From the desk of General Secretary

68th Foundation Day Celebration

Above was organized at the Auditorium of Freya Design Studio, Kolkata Leather Complex on Tuesday the 14th August, 2018.

The programme commenced with Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA requesting the following dignitaries to please take their seats on the dias -

1. Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray, IIT, Kharagpur & former Director, IIEST, Shibpur
2. Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee, President, Calcutta Management Association & Council Member, AIMA
3. Mr. Adhar Sahni, President, ILPA
4. Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA

Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray was presented a bouquet and a shawl by Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA.

Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee was greeted with a bouquet and a shawl by Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, Principal, Govt. College of Engineering & Leather Technology, Kolkata.

Mr. Adhar Sahni, President, ILPA was greeted with a bouquet and a shawl by Mr. B. C. Jana, Joint Secretary, ILTA.

The portrait of late Prof. B. M. Das was then garlanded by the following :-

1. Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA
2. Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray
3. Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee
4. Mr. Adhar Sahni
5. Mr. Shiladitya Denchoudhury, Joint Secretary, ILTA
6. Mr. Swapan Kumar Basu, a senior member of ILTA
7. Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, Officer - in - Charge, GCELT, Kolkata
8. Mr. Kanjilal, representative from CFTC, Budge Budge
9. Dr. Dipankar Chaudhuri, representative from RCED, CLRI, Kolkata
10. Mr. Patrick Lee, representative from industry

G.S. then announced the names of the award winners and requested them to come to the dias to receive their awards.

a) Mr. S. Ramanathan – Winner of B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in B.Tech, Leather Technology examination of Anna University in 2018 received the award from Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray.

b) Mr. B. Ashokkumar – Winner of B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M.Tech, Leather Technology examination of Anna University in 2018 received the award from Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee.

c) Miss N. S. Shailakshmi - Winner of B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M.Tech, Footwear Science & Engineering examination of Anna University in 2018 received the award from Mr. Adhar Sahni.

d) Miss Bilkish Begum – Winner of B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M.Tech, Leather Technology examination of Moulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal in 2017 received the award from Mr. Adhar Sahni.

e) Mr. Shubham De - Winner of both B. M. Das Memorial Medal & J. M. Dey Memorial Medal for securing 1st class 1st position in B.Tech, Leather Technology examination of Moulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal in 2018, received the awards from Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty and Dr. Goutam Mukherjee respectively.

f) Dr. V. Vijayabaskar, Mr. J. K. Basu & Mr. J. Ayanthu Chaudhuri - Winner of J. Sinha Roy Memorial Award for their article titled “Novel Surfactants in Leather Processing” published in April, 2017 issue of JILTA adjudged the Best of
all articles published in JILTA in calendar year 2017 by a committee consisting of Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, Principal, GCELT and Dr. Dipankar Chaudhuri, Scientist & Head, RCED, CLRI, Kolkata, received the Certificates and the Award from Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kr. Ray.

Award Winners Mr. B. Ashokkumar from Chennai and Miss Bilkish Begum from Kolkata then made presentations after which G.S. requested Dr. V. Vijayabaskar to address the gathering.

G.S. then requested Mr. Adhar Sahni to address the gathering, Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo handed over a memento to Mr. Sahni after the address.

Above was followed by the lecture titled “Leadership & Motivation in today’s Socio-Economic Scenario” by Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee. After the lecture, a memento was handed over to Prof. Banerjee by Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty.

Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo then introduced Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray to the gathering and requested him to deliver the prestigious B. M. Das Memorial Lecture titled “A Brief History of Industrialization of India - past, present and future”.

A memento was handed over to Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray by Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo after the lecture.

Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA then offered Vote of Thanks by expressing gratitude to Padmashri Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray, Prof. Asok Kumar Banerjee and Mr. Adhar Sahni who spared their valuable time to be amongst us today. Gratitude was also expressed to Dr. V. Vijayabaskar, Members, Guests, Students for their kind presence. ILPA & Freya Design Studio were thanked for extending necessary help and co-operation. A bright future was wished for the Award Winners.

Remembering those dedicated Members who were the pillars for the successive journey of our Association, G.S. invited all present to Lunch served in the adjacent dinning hall.

60th Annual General Meeting

Above is scheduled to be held at 03.00 PM on Saturday the 29th September, 2018 at the Auditorium of Indian Science Congress Association, 14, Dr. Biresh Guha Street, Kolkata - 700 017. Notice of the AGM with further details will be posted in the first week of September, 2018.

LEXPO Siliguri - XXV

The next LEXPO at Siliguri will be the 25th in series. We have already applied to the competent authority for allocation of Kanchanjungha Krirangan adjacent ground from around the middle of December, 2018 for organizing Silver Jubilee of LEXPO at Siliguri.

Kerala Flood Relief:

The Executive Committee in an Emergency Meeting convened on Tuesday 21st September, 2018 decided that ILTA will donate a sum of rupees One lakh towards relief of several lakhs of people of Kerala affected by the worst flood of the century.

It may be recalled that our Association has always contributed to the cause of relief to the people affected by any natural calamity like Aila, earthquake in Nepal, Tsunami in Chennai etc.

With profound grief and a heavy heart we announce the sad demise of B. N. Mondal, a life member and ex-General Secretary (1995) of our Association.

In August we received a telephone call from late Mondal’s son advising us of his father’s demise on 27.05.2018.

May his soul rest in peace and May God give strength to the members of the bereaved family to bear the irreparable loss.
You are requested to:

a) Kindly inform us your ‘E-Mail ID’, ‘Mobile No’, ‘Land Line No’, through E-Mail ID: admin@iltaonleather.org or over Telephone Nos. : 24413429 / 3459 / 7320. 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.

(Susanta Mallick)
General Secretary

Executive Committee Members meet every Thursday at 18-30 hrs. at ILTA Office. Members willing to participate are most welcome.