent their paper (in MS Word format) along with a PP Photograph and Contact details like Email, Mobile etc. to our email IDs: admin@iltaonleather.org / mailtoilta@rediffmail.com

Members are requested to :-

- a) Kindly inform us your '**E-Mail ID**', '**Contact No**', & '**Current Address**', through E-Mail to admin@iltaonleather.org / mailtoilta@rediffmail.com or over Telephone Nos.: **24413429 / 24413459**. This will help us to communicate you directly without help of any outsiders like Postal Department / Courier etc.
- b) Kindly mention your **Membership No.** (If any) against your each and every communication, so that we can locate you easily in our record.

RECEIVING PRINTED COPY OF JILTA EVERY MONTH

We have started to post Printed copy of JILTA from April' 2022 to members and all concerned as it was before Covid period. Simultaneously we have been sending the e-copy of JILTA through email also to all the concerned receivers.

If you are not receiving JILTA by Post or through email, may please verify your Postal Address and/or Email Id with our office at the earliest.

General Secretary and the Members of the Executive Committee are available to interact with members at 18.30 hrs, at our Registered Office on every Thursday

Snapshots of 14th Prof. Moni Banerjee Memorial Lecture



