

LEATHER NEWS INDIA

April 2022

Volume : 13 Issue : 04

Price : Rs. 100/-

- Meeting convened by Shri Piyush Goyal, Honble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution and Textiles, April 20, 2022, New Delhi
- Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS), Kolkata, April 20-21, 2022

COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS

ADVERTISEMENT TARIFF

LEATHER NEWS INDIA

MONTHLY MAGAZINE

Advt. Size	1-2 issues	3-5 issues 10% off	6-11 issues 15% off	12 issues 20% off
FULL PAGE	25000	22500	21250	20000
½ PAGE	15000	13500	12750	12000
¼ PAGE	7500	6750	6375	6000
FRONT-INSIDE	27500	24750	23400	22000
BACK INSIDE	27500	24750	23400	22000
BACK COVER	28750	25875	24450	23000

(prices in Rs. – RATE PER ISSUE, 5% GST will apply on these rates)

Technical Specifications :

- Advertisement material to be given in CD with progressive proofs.
- Advertisement Sizes are :

Full Page : A 4 size

Half page horizontal : 148 (h) x 210 (w) mm

Half page vertical : 297 (h) x 105 (w) mm

Quarter page : 148 (h) x 105 (w) mm
- Advertisement material may be sent in Adobe Pagemaker/Coral Draw/Adobe Illustrator files/ High Resolution PDF, with the font files or curved.
- Advertisement will be published only upon receipt of payment. Last date of receipt of payment and advertisement material is 10th of the month of release of the book.



COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS
(Sponsored by Ministry of Commerce
& Industry, Government of India)

CENTRAL REGION

KLC Complex (Kanpur-Lucknow Highway)
Kader Patari, Banthar,
Unnao-209862
Tel: +91 – 0515-2823376
Fax: +91 – 0515-2823377
E-Mail: cleknp@cleindia.com

EASTERN REGION

I B, First Floor, “Duck Back House”,
41, Shakespeare Sarani, Kolkata – 700 017.
Tel: +91 – 33 – 22835479 / 80
Fax: +91 – 33 – 22877270
E-Mail: cleer@cleindia.com

NORTHERN REGION

Flat No. 317, DLF Prime Tower
OKhla Phase-I (Near Hotel Crowne Plaza)
New Delhi - 110 020
Ph: +91-11-26814501 /502
Fax : +91-11-26814503
E-mail : cledelhi@cleindia.com

SOUTHERN REGION

I, Sivaganga Road, Nungambakkam,
Chennai – 600 034, India
Phone: + 91-44-48684380 - 84
Fax: +91-44-48684386
E-mail: cle@cleindia.com

WESTERN REGION

STAR HUB, Building I, Unit No. 102, 1st Floor
Near Hotel Hyatt Regency & ITC Maratha
Sahar International Airport Road
Andheri (East), Mumbai – 400099
Tel : +91-22-28392221
Fax : +91-22-67256236
e-mail : cleb@cleindia.com

AGRA EXTENSION OFFICE

Agra Trade Centre,
Village Singna, NH -2
(Near Gokulam Water Park)
Agra - 282007, Uttar Pradesh
Mobile : 8791161159
email : cleagra@cleindia.com

JALANDHAR EXTENSION OFFICE

CFC Building, Leather Complex,
Kapurthala Road
Jalandhar 144 021, Punjab, India
Phone: +91-181-2650967
Fax: +91-181-2650967
E-mail: clejalandhar@cleindia.com

The Council for Leather Exports was set up in July 1984. The Council functions under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India. The Council is entrusted with export promotion activities and overall development of the Indian leather industry. The Council's activities also include promoting Foreign Direct Investments and Joint Ventures in the Indian leather industry. The CLE serves as a bridge between Indian leather exporters and buyers all over the world.

LEATHER NEWS INDIA

April 2022 Volume : 13 Issue : 04 Price Rs.100/-

BROUGHT OUT BY

COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS

Registered Office & Head Office
I, Sivaganga Road, Nungambakkam,
Chennai – 600 034, India
Phone: + 91-44-48684380 - 84
Fax: +91-44-48684386
E-mail: cle@cleindia.com
Website: www.leatherindia.org

EDITOR

R. Selvam

ASSOCIATE EDITORS

Chennai	E.L Samson
Kanpur	Pallavi Dubey
Kolkata	Debasis De
New Delhi	Atul Kumar Mishra
Mumbai	Santosh Pandey

EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman	Sanjay Leekha
Vice- Chairman	Rajendra Kumar Jalan
Regional Chairman (Central)	Javed Iqbal
Regional Chairman (East)	Ramesh Kumar Juneja
Regional Chairman (North)	Motilal Sethi
Regional Chairman (South)	Israr Ahmed
Regional Chairman (West)	Naresh S. Bhasin

Published by R. Selvam,
Council for Leather Exports,
CMDA Tower II, 3rd Floor, Gandhi - Irwin Bridge Road,
Egmore, Chennai-600008

on behalf of Council for Leather Exports,
CMDA Tower II, 3rd Floor, Gandhi - Irwin Bridge Road,
Egmore, Chennai - 600008, India and



5 Chairman Column

6 From the Editor

7 National

- Meeting convened by Shri Piyush Goyal, Honble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution and Textiles, April 20, 2022, New Delhi
- Visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to India – Meeting in Agra Footwear Cluster, April 12, 2022
- Visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to India - Meeting with Member Exporters of Central Region and Member of Uzbekistan Delegation held on 13th April, 2022 in CLE Office, KLC Complex, Unnao.
- Meetings of Chairman, CLE
- IFCOMA SHOETECH, Agra 2022
- India Industrial Land Bank (IILB) database created by Government of India
- CLE Stakeholders Consultation Meeting with Industry Members on 07.04.2022 via Virtual Video Conference Mode

26 International

- CLE's participation in the Asia Pacific Leather Fair (APLF) & Fashion Access Fair held during March 30th – 1st April, 2022 at Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC), Dubai, UAE
- MODEUROP Colours for Autumn Winter 23_24 season

44 Regional

- Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS), Kolkata, April 20-21, 2022
- Virtual Meeting with Kolhapur Leather Cluster Chairman And Other Stake Holders, 21.04.2022
- CLE organized the visit of officials from Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu to Ranipet on 28.03.2022

Dear Members

As per Panel data of Dept. of Commerce, export of leather, leather products and footwear reached a value of USD 5.05 billion during 2021-22 as against revised export value of USD 3.79 billion during 2020-21, registering 33.48% growth. This is a good sign for the industry as we were able to not only significantly revive the exports after having suffered huge export losses in 2020-21 due to adverse impact of COVID, but also almost reach the export levels of 2019-20.

Though our export performance in 2021-22 was good, we definitely have the potential to further significantly increase our exports. The Department of Commerce has fixed an export target of USD 5.85 billion to be achieved in 2022-23, but I am hopeful that we will be able to surpass this target.

Talking about our export performance in 2021-22, I must say that while our exports to USA almost doubled, the revival of our export to the major market of European Union was comparatively lesser. Hence, our focus this year will be to further expand our market share in NAFTA region in general and USA in particular and to give more focus to the European market which is our major market.

We have already begun this year with two back-to-back Buyer Seller Meets in Germany and Spain during May 2022, followed by organising India Pavilion in the Expo Riva Schuh Fair in Riva Del Garda, Italy in June 2022. We will also be participating in the Magic Show fair in USA during August 2022. With the physical exhibitions and BSMs now taking place, we are hopeful of meeting more buyers which in turn will lead to more business tie-ups.

The Free Trade Agreements with UAE and Australia have opened-up a window of opportunities for the Indian leather industry, as the FTAs have provided import duty exemption for leather, leather products and footwear in these countries. Both these markets are quite big and there is ample scope to substantially enhance our market share in these countries. CLE recently participated in the APLF fair held in Dubai and also took part in the delegation of Hon'ble Union Commerce and Industry Minister to Australia to explore business opportunities. We will continue to organise appropriate marketing activities in UAE and Australia.

Our industry is keenly awaiting the signing of two major trade agreements one with the EU and the other with the UK with duty exemption for our industry. These trade agreements will of great help in further penetrating the EU and UK markets, to which 55% of our exports are directed.

With best wishes

Sanjay Leekha

Chairman

COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS



Dear Members

As most of the physical international exhibitions were not held in the last two years, substantial efforts were undertaken by CLE to organize virtual marketing events. During 2021-22, CLE organized 17 virtual marketing events with the participation of 200 member exporters. Besides CLE organized/ participated in 4 physical marketing events, with a participation of 138 member exporters which includes a Reverse Buyer Seller Meet held in New Delhi during March 2022.

The virtual marketing events were held in more than 17 countries namely Guatemala, Italy, Sudan, Oman, Nigeria, Japan, Chile, China, Bahrain, Canada, Denmark, France, Mexico, Germany, USA, Portugal and Belgium.

The Reverse Buyer Seller Meet event in Delhi which was attended by over 60 overseas buyers from various countries like Spain, Mauritius, South Africa, Chile, Azerbaijan, Colombia, Sri Lanka, Kenya, Italy, Dubai, Australia, Poland, Sudan, Germany, UAE, Mexico, Peru, etc and also by the representatives of various embassies, buying houses and brands.

In today's digital world, dissemination of information has become easy due to the availability of virtual platforms. During 2021-22, CLE Organised 16 webinars as part of Knowledge Series (K- Series) on a range of topics including customs procedures, e-commerce, banking services, testing services, forex, Government E-Market place etc., During this year too, many webinars are planned. I would urge members to participate in these webinars in large numbers and benefit from the expert presentations made.

The DGFT has issued a Trade Notice No. 2/ 2022 dated April 22, 2022 stating that In order to facilitate trade and extend more proactive helpdesk support to the exporting community, the services of DGFT Helpdesk will now be available on a 24x7 basis. Stakeholders may use any of the following channels to flag any issues, suggestions or feedback on matters related to DGFT as follows –

- i. Call the Helpdesk support on Toll Free numbers 1800-572-1550 or 1800-11-1550
- ii. Raise a Helpdesk ticket by navigating to DGFT website (<https://dgft.gov.in>) ☐ Services ☐ DGFT Helpdesk Service. Users may also see their earlier ticket(s) status on real-time basis or search previously filed requests.
- iii. Write an email to dgftedi@nic.in

Trade Community may also refer to the Help manuals, FAQs and educational videos for suitable guidance. The same is available on the DGFT Website ☐ Learn ☐ 'Application Help & FAQs' for perusal of the trade community

With kind regards

R. Selvam IAS

Executive Director

COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS



*Meeting convened by Shri Piyush Goyal, Honble
Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer
Affairs and Food & Public Distribution and Textiles,
April 20, 2022, New Delhi*



Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution and Textiles Shri Piyush Goyal held an interactive session with Export Promotion Councils in New Delhi on April 20, 2022 on the preparedness for the year ahead. In this meeting, discussions were held on strengthening export growth by identifying potential issues and helping quality Indian products compete with global standards.



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



Visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to Agra Footwear Cluster, April 12, 2022

The Embassy of India in Uzbekistan informed CLE about the intended visit of a delegation from Uzbekistan to explore business opportunities. Accordingly, the Council for Leather Exports had organized visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to India to Agra and Kanpur regions during 12th & 13th April, 2022.

Accordingly, a six member Delegation from Uzcharmsanoat Association visited Agra on 12th April, 2022 to explore collaboration / joint ventures with the Indian leather and footwear industry.

The delegation comprises of the following members:

List of Delegates :-

1. Mr. Fakhridin A. Boboev, Chairman
2. Mr. Farruh Yokubjanov
3. Mr. Rajabov Khusen
4. Mr. Asatulla Zikrillaev

5. Mrs. Alikhonova Shakhlo

6. Mr. Mitesh Verma

The following member – exporters were present in the meeting :

1. Shri Gopal Gupta, M.D. – Gupta H C Overseas (I) Pvt. Ltd.
2. Shri Rajiv Wasan, M.D. – A.T. Exports
3. Shri Pradip Wasan, M.D. – Wasan Group
4. Shri Kulbir Singh, MD – Roger Industries Limited
5. Shri Romy Luthra, MD – Manufex India
6. Shri Ishan Sachdeva, MD – Virola International
7. Shri Praful Garg, MD – Gargh Exports
8. Shri Pankaj Gautam, Manager – Lamba Footwear Industries
9. Shri R K Shukla, Assistant Director – CLE, Agra
10. Shri Chandrasekhar, Admin Head AFMEC

Starting the meeting Shri R K Shukla, Assistant Director greeted all the participants & extended a warm welcome to the Chairman & other Delegates from Uzbekistan on behalf of Council for Leather Exports (CLE). Flower bouquets were presented to Chairman & other members of Uzbek Delegation. After that Assistant Director - CLE briefly informed the delegates about the Indian Leather Sector as well as Agra footwear Cluster & presented the facts & figures. He requested the present members - exporters to introduce them- selves to the Uzbek Delegation along with their product line, which was well presented by members.





On behalf of Uzbek Delegation - Mr. Fakhrriddin A. Boboev, Chairman ZCHARMSANOAT- Association thanked CLE for organizing the meeting with the Indian leather & leather products entrepreneurs. He also thanked all the dignitaries for sparing their valuable time for the meeting. He informed about the Uzbekistan Tanning Industry and said the objective of the visit of the delegation to India is to increase the investment in their country and assured that they will provide all the support which would be required for doing the investment in Uzbekistan.



A brief presentation was made by the Uzbek Delegation about their country and the opportunities available there for the leather industry for doing the investment.

Mr. Fakhrriddin A. Boboev, leader of the Uzbek Delegation & Chairman Uzcharmsanoat Association explained about the support provided by Government of Uzbekistan including custom duties and tax exemptions to enhance production



After the presentation, a few queries were raised by our member – exporters, which were responded by the Mr. Fakhridin, leader of the Uzbek Delegation.

B2B meetings were also held between the delegates and the Indian manufacturers – exporters about possibilities of joint ventures / collaborations in Uzbekistan.

After the meeting Chairman of the Uzbek Delegation thanked the members – participants for their effective participation in the meeting and requested them to consider their investment in Uzbekistan.

Mr. Fakhridin A. Bovoiev, Chairman UCHARMSANOAT Association, Uzbekistan thanked Shri R K Shukla,



Assistant Director - CLE for organizing the meeting with Indian footwear mfrs. & exporters and presented him a Plate of his association.

Factory visit in Agra Footwear Cluster :

1. Dawar Footwear Industries

Shri PuranDawar, Chairman Dawar Footwear Industries received the Delegation in his unit & presented flower bouquet & saal to the Mr. Fakhridin A. Bovoiev, Chairman UCHARMSANOAT Association. He explained about the manufacturing process of the footwear in his unit to the delegates.

During the B2B Meeting with Shri Puran Dawar, President AFMEC, Mr. Fakhridin requested him to take a Delegation of the Indian leather & Footwear manufacturers to Uzbekistanto see the investment opportunities there, which was accepted by the latter.



2. Roger Industries Limited :

Shri Kulbir Singh, MD of the Company recd. the delegation & took them to his sample room and explained them about the different footwear products displayed there. During the B2B Meeting, Shri Kulbir Singh informed them about the export turnover & marketing strategies of the company. The delegates appreciated the products showcased in the unit & thanked Shri Singh.

The Delegates urged him for investment in Uzbekistan, which was suitably responded by the Indian exporter.



3. Gupta H C Overseas (I) Pvt. Ltd.

Shri Gopal Gupta, MD of the company welcomed the delegation in his unit & presented mementoes to the delegates. The Delegates were taken to the sample room to show the High Fashion ladies footwear. The delegates were very impressed to see the products in the company. During the B2B meeting, the delegates enquired about the annual production capacity & export of the company and R&D which were suitably responded by the Shri Gopal Gupta MD of the company. The delegates requested him also for investment in Uzbekistan.



On completion of the visit to the footwear units in Agra, the Delegates thanked Assistant Director CLE & conveyed their thanks to Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman- CLE& Shri R. Selvam, IAS Executive Director - CLE.

Visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to India - Meeting with Member Exporters of Central Region and Member of Uzbekistan Delegation held on 13th April, 2022 in CLE Office, KLC Complex, Unnao.



(R-L) Mr. Javed Iqbal, Regional Chairman – Central, CLE, Mr. R. K. Jalan, Vice Chairman, CLE, Mr. Boboev Fakhridin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Mr. Mukhtarul Amin, Former Chairman, CLE and Mr. Mitesh Verma, India Mediator.

The Embassy of India in Uzbekistan informed CLE about the intended visit of a delegation from Uzbekistan to explore business opportunities. Accordingly, the Council for Leather Exports had organized visit of Uzbekistan Delegation to India to Agra and Kanpur regions during 12th & 13th April, 2022.

Central Regional Office of the Council for Leather Exports had organized Stakeholders Meeting with the member exporters of leather & leather footwear followed by B2B meetings & factory visits on 13th April, 2022 in CLE Office, KLC Complex, Banthar, Unnao wherein leading members were invited to join the session.

On this occasion Mr. Boboev Fakhridin Atoevich, Chairman of

Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan along with three more members from their association, Mr. Mitesh Verma, India Mediator, Mr. R. K. Jalan, Vice Chairman, CLE, Mr. Mukhtarul Amin, Former Chairman, CLE, Mr. Javed Iqbal, Regional Chairman – Central, CLE, Mr. Ashraf Rizwan, Member, Committee of Administration (CoA), CLE, Mr. Taj Alam, Convener – Saddlery & Harness Panel, CLE, Dr. Sarvanan, Chief Scientist, CLRI, Chennai, Ms. Pallavi Dubey Regional Director-Central, CLE and Dr. Abhinandan Kumar, Scientist – in-charge, CLRI, Kanpur and about 15 manufacturer-exporters have attended the meeting.

Shri R. K. Jalan, Vice Chairman, CLE welcomed all member delegates from Uzbekistan and distinguished industry members and participants. He extended special thanks to Mr. Boboev Fakhridin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan for prioritizing Kanpur region as part of their cluster visit to India. He emphasized that Council is consistently implementing its marketing strategies towards new and unexplored markets to explore the business possibilities and create new business avenues for the leather industry towards export promotion and overall development of this sector.

He added that it is indeed a privilege for the entire leather fraternity to have such trade delegation for enhancing our trade partnership with Uzbekistan. He briefed about the center region strength including export performance, products specialization, employment potential and apprised that the top

leading exporters of the country are basically from Kanpur region and therefore the possibilities of joint venturing with Uzbek counterparts become more important for investing in Uzbekistan. He added that this region is manufacturing all kind of leather & leather products and one of the leading production center & export hub in India. This region is one of the largest and single center for manufacturing and exports of saddlery & harness goods in India. The Government of India has granted Geographical Indications (GI) to saddlery & harness segment. He added that visit of this delegation will play pivotal role in strengthening the leather industry and enhancing bilateral trade between the two countries.

Shri Mukhtarul Amin, Former Chairman, CLE welcomed all distinguished member delegates and industry participants. He appreciated the efforts of the Uzcharmsanoat Association for visiting Kanpur region to explore the possibilities of bilateral trade. He also appreciated the existing leather industry in Uzbekistan and the Government support extended to the foreign investors. He further suggested for an Indian Delegation visit to Uzbekistan for a detailed discussion and formulation of further action plan to explore business opportunities. He thanked to Uzbek officials for presenting a comprehensive and useful database of Uzbekistan leather industry and inviting leather fraternity of Central Region towards attending to UzCharmExpo, an International Exhibition – Fair of Leather Footwear and Fur Goods scheduled during May 25-27, 2020, Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan.

Considering the export target of leather industry as set by Government of India and current international business scenario, India - Uzbekistan trade relations are indeed need of the hour.



Shri R. K. Jalan, Vice Chairman, CLE addressing the session.



Mr. R. K. Jalan, Vice Chairman, CLE welcomed Mr. Boboev Fakhridin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan and presented floral bouquet.



Shri Mukhtarul Amin, Former Chairman, CLE welcomed Mr. Boboev Fakhridin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan by presenting floral bouquet

Mr. Boboev Fakhrriddin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan extended special thanks to Government of India and Embassy officials for sparing their cooperation to make it productive and indeed fruitful business visits. He expressed sincere thanks to CLE and industry veterans for organizing such a remarkable and productive session to enhance trade relation. He informed that Uzbekistan is rising under the ruling of new President who's excellency is very much keen to expand its trade relation with the foreign investors by offering special investments opportunities and friendly environment. He mentioned that the objective of Uzbek Delegation is to invite Indian companies to Uzbekistan and set up manufacturing units of leather, footwear's and leather goods. Their aim is to fulfill Demand of Leather shoe and shoe uppers for the whole Russian and CIS regions. Companies in Uzbekistan can avail duty exemption benefits in CIS and Russia, if it compares with imports from India and China. The delegation has also expressed their trade willingness to explore importing leathers from India.

During the meeting a detailed power point presentation was gave by one of member delegates wherein they have apprised about the new opportunities in leather & footwear industry. It was informed that the Government of Uzbekistan is extending several trade promotion measures to the foreign investors including Customs duties and tax exemption, promotion of export related trade credit and pre-export finance, compensation for the cost of sending samples abroad, support for participation in fairs, subsidies for air and transportation cost, specialized training policies, logistic support, availability of quality raw materials etc.



Mr. Javed Iqbal, Regional Chairman – Central, CLE welcomed Mr. Boboev Fakhrriddin Atoevich, Chairman of Uzcharmsanoat Association, Uzbekistan and presented floral bouquet.

Mr. Mitesh Verma, India Mediator addressed the session and expressed warm gratitude for managing the delegation visit with very professional smooth manner. It was a good experience had with the leather fraternity for enhancing trade relation in leather sector. He responded several queries as raised by member concerned including nearby port, duty structure, land availability, Government schemes for overseas investors, credit lines and infrastructure support etc.



Upon conclusion of the stakeholders meeting, B2B meetings were also arranged and coordinated by CLE in which Six companies have shown interest in exploring joint ventures possibilities and they had one to one interaction with the delegation. The seminar was followed by visit to the leather cluster.

Dr. Sarvanan, Chief Scientist, CLRI, Chennai also attended the seminar to explore the possibilities to train the manpower in Uzbekistan and working on skill upgradation & technical knowhow. He assured full support towards imparting training to the manpower and support on technological requirements for strengthening mutual trade relations and achieving future endeavors.

Uzbekistan delegation visited to following units to interact and get the view of operational cycle and manufacturing activities of leather tanning.

1. M/s. Penza Exports
2. M/s. Globe Industries

MEETINGS OF CHAIRMAN, CLE

Meeting with Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance



Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, CLE called on Shri Tarun Bajaj, Secretary, Dept. of Revenue at New Delhi on 2.5.22 & requested import duty exemption on leathers & inclusion of new inputs in duty free scheme. He was joined by Shri R Selvam, ED and Shri Puran Chand Dawar, Member, COA, CLE.

Meeting with Dr.V Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Advisor, Govt of India



Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, CLE called on Dr.V Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Advisor, Govt of India at New Delhi on 2.5.22 & requested to extend Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme benefits to Leather and Footwear Sector. He was joined by Shri R Selvam ED CLE and Shri Puran Chand Dawar COA CLE.

Meeting with Ms Nidhi Mani Tripathi, IAS, Joint Secretary, Dept.of Commerce



Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, CLE and Shri R Selvam, IAS, ED, CLE called on Ms Nidhi Mani Tripathi, IAS, Joint Secretary, Dept.of Commerce on 20th April, 2022 at Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi to discuss FTA and export target related matters.

Meeting with Dr Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog



Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman CLE and Shri R Selvam IAS ED called on Dr Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog on 20.4.22 in New Delhi & gave presentation & requested the extension of Production Linked Incentive (PLI) to Leather and Footwear sector.



IFCOMA



MSME
MICRO, SMALL & MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
सूक्ष्म, लघु एवं मध्यम उद्यम



Indian Footwear Components Manufacturers Association

SHOETECH

AGRA 2022

POST SHOW REPORT



After 2007, Seventh edition of Shoetech Agra-22 was organized by Indian Footwear Components Manufacturers Association (IFCOMA) began with an objective of bringing the Agra Footwear & allied Industry under one roof on 6th & 7th April 2022 at Hotel Madhu Resorts, Sikandra, Agra with the strong support of AFMEC, CLE, CFTI, FDDI, ASMA, FAFM and other institutions. IFCOMA for its **Shoetech Agra- 2022** exhibition obtained the Logo support of MSME & Make in India (DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce) for showcasing the products of SME units from Agra, Kanpur, Delhi, Noida, Gurgaon, Bahadurgarh, Mumbai, Chennai, Bangalore, Nepal and Jaipur.

IFCOMA resumed its second innings with much excitement within the Industry post the Pandemic pressures which prevented any such professional and personal meet for the last two and half years. More than 80 Exhibitors participated in the Shoetech-22 Agra and displayed 32 various design, colours on different patterns of Footwear components & accessories along with latest machinery & specialized Finished leather, Buff leather etc and all **made in India**.

The Shoetech Agra, Press Conference was presided over by Chief Guest Shri Puran Dawar President, AFMEC & Special Guest of Honour Shri Sanjay Leekha Chairman, CLE & Shri Sanjay Gupta, President IFCOMA along with distinguished Guests of Honour at Holiday Inn, Agra. Most than 50 journalist from prominent media houses were briefed about the Shoetech Agra 2022, Exhibition.



Press Conference Shoetech Agra 2022 being addressed by Chief Guest Shri Puran Dawar, Special Guest of honour Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman CLE and Shri Sanjay Gupta, President IFCOMA along with distinguished guests.

In his Inaugural address, Shri Sanjay Gupta President IFCOMA welcomed the Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman-CLE along with Guests of Honour Shri Gopal Gupta, Vice President – AFMEC, Capt. AS Rana Convenor AFMEC, Shri Rajesh Sehgal, Vice President-AFMEC Shri Rajeev Wasan, General Secretary-AFMEC, Shri Motilal Sethi, MD-Saroj International, the doyen of the Industry Shri Daljeet Singh, CMD M/s. Tej Group Agra, Shri Kuldeep Singh, President FAFM, Agra, members of the trade and the august gathering during the inauguration function. He stressed on the need for the components sector to consolidate its position to contribute its 5 Billion USD vide the target given by the Prime Minister of \$ 20 USD Billion domestic and \$ 10 USD Billion Exports for the Leather sector by 2025-2026.

He requested the CLE Chairman for the need of conducting Components survey in India. He emphasized that with the survey data, GOI will be able to fill up the vacuums in Components sectors like non availability of Raw materials needed to produce the footwear components, to establish industry of non available components, to assist industries to improve quality and quantity by way of technical supports on sharing basis. More & more competition, will upgrade the quality, quantity, less lead time for sampling & delivery and most important is the reduction of the price of the components and accessories on volume basis. Then it will be possible to increase the world market share of leather sector and Footwear of India from 3.7% to 5% and affect of this, the volume of footwear components sector will also go high.



Mr. Sanjay Gupta underlined the need for Joint Venture with Italy, Spain & Taiwan companies to strengthen the Indian component sector further.



Shri Sanjay Gupta honoring the Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Leekha, with shawl and trophy.



Guest of Honour, Shri Gopal Gupta, being facilitated with shawl and trophy.

The Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, Council for Leather Exports in his welcome address applauded the efforts of IFCOMA to bring the Industry together under one platform and help the exporters & Manufacturers to see the latest developments in the components sector. He stressed on the bonding between the Footwear & Components Sector in order to minimize the imports and allow growth for the local Industry. He observed that the initiative undertaken by IFCOMA to bring in the seventh edition of Shoetech Agra will surely accelerate the coveted growth of the Industry. He said that it is right time for Indian Industry members to capitalize on the anti-China sentiments and move forward along with pro-active measures and support being extended by the Indian Govt. This will help us gallop our combined strengths in terms of enhancing the exports and domestic manufacturing in line with roadmap towards achieving the target set by honorable Prime Minister of India.

The Chief Guest and Guests of honour unveiled the IFCOMA logo celebrating its 25 glorious years and as a mark of major achievements of IFCOMA in the past 25 years.



Shri Raghusaran Honoring the Guest of Honour, Shri Motilal Sethi, Regional Chairman (North) CLE with shawl and trophy.



Shri Deepak Manchanda Honoring the Guest of Honour, Capt. AS Rana, with shawl and trophy.



Shri Sudhir Rustagi Honoring the Guest of Honour, Shri Rajesh Sehgal, with shawl and trophy.



Shri Sudhir Aggarwal Honoring the Guest of Honour, Shri Rajiv Wasan, with shawl and trophy.



President IFCOMA Shri Sanjay Gupta in his Inaugural address during the Shoetech Agra.



Chief Guest, Shri Sanjay Leekha during his key note address.

Shoetech Agra was inaugurated on the 6th April, 2022 by Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman Council for Leather Exports, Delhi along with above Guests of Honours , by lighting up of the Lamp & Cutting of Ribbon.



Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, CLE along with Guests of honour inaugurating the show by Lighting up of the Lamp.



Chief Guest & the Guests of honour inaugurating Shoetech Agra by cutting of ribbon.

As per the tradition, IFCOMA recognized and facilitated the special talent and achiever of the Industry. The Doyen of the Industry Sardar Daljeet Singh, CMD Tej Group, Agra was honoured with **Life time Achievement Award**. He praised the efforts of IFCOMA in bringing together the Industry and recognizing the Industry stalwarts from Agra.

Shri Daljeet Singh addressed the audience citing the Shoetech Agra show as promising for the Footwear manufacturers and Exporters. He described about how the Industry began operating in Agra and its journey to successful ventures. He observed that the Tej Group pioneered in bringing the corporate culture into the Shoe Industry which helped the Industry grow and maximize the exports to Europe and America.

IFCOMA Excellence Award was presented to M/s Bajwa Rubber Industries Agra Shri Sunny Bajwa.

Following women outstanding performers were facilitated with Women Entrepreneurs Awards:-

Ms Ritu Jain, M/s Kailash (Forme) Creations Pvt Ltd, AGRA

Ms Meenu Kohli, M/s Swarna International, Agra



Shri Daljeet Singh being facilitated with lifetime achievement award and shawl.



Shri Sunny Bajwa being facilitated with IFCOMA Excellence award.

Media Coverage of Shoetech Agra



Award Gallery during Inaugural function



IFCOMA recognized the contribution of Domestic Footwear Manufacturers in Agra by awarding the exemplary awards to outstanding achievers. Top four performing units were facilitated with the Exemplary Awards.

1. M/s Aryman Footwear Exports Pvt. Ltd., Agra
2. M/s Guide Footwear, Agra
3. M/s Guruji Enterprises, Agra
4. M/s Srijati Footwear Pvt. Ltd., Agra



M/s Shroff Group, Agra was honored with **Golden Corporate Award** for shaping the Agra Footwear Component Industry into a rich self-sufficient Industry with multiple components offered to the Industry. Shroff Group dedicated 50 years of bringing consistent development to the Industry. Shri Anil Magan, Chairman, Shroff Group received the award.

IFCOMA organized a discussion on new Guidelines proposed under the Integrated Leather Development Scheme (IDLS). Shri Aritra Das, Project Coordinator from FDDI gave a detailed presentation to enrich the august gathering on the 6th April, evening at Hotel Holiday Inn, Agra. Members present during the interaction applauded the efforts of IFCOMA in updating them about the new IDLS Scheme (2021-26).

Shri Puran Dawar, President AFMEC visited the show on 2nd day of the event and interacted with member participants at all the stalls and appreciated the members enthusiasm of putting up an effective display of different types of products/components which is very useful for the Industry in Agra.

The fair was much appreciated by the Footwear & Leather Industry. Majority of the Exhibitors shared their satisfaction on the interactions and outcome of the fair. Approximately 4000 business visitors visited the Shoetech Agra-22 from various parts of the country.

Supported by

INDIAN FOOTWEAR COMPONENTS MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION
 FDDI Complex, Gate No.1, A-10/A, Sector-24, NOIDA - 201 301, U.P. (India)
REGISTER NOW: www.ifcoma.org | admin@ifcoma.org | +91 9811842251

India Industrial Land Bank (IILB) database created by Government of India

The National GIS Land Bank India Industrial Land Bank (IILB), erstwhile Industrial Information System (IIS), was launched with integration of GIS System of States by Shri Piyush Goyal Ji, Hon'ble Union Minister for Commerce & Industry, Government of India on 29.08.2020. IIS Portal is a GIS enabled database of Industrial Clusters /Areas across the States. IILB is a one stop repository of all industrial infrastructure related information such as connectivity, infrastructure, natural resources & terrain, plot-level information on vacant plots available, line of activity, and contact details etc.

The portal is a one stop solution to industry related information on Industrial Parks, available industrial plots, connectivity to nodal points – air, road, ports, railways, drainage, forest, raw material heat maps (horticulture, agriculture, mineral layers), multilayer of connectivity. IILB solves an investor's query to search for availability of land in more than 4000 Industrial Parks in India. These Industrial Parks (of all sectors) mapped across 5.08 lakh hectare of land (out of which 1.12 Lakh hectare is available for allotment) also have plot level details such as size of plots, line of activity, internal utilities such as electricity, water, STP, gas, and other infrastructure details, and contact point.

Information on IILB is accessible via <https://dpiit.gov.in/> - homepage of the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt of India. Once we click on Industrial Information System, the page is redirected to <https://iis.ncog.gov.in/parks/login> for detailed accessibility to the investors. Additionally, the information on land bank may also be accessed via <https://www.investindia.gov.in/about-us> - Invest India website, under Resources Tab as India Industrial Land Bank.

For ease of investors, a Mobile App was also developed for IILB which is available on Android and iOS stores. Link is given below from where one can download the IILB.

- https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.negd.iisapp&hl=en_IN&gl=US

- <https://apps.apple.com/in/app/india-industrial-land-bank/id1538770360>

The link for Video Tutorial explaining the IILB is given herewith for information. https://iis.ncog.gov.in/userManual/IIS_Demo_SG_04072020.mp4

The portal and mobile app help investors make informed decisions while selecting their next investment destination. In respect of Leather Sector, the portal has details of 11 Industrial Parks in various states, and information about the total land area, land available etc.

The design and content of the portal are being constantly improved for a better user experience. Apart from Indian business community, the portal attracts considerable page views from abroad i.e, from USA, UK, Australia, UAE, Germany, Singapore, and several other countries.

The CLE would request the members to kindly go through the IILB Portal and mobile App for information on land availability and other details for setting up their manufacturing facilities in the country. Since the Portal and App is constantly being improved by Govt of India and targeted at both the international as well as domestic investors, members may regularly go through the Portal and App to know the updated information on the Industrial Parks, land available etc, and get the benefit out of the IILB initiative.

(Reference: CLE Circular No.CLE-HO/PTLM/General/2022-23 dated 18.04.2022 issued to all members of the CLE)



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



CLE Stakeholders Consultation Meeting with Industry Members on 07.04.2022 via Virtual Video Conference Mode

The Government of India has approved the Central Sector Scheme Indian Footwear and Leather Development Programme (IFLDP) with an outlay of Rs.1700 Crores for 5 years period 2021-26. As per the Gazette Notification dated 03.03.2022 issued by Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade (DPIIT), Government of India, an Advisory Committee has been constituted under the chairpersonship of Additional Secretary, DPIIT. From the industry, Chairman-CLE & Chairman-CFLA are members of the Advisory Committee. The DPIIT has commenced the exercise of operationalize the sub-schemes of IFLDP. As a next step, the DPIIT has organized the First Meeting of the Advisory Committee on 01.04.2022 under the Chairmanship of Shri Rajeev Singh Thakur, Additional Secretary, DPIIT via video conference in which the DPIIT has sought suggestions and inputs on all sub-schemes of IFLDP more particularly on the IDLS Scheme & Sustainable Technology and Environmental Promotion (STEP).

In order to elicit inputs/suggestions of the industry, the CLE has organized Stakeholders Consultation Meeting on 07.04.2022, via video conference, with all Regional Chairmen, COA Members and Product Panel conveners of CLE. Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman-CLE conducted the stakeholders meeting and deliberated on the above agenda.



Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, CLE

The meeting was participated by Shri M. Israr Ahmed, Regional Chairman (South), Shri Naresh S. Bhasin, Regional Chairman (West), Padmashri M. Rafeeqe Ahmed, Member-COA, Shri M. Abdul Wahab, Member-COA, Shri Ashraf Rizwan, Member-COA, and other prominent members have participated and expressed their views and provided inputs. Shri A. Fayaz Ahmad, Deputy Director, CLE has participated and coordinated the meeting. Out of views emerged, the CLE has prepared a Note giving the industry suggestions on the sub-schemes more particularly on the IDLS Scheme & Sustainable Technology & Environmental Promotion (STEP) and submitted the same to the DPIIT.



Are We In For Higher Global Treasury Yields

By Ritesh Victor: Co-Founder & Country Head - Market Risk Advisory & TPO

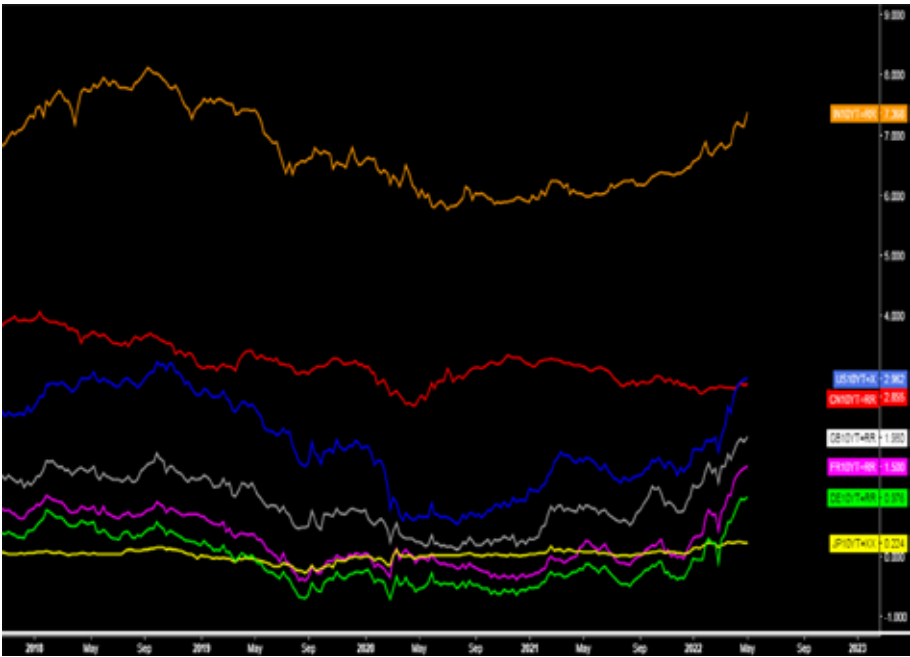
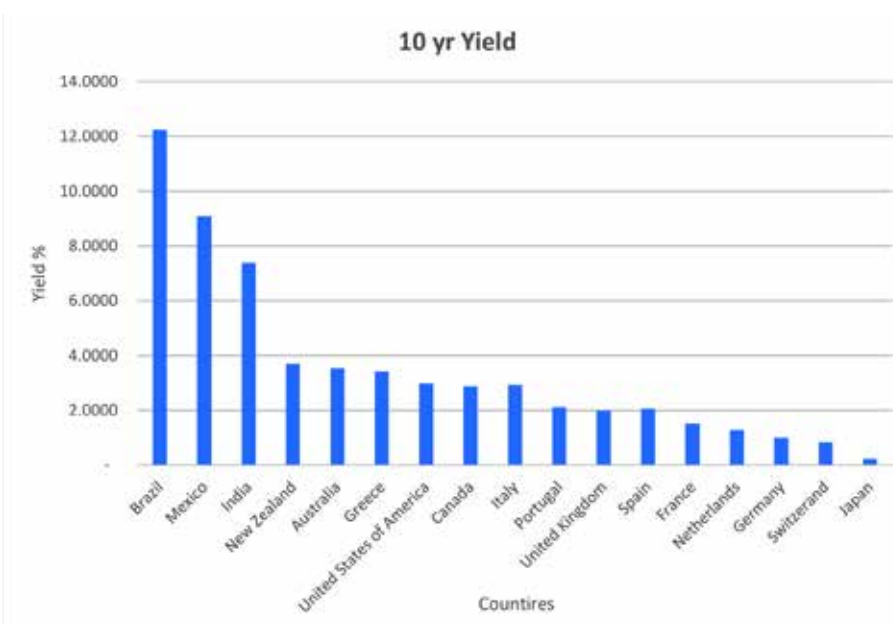
Treasury yields have been rising across the globe as central banks start increasing the interest rates to taper the inflationary pressure. US 10 year bond touched 3%, level last seen in 2018 as Fed raised their interest rates by 50 bps to tame 40 year high at 8.5% inflation. Chances of a 75bps rate hike has also been shifted lower by Fed Governor, Jerome Powell. But would the fast paced higher interest rate overburden the economy and slow its growth? Rapid rise in treasury yields is weighing on the riskier assets.

Not wanting to be left behind (though a first amongst Asians), Indian central bank, RBI made a surprise 40bps repo rate hike to 4.4% and increased cash reserve ratio by 50bps to 4.5%, citing inflation worries.

Seeing the 10 year treasury yields of major economies (bar graph), in a descending order has Brazil in the first place at 12.25%, with India at 7.389% at 3rd place, US just shy of 3% while UK at 2%. Least yielding has been the Japanese 10 year bond at 0.23%.

The historical performance of few 10 year yields can be seen in the chart below. India is marked in orange, US 10 year yield in blue, China in red, UK in white, France in pink, Germany in green and Japan in yellow. Most yields have been on a rise since the outbreak of pandemic, but China and Japan have seen more or less stable yields. Since the pandemic, the French, British and US yields have risen more than 200%, while Indian yields rose just 18%.

Is the high yields an indication of changing times (read volatility)?



From Myforexeye Fintech Pvt Ltd
B - 23 | Sector 63 | Noida - 201301 | Uttar Pradesh
Mobile .No : 7777009009
Email-id : sales@myforexeye.com

Rupee: A Short Term Fundamental Analysis

Mr Ritesh Victor - Co-Founder & Country Head - Market Risk Advisory & TPO

Rupee seems to be currently trading in an environment dominated by overseas issues. The Ukraine invasion remains the large background stage which has led to surge in crude and commodity prices, leading to fears about rising inflation. However now with crude prices looking like having hit a medium term top, fears on this issue should reduce partially lending some support to the rupee.

There is also constant talk in the media about the rising dollar yields which in turn forces our domestic yields higher, once again raising fears about higher inflation. But here too we have seen US yields drop sharply last few days with the 10-year Treasury paper dropping currently to 2.799% after touching highs of just below 3%. US Treasury Secretary Ms. Yellen recently opined that inflation in US might have peaked and the market too seems to have discounted the expected raise of 50 basis points by the Fed in their next meeting. Domestic yields too have retreated from the highs seen mid-April when the 10-year touched a high of 7.285% and is currently trading around 7.056% today. There were reports that a large part of the drop here was due to large purchase of bonds by two of India's largest corporate, forcing prices higher. This perhaps shows that should RBI intervene strongly in the bond market, yields would stabilise at lower levels. Cost of government funding, a major worry, should therefore ease off and lead to some fading of fear about inflation. A point of support again for rupee.

Over the last few days we have been pointing out the grip that Yuan seems to have on rupee. We have

been noticing that on most days, including today, there is a sudden drop of the rupee following a sudden drop of yuan, though crude prices and the dollar index, remain largely flat during this period. Equity markets surge too does not help when Yuan is dropping fast. This is primarily due to the large turnover in the NDF markets, larger than the domestic markets, with Asian NDF traders bunching all Asian currencies together despite their different domestic factor. When they buy dollars against Yuan, they buy against all Asian currencies. The Yuan has weakened sharply last couple of weeks after the surge in the pandemic in Shanghai from levels around 6.33-34 to as high of 6.6050. The Chinese central bank today announced some measures to prevent the drop in Yuan and should they succeed, we could see rupee appreciating also. A point of support again for the rupee.

A problem for rupee in recent days have been the lack of dollar inflows from the corporate sector and those relating to funding deals. This is a natural tradition every year as most corporate have already raised funds before the end of financial year on 31st March and can afford to wait for some time as the new year comes in. This is the same factor which explains the slowdown in exporter dollar selling. Because of this lack of dollar supply, the market tends to move in an exaggerated manner every time some slightly larger demand hits the market. This factor too could reverse slightly in the coming weeks if the LIC IPO is successfully launched as that will be the pivot point for other large IPO's to be launched. We could see some dollar selling in the beginning of May, ahead of the launch of the LIC IPO. Once again, positive for the rupee.

Taking all things into consideration we believe that rupee is in its worst phase right now and things will turn for the better soon. Still looking for a move to 76.00/10 in the coming weeks.

As usual there is a caveat!!! All the above become just plain talking points if the Ukraine war escalates and the pandemic once again surges globally.

From Myforexeye Fintech Pvt Ltd
B - 23 | Sector 63 | Noida - 201301 | Uttar Pradesh
Mobile . No : 7777009009
Email-id : sales@myforexeye.com



CLE's participation in the Asia Pacific Leather Fair (APLF) & Fashion Access Fair held during March 30th – 1st April, 2022 at Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC), Dubai, UAE

After a three years hiatus due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the world's leading trade fair in Leather and Fashion made a triumphal return in Dubai World Trade Centre, from 30th March to 1st April, coinciding with the last few days of Expo2020. This was the first time in 35 years that APLF did not take place in its hometown Hong Kong. Needless to say that all the industry players were looking forward to this edition and its promising economic revival, leading to an atmosphere of high energy, cheerfulness and optimism during the three days of the show.

Pre-show expectations were tempered by the backdrop of the ongoing pandemic, travel restrictions in China and Southeast Asia as well as the Russia-Ukraine conflict had spawned more geopolitical uncertainty and wide-ranging economic sanctions.

Nevertheless, a total of 463 exhibitors from 34 countries and regions participated at APLF Leather, Material+ and Fashion Access, including first time participants from

Uzbekistan from the leather sector, Georgia and Zimbabwe from the finished products sector. These were joined by over 6,000 buyers from 88 countries and regions. This is in line with the estimates of the Organisers despite the new venue and the extraordinary circumstances surrounding the timing of the event.

"As a business platform, APLF Dubai will open new markets and expand its global reach until normality reigns again in China and Southeast Asia", confirmed David Bondi, Director of APLF and Senior Vice President at Informa Markets Asia.

"We are grateful that APLF finally made it happen! This is an opportunity to meet new customers and Dubai may be the steppingstone to new markets, including Africa", Dr Alessandro Lamura, Italy Deputy Trade Commissioner of the United Arab Emirates, said, speaking at the opening ceremony.

At the press conference, the APLF Organizers hosted the launch of the inaugural World Leather Day, 30 March 2022. This initiative was conceived by the Leather Working Group and Leather Naturally who recently joined forces as part of the renewed unity to promote and defend leather. This announcement also coincided with the 10th Anniversary of the Leather Naturally Campaign that has done so much to bring leading stakeholders of the industry together in a united front, supported by its highly original marketing arm Metcha. Leather revival was also observed in some countries such as in India, Egypt, Uzbekistan and some parts of Africa where governments went the extra mile to support the sector. In India, import duty exemptions and a five-year Footwear and Leather Development Programme is expecting to double the export turnover to 10 billion USD by 2025-26 and the domestic industry turnover from 12 billion USD in 2019-20 to 20 billion USD by 2025-26, according to Sanjay Leekha, Chairman of the Council for Leather Exports, India.



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



Press Conference and Meetings at APLF Dubai World Trade Centre 30th March – 31st March, 2022
Chairman, CLE Mr. Sanjay Leekha gave presentation to the journalists and media section of APLF on current status and future prospects of leather & footwear sector of India



CLE's participation in the APLF-Leather & Fashion Access Fair, Dubai

CLE has organized group participation of 35 member-companies in the APLF-Leather, whereas, 32 companies participated in the Fashion Access Fairs, DWTC, Dubai. The participation of members was organized by CLE with the funding support of Government of India under Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme.

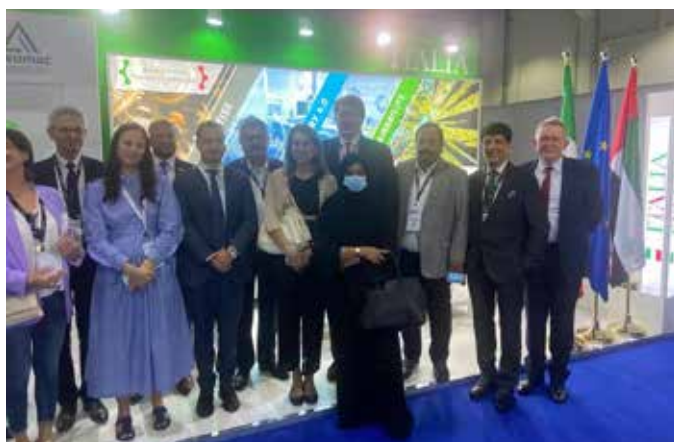
Inaugural Ceremony of India Pavilion in APLF - Dubai: Inaugural ceremony of India pavilion was held formally by ribbon cutting ceremony under the august presence of Mr. Ramkumar Thankraj, Consul, CGI, Dubai, Mr. Sanjay Leekha, Chairman, Council for Leather Exports (CLE), Mr. Mukhtarul Amin, Former Chairman, Council for Leather Exports (CLE), Mr. Motilal Sethi, Regional Chairman – North, CLE, Mr. Ramesh Juneja, Regional Chairman – East, CLE, Mr. R. Selvam, IAS, Executive Director, CLE, Mr. Michael Duck, MD, APLF and Mr. Frank Boehly, Director, APLF along with member participants.



Follow us on TWITTER @cle_india



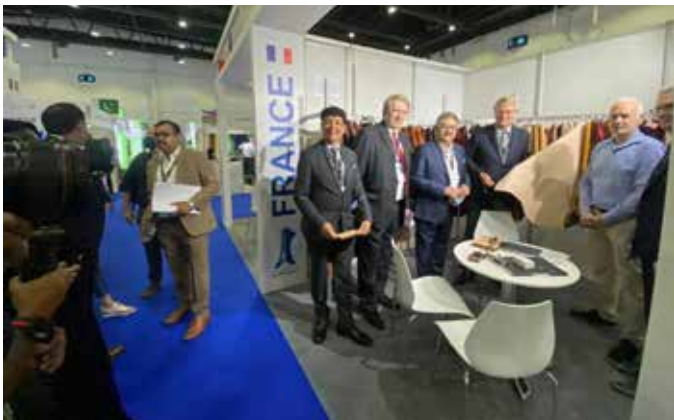
Visit of CLE Delegates and Officials of APLF to the APLF Exhibition at Dubai World Trade Centre to various country pavilions



The below named 35 companies participated in the APLF-Leather through CLE and displayed various categories of finished leather and components:-

ASIA PACIFIC LEATHER FAIR, DUBAI, MARCH 2022 LIST OF INDIAN EXHIBITORS			
1	AFI Tannery	Vaniyambadi	H4-H03
2	Alina Private Limited	Chennai	H4-H02
3	A.V.Thomas Leather & Allied Products P Ltd	Chennai	H4-H04
4	Allied Exims	Kanpur	H4-J15
5	Amar Brothers Global Pvt Ltd	Kanpur	H4-G04
6	Arif & Sons	Kanpur	H4-G06
7	ASG Leathers Pvt Ltd	Kolkata	H4-H18
8	AXA Leather Group	Vaniyambadi	H4-J17
9	Bharat Tanning Industries	Kanpur	H4-H05
10	Calico Impex	Kanpur	H4-H16
11	Delux International	Kanpur	H4-J11
12	Dhupar Chemicals Pvt Ltd	Kanpur	H1-Q07
13	Diana International	Ludhiana	H4-J18
14	Enayat Agro Foods Pvt Ltd	Kanpur	H4-H10
15	Flamingo SSI	Ranipet	H4-J03
16	Gaitonde Leathers And Accessories Pvt Ltd	Chennai	H4-G14
17	Globe Tanners	Kanpur	H4-G02
18	Habib Fashion	Kanpur	H4-H07
19	Imperium Overseas Private Limited	Kanpur	H4-J09
20	Indian Tanning Industries	Kanpur	H4-J05
21	K G Leathers	Chennai	H4-G12
22	KKSK International	Erode	H4-H06
23	Mirza International Ltd	Kanpur	H4-H01
24	Model Exims	Kanpur	H4-H13
25	Model Tanners	Kanpur	H4-H09
26	Nature Hide	Kanpur	H4-G08
27	Penza Exports	Kanpur	H4-H12
28	R Y Gaitonde and Company	Chennai	H4-G16
29	Rathnam Leathers	Chennai	H4-J13
30	Ruksh International	Kanpur	H4-K23
31	Seema Tanning Industries Pvt. Ltd	Kanpur	H4-G10
32	Shine Leather Finishers	Kanpur	H4-H15
33	Super Tannery Ltd	Kanpur	H4-J01
34	Torpedo Shoes Pvt Ltd	Kanpur	H4-H14
35	V.T.I. Exports	Kanpur	H4-H20
36	Council for Leather Exports	India	H4-H11

CLE India Pavilion @ APLF-Leather, Dubai





Business Outcome @ APLF-Leather

CLE has organized group participation of members in the APLF-Leather, Dubai with an objective to offer a platform for the Indian exporters of finished leather, for meeting their customers from various countries, after the COVID pandemic. CLE's participation in this event helped the Indian exhibitors for renewing their business relationship with the existing customers as well as for finding out new potential buyers. Participants were happy in terms of business outcome of the event. Companies were busy in meeting the buyers and business visitors on all three days. As per feedback given by the Indian companies, they were able to attend more than 600 one to one business meetings during the fair. 33 out of 35 Indian companies participated in the event through CLE have shown their interest to participate in the fair again



through the Council. As per feedback form submitted by the participants, during the 3 days show, 652 one to one business meetings were held and business worth Rs. 7711.00 lakhs has been generated (both on the spot as well as expected business).



Follow us on TWITTER @cle_india



Name of companies participated through CLE in the Fashion Access Fair are given below:-`

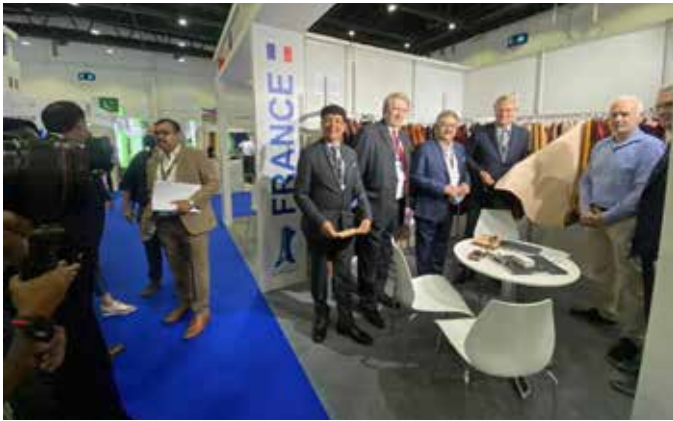
FASHION ACCESS FAIR, DUBAI, MARCH 2022 LIST OF INDIAN EXHIBITORS			
1	Aala Gloves	Chennai	H5-A28
2	AB Group	Kanpur	H4-K21
3	AMFA International	Chennai	H5-B24
4	Bovini Frills LLP	Kanpur	H5-B15
5	Chaussures Premieres	Chennai	H5-A26
6	Cotton Crafters	Gurugram	H5-B22
7	Colours Solution	Kanpur	H4-J21
8	Creative Pelt Pvt. Ltd	Kolkata	H5-A16
9	Crescent Export Syndicate	Kolkata	H5-A14
10	Discovery Leathers Pvt Ltd	Gurugram	H5-B21
11	Dugros Leather (India) Pvt. Ltd	Kolkata	H5-A12
12	Edcons Exports Private Limited	Kolkata	H5-B4
13	G P Exports	Kolkata	H5-B8
14	I.A Leather (I) P Ltd	Kanpur	H5-B12
15	Inspire Exim Pvt Ltd	Delhi	H5-B10
16	J C International Ltd	Kolkata	H5-B11
17	Jalandhar Leather India Pvt. Ltd.,	Jalandhar	H4-J22
18	Jiya Exim Pvt Ltd	Kolkata	H5-B19
19	Kamal Enterprises	Noida	H5-B18
20	Kapoor Industries	Kolkata	H5-B2
21	Karenn International Pvt Ltd	Kanpur	H5-B20
22	Labbaik Exim Pvt Ltd	Kolkata	H5-A18
23	Labbaik International	Kolkata	H5-A20
24	Metropoli Fashion Pvt. Ltd.	Kolkata	H5-B14
25	Newage Leathers Pvt Ltd	Noida	H5-B16
26	Raza International	Chennai	H5-B17
27	S P International	Kolkata	H5-B6
28	S S International	Gurgaon	H5-B24
29	Savi Leathers	Noida	H5-B25
30	Umama Tanners	Kanpur	H4-K22
31	Vishal Enterprises	Noida	H5-A24
32	XL Enterprises Ltd	Kolkata	H5-B23
33	Council for Leather Exports	India	H5-B27



Follow us on TWITTER @cle_india



CLE India Pavilion @ Fashion Access Fairs, Dubai





Business Outcome @ Fashion Access Fair

Participants were happy in terms of business outcome of the event. Companies were busy in meeting the buyers and business visitors on all three days. As per feedback given by the Indian companies, they were able to attend more than 400 one to one business meetings during the fair.

31 out of 32 Indian companies participated in the event through CLE has shown their interest to participate in the fair again through the Council. As per feedback form submitted by the participants, during the 3 days show, 468 one to one business meetings were held and business worth Rs. 3642.00 lakhs has been generated (both on the spot as well as expected business).

CLE's information booth: Council for Leather Exports organized CLE information booth in APLF & Fashion Access Fair to extend necessary coordination for smooth participation of the members. The Information Booth was jointly managed by Ms. Pallavi Dubey, Regional Director – Central, CLE, Shri Atul Kumar Mishra, Regional Director – North, CLE and Shri Vijay Kumar C, Asst. Director – International Marketing Department (IMD), CLE. The CLE Officials who were present at the booth has provided necessary information to the buyers and business visitors,



about the Indian leather industry, Indian manufacturers of leather and leather goods, manufacturing clusters in India, export promotion measures of Government of India and investment opportunities offering by the Indian Government etc. At CLE Information booth, the publications including Members Directory, Fact & Figures, Leather News India magazine etc. were displayed and made available for the overseas buyers & sourcing companies.

Visit of CLE Delegation to APLF:- A delegation headed by Mr. Sanjay Leekha, Chairman-CLE and accompanied by the Officials and Office Bearers of CLE visited the APLF-Leather Fair. As recognition of CLE's

long term association, the APLF has organized a series of meetings for the CLE Delegation during the fair days, which includes, APLF press conference, meeting with ASSOMAC, meeting with CICB, Leather Naturally, Global Footwear Executive Summit besides APLF Award function.

APLF BOAA & DAB Award Presentation:- APLF fair organizers has organized the APLF BOAA & DAB award presentation on 31st March, 2022 evening. CLE was the main sponsor of the Award function. Shri Sanjay Leekha, Chairman-CLE along with Mr. R. Selvam, IAS, ED-CLE and other Office bearers of the Council represented CLE in the APLF award function.

APLF BOAA & DAB Award Presentation



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



MODEUROP Colours for Autumn Winter 23/24 season “Back to normal!”



...with this optimism, ModEurop President Karim Choukair opened the ModEurop Colour Club Conference, which once again took place live in Berlin on April 7 and 8 with strong participation from industry and trade. The biannual meeting traditionally focuses on the creation of the ModEurop Colour Card for the season after next. In addition, the Fashion Summit is a welcome opportunity to exchange ideas on current topics in the footwear and accessories scene and to initiate new projects.

Martin Wuttke, ModEurop trend expert and owner of the agency nextgurunow, puts it in a nutshell: "In stormy times like these, fashion once again stands for freedom and boundless creativity. Let's go on!" The 20 or so creatives were allowed to take this motto literally. Beyond the creation of the ModEuop Colour Card for fall/winter 2023/24, the store checks in the metropolis of Berlin offered exciting impulses. The highlight was the visit to the innovative concept store PLATTE. Berlin - a place where designers can work, experiment and present, initiated by the economic development of the districts of Berlin Mitte and Pankow.



Innovation also in materials: at the ModEurop Colour Conference, Ningyuan Xu and Borui Zhao from Peelsphere presented novel, sustainable materials made from fruit waste and algae, with the vision of contributing to a healthy, more balanced lifestyle.

Fall/winter 2023/24 colors and materials:

"We are facing a season that dares to look back to history. A season between opulent gowns, playful activewear and spiritual outerwear. A slower rhythm of life, a new mindfulness in terms of health and well-being, but also the aspects of community and environment are increasingly coming into focus," forecast ModEurop experts Martin Wuttke and Uta Riechers-Wuttke. In terms of fashion, the signs of the times point to a new, modern, lush grace. The wow effect is becoming more important than ever in product design.

These socio-cultural developments define the three themes of the ModEurop Color Card Fall/Winter 2023/24. Winter magic paired with futurism creates new color perspectives in the DREAMY UNIVERSE theme, which combines cool-looking gray-blue gradations with warm beige-brown nuances and rosé/red tones. Gloss and shimmering brocades stand next to futuristic-looking paddings and fantasy reptiles. Chains and gemstones underscore the pompous look. The FREESTYLE SPIRIT theme mixes styles: sportswear joins forces with ball gowns, punk flirts with ski bunnies. The color scheme provides expressive refreshment: the fiery triad of bright orange, red and signal yellow meets radiant blue. The counterpart is formed by licorice brown and olive - linked by grayish rosé. Shine dominates the materials: lacquer, metallics and 3D embossing contrast with teddy, flocking and terry. Highland trekking, nomadism and craft tradition feed the EARTHY LEGENDS theme. The colors take you on a romantic journey through time: mystically magical violet tones combine with green nuances. Dark shades of red and brown, both warm and cool, are perfect for tonal combinations. Leather with grains, vintage effects and hand finishes are characteristic as well as knitted and teddy plush. Originality is the new measure of things.

The complete color/material range is shown in the ModEurop Colour Card for fall/winter 2023/24, which will be available from the German Shoe Institute in Offenbach from the beginning of June.

ModEurop thanks Synergy partners: Gruppo Biokimica, CSIR, India, JACOBS LEDER, Gruppo Mastrotto S.p.A., SCHMID MILANO, SIMACA GROUP, Otto Stockmayer + Sohn GmbH

SPIRITUALITY COMBINED WITH DREAMY MOODS AND PASSION: SPIRITUALITY
COMBINED WITH DREAMY MOODS AND PASSION:

“FASHION STATEMENTS ARE BOLDER THAN EVER”



Oscillating between opulent gowns, cheerful activewear and spiritual outerwear, the new trends are ranging from delicately futuristic to elegantly staged and sturdily natural. We are headed towards a season in which looking back into history is the new innovative. Sporty, smart casual looks retain the lead. A slower-paced rhythm of life, self-care and mindfulness focus personal health and wellbeing. It is time to recharge our batteries and give our own set of values a rethink. Spirituality, companionship and concern for our environment take centre stage. In times of upheaval, lifestyle signals are seismographic, they tend to respond directly. Current fashion shows have been taking a stand – also on political issues, while at the same time heralding the emergence of new stylistic vocabulary. As Christiane Arp, Chair of the German Fashion Council, has pointed out at the end of the Berlin Fashion Week: “With fashion being both a cultural asset and a significant economic factor, it is a globally integrative force. Fashion stands for individual freedom and boundless creativity. Both these values are more important than ever in today’s world.”

Urbanwear and activewear are imbued with a new sense of realism. It all talks street care instead of streetwear. Fashion label Zara’s cooperation with South Korean label Ader Error is setting an example: Fashion is a collaborative project based on the individuality and uniqueness of each and every one of us. Diversity, current social issues and a focus on regenerative production processes are almost as important in communicating a brand today as are the fashion statements themselves. New, no-compromise brands are on a par with Balenciaga – pretty much in touch with the sensitivities of gen Z.

Ramdane Touhami, co-founder of vintage traditions cosmetics firm Buly 1803, explains the success of his brand: “We don’t sell a product. We sell ‘Wow!’ Wow is better than a product.”

The metaverse continues to grow: just recently the first digital-only designed fashion week had its official kick-off uniting top brands with newcomers under one roof. It remains exciting to wait and see in which direction the new digital universes will develop. Apart from giving an insight into future developments, most collections are reflective of the desire for a new opulence stretching from décor to ball gowns. Even though we will not be entering this season with frocks with long trains and sparkling chandeliers, things are definitively trending towards a very modern form of elegant flamboyance. Following from these sociocultural developments, 3 Modeurop colour themes are defined for the season Autumn Winter 2023 - 24: DREAMY UNIVERSE – FREESTYLE SPIRIT – EARTHY LEFASHION STATEMENTS ARE BOLDER THAN EVER.

DREAMY UNIVERSE



The stylistic spectrum of this theme stretches from historical references to futuristically reimagined classics. Blazers, female suits and coats are showcasing exciting variations around shoulder sections, from exaggerated and wide to accentuated by fur trimmings to space-age appeal and balloon-shaped raglan varieties. Shifting proportions are also prominent with widths and lengths – mini is on a par with maxi including train elements. Trousers are extremely wide and come in excess length, or skinny with a hint at protector elements. All this is linked to an opulent play with contrasting styles: sequin dress alongside woolly socks and loafers, wool coat with fur trim over a transparent lace dress, very masculine oversize jacket meets delicate lingerie dress with frill tutu. Long-shaft boots are updated as futureproof hybrids of leggings with incorporated footwear – pointed, wedge-heeled or with a massive platform base. More futuristic appeal is created with metal heel constructions that seem to defy gravitational forces. Proportional shifts at the heel part are anything but common sight. Pumps depart from classic fashion accessories and come in variants with multiple ankle straps, rhinestone buckles or all-over strass. Also: impressively ornate Mary-Jane adaptations. Pomp is the novel design with bags, too. Extrovert chain-strap constructions are equal partners with all-over pearl decor, fur trims and leathery brocade varieties. New padding styles, also partial, provide for the innovative extra. Asymmetric shapes are ushering in a silhouette change in the clutches department. Shoulder bags are minimalistic, showcasing innovative futuristic details or cutting-edge seamlines. Medium sizes take the lead, with XS and mega sizes representing the vogueish vanguard. Wintery magic combined with space-age echoes create fresh colour perspectives. Analog and digital worlds are merging. This colour composition weds cool grey-blue tones to warm beige-brown nuances. A slightly rosé-shaded Powdery Snow connotes light speed and teams up with Graphite and neutral Feather to set a new trend. Icicle provides futuristic cooling effects. Umbra counters this with a warm flair closing ranks with Galactic Brown. Carmine comes in to introduce a touch of alluring magic, and a deep-blue Arctic Night takes the part of the dark, elegant element. Stardust is a key contributor to the all-important glam factor. New colour stories are forming between tone-in- tone and strikingly contrasting shades.

Gleaming brocade fabrics and textiles invoking far-away galaxies, alongside futuristic padding and faceting in super soft leathers are taking centre stage. Prints and surface treatments create simulacra of gem optics and fantasy reptile skins. Laser cutting in fringes and fragile shapes provide for new optical and haptic impressions. Glossy finishes produce folds and parade air bubble entrapments. Massive chain elements in various forms continue to rule, albeit in hand-forged optics. Moreover: gem-loaded closure buckles and rhinestone fringe applications.

FREESTYLE SPIRIT



The name is the story: Blurring boundaries allows for a new style vocabulary. Sportswear shows solidarity with ball gowns, meets punk and flirts with snow bunnies to create a myriad of new looks from rugby shirt and flower-print maxi dress to bustier corsetry in various adaptations to bold graffiti designs. Reinterpretations of costume and ball gown combos, and new exaggerated puffy volumes complete the picture. Lengths and widths are mostly variable with mini lengths playing a leading role to guarantee

maximum legroom. This trend is spurring boot creations in their most diverse forms: robust booties with a nod to biker heritage, mid-bootleg heights with corresponding heels, mega platforms with a latex stocking attached, and extra-long shafts on super heels. Mary-Janes are reimagined in exaggerated platform heights and shafts up to the knee. Straps and strappy lacings give mid-heel pumps, sandals and platform pumps a facelift. Moon boots transform into puffer-boots with only the thick outer soles reminiscent of their origins. Stylistic innovation and self-assurance are the mark in the bag sector, too. Clutches are big and updated in puffer-cushion formats. Cross-over mini bags embrace punk styles showcasing killer stud hardware or wildly abstract graffiti. Classic flap-over handbags are refreshed for cross-ventilation by lavish punching. A new variety encompassing all types of bags in monochromatic design complete from strap to bottom with just varying degrees of shine due to different materials. Ultra flat business shoulder bags featuring prominently embossed 3D logos in signal colours to boost the fun factor at work. The colour palette is refreshed with expressive elements in a playful manner.

This riot of colours is inaugurated by a fiery triad of bright Fireball Orange, vibrant Ralleye Red and Sign Yellow. A brilliant Dazzling Blue adds energetic activism. Gleaming Power Purple powers passion, with a deep, glowing Wild Viola acting as its counterpart. Liquorice contributes to cohesion, while matt olive Urban Jungle brings the rioting colour schemes back down to earth. Lightness and the theme's soft side is introduced by a silky Pink Blush that functions as connecting element. This colour story will cause a stir through disruptive innovations.

Materials shine and glow in various degrees across the full range from latex to nylon fabrics to moiré and wet-look shiny patent leather, including novel metallic effects. Geometric 3D embossing in double-face design complete the picture. Padded parts crafted in the most diverse variations of puff and bulge alongside irregularly folded plissé set surfaces in motion. Rip-stop fabrics are updated in a winter season edition with innovative padding and underlining. Teddy structures are enmeshed by terry cloth applications, playing on college looks. Chains are wrapped up warm in a new outfit of flocking and knitted coatings. Dominatrix studs come in round, pyramid-shaped or killer format varieties, graphically reimagined in graffiti styles.

EARTHY LEGENDS

This theme feeds on the countless inspirational sources around highland trekking and nomad life, in combination with a heavy dose of craftsmanship traditions and references to 1990s aesthetic. Knitwear is top of the hot list, particularly in multicolour inlay patterns for everything from maxi dresses and belly pullovers to short cardigans in puffer optic. Supersized cape-shawl hybrids in coarse-knit style with long fringes and wool socks in handmade looks are omnipresent. Teddy plush makes its mark with blousons, often in a mix with leather or bouclé. Mix-and-match looks and materials patchwork are trending. A vivid

and dynamic style mix combining grunge and college trends is the result. Layering is all the rage, from hip-length to floor-length; opulently puffy tulle skirts meet oversized knitted sweaters; destroy-washed denim pants in extra-lengths combine with tight tops in translucent whites. The same dynamic spectrum applies to shoes. Teddy boots with softly falling shafts and chunky soles alongside sneaker hybrids in Norwegian knit or vintage denim varieties encapsulate the mood. Boot variations with sturdy outer soles and buckled shafts in various lengths - even in wellies versions - continue their trend. As do loafers with chunky soles, reflecting the more refined aspect of the theme, alongside long-shaft jackboot hybrids with mid-size heels. Sneakers are busily generating novel hybrids: running merges with loafer, often in fake-fur design; bulky patchwork styles come with espadrille hand stitching; or high tops with biker protectors in a patchwork of materials. The same goes for bags. For the first time in a while, aged leather looks are revitalised for small shoulder bags with quilting, and boxy bowling styles. Half-moon satchels in mid and large sizes come in leather-teddy or knit combinations. Bowling bags are scoring high due to eye-catching padded parts. Crochet leather bags with bobble fringes reconnect Baguette shoulder bag formats with nature. Other features include prints simulating braiding in chequers design, or prints that appear to be hand-painted. Striking front pocket elements are drivers of innovation.

The colours send us on a romantic journey through time. The secrets of nature reveal themselves on a spiritual hiking trip. Mystically magic violet hues from soft and husky Mystic Vapour to the radiant Magic Violet mix with a mossier Fairy Green and dark Fern. Deep brown Grizzly and a moist-beige Otter are providing exciting animal notes, while mustardy Iceland Moss is the bright spot in this palette. Rust-coloured Auburn stands for warmth, as cool Pomegranate goes its own way while convivially offering assistance to the rest of the pack. Colour duets are perfect for harmonious combinations, on the other hand they create new and unusual synergies.

As illustrated above, knitted fabrics and teddy plush are competing head-to-head. Other materials include tumbled, shrunken leathers with conspicuous graining, vintages effects and hand-wiped finishes. Print motives and badges often resemble analogue-style hand drawings. Originality is the new gold standard.

©Texte nextguruNow, Uta Riechers-Wuttke, Martin Wuttke für ModEurop | DSI | HDS/L

India @ MODEUROP



“Consumers are becoming increasingly aware of ecology, concern for the earth is centre-stage, they are getting desirous of exploring outer space. AW 23/24 will also take the consumer back to basics and heritage.”

417 Leather/ Colour proposals have been readied by 13 Tanners.

Partners in Progress:

Alina | ATH | Genuine | Good Leather | KH Exports | Pa Footwear | Pakkar | Rathnam | Stahl India | Shoeberry | TATA International | Versatile | STAR Exports

Co-Sponsors:

Colourtex | Colourfast | Smit & Zoon | Stahl India Limited

Synergy Partners:

CSIR-CLRI | CLE | ISF | IFLMEA

**FASHION
TREND
POOL**

The Colour Circle of FASHION TREND POOL for the Autumn Winter 23/24 season will be held during 26-27 April 2022 in Potsdam, Germany, Flash from FASHION TREND POOL will be sent on 29th April 2022 please.

MODEUROP

Autumn Winter 23/24 season

“WINNING COLOURS FROM INDIA”

23 out of a total of 29 colours selected feature from INDIA

No	Country	Tannery	Colour Code	Old Name	New Name
I EARTHY LEGENDS					
1.	-	-	-	-	OTTER
2.	INDIA	KH Exports	12.40	CHOCOLATE	GRIZZLY
3.	INDIA	PA Footwear	15.25	DARK PURPLE	MAGIC VIOLET
4.	INDIA	TATA	21.09	BURGUNDY	POMEGRANATE
5.	INDIA	TATA	21.24	RUST	AUBURN
6.	INDIA	ATH	02.27	CREAM GOLD	ICELAND MOSS
7.	INDIA	RATHNAM	17.10	LILAC	MYSTIC VAPOR
8.	INDIA	GOOD	11.23	KHAKI GREEN 2	FERN
9.	-	-	-	-	FAIRY GREEN
II FREESTYLE SPIRIT					
10.	INDIA	ALINA	01.15	YELLOW CHROME	SIGN YELLOW
11.	INDIA	GOOD	11.01	TERRACOTTA TILE	FIREBALL
12.	INDIA	STAHL	03.29	BLUE HORIZON ANILINE	DAZZLING BLUE
13.	INDIA	PA	15.28	JET BLACK	LIQUORICE
14.	-	-	-	-	URBAN JUNGLE
15.	INDIA	RATHNAM	17.14	CHERRY	RALLYE RED
16.	INDIA	ATH	02.37	BLUSHED	PINK BLUSH
17.	INDIA	RATHNAM	17.05	ROSE	POWER PURPLE
18.	INDIA	KH	12.36	ROYAL PURPLE	WILD VIOLA
III DREAMY UNIVERSE					
19.	INDIA	TATA	21.17	NAVY	ARCTIC NIGHT
20.	INDIA	PAKKAR	16.02	CLOUD	FEATHER
21.	-	-	-	-	GRAPHITE
22.	INDIA	SHOEBERRY	24.06	AQUA SKY	ICICLE
23.	-	-	-	-	UMBRA
24.	INDIA	TATA	21.02	SANDAL	GALACTIC BROWN
25.	INDIA	KH	12.22	WHITE	POWDERY SNOW
26.	-	-	-	-	STARDUST
27.	INDIA	RATHNAM	17.07	SCALA	CARMINE
IV	Technical Materials				
28.	INDIA	GOOD	11.18	PALLADIUM	
29.	INDIA	GOOD	11.16	ROCK I	pls. cut thinner than the original

Reported on 11th April 2022 • CSIR-CLRI Design & Fashion Studio

Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS), Kolkata April 20-21, 2022



Hon'ble Chief Minister Madam Mamata Banerjee addressing in BGBS 2022

The 6th edition of the Bengal Global Business Summit was held at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, New Town, Kolkata from April 20-21, 2022. The Summit was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal, Madam Mamata Banerjee in the august presence of Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Ministers of various Department, Govt. of West Bengal, Delegates from various foreign countries, Industry Stalwarts and many other dignitaries. Mr. Ramesh Juneja, Regional Chairman, CLE, ER, Mr. Mohammed Azhar, Member-COA, CLE, Mr. Imran Ahmed Khan, Member-COA, CLE and many other dignitaries from the leather industry also graced the inaugural session.

Why West Bengal:

West Bengal is the sixth largest state of India in economic size with a GSDP of INR 14.44 lakh crore (US\$ 206.64 billion) in 2020-21. The State has witnessed positive growth rate of 1.2% despite the pandemic in 2020-21. State's conducive and pragmatic business policies and emphasis on developing industries has thrust Bengal into the top of India's global investment ladder.

Advantage Bengal

1. A stable government; a visionary, dynamic and pro-development leadership
2. Among the top States on the scale of Ease of Doing Business (EoDB). Recognised as the best State for EoDB in the Skoch Governance Report 2021.
3. Abundance of industrial excellence and skilled HR - ideal to fill the gap in value chain of manufacturing.
4. Cost of doing business among the lowest - ease of doing business among the best.

5. Robust infrastructure - Excellent rail and road network. 24X7 availability of quality power, gas, water supply and telecom (all towns and villages of the state have mobile connectivity).
 6. International borders with Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan. Easy accessibility with booming hubs of Asia, such as Singapore, Thailand and Malaysia. Robust export ecosystem.
 7. Gateway to South-East Asia and North-East India: other mineral-rich states like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Bihar and Odisha in the neighbourhood.
 8. Hub of a thriving consumer base, covering neighbouring states and countries (0.3 billion)
 9. 21 products of the State have GI tags.
 10. IIT, IIM, ISI, IIST, world-class educational institutions
- BUSINESS**
- The business opportunities in the State offers are spread across a multidimensional spectrum of sectors including Industrial infrastructure, Manufacturing clusters (Light engineering, Auto Ancillaries, Leather and Leather Products, Gems & Jewellery, Textile), Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Plastics, Rubber, Urban Development, Agro (Seeds and Fertilizers, Food Processing, Animal Resource Development, Fisheries), IT & ITES, Transport, Tourism, Power, Skills, Healthcare, Education, etc.

Country Session with Italy:

The Country Session on Italy was held on 20th April, 2022. H.E. Ambassador of Italy, Mr. H.E. Vincenzo De Luca, H.E. Consul General of Italy in Kolkata, Mr. Gianluca Rubagotti and many other dignitaries from Italy and India graced the occasion. Ms. Smaraki Mahapatra, IAS, Secretary, Land & Land Reforms and Refugee Relief & Rehabilitation Dept. represented Govt. of West Bengal in the session.



Dignitaries at Country session with Italy

The opening address was delivered by Ms. Smaraki Mahapatra, IAS, Secretary, Land & Land Reforms and Refugee Relief & Rehabilitation Dept., Govt. of West Bengal. She welcomed the dignitaries and said that India and Italy shared strong business & cultural ties.

Mr. H.E. Vincenzo De Luca, Ambassador of Italy in India made a detailed presentation about the strong business and economic relationship between the two Countries.



Mr Ramesh Juneja, RC-East is giving vote of thanks

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Mr. Ramesh Juneja, Regional Chairman, CLE-ER. He said about the long term business relationship of Italy and India specially importing Leather & Leather goods manufacturing machineries, Leather chemicals, fittings etc and export of Leather goods, footwear and other leather products. He also shared the information on India's share on export to Italy and the existing opportunities. Mr. Juneja thanked the dignitaries for their insights into the various emerging opportunities between the Italian and Indian

companies. He also thanked the participants for their contribution to make the programme a success.

Sector wise Panel discussions and Session on Industry and International Trade was held on 21st April, 2022 :

In sector wise session Mr Ramesh Juneja, Regional Chairman-East, CLE was the key note speaker in the Leather sector panel discussion. Mr Juneja

Mentioned about the giant initiatives taken by the Govt of West Bengal for developing the Calcutta Leather Complex as one of the largest integrated leather complex throughout the world. He also mentioned that Kolkata has emerged as the top sourcing destination for the leading brands in the globe in leather goods sector. He welcomed the potential global and domestic investors to invest in West Bengal due to supporting State Govt and available requisite available infrastructures.



Mr Ramesh Juneja, RC-East is delivering speech at Panel discussion



Mr Imran Ahmed Khan, COA Member & General Secretary(H), CLCTA is delivering speech at Export session

Mr Arjun Kulkarni Vice President ILPA also shared his views in the panel discussion on Leather.

In the session of International Trade, Mr Imran Ahmed Khan, COA Member CLE and General Secretary (H) CLCTA was one of the key note speaker among several international and national speakers. Mr Khan has mentioned about the export and investment opportunities at Kolkata leather complex and the positive role and support of Govt of West Bengal to upgrade the Calcutta Leather Complex as one of the largest fully integrated modern leather complexes in the World spread over

a whopping 1100 acres. where Presently over 415 tanneries are operating with 3 lakhs of employment.

He also mentioned about the global convergence of Calcutta Leather Complex with European Union and other international forums for the sustainable development of the complex.

Conclusion:

The concluding session of the Summit was held on 21st April, 2022 in the august presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal, Ms. Mamata Banerjee, Other Ministers from Govt. of West Bengal, Delegates from various foreign countries and dignitaries from trade and industry. Hon'ble Chief Minister briefed about the achievements during the two day event and congratulated all the stakeholders for the successful event. The event concluded with immense enthusiasm & exuberance with expectation of a bright future for the Industrial landscape of Bengal.



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



Virtual Meeting with Kolhapur Leather Cluster Chairman and Other Stake Holders, 21.04.2022

Council for Leather Exports organised online zoom meeting of Kolhapur Cluster Chairman and Officials of Shivaji University with Regional Chairman – West, CLE, Executive Director, CLE, LIDCOM, and Vox Law Consultant on 21.04.2022.

Below are the brief profiles of the dignitaries attended the meeting.

1. Shri R Slevam, IAS, Executive Director, CLE
2. Shri Naresh Bhasin, Regional Chairman, CLE
3. Shri Dinesh Dingle, Managing Director, LIDCOM (Maharashtra State Government Company)
4. Shri Ashok Gaikwad, Chairman, Kolhapur Leather Cluster
5. Dr Gajanan Rashinkar, Professor, Department of Chemistry – Kolhapur University
6. Shri Santosh Pandey, Regional Director, CLE
7. Shri Vikram Naik, Consultant, VOX Law

The meeting started with a welcome address by Shri. Naresh Bhasin, Regional Chairman (West), CLE followed by the introduction from Dr Gajanan Rashinkar about the Kolhapur industries and problems faced by them along with the assistance required.

Shri Naresh Bhasin, RC-West explained about his initial days in Miraj-Kolhapur and how they use to produce chappals manually without technology and currently he has order for Kolhapuri chappals and the same is being produced from

local artisans of Miraj. He further stated that hand holding needs to be done by bigger industries to small leather footwear industries of Kolhapur and he will extend his full support to Leather Industries in Kolhapur.

Shri R. Slevam, IAS, Executive Director, CLE updated about the purpose of the meeting and the vision of Honourable Union Commerce & Industry Minister regarding export potential of Kolhapuri Chappals. He further enlightened about the IDLS scheme re-launched by the Government of India and guided about the enhancement of skills and development of Leather sector in Kolhapur. He also advised Shivaji University official to guide KLC to take membership of CLE, so that they can gain from the services of CLE.

Shri Santosh Pandey, Regional Director – West, CLE, guided the association about the benefits of becoming a member with CLE and also updated them about the membership fee reimbursement scheme by NSIC for SC/ST entrepreneurs. He also assured the industry of full cooperation and will act as a single point of contact to conduct further physical meetings with all the stakeholders.

Dr Gajanan Rashinkar updated about the pending land allotment issue of Government of Maharashtra for Common Facility Centre and it has been approved by the Central Government and Pending with Maharashtra Government. He further updated that from the total cost of Rs 8cr for machinery, 5.3 cr has been sanctioned and the contribution of the industry will be 2.70 cr

Shri Naresh Bhasin, RC-West, replied that IDLS has been re-launched and we will follow up with the Government of Maharashtra for Land allotment issue once the road map is prepared. Shri Vikram Naik, Vox Law Consultant, suggested that first we need to go through the entire documents/communications submitted by the KLC to State and Central Government and also need to check if the DPR is matching with the new guidelines, if not then new DPR need to be prepared.

Shri Dinesh Dingle, MD, LIDCOM replied that we need to meet physically and analyse all the documents/communication sent by the association to Govt. of Maharashtra and assured his cooperation in this matter

Shri Naresh Bhasin, RC-West, updated that he has received information from Deputy Director of Industries Government of Maharashtra, stating many machines granted by Govt are lying unutilised and advised the Chairman of KLC to utilise those machines.

Dr Gajanan Rashinkar stated that they are in touch with CLRI, Chennai for skill development and to develop better technologies in making of kolhapuri chappals. He further updated that they have manufactured

Diabetes Footwear(which will assist in controlling Diabetes) and requested CLE for assistance in marketing of Kolhapuri Footwear

RC-West replied that he will fully cooperate and assist in marketing activities and will take initiative and lead in brand promotion. He stated that now due to re-start of business operations after the pandemic, many foreign clients have started visiting his factories and he can display “Kolhapuri Chappals” in his factory and will arrange a special showroom for it.

Shri Ashok Gaikwad, Chairman, KLC, stated that the youths of their community need training in their traditional field of Leather so as to avoid forcing them to take employment in other fields

RC-West, replied that he is open to provide training to youths in his

factory batch wise .If the KLC requires any kind of assistance they can approach to him and training arrangement will be made.

Shri Ashok Gaikwad, requested that due to pandemic, small artisans have suffered a lot and their means of living has completely vanished and Government or banks are not assisting them with loan(working capital) to restart their business, and the loan application is often get rejected by the banks. He requested MD-LIDCOM to highlight any loan/subsidy scheme of Maharashtra Government to Leather Artisans

Shri Dinesh Dingle, MD, LIDCOM replied that, for this information we need to sit across the table and requested the Chairman to visit Mumbai and LIDCOM will guide on all the scheme and subsidies

Shri Naresh Bhasin, Regional Chairman-West, suggested that we need to prepare a roadmap (like what needs to be achieved in 3 months, 6 months etc) and then only we can reach the final outcome. He further suggested that a physical meeting to be arranged at his Factory with all the stakeholders i.e. Kolhapur Industries Association, Shivaji University Officials, CLE, LIDCOM, and Vox Law to discuss further steps.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. Gajanan Rashinkar, Professor, Shivaji University. He thanked CLE for arranging such an informative meeting with all the important stakeholders and this meeting has brought a lot of hope with Kolhapur Industries Association.

IN BRIEF

TFL Colour Trends Catalogue for Autumn Winter 2023-24

TFL has released its new TFL Colour Trends Catalogue for the season Autumn Winter 2023-24. In the catalogue, TFL presents the colour trends for leather garment, footwear, accessories and additionally for the upholstery industry.

The colour trends are divided into “Wearing” and “Living”, devoting a section to each within the publication. Wearing comprises inspirations and colour trends for garments, footwear and accessories.

The Living section features all colours that will decorate the season’s interior designs.

In “Wearing”, we will see a celebration of colour, warmth and protection; leather is discovering mixes of patterns, bright colours, and glossy, patent finishes on both soft calfskin and small skins, for maxi bags as well as for clutch bags with monograms. Boots are another must-have of the season. Brush-off surfaces and polishable tops reveal pearly shades and metallic shimmers, aside with exotic embossed patterns such as the classic reptile and ostrich. The focus is also on protection, thanks to anti-ageing and anti-soiling solutions.

In “Living”, both interior and office design shine with bold, vibrant and clean shades like never before. The colours of leather are more realistic and convey transparency and luminosity thanks to a wide array of tanning solutions, combined with a protecting finishing and with renewable materials. Interwoven seats in pastel shades, vegetable tanned leathers in natural wooden colours, curved nappa surfaces and sanded finishes are enhancing the sense of warmth and comfort.

Being confident that the TFL Colour Trends catalogue will assist you in taking decisions regarding colour trends, we wish you a happy reading.

CLE organized the visit of officials from Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu to Ranipet on 28.03.2022

The Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu is implementing the project “Advanced Institute for Integrated Research on Livestock and Animal Sciences (AIIRLIVAS)” at Thalaivasal Koot Road, Salem District. The Principal Secretary, Finance Department has suggested to explore the feasibility of setting up industries linked / related to animal husbandry sector may have to considered in consultation with Council for Leather Exports (CLE) for leather tannery cluster to make the AIIRLIVAS project self-sustainable and income generating project.

As a preliminary step, Dr. R. Prabhakaran, Officer on Special Duty (OSD), Dr. R. Saravanabavan,

Technical Consultant of AIIRLIVAS Project had met with Executive Director, CLE on 25.01.2022 and held discussions on the overview of AIIRLIVAS Project. In order to understand the leather industry, they have requested the CLE to organize exposure visit to hide / leather processing unit and a Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) with Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) technology. Accordingly, the CLE has coordinated the exposure visit to Ranipet Leather Cluster on 28.03.2022 to (a) Conceria International Private Limited - a Leather Tannery Unit (b) visit to Ranipet Tannery Effluent Treatment Company Limited - Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) & (c) TUV SUD South Asia - Testing Laboratory managed by South India Tanners & Dealers Association (SITDA).

The 3-member team Dr. R. Prabhakaran, Officer on Special Duty (OSD), Dr. R. Saravanabavan, Technical Consultant of AIIRLIVAS Project & Dr. S. Rajaraman, Assistant Director, Veterinary Epidemiology Centre, Govt of Tamil Nadu along with Shri A. Fayaz Ahmad, Deputy Director, CLE have visited the Ranipet leather cluster and held discussions with the concerned officials to know the process and operations of the Tannery / CETP. The officials of Department of AH have seen the leather tanning process and ZLD technology adopted in the CETP and got clarified their points from the stakeholders and conveyed their thanks to the CLE for organizing the exposure visit in a well planned manner.

VISIT TO CONCERIA INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE LIMITED

Dr. K. Prakash, Managing Director, Conceria International Private Limited explaining the raw hides & skins tanning process to officials of Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu, and followed by interactions between Department of AH officials and Shri A Fayaz Ahmad, Deputy Director, CLE



VISIT TO RANIPET TANNERY EFFLUENT TREATMENT COMPANY LIMITED, (RANITEC CETP)

Shri C. M Zafarullah, Managing Director, RANITEC CETP is discussing with Officials of Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu and Shri A Fayaz Ahmad, Deputy Director, CLE



Visit to TUV SUD SOUTH ASIA Testing Laboratory at Ranipet

Shri C. M Zafarullah, Secretary, South India Tanners and Dealers Association (SITDA) along with officials of TUV-SUD Testing Laboratory interacting with officials of Department of Animal Husbandry, Govt of India, in the presence of Shri A Fayaz Ahmad, Deputy Director-CLE



Follow us on TWITTER @cle_india



GG Organics launches biopolymer range products in APLF Fair

GG Organics is a global manufacturer of pioneering, sustainable beam house, wet-end and finishing range of chemicals for leather processing. GG Organics takes immense pride to be part of the Asia Pacific Leather Fair (APLF) held in Dubai from Mar 30 – Apr 01, 2022. The theme of GG Organics stall was eco-friendly biopolymer range products to reaffirm its commitment to the critical issue that the leather industry is facing about sustainability.

The leather industry has a high usage of fossil fuel-based retanning agents which are more hazardous to the environment. The industry is therefore under pressure to innovate with more sustainable products and production. GG Organics R&D team is constantly working on the environmental issues faced by the tanners and upgrading the products & processes to meet the global requirements.

GG Organics, the leading supplier of leather chemicals, has developed a new range of biopolymer retanning agents which provide solutions for sustainability and aid the tanners to make high quality leathers with a low environmental footprint.

The biopolymers are based on the concept of circular economy

- reducing waste and pollution

- recycling industrial wastes
- utilization of natural resources

The launch of biopolymer is a part of GG Organics roadmap to produce pioneering, sustainable products which support GG organics drive towards the circular economy.

GG Organics biopolymer range of products are:

1. Orgtan BP-NF - Protein derivative-based filler with Acacia
2. Orgtan BP-AP - Polycarboxylate polypeptide copolymer
3. Orgtan BP-MP - Protein derivative or aromatic and amino resin
4. Orgtan BP-MV - Acacia- Amino resin derivative
5. Orgtan BP-VE - Derivative of acacia with natural tannins

Leather articles such as, Shoe upper, Nappa, Lining , Leather goods, Leather garments

- Automotive & Furniture upholstery can be developed with excellent grain tightness, uniform filling effect, softness, and roundness.

GG Organics scope for biopolymers

GG Organics has developed several types of leather articles using the new range of biopolymer products to accommodate multiple customer needs. Further work must be conducted to validate, that these biopolymer-based products are safe and acceptable replacements for fossil fuel-based products.

- to compare the properties of biopolymer leather with fossil fuel-based leather
- to analyze the pollution load of tannery effluents
- life Cycle Analysis (LCA) for assessing environmental impacts

GG Organics biopolymer products will be launched very soon into the market with proven results on environmental issues and contribute to the leather industry across the globe with sustainable products.



Follow us on TWITTER

@cle_india



INDIAN LEATHER INDUSTRY - STRIDING WITH CONFIDENCE



COUNCIL FOR LEATHER EXPORTS

(An Export Promotion Organisation sponsored by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India)

Registered Head Office : 1, Sivaganga Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai 600034

Tel: +91-44-48684380 - 84 Fax: +91-44-48684386 • e-mail: cle@cleindia.com • website : www.leatherindia.org

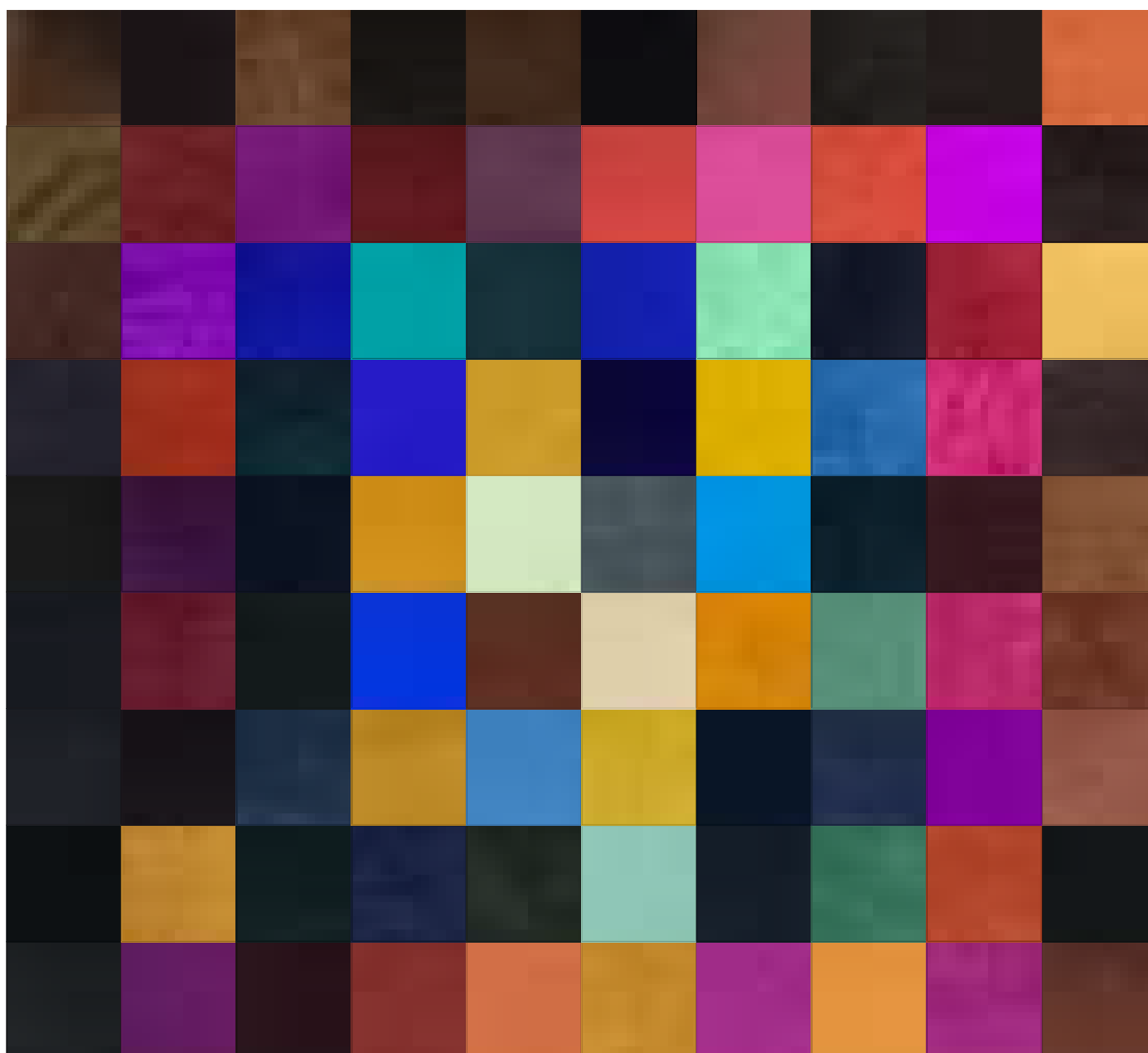
Regional Offices : • New Delhi - cleldelhi@cleindia.com • Kanpur - cleknp@cleindia.com • Kolkata - cleer@cleindia.com • Mumbai - cleb@cleindia.com

Extension Offices : • Agra - cleagra@cleindia.com Jalandhar - clejalandhar@cleindia.com

CHENITAN®

Dyestuff for Leather

Marching towards zdhc level 3.



CHENITAN COLOR CHEM PVT. LTD.

AN ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 & ISO 45001:2018 Company

S-2, Govt. Talco Industrial Estate, Madhavaram, Chennai - 600 060. TAMILNADU, INDIA.
E-mail : info@chenitan.in Phone : +91-44- 2559 4946 Visit us at : www.chenitan.in