

BIS, Western Regional Office, Mumbai, celebrates World Standards Day 2026 through 'Manak Mahotsav' on Affordable and Clean Energy

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The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Western Regional Office, Mumbai, celebrated World Standards Day 2026 through 'Manak Mahotsav' at Bharat Ratnam Mega Common Facility Centre (CFC), SEEPZ MIDC, Andheri (East), Mumbai. The event focused on Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG 7): Affordable and Clean Energy, highlighting the vital role of Indian Standards in promoting energy efficiency, clean energy technologies, industrial sustainability, and access to safe and reliable energy solutions.

The programme brought together academicians, industry representatives, technical experts and BIS officials to deliberate on the contribution of standardisation to sustainable development and India's transition to cleaner energy systems.



Padma Vibhushan Prof. M. M. Sharma, former Director of the University Department of Chemical Technology (UDCT), now the Institute of Chemical Technology (ICT), Mumbai, was the Chief Guest. The programme commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, followed by the welcome address by Scientist-F and Head, Mumbai Branch Office, BIS, Shri

Rajeev Ranjan Singh, Deputy Director General (West), BIS, Shri Subhadip Basu, delivered the inaugural address, highlighting the importance of standards in advancing quality, innovation and sustainable development. Scientist-E and Head, Western Regional Laboratory, BIS, Dr. Anil Kapri, conveyed the World Standards Day message.

The Guests of Honour, Director, Statcon Energiaa, Shri Pranjal Pande, and Chief CRM & Tubes, Tata Steel, Shri Shashi Bhushan, shared their perspectives on the importance of quality, standardisation and technological innovation in supporting sustainable industrial practices and the development of clean energy solutions. Chief Guest Prof. M. M. Sharma emphasised the importance of scientific advancement, technological innovation and quality-oriented approaches in addressing emerging industrial and sustainability challenges. The session underscored the need to leverage scientific knowledge and standardisation to support sustainable industrial growth and the development of energy-efficient and environmentally responsible technologies.

A felicitation ceremony was organised to recognise recipients of All India First Licences, well-performing Assaying and Hallmarking Centres (AHCs), laboratories and other stakeholders for their contributions to strengthening quality infrastructure and promoting BIS initiatives.

The technical sessions formed a key component of Manak Mahotsav, focusing on the role of Indian Standards in enabling affordable, safe and sustainable energy solutions. Head of Product Development, Atomberg Technologies, Shri Gaurav Gupta, spoke on innovation for efficiency and affordability, while Chief CRM & Tubes, Tata Steel, Shri Shashi Bhushan, addressed the importance of quality steel in sustainable development. Director, Statcon Energiaa, Shri Pranjal Pande, discussed emerging clean energy technologies and battery energy storage systems, highlighting their relevance to the clean energy transition.

Vice President, Rama Cylinders, Shri Pramod Sangwai, deliberated on the role of Indian Standards in promoting affordable and clean energy through standardised high-pressure gas cylinders for CNG and hydrogen applications. Scientist-E, Western Regional Laboratory, BIS, Shri Adbhut Singh, highlighted the significance of Indian Standards in facilitating access to safe, reliable and affordable clean energy technologies.

The technical deliberations underscored the importance of standardisation in ensuring quality, safety, performance and reliability while fostering innovation and building confidence among consumers and industry stakeholders. The discussions also highlighted the contribution of Indian Standards to improving energy efficiency, supporting emerging technologies and facilitating the adoption of cleaner energy alternatives. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Scientist-F, HMO, Western Regional Office, BIS, Shri Praveen Kumar.

The celebration reaffirmed BIS's commitment to strengthening engagement with industry, academia and other stakeholders and promoting a culture of quality and standardisation. The event emphasised the importance of standards in supporting India's sustainable development objectives and advancing the goals of affordable and clean energy.

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