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## Appeal to Members to update Change of Address

Dear Members,

Please update your change of Address alongwith your contact details, mobile, e-mail, etc. on the above mentioned address by email, courier, etc. This will enable us to serve you in a better way.

Thanking you in advance for your co-operation.

## EDITORIAL

### Revolutionizing the Textile Industry: The Power of Digital Textile Platforms

The textile industry is undergoing a transformative revolution, thanks to the advent of digital textile platforms. These innovative platforms have disrupted traditional methods of textile production, empowering designers, manufacturers, and consumers alike. With seamless integration of technology, digital textile platforms have unlocked a world of endless possibilities, offering increased efficiency, sustainability, and creativity.

Digital textile platforms have revolutionized the way designers create and collaborate. By providing access to vast libraries of digital designs and patterns, these platforms have opened new avenues for inspiration and creativity. Designers can now experiment with various color palettes, textures, and styles in a virtual environment, eliminating the need for physical samples and reducing waste.

Traditional textile manufacturing is often time-consuming and resource-intensive. However, digital textile platforms have streamlined the manufacturing processes and optimizing efficiency. By digitally mapping out patterns and designs, manufacturers can accurately calculate the required materials, minimizing fabric waste and optimizing production.

Digital textile platforms also enable faster prototyping and sampling, reducing the time it takes to bring a design from concept to market. Manufacturers can now experiment with different iterations and make adjustments swiftly, resulting in shorter lead times and enhanced product development cycles.

The textile industry has long been associated with significant environmental concerns, such as water pollution, chemical usage, and fabric waste. However, digital textile platforms have the potential to address these challenges and promote sustainable practices. By utilizing digital printing technologies, manufacturers can eliminate the need for excessive water consumption and harmful chemicals used in traditional printing methods.

Digital textile platforms have empowered consumers by offering personalized experiences and a direct connection with the products they purchase. With the integration of augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) technologies, consumers can visualize how a particular fabric or design would look in their homes or on their bodies before making a purchase. This enhanced shopping experience not only increases customer satisfaction but also reduces the likelihood of returns, thus contributing to a more sustainable and efficient supply chain.

Additionally, digital textile platforms have facilitated the rise of customized and made-to-order products, enabling consumers to express their individuality. This shift towards personalized fashion promotes conscious consumption and reduces the mass production of clothing items that often end up in landfills.

Digital textile platforms have emerged as a catalyst for change in the textile industry, revolutionizing the way designs are created, manufactured, and consumed. As we embrace the power of digital textile platforms, we must continue to explore their potential, invest in research and development, and collaborate across sectors to create a thriving and sustainable textile ecosystem.

Dr. Vijay Gotmare  
Hon. Editor (Newsletter)



## Conference on

### **“Synergistic strategies for enhancing Textile value chain”**

**12th May 2023 (Friday) at the K. V. Auditorium, ICT-Mumbai**

Department of Fibres and Textile Processing Technology, Institute of Chemical Technology-Mumbai, in association with The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit organized one-day conference on "Synergistic strategies for enhancing Textile value chain" on 12 May, 2023 (Friday) at the K.V. Auditorium, ICT-Mumbai. Smt. Roop Rashi Mahapatra (Textile Commissioner-Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India), was the Chief Guest for the conference.

Prof. Ravindra D. Kale, HoD of the dept welcomed the participants and gave a welcome address. Mr. V. C. Gupte, Chairman, The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit briefed the audience about the need of the event and different activities undertaken by The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit for the larger good of the Indian Textile Industry.

Prof. A. B. Pandit, Vice Chancellor of the ICT set the tone of the conference by stressing the need for synergy in the Textile Processing field. The conference featured speakers from various textile sectors covering a wide range of topics related to the entire textile value chain. It was indeed glad to witness such a huge audience of about 120 attendees consisting of professionals, academicians, and industry stakeholders from various textile industries. Speakers were namely Mr. Laxmish Prabhu (BASF India Ltd.), Mr. Anjani Prasad (Archroma India Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Somes Bhaumik (TRADC, Grasim), Mr. Arindam Dasgupta (Hearth Textiles), Mr. Tirthankar Mukherjee (Welspun India Ltd.). Mr. Kinshuk Dasgupta (BARC) and Mr. Gaurav Agarwal (Grasim Industries Ltd.).



## Events held

Along with their beneficial talk, the conference had a very interesting panel session led by Mr. Umasankar Mahapatra (Pulcra Chemicals India Pvt. Ltd.) with a team of very experienced and diversified industry people as well as an academicians namely Dr. Dileep Wakankar (ChemAssist Knowledge Partners LLP), Mr. Gurudas Aras (Unitop Chemicals Pvt. Ltd), Mr. Manoj Jhaver (DuPont), Mr. Sandeepan Majhi (Pantaloons) and Prof. Ashok R. Athalye (ICT-Mumbai).

Dr. Saptarshi Maiti, Assistant Professor of the Textile Dept, ICT and coordinator proposed the vote of thanks and acknowledged the sponsors of the event, Azelis India, CHT (India) Pvt. Ltd and Archroma India Pvt. Ltd.





# Forthcoming Event

Half Day Seminar on

## INNOVATIONS @ ITMA MILAN 2023

Friday, 7th July 2023

(02.00 PM TO 05.00 PM)

**Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Sabhagruh**

V.J.T.I., H. R. Mahajani Marg, Matunga, Mumbai - 400 019

Jointly organised by:



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Department of Textile Engineering

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Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute  
(Autonomous Institute of Govt. of Maharashtra)

### Chief Guest



**Mr. Ketan B. Sanghvi**  
Hon. Treasurer  
India ITME Society

### Speaker



**Mr. N. D. Mhatre**  
Director General (Tech.)  
ITAMMA

### Speaker



**Mr. Navin P. Agrawal**  
Vice President  
Textile Engg. - Fabric Forming  
A.T.E. Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.

### Speaker



**Dr. Ashok Athalye**  
Professor - Textile Chemistry  
ICT, Mumbai

There is no participation fee, but prior registration is mandatory.

Kindly confirm your participation to TAI, Mumbai Unit before **04.07.2023** by email on **taimumbaiunit@gmail.com**. The participation is on first come first serve basis due to the limited capacity of the venue. Spot registrations shall be entertained based on availability of delegation. The seminar will be followed by **High Tea**.

Looking forward to your kind confirmation and participation.

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# LIVE WEBINAR

## Leveraging Fabric Digitization and 3D Material Creation to Drive Business Growth

THURSDAY, 20TH JULY 2023 | 05.00 PM TO 06.30 PM

### SPEAKER



**Ms. Anoushka Veljee**  
Head of Business  
and Brand Partnership (USA)  
Frontier.cool Inc., Taiwan

### Topics

- Fabric digitization and how to get digital materials
- Adopting a scalable end-to-end material digitization process powered by AI to create and manage your digital material asset
- Improving your global collaboration externally and internally with the functions on the platform
- Promoting an effective linear workflow to save time, cost, and act sustainably with less physical samples shipped and made
- Act sustainably and comply with the industry's environmental standards

Click Link Below

### Registration Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcoc-yrpzopHdyYChvuyNg0qIS9zTGtVgKq>  
(After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar)

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## Late Shri Suresh G. Vaidya

(01.04.1939 - 12.04.2023)

A dynamic personality & an ideal leader Shri Suresh G. Vaidya passed away on Wednesday, 12-04-2023 at the age of 84 years at Pune residence. It is a great loss to all Fellow Textile Fraternity. We all lost a great man, a real gentleman, soft spoken, always smiling approach and inspiration of the textile industry. He was a guide, guru, encouragement and advisor.

Shri Vaidya is L.T.M., B.Text (Textiles) of 1965 Batch from Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute (VJTI), now known as Veer Jijamata Technical Institute. He was a General Secretary (Gymkhana), Secretary Textile Student Association, Secretary Marathi Wangmaya Mandal, Member Social Group. He was a recipient of Lions Club Award for "Most Noteworthy Extra Curricular Activities by a Student of Colleges in Mumbai".

Shri Vaidya has more than 58 years of Shop floor experience in Textile Industry before founding his consulting firm. He was a Founder and independent Director of self employed Vaidya and Associates, Textile and Management Consultant (1979). He has worked on various turnkey projects for reputed companies and also was an independent and Nominee Director on the Boards of more than 40 Public Limited Companies in the field of Textiles, Associations, Educational Institutes, BSE, BTRA, Engineering, Banks and the Financial Institutions in India and Abroad.

He had worked as Chairman of Maharashtra State Textile Corporation Ltd, (MSTC) for 3 years. He was a Director of Vastex Prima Industries, Bandung, Indonesia for 3 years. He was a General Manager for Gokak Mills Division, Gokak Patel Volkart Ltd. For 5 years. He was also responsible for the formation of P.T. Gokak Indonesia and commissioning of P.T. Vastra Indah, Batu, Malang, Indonesia. He was a General Manager for Osmanshai Mills, Nanded for 2 years.

Mr. Vaidya was a Factory Manager of Pratap Mills Ltd. (UAC), Dhule for 2 years, on the deputation for takeover and revival. He was a Special Officer for Raja Bahadur Motilal Poona Mills Ltd. For 3 years. He worked as a Technical Assistant to the Manager in D.B.R. Mills Ltd. He had wide experience of successfully reviving closed and loss making affluent textile mills. He also worked with Victoria Mills Ltd, The Pradip Metals Ltd, Piramal Spinning and Weaving Mills Ltd, Laxmi Vishnu Textile Mills Ltd., Binny Ltd, John Fleming Ltd. etc.

Mr. Vaidya was the recipient of honors and awarded with

- Lifetime Achievement Award issued by The Textile Association (India) in 2022
- Special Appreciation Award issued by ITAMMA in 2021
- Bhishma Pitamaha Award issued by The Textile Association (India) - Ahmedabad Unit during the celebration of its 80 years Anniversary in 2019
- Lifetime Achievement Award issued by The Textile Association (India) – Madhya Pradesh Unit
- ITAMMA felicitated him with 'Special Appreciation award' for his yeoman services to the Association

His contribution to the textile society and more particularly to the TAI Mumbai Unit and the Central is unforgettable. He had a great personality in textile profession and had association with many other institutions and the organizations for more than 5-6 decades. He was a guiding force to TAI and other institutes.

Shri Vaidya was a guiding force and helping nature for many students of VJTI. He was a godfather and an inspiration for many textile professionals. He was a veteran and a stalwart of the textile industry. He used to invite us for meals at CCI and Shivaji Park Gymkhana. He remembers and calls personally to wish us on the Birthdays or Anniversaries. A kind and humble soul, full of humility and always ready to help others.

He was the President of The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit during the period 1989 to 1991 and was its Trustee from 2015 to 2021. The TAI, Mumbai Unit conferred the "Life Time Achievement Award" on Shri Vaidya Saheb in the year 2012 for his efforts and contribution to the textile industry. He also served The Textile Association (India), Central Office as a Trustee from 2017 to 2020. Shri Suresh Vaidya was a President of ITAMMA during 2007-2008.

On behalf of The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit, we offer our heartfelt condolences and pray Almighty to give everlasting peace to the departed soul.





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## The Textile Association (India)

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### Membership of The Textile Association (India), Mumbai Unit

The Textile Association (India) is the national body of textile professionals and technocrats having 26 affiliated units all over the country. The TAI, Mumbai Unit is one of the largest Unit in the country having the membership strength of over 4000 members. The Mumbai Unit is the pioneer Unit of this Association and organizes seminars, national and international conferences in the most professional manner, for the betterment of the textile industry.

We request you to become the member of the Association and be a part of this esteemed organization.

The Association renders the following benefits to its members:

1. Member is eligible for a substantial discount in delegates fees in the conferences / seminars / exhibitions organized by any Unit of the Association all over India and TAI, Central Office.
2. Opportunity to enhance your textile qualification by undertaking examination / submitting CV to acquire professional qualifications such as ATA, GMTA, FTA.
3. Opportunity to get involved in the activities of TAI by getting elected / selected to specific committees.
4. Eligible for a complimentary soft copy of bi-monthly magazine i.e. Journal of the Textile Association (JTA) and Newsletter.
5. You can regularly visit our website for the current issue of JTA and other activities of the TAI, Mumbai Unit. Our website is: [www.textileassociationindia.com](http://www.textileassociationindia.com)

The various memberships of TAI available are as follows. We have three categories of membership: Life / Patron / Corporate membership.

#### TAI MEMBERSHIP FEES

Srl. No.	Type of Member	Membership Fees	GST @ 18%	Total Fees
1.	Life Member	3,200 /-	576 /-	3,776 /-
2.	Patron Member	4,600 /-	828 /-	5,428 /-
3.	Corporate Member	20,000 /-	3,600 /-	23,600 /-

Please visit our website for membership registration: website: [www.textileassociationindia.com](http://www.textileassociationindia.com)

Registration Link: <http://textileassociationindia.com/online-membership-registration/>

You can register yourself or your organisation online through above registration link. Please transfer the necessary membership fees including GST to the Unit by RTGS/NEFT and mention the payment details while filling-up the online form.

The Life & Patron Membership is for individual person and Corporate Membership is for Organisation. The fees for the membership is onetime and membership is for the lifetime.

If you need any further information, please contact us.



## Appeal to Members

Dear Members,

We have noticed that many members have not informed changes in their personal profile due to which various communication sent by the Mumbai Unit do not reach them. We would kindly request you to spare few minutes for updating your records for our office purposes. Your kind action in this regard will establish a continuous and better link between yourself and the Association. We would request you to kindly complete the following format and send it back to Association as per your convenience i.e. by e-mail, post or courier, etc. This will enable us to serve you in a better way. Also request your friends / colleagues who are members of the Association to update their address and contact details. Kindly accept our thanks in advance for this co-operation from your end.

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