



From the desk of **General Secretary**

73RD FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION & PROF. B. M. DAS MEMORIAL LECTURE

Above was organized at the Seminar Hall, Science City, JBS Haldane Avenue, Kolkata – 700 046 on Monday the 14th August, 2023 at 02.30 PM onwards.

The program commenced with the introductory speech by Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA and the following dignitaries were invited on the dais.

- ◆ Mr. Arnab Jha, President, ILTA, and
- ◆ Prof. Subhamoy Moitra, Professor at Applied Statistics Unit, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata and Speaker of the Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Lecture.

Mr. Mallick requested Mr. Jha for delivering the Welcome Address.

After the Welcome Address Mr. Mallick invited Mr. Jha, Prof. Maitra, Speaker of the Memorial lecture, Senior Members of ILTA, Representatives of GCELT, Alumni members of GCELT, Representatives from CFTC and Award Winners for garlanding the portrait of Prof. B. M. Das.

Thereafter Mr. Mallick announced the names of the following award winners and invited them on the dais for receiving the felicitation with Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Medals and the Prof. J. M. Dey Memorial Medal and Certificates.

- a) **Mr. Debjit Sen** – Winner of both Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Gold Medal & J. M. Dey Memorial Silver Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in B. Tech, Leather Technology Examination of Moulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal in 2023. – both were presented by Mr. Arnab Jha.
- b) **Mr. Manikandan H** – Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in B. Tech, Leather

Technology Examination of Anna University, Chennai in 2023 – presented by Prof. Subhamoy Moitra.

- c) **Miss Kritika Vagmi** – Winner of Prof. 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 2022 – presented by Prof. Subhamoy Moitra.
- d) **Mr. Venkatachalam T** – Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M. Tech, Leather Technology Examination of Anna University, Chennai in 2023 – presented by Prof. Subhamoy Moitra.
- e) **Miss Sarika Kumari** – Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M. Tech, Footwear Engineering & Management Examination of Anna University, Chennai in 2023 – presented by Mr. Arnab Jha.
- f) **Mr. Arjun Verma** – Winner of J. Sinha Roy Memorial Award for his article titled “**Design & Development of Low-Cost LDR Shoes**” published in August, 2022 issue of JILTA adjudged the Best of all articles published in JILTA in calendar year 2022 by a committee consisting of Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, OIC, GCELT and Dr. Dipankar Chaudhuri, former Scientist & Head, RCED, CLRI, Kolkata. As Mr. Verma couldn't attend the program due to his preoccupation, his award was declared to be forwarded to his address.

Prof. Subhamoy Moitra was then greeted with a flower bouquet and Mr. Jha introduced him to the participants on the audience and requested him to deliver the Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Lecture.

Mr. Moitra delivered his most contemporary lecture titled “**Application of Computation Methods in the MSME Sectors related to Leather Industry**”.



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After completion of the lecture, Mr. Jha offered heartiest gratitude to Prof. Subhamoy Moitra and requested Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA, to present a Memento, Shawl & Citation and a Leather Bag as to Prof. Moitra.

The following award winners thereafter invited to deliver few short speeches on their projects and achievements: -

- a. Ms. Sarika Kumari
- b. Mr. Manikandan H
- c. Mr. Venkatachalam T
- d. Ms. Kritika Vagmi

After the segment is over, Mr. Mallick invited Mr. A. B. Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA who introduced Mr. Supriyo Sinha, Executive Director, Peerless Group, to the participants on the audience and requested him to deliver the lecture titled “**Entrepreneurship and How Digital can help in Labor Productivity**”.

On completion of the highly informative and contemporary lecture, Mr. Kanungo offered heartiest gratitude to Mr. Sinha and requested Mr. Susanta Mallick, to present a Memento, Shawl, Citation and a Leather Bag to Mr. Sinha.

At the same time, Mr. Mallick offered the formal Vote of Thanks to the participants on the audience, ILTA office and Science City authority for their role played towards successful completion of the event and invited them for a High Tea at the Dining Hall downstairs.

There were about 180 - 200 participants in the event.

In the evening session of the Celebration program there was an awesome rendition of various cultural events.

On beginning of the session, a group on behalf of ILTA consisting of Mr. Jiban Dasgupta & Mr. Alokesh Ray, Sr. Life Members of ILTA along with others presented a nice patriotic musical balled titled “*O Amar Desher Mati*” on the occasion of the Independence Day eve.

The eminent orchestra group namely “*Samonnoy*” was welcomed and greeted by Mr. Kaushik Bhuiyan with a bouquet & memento and they presented a superb musical rendition to the audience.

After the musical program, the eminent drama group “*Nakshatra*” was welcomed and greeted with a bouquet & memento by Mr.

Kanak Kr. Mitra along with Mr. A. B. Kanungo and the group presented a one act play namely “*Bhalo Theko Burora*”.

The whole cultural program was anchored by Mr. Prabir Dasgupta, a Senior Life Member of our association.

Around 200 spectators were the witness of the colourful evening and participated in a gala dinner at the conclusion of the celebration.

Video recording of the entire program will shortly be available on the official YouTube Channel of ILTA (ILTA Online), Facebook Page of ILTA (*Indian Leather Technologists' Association*) & the Website of the Association – www.iltaonleather.org.

65TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ILTA

The 65th Annual General Meeting of our association will be held at the Seminar Hall of Science City, Kolkata on 29th September, 2023, at 2.00 pm onwards. Printed and Complete Annual Report including Audited Statement of Accounts for the F.Y. 2022 – 2023 has been posted on 6th September' 2023.

Details of the event will be intimated in due course.

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

ILTA is on the way to organize the 14th Asia International Conference on Leather Science & Technology (AICLST) in the year 2026 at Kolkata, India as endorsed by the IULTCS Secretariat.

It is proposed that this would be organized during the Platinum Jubilee Celebration year of ILTA from August, 2025 to July, 2026, preferably nearer the time Chennai Trade Fair in February, 2026.

Planning & Details of the program would be shared in due course.

(Susanta Mallick)
General Secretary



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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.

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 / jiltaeditor@gmail.com

Members 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. 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.

YOUTUBE CHANNEL & FACEBOOK PAGE OF ILTA

An official **YouTube Channel** namely **ILTA Online** and a **Face Book Page** namely **Indian Leather Technologists' Association** has been launched for sharing the activities of our Association since November' 2020 and July' 2021 respectively.

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

You are requested to kindly do **Like & Subscribe** the YouTube Channel and "**Follow**" the FaceBook Page to get regular updates on the activities of our Association.

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