From Vision to Innovation: ITTA Celebrates a New Chapter for Indian Technical Textiles

On 12 September 2026, Mumbai witnessed more than an Annual General Meeting—it witnessed a celebration of vision, innovation and the people shaping India's technical textile future.

The Indian Technical Textile Association (ITTA) brought together industry leaders, members, government representatives and innovators for its 16th AGM and Award Ceremony at Ginger Mumbai Airport Hotel. Under the chairmanship of Shri Mahesh Kudav, the gathering reflected the growing strength and ambition of India's technical textile sector.





The presence of Shri Ajay Pandit, Additional Textile Commissioner, and Shri Kartikay Dhanda, Secretary & CEO, Textile Committee, Ministry of Textiles, added significance to the occasion. Their messages highlighted collaboration between industry and government, while pointing towards opportunities through the National Technical Textiles Mission, PLI scheme, innovation, joint ventures and exports.

The Knowledge Sharing Session turned ideas into possibilities, covering Maharashtra’s industrial policy, functional textiles for construction, lease financing and the fashion ecosystem for technical garment manufacturers.



Then came a moment of inspiration—the Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Shri Dinesh Mehta, Founder, Dima Products, who was inducted into the ITTA Hall of Fame for his lasting contribution to the sector.



The Innovation Awards showcased another powerful message: the future belongs to those who transform challenges into solutions. Ten innovations—from radar stealth materials and hemp-based acoustic panels to smart textiles, sustainable yarns, electrospinning technology and recycled protective products—were recognised.

As the ceremony concluded, ITTA reaffirmed its commitment to being the voice of India’s technical textile industry and supporting growth, skills, standards, policy and business development—for a stronger, more competitive and sustainable future.