

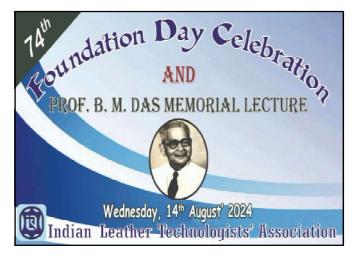


From the desk of General Secretary



74TH FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION OF ILTA AND PROF. B. M. DAS MEMORIAL LECTURE

Above was organized at the Seminar Hall of Science City, JBS Haldane Avenue, Kolkata – 700 046 on Wednesday the 14th August, 2024 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.
- Dr. Malathy Jawahar, Sr. Principal Scientist, CSIR-CLRI & Scientist in-Charge, RCED, Kolkata and Speaker of the Prof.
 B. M. Das Memorial Lecture.
- Dr. E. Ravindranath, former Chief Scientist, CSIR-CLRI & presently, Consultant, M/s Solidaridad.
- Dr. S. Rajamani, Vice President, ILTA (Southern Region) & Sr. Member, ILTA.
- Mr. Sanjoy Dasgupta, former Director, BIS & Sr. Member, ILTA.

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

After the Welcome Address Mr. Mallick invited the following to greet the dignitaries on the dais with a bouquet.

- Dr. Malathy Jawahar by Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA
- Dr. E. Ravindranath by Mr. Pradipta Konar, Joint Secretary, ILTA
- > Dr. S. Rajamani by Mr. Kaushik Bhuiyan, Treasurer, ILTA
- Mr. Sanjoy Dasgupta by Mr. Amit Kumar Mondal, Executive Committee Member, ILTA

Mr. Mallick than invited Mr. Jha, Dr. Malathy Jawahar, Dr. E. Ravindranath, Dr. S. Rajamani, Mr. Sanjoy Dasgupta, Representatives from GCELT, Alumni Association of GCELT, CFTC, ILPA, ILCPA, CSIR-CLRI, Award Winners and Representatives from Industry 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. Sudipto Sanki Winner of both Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Gold Medal & Prof. 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 2024 – both were presented by Mr. Arnab Jha.
- b) Mr. Desigan V Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Gold Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in B. Tech, Leather Technology Examination of Anna University, Chennai in 2023. As Mr. Desigan couldn't attend the program due to his preoccupancy, his award was declared to be forwarded by post to his address.
- c) Mr. Premjit Biswas Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Gold Medal for securing 1st class 1st Position in M. Tech, Leather Technology Examination of Moulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal in 2023. As Mr. Biswas couldn't attend the program due to his preoccupancy, his award was declared to be forwarded by post to his address.





- d) Mr. Jeyas Kandhan S Winner of Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Gold Medal for securing 1st Class 1st Position in M. Tech, Leather Technology Examination of Anna University, Chennai in 2023 – presented by Dr. S. Rajamani.
- e) Mr. Niklesh C 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) Dr. Dibyendu Bikas Datta Winner of Prof. J. Sinha Roy Memorial Award for his two articles titled "Determinants of Consumer Buying Behaviour : A Study of Footwear Market in Kolkata" & "Influence of Price, Promotion, Product Quality, Social Factors and Brand Image on Purchase Decisions for Domestic Leather Footwear and Accessories", published in May & November, 2023 issue of JILTA respectively, adjudged as the Best of all articles published in JILTA in calendar year 2023 by a committee consisting of Prof. (Dr.) Sanjoy Chakraborty, OIC, GCELT and Dr. Dipankar Chaudhuri, former Scientist & Head, RCED, CSIR - CLRI, Kolkata.

Like previous years the Executive Committee of ILTA unanimously decided, this year also, to felicitate the following Senior Life Members of ILTA for their extra ordinary contribution to the Leather Fraternity.

- a) Dr. S. Rajamani, Vice President of ILTA (SR) for his immense contribution to Science & Technology and the Leather Fraternity as a whole, over a long period - presented by Mr. Arnab Jha, President, ILTA.
- b) Mr. Sanjoy Dasgupta, Former Director, Bureau of Indian Standard, for his immense contribution to the industry and the Leather Fraternity as a whole, over a long period presented jointly by Mr. Jha and Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President, ILTA.

Dr. Malathy Jawahar was then introduced by Mr. Arnab Jha to the audience and requested her to deliver the Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Lecture.

Dr. Jawahar then delivered the most contemporary lecture titled *"Revolutionizing Leather Quality with AI based Defects Detection and Intelligent Grading"*. The audience got mesmerized with her highly informative deliberation. At the end of the lecture, Mr. Jha offered a heartiest thanks to Dr. Jawahar and requested Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA, to present a Memento, Shawl & Citation to her.

However, Mr. Jha then invited Mr. Pradipta Konar, Joint Secretary, ILTA to greet & introduce Dr. E. Ravindranath to the audience. Mr. Konar after introduction requested Dr. Ravindranath to deliver the lecture titled *"Advanced Wastewater Treatment Technologies for Recovery and Reuse of Water".* His lecture was also a highly interesting and informative to the audience.

At the end of the lecture Mr. Konar offered a heartiest thanks to Dr. Ravindranath and requested Mr. Susanta Mallick, General Secretary, ILTA, to present a Memento, Shawl & Citation to him.

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

More than 200 spectators were present in the audience.

In the evening session of the Celebration program there was an awesome rendition of a cultural event.

The orchestra group namely *"Kumar Voice & Music"* was welcomed and greeted by Mr. Kaushik Bhuiyan, Treasurer, ILTA with a bouquet and memento. The group presented a superb musical rendition to the audience. Miss Kamalika, Mr. Prasenjit & Mr. Soumojit presented number of songs of various tests.

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

More than 250 spectators were the witness of this 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*.





TALK SHOW ON PEACE AT GCELT, KOLKATA ORGANIZED BY ILTA



ILTA in collaboration with GCELT, Kolkata, have organized a Talk Show on Peace in the GCELT Conference Room on 3rd September, 2024 at 03.00 PM.

Mr. Utpal Chatterjee, Global Ambassador of Peace, A Global Peace Icon & former Sheriff of Calcutta, delivered a lecture titled **"Peace at a Premium"**.

This was an initiative of the HRD Committee of ILTA.

For detailed report of this event, please follow page no.....

66TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 66th Annual General Meeting of our association will be held at the Seminar Hall of Science City, Kolkata on 27th September, 2024, from 2.00 pm onwards. Printed Annual Report including Audited Statement of Accounts for the F.Y. 2023 - 2024 along with the proceedings of the 65th Annual General Meeting has been posted to all on 5th September' 2024.

Notice of the said AGM along with the above documents have also been forwarded to all the Members through email.

14[™] 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. Official confirmation has been received so far from IULTCS.

Details of the program would be shared in due course.

HEALTH CARE BENEFIT FOR ILTA MEMBERS

ILTA has launched Health Care Benefits for all the Members of the Association in collaboration with M/s Narayana Health w.e.f. 1st April, 2024. Initially the scheme has been launched 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 Leather Text Books, JILTA and different articles from renowned authors of Leather Fraternity online.

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

(Susanta Mallick) General Secretary

BEREAVEMENT

With profound grief and a heavy heart, we announce the sad demise of Mr. Sundhansu Kumar Biswas on 26/08/ 2024. He was an active Life Member of ILTA.

May his soul rests in peace and May God give strength to the Members of the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.



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.

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. : <u>24413429 / 3459</u>. 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 FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION





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