



Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals organizes Summit on Recycling, Plastic Waste Management and Circular Economy in Dehradun

DCPC, FICCI and CIPET join hands for Sustainable Plastic Waste Management and Industry Collaboration

Institutions Like CIPET, IIP Crucial for Greener Petrochemical Ecosystem: Secretary, DCPC

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The Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals (DCPC), in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) and the Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET), organized a Summit on Recycling, Plastic Waste Management and Circular Economy in the Petrochemicals and Plastics Sector in Dehradun today.

The Summit aimed to promote dialogue and collaboration among stakeholders to develop a sustainable and circular roadmap for India's petrochemical and plastics industries. The initiative aligns with the national goals of environmental protection and responsible development.

Delivering the keynote address, Ms. Nivedita Shukla Verma, Secretary, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, highlighted major government initiatives including the Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) framework, the National Mission for Green India, the BioE3 Policy, strengthened Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) norms, the Plastic Waste Management Rules, and NITI Aayog's Waste to Wealth programme.

She underscored the pivotal role of institutions such as CIPET and the Indian Institute of Petroleum (IIP) in advancing cleaner technologies and fostering industry-academia linkages for a sustainable petrochemical ecosystem. Ms. Verma emphasized the need for faster adoption of circular manufacturing practices, innovation-led recycling technologies, and global best practices to ensure a greener and competitive future for the sector.

Addressing the Summit, Mr. Prabh Das, Chair, FICCI Petrochemicals & Plastics Committee, stressed the importance of strengthening waste collection and recycling mechanisms. Mr. Arvind Mehta, Chairman, All India Plastics Manufacturers' Association (AIPMA), called for greater public awareness to encourage responsible consumer behavior and highlighted the growing potential of plastic exports from India.

Mr. Nitesh Sharma, Partner, BCG, emphasized on India's progress in achieving global circularity standards through effective EPR implementation, while Shri Deepak Mishra, Joint Secretary (Petrochemicals), DCPC, shared insights on accelerating circular petrochemical pathways and enhancing resource recovery through innovation and industry partnerships.

The inaugural session was also graced by Dr. Geeta Khanna, Chairperson, FICCI Ladies Organization, Uttarakhand and other senior officials from the industry.

The Summit served as a platform for meaningful engagement among policymakers, industry leaders, and academia, reaffirming collective responsibility towards building a sustainable and circular economy for India's petrochemicals and plastics sector.







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