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*From the desk of* **General Secretary**



## XIII Asia International Conference of Leather Science & Technology

6 - 8 MARCH 2026

*at Hotel The Stadel, Yuva Bharati Krirangan, Salt Lake, Kolkata, India*

**LEATHER 2050: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

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## 13<sup>TH</sup> ASIA INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR LEATHER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (AICLST)

### ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

**Indian Leather Technologists' Association (ILTA)**, formerly known as "Leather Technologists' Association (India)", was formed in the year 1950 under Presidentship of Prof. B. M. Das. It was incorporated in the year 1957 under the Companies Act. During the last seventy-five years ILTA has been working towards weaving all segments of people sincerely devoted to the cause of Leather and allied Technology as well as the whole leather fraternity all over the country. ILTA represents India in the 'International Union of Leather Technologists and Chemists Societies (IULTCS)', the foremost body of its kind in the world and has been doing so ever since 1956.

**Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI)** was established in 1948 under the auspices of the Council of Scientific Industrial Research (CSIR) in Chennai and under first directorship of Prof. B. M. Das, to cater to the needs of the Indian leather sector. The institute since its establishment has paved the way for the move of Indian leather sector from a predominant raw material exporter to that of finished leather and leather products. Through strategic interventions with cleaner leather processing technologies, bio-based leather processing methods, composite based leather products, fashion forecasting etc. CLRI today strives to enable the global leather sector meet its challenges and seek opportunities in global leather trade.

ILTA and CLRI in association with the tanner bodies of the country take pride in being part of a massive effort in establishing Asia's largest leather complex in Kolkata, which is complete with all environmental safeguards. In the year 1999 ILTA and CLRI conducted the most successful IULTCS Congress in Chennai for the first time in an Asian country and VIII Asia International Conference of Leather Science & Technology (AICLST) in Kolkata in 2010 during the Diamond Jubilee Year of ILTA and IULTCS Congress again at Chennai in 2017.

### ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

This time ILTA with the support of IULTCS's Asian Country Members China, Japan, Taiwan, Turkiye, New Zealand along with UNIDO and others has again been selected as the host of 13<sup>th</sup> AICLST which will be held at Kolkata, India as a part of its yearlong PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION during **6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**.

### THEME OF THE CONFERENCE

As per the Mission, Vision and Objectives of ILTA, the theme for this conference would be -

## LEATHER 2050 : CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

### ABOUT THE CONGRESS

Leather 2050 plans for sustained development of leather sector in its march towards 2050. The major focus for this Conference would be to address the challenges and the opportunities arising out of meeting effectively in the following areas :

#### (A) Live Stock Analysis & Quality Appropriation

- ◆ Livestock population dynamics through cluster creation and rural skill-based entrepreneurship;
- ◆ Animal husbandry systems and disease controlling measures;
- ◆ Genetic potential of livestock breeds and strategy for skin quality enhancement;
- ◆ Quality control measures from farm to tanneries;



- ◆ Transmission of bacteria and viruses from hides/skin;
- ◆ Livestock slaughter and preservation strategies for hygienic & effective output;

- ◆ Traceability and quality labelling of hides & skins – digital and AI initiatives;
- ◆ Role of animal husbandry in carbon footprint and livestock health interventions for quality upgradations;

## (B) Marketing Policy & Strategy

- ◆ Marketing environment analysis;
- ◆ Product innovations and development vis-a-vis marketing;
- ◆ Market research and customer understanding;

- ◆ Digital content marketing for leather and leather products;
- ◆ Policy advocacy for country specific marketing;

## (C) AI and Productivity

- ◆ AI in leather and product manufacturing;
- ◆ Inputs for machine learning, ai for quality, grading and sorting;
- ◆ Process monitoring and control;
- ◆ Predictive maintenance;

- ◆ AI powered ERP;
- ◆ AI and sustainability;
- ◆ AI for fashion and design trends;
- ◆ Data driven decision making at all stages;

## (D) Carbon Capture & Utilization

- ◆ CCU in leather manufacturing stages;
- ◆ Carbon footprint assessment and reduction strategies;
- ◆ Innovations in CC technology for leather industry use;

- ◆ Challenges and opportunities for CCU in leather sector; circular economy and carbon utilization;
- ◆ Waste treatment plants and CCU;

## (E) Innovative Process Technology

- ◆ Nanotechnology applications;
- ◆ Automation and robotics;
- ◆ Sustainable chemistries, materials and processes;
- ◆ Process intensification and green chemistry;

- ◆ Leather processing from batch to continuous;
- ◆ Sustainable environment management practices;
- ◆ Turning wastes to value added chemicals and products;

## (F) Footwear - Future & Roadmap

- ◆ Raw material availability and leather footwear consumption matching;
- ◆ Innovations in footwear manufacturing and sustainability;
- ◆ Upcycled, recycled and environmentally friendly processes for footwear materials;

- ◆ Leather - non-leather mix of materials in footwear manufacture;
- ◆ Cost of leather processing to footwear needs matching - challenges and opportunities;
- ◆ Automation & AI in footwear production;

## ABOUT THE VENUE

Kolkata, popularly known as 'City of Joy' is located in Eastern India at 22°33'N, 88°20'E, 22.55°N, 88.333°E in the Ganges Delta at an elevation ranging between 1.5 m (5 ft) to 9 m (30 ft). It is spread linearly along the banks of the River Hooghly in a north-south direction. Kolkata has a tropical wet and dry climate. The annual mean temperature is 26.8°C (80.2°F).



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During the British Rule the East India Company established a strong foundation of Industrial growth based on Kolkata. The Premier and oldest Institute on Leather Technology was established at Kolkata in the year 1919 and presently this institute is known as Govt. College of Engineering & Leather Technology which has completed its Centenary Year in 2019.

Calcutta Leather Complex is the Asia's Largest Leather Complex which is complete with all environmental safe guards. Kolkata scores high in the export sector of Leather Industries in Asia. The head office of ILTA is also situated in this metro city of India. Here the prospect of enormous growth in Leather Industry makes Kolkata an important land mark in Leather World.

It has long been known for its literary, artistic and revolutionary heritage. Kolkatans tend to have a special appreciation for art and literature, its tradition of welcoming new talent has made it a "city of exceptional creative energy". For these reasons, Kolkata has often been dubbed as the "Cultural Capital of India".

## REGISTRATION DETAILS

- |                                |   |                  |                                  |   |                |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------------|---|----------------|
| • General Participants (India) | : | Rs. 5000/- (INR) | • Overseas Participants – IULTCS | : | \$ 250/- (USD) |
| • ILTA Members (India)         | : | Rs. 4000/- (INR) | • Overseas Participants – Others | : | \$ 300/- (USD) |
| • Students (India)             | : | Rs. 2000/- (INR) | • Overseas Student               | : | \$ 100/- (USD) |

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### For Early Bird Registration by 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025

*For Online Payment, please follow the 'Payment' menu under the AICLST page on ILTA website [www.iltaonleather.org](http://www.iltaonleather.org).*

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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| ❖ Early bird registration                | : | 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 |
| ❖ Last date for submission of abstracts  | : | 10 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 |
| ❖ Communication to authors on acceptance | : | 5 <sup>th</sup> January, 2026   |
| ❖ Receipt of final camera-ready paper    | : | 5 <sup>th</sup> February, 2026  |
| ❖ Freezing of final program schedule     | : | 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2026 |

## MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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|---------------------------------|---|---|
| ❖ Chief Patron                  | : | Dr. T. Ramasami, Former Secretary, DST, GoI |
| ❖ Chairman Organizing Committee | : | Mr. Arnab Jha, President, ILTA              |
| ❖ Conference Chair              | : | Dr. K. J. Sreeram, Director, CSIR-CLRI      |
| ❖ Chairman Technical Committee  | : | Dr. S. Rajamani, Vice President, ILTA       |
| ❖ Principal Associate           | : | Chairman, Council for Leather Exports       |

## SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
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### All leading Leather Associations :

- ❖ International Union of Leather Technologists and Chemists Societies (IULTCS)
- ❖ United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- ❖ China Leather Industry Association (CLIA)
- ❖ Leather & Fur Technology Institute-East Siberia, Russian Federation
- ❖ Taiwanese International Leather Association (TILA)
- ❖ Asian International Union of Environment (AIUE) Commission
- ❖ Japan Leather and Leather Goods Industries Association (JLIA)
- ❖ New Zealand Leather and Shoe Research Association (LASRA)
- ❖ Leather Associations & Institutes from Asia, Europe, Africa, America & Australia

## INFORMATION FOR PAPER PRESENTING AUTHORS

Submission of the Abstracts of the article on the subject covered under the theme should give a good summary (maximum within 250 words) of the content of the paper. Kindly note that the Abstract will determine whether or not the paper will be selected for presentation.

Papers to be submitted to the following Email IDs :

- [aiclstkol26@iltaonleather.org](mailto:aiclstkol26@iltaonleather.org)
- [mailtoilta@rediffmail.com](mailto:mailtoilta@rediffmail.com)

A detailed guideline will be circulated for preparation and presentation of the final paper after acceptance within a week or so, through our website: [www.iltaonleather.org](http://www.iltaonleather.org) and by mail to the authors.

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## RECONSTRUCTION OF ILTA WEBSITE

The official website of ILTA i.e., [www.iltaonleather.org](http://www.iltaonleather.org) has been reconstructed and launched successfully on 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.

Some new pages have been added in this newly constructed website like Digital ILTA, 13<sup>th</sup> AICLST and some new features in the Membership Corner.

The review of the smooth accessibility of the website is under observation and will be fully accessible within a short while.



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## PAYMENT GATEWAY OF ILTA

ILTA is in the process of launching its Digital Payment Portal for all type of payment transactions.

The details of the same will be published in due course.

## IDENTITY CARD FOR LIFE MEMBERS OF ILTA

The Executive Committee of ILTA had taken decision in its 566<sup>th</sup> i.e., 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the newly elected committee, to issue a unique Plastic Identity Card to all the Life Member of ILTA against their Membership.

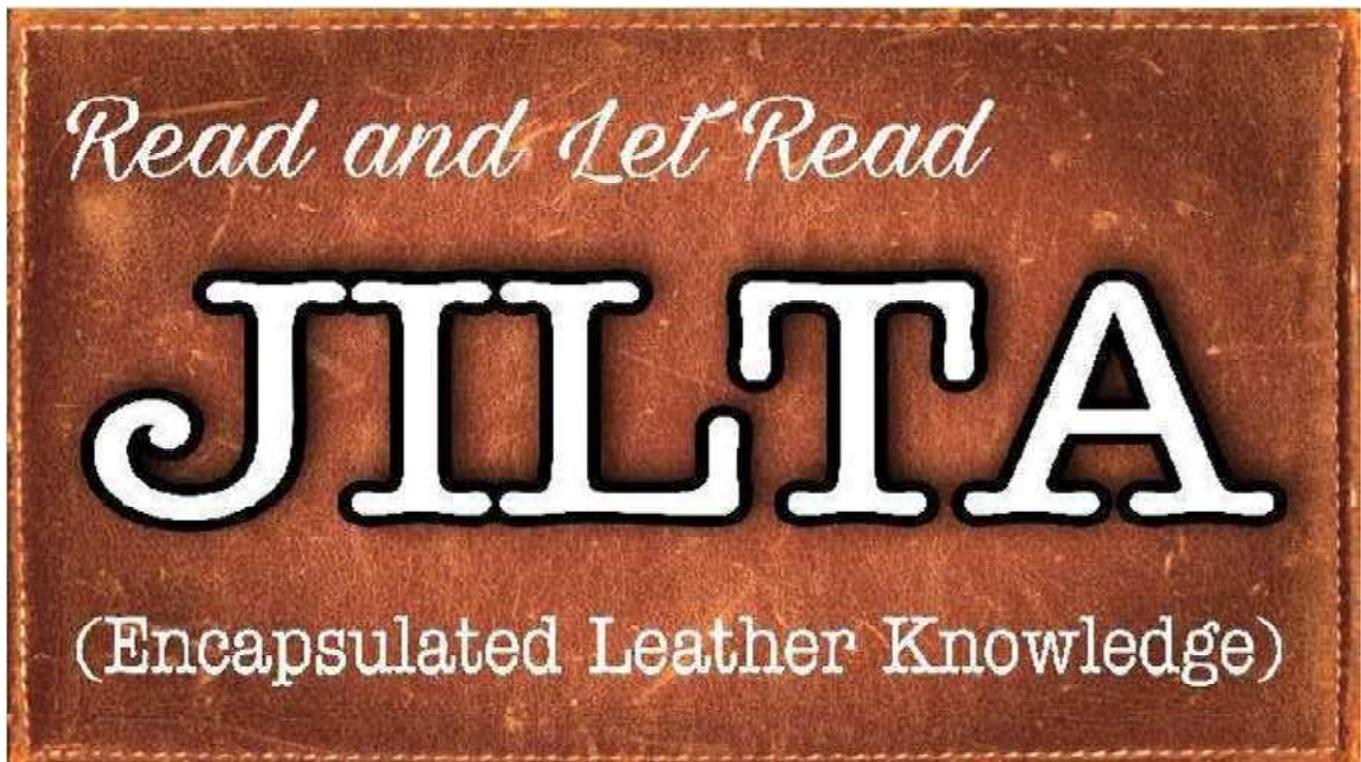
Accordingly, the job has been undertaken by ILTA office and around 70 Identity Cards have already been issued to the members from whom desired data has been received so far.

Hence, all the Life Members are advised to send the following information through official Email ID - [admin@iltaonleather.org](mailto:admin@iltaonleather.org) and/or WhatsApp No. – **9432553949 / 9123885422** to ILTA office as soon as possible in order to get their Identity Cards.

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



**(Susanta Mallick)**  
General Secretary



### **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.

We use to offer an honorarium of Rs. 1,000/- for a single 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 / iltaonleather1950@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](mailto: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.

### **RECEIVING PRINTED COPY OF JILTA EVERY MONTH**

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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**



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#### Technical Data

- Overall size : 27 cm X 21 cm
- Print area : 25 cm X 17 cm
- The whole Proceedings would be printed in Four Colour images on Art Paper.
  
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## Programmes during the Platinum Jubilee Celebration

- ❖ **14<sup>th</sup> August, 2025** : Inauguration of Platinum Jubilee Celebration, Prof. B. M. Das Memorial Lecture, Panel Discussion and National Seminar
- ❖ **14<sup>th</sup> January, 2026** : Sanjoy Sen Memorial Lecture and National Seminar.
- ❖ **2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2026** : Prof. S. S. Dutta Memorial Lecture and National Seminar.
- ❖ **6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2026** : 13<sup>th</sup> Asia International Conference on Leather Science & Technology (AICLST) on **Leather 2050 : Challenges and Opportunities**. An affiliated program of IULTCS.
- ❖ **15<sup>th</sup> March, 2026** : Prof. Moni Banerjee Memorial Lecture and National Seminar.
- ❖ **13<sup>th</sup> August, 2026** : Valedictory Programme.
- ❖ **Other Activities during the Yearlong Platinum Jubilee Celebration**
  - Starting Digital ILTA for availing the benefits of online reading of ILTA publications.
  - Publication of the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Comprehensive Footwear Technology by Mr. Shome Nath Ganguly.
  - Introducing a common Job Portal platform for interaction of Employers and Employees in Leather sector.
  - Organizing various Regional Programme by ILTA regional chapters in South, North & North-West India.
  - Undertaking more HRD Programmes like Health Talk, Motivational Talk, Health Camp etc.
  - Extending our activities PAN India for the benefit of leather fraternity.



  
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