

## **11<sup>th</sup> CII Northern Region Inter Industry Competition on Environment, Health and Safety - (EHS) Management June 20-21, 2024, Gurugram**



Foundation for Organisational Research and Education (FORE) partnered with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) - Northern Region, as part of CII's continuing quest to acknowledge & felicitate organizations undertaking pioneering work in EHS, disseminate best practices and encourage the development of a continuous improvement culture in organizations.

It organized 11<sup>th</sup> edition of CII Northern Region Inter Industry Competition on Environment, Health & Safety (EHS) Management during June 20-21, 2024 at CII Gurugram, Haryana. EHS Competition was organized to acknowledge the Vision and Exemplary Commitment the CEOs & their teams have for Environmental Responsibility, concern for occupational Health and Safety of employees and society as a whole.

The company representatives of Canon India Private Ltd., Holostik India Ltd., Larsen & Toubro Ltd., Gilbarco Veeder Root India Private Ltd., Oerlikon Balzers Coating India Pvt. Ltd., ITC Ltd. - Packaging & Printing

Unit, Uflex Ltd., (Chemical Business), Coromandel International Ltd., Ashok Leyland Ltd., Metalman Microturners P. Ltd., Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd., Honeywell Electrical Devices & Systems India Ltd., Coromandel International Ltd., SIEMENS Ltd. & Tata Motors participated.

The eminent dignitaries who had attended the summit as panelist were:

- Dr. Santosh Yadav, Counsellor CII - ITC Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development (CESD);
- Mr. Rajesh Chandra, CII GreenCo Assessor, & Head of Operations (Central – West Cluster), Godrej Consumer Products Ltd. (Retd.);
- Mr. Kalyan Dey, CII GreenCo Assessor & General Manager Ashok Leyland Ltd. (Retd.); and
- Dr. Jitendra Das, Director General, FORE Society.

Dr. Jitendra Das, Director General, FORE Society was the Chief Guest and gave a Special Address in which he emphasized the importance of individual efforts of every human being, in particular, and organizations, in general, in safeguarding environment and how they can help alleviate adverse impacts on occupational health and safety of employees and society as a whole. He also emphasized on how Industry has responded to this need in a matured and responsible manner and several industrial houses in India have set 'benchmark' standards in this respect.

He also emphasized on how Our planet is facing unprecedented environmental challenges. Climate change, deforestation, pollution, and loss of biodiversity are just a few of the critical issues threatening our world. Effective EHS management is essential to address these challenges. By implementing sustainable practices, reducing waste, conserving resources, and minimizing our environmental footprint, we can help protect and preserve the Earth for future generations.

In his address he has shared how businesses and organizations play a significant role in this endeavor. By adopting environmentally friendly policies, investing in green technologies, and promoting a culture of sustainability, we can make a significant impact. Corporate responsibility towards the environment is not just an ethical duty but also a strategic imperative, as consumers and stakeholders are increasingly demanding sustainable practices.

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