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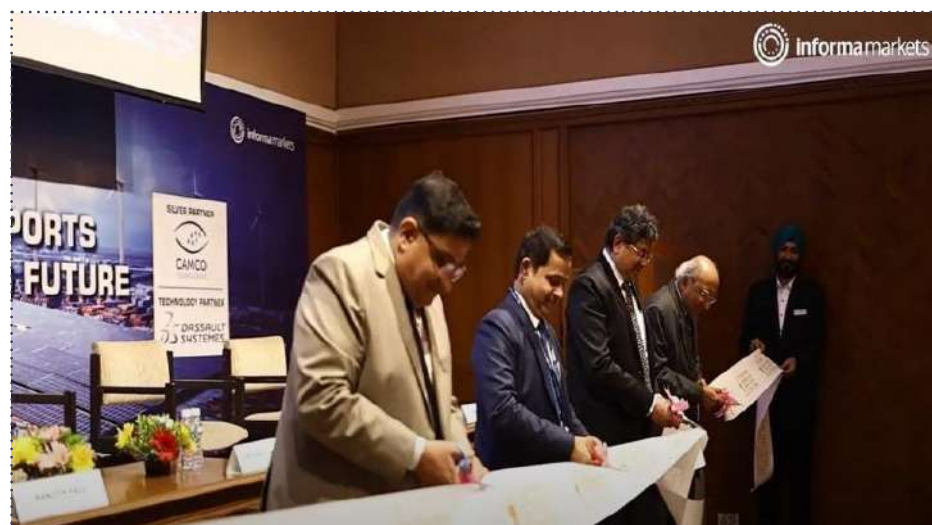
INMEX SMM India conducted 'India Ports Conference 2023' in Mumbai

INMEX SMM India conducted the 'India Ports Conference 2023' - A Roadmap for Green Ports and Sustainable Development held in association with the Indian Ports Association recently at Nehru Centre, Mumbai.

The Conference, a historic event was inaugurated by Shri Amitabh Kumar- former DG of Shipping, Mr. B. K. Tyagi- CMD SCI, Capt. Sabyasachi Hajara- Chairman INMEX -SMM India Advisory Board and Mr. Ranjith Paul- Group Director Informa Markets India. The MC of the conference was Ms. Nikita Rana.



Mr. Ranjith Paul



Inauguration of Conference

Mr. Ranjith Paul welcomed all the esteemed guests and addressed that to reach India's target of 5 trillion USD economy by 2025 and therefore green & sustainable ports have never been as important as

today to remain competitive hence the theme has been chosen "A Roadmap for Green Ports & Sustainable Development". He conveyed thanks to the organizing board members, IPPTA, AMTOI, and the speakers for accepting the

invitation to share their expertise and to all those involved in organizing the conference. A short video giving INMEX-SMM India, which is jointly organized by Informa Markets in India and Hamburg Messe Und Congress, INMEX SMM India provides a platform for networking, knowledge sharing, and business opportunities. At the event, to showcase their innovations in shipbuilding, ship equipment,

offshore and port technologies, maritime safety & security, & green technologies.

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Capt. Sabyasachi Hajara

Capt. Hajara in his welcome note highlighted the importance of bringing

down the logistic cost. He shared the statistics that 3 decades ago, the volume of cargo handled by India was possibly more than China but today China alone handles more the 200 million TEUs which is 10 times more than India. However, he also praised the developments done in various ports and concluded his address with a salute to seafarers and all the front-line workers who kept running the world's economy during the pandemic and conveyed special thanks to Shri Amitabh Kumar and Capt. Tyagi for accepting the invitation at very short notice.

Capt. Tyagi spoke on the Indian government which is completely committed



Mr. B. K. Tyagi

to Green Ports & Green Shipping, highlighting the Green Tug Transition Programme (GTTP) and releasing the new guidelines for green ports by the Ministry of Ports & Shipping. In addition, the ministry is taking stock of targets undertaken under Maritime India Vision 2030. Highlighting the growth of ports and trade, the targets set on green

ports and shipping are being closely followed by the stakeholders, he added.



Shri Amitabh Kumar

Shri Amitabh Kumar briefed on ports and their developments and highlighted the concern areas where the issues are and the action required. He addressed initiatives as a major endeavor of the government toward a cleaner, greener environment. He added that under the vision of the Ministry of Shipping & Ports, the DG Shipping

has been working towards strengthening their efforts towards building self-reliance in Green Ship Building as well as installation of green solutions in all possible areas. On the Green Ports side targets, he highlighted the generation of Green Power has been initiated by some of the ports in India, that is for port operation vehicles and equipment and the shore supply to ships in ports. The three ports are being made to Hydrogen Hubs. "We have taken responsibility for the greening of our planet in a very sincere manner", he concluded his speech.

Mr. Ranjith Paul honored each dignitary Shri Amitabh, Mr. Tyagi, and Capt. Hajara with a memento as a token of appreciation.

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Shri Rajiv Jalota

Shri Rajiv Jalota, Director General of Shipping & Chairman of Mumbai Port Authority joined the Conference in the later part of the day due to his important meeting that came up with the ministry at the last minute. He emphasized that shipping is a major fuller of the growth in bringing India's economy to 5 Trillion USD, this puts lots of responsibilities upon stakeholders to gear ourselves. He shared the statistic showing growth in the cargo handled by both major and non-major ports in India and the ministry's further initiatives being taken to further increase the growth.

He also touched on new guidelines issued for Green ports from the Ministry and said that 100% of targets are being met by a few ports namely Tuticorin, Kandla & Vishakhapatnam and 60% of targets would be met by 2030 by other ports by increasing usage of renewable energy, reduction of carbon footprints and improve solid waste management. For supply of shore power would also be Green power, he added.

He also touched on IMO initiatives to support the effective implementation of the initial IMO GHG Strategy to provide support to developing countries.

On seamless processes in ports without any physical meeting with people, he requested the industry to provide gaps / valuable input to improve the system and the same can be put in the national logistic portal.

On Gati Shakti, he informed the attendees on the required projects of cost INR 62K Crores have

been identified relating to connectivity issues and submitted to Ministry. He ended his address with thanks to Informa Markets for the initiative being taken and for involving him in the conference.

Day 1 began with PANEL DISCUSSION & PRESENTATION on the following sessions:

Session 1 Panel Discussion: Reinventing Port Models for Green Business: Session Chair Mr. Arne Jan Flolo-Consul General- Royal Norwegian Consulate General-Mumbai; Speakers Mr. Ennarasu Karunesan-Regional Director to India, International Association of Ports and Harbours; Mr. Subrata Tripathy, CEO Ports, Adani Ports and SEZ Ltd.; Mr. Sunny Mukerjee, COO Gateway Terminals India.

Session 2 Presentation: Maritime Single Window & National Logistics, Portal- Critical aspects of Digitisation: Session Chair Mr. Ameya Kulkarni, Director Market Intelligence & Analytics CRISIL; Speakers Mr. Vivek Gupta, Chief Digital Engagement Officer Adani Ports & SEZ Ltd.; Mr. Manish Jaiswal, Chief Technology Officer JM Baxi Group & President Portal; Mr. Thomas Philip, India Manufacturing & Logistics Strategic Account Manager, Dassault Systems India Pvt Ltd

Session 3 Presentation: Green Initiatives and Implementation Status: Session Chair Cdr. Nishant Sharma, Program Director KPMG India; Speakers Mr. Hitesh Lachwani, Head HSE, DP World Subcontinent; Mr. Daljit Singh Kohli, India representative, Port of Antwerp-Bruges

Session 4 Presentation: Evolving Technologies in Port Operation: Session Chair Captain Ram Iyer,



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Session 2 Presentation- Maritime Single Window & National Logistics



Session 3 Presentation-Green Initiatives and Implementation Status



Session 4 Presentation- Evolving Technologies in Port Operation, MC at podium

India Representative, Port of Haropa; Speaker Mr. Tom Geelen, Project Manager Technologies. Day 1 ended with a closing remark from Capt. Hajara.



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INMEX SMM India conducted....From Page : 3 Day 2 began with PANEL DISCUSSION & PRESENTATION on the following sessions:



Day 2 Session 1 Presentation-Future Fuels - Sourcing Green Power for Ports-MC at Podium

Session 1 Presentation: Future Fuels – Sourcing Green Power for Ports: Session Chair Capt. Hemant Gupta, Principal Consultant Drewry; Speaker Mr. Mudit Mehrotra, Asst. Vice President (Shippg Div) GESCO.



Day 2 Session 2 Presentation-Practical Insights into Shore Power Projects

Session 2 Presentation: Practical Insights into Shore Power Projects: Speakers Dr. Venkata Ramana Akkaraju, Chairperson New Mangalore Port Authority; Shri Niteen M. Borwankar, CEO-SEZ JNP Authority SEZ; Mr. Rajnesh Verma, Director Vedam Design.



Day 2 Session 3 Presentation- Cyber Security,Securing your Ports and Terminals

Session 3 Presentation: Cyber Security: Securing your Ports and Terminals: Session Chair Vice Admiral

M. P. Muralidharan, AVSM & BAR,NM (RETD.), Former Director General Indian Coast Guard. Speakers Mr. Rohit Negi, Sr. Vice President, C31 Hub IIT Kanpur; Prof. Kevin Jones, Executive Dean, Faculty of Science and Engineering, University of Plymouth.



Day 2 Session 4 Panel Discussion-Investing in Human Capital to Drive Digitisation

Session 4 Panel Discussion: Investing in Human Capital to Drive Digitisation in the Port & Maritime Sector: Session Chair Dr. Malini Shankar, Vice Chancellor IMU; Speakers Capt. John Prasad Menezes, CEO Menezes & Associates, Vice Chairman ICS London-East India Branch Chennai; Capt. Pravesh Diwan, Director Karishma Marine Solutions (KARCO); Ms Arathi Narayanan, Head of Administration, ABS Marine Service Pvt Ltd.



Day 2 Session 5 Panel Discussion-Coastal Shipping & Inland Waterways, Green Fuel & National Green Corridors

Session 5 Panel Discussion: Coastal Shipping & Inland Waterways Through Green Fuel & National Green Corridors: Session Chair Shri Vinaayak Azad, Member Traffic, Inland Waterways, GOI; Speakers Mr. Sandith Thandasherry, Founder CEO NAVALT; Mr. Sachin Kulkarni, Head-Marine Power Sales(South Asia) Wartisila; Mr. Nilanshu Ghosh, Research Analyst, Council on Energy, Environment & Water.



The two-day conference was held in bringing together stalwarts in the industry including port authorities, port operators, ship operators, and solution providers to discuss and provide rich insights on various aspects of port digitization, future fuels, and Sustainable AI applications among other areas. The sessions were showcased with case studies and discussions to achieve a holistic approach to a smarter, greener, and more sustainable port ecosystem.

As ports have grown across the world, unabated pollution from numerous activities of ships, ports, industries, and infrastructure development has forced countries to focus on safe, efficient, and sustainable ports. Green ports have become a norm for the maritime industry and will continue to play an important role in the growth of India's maritime sector.

The Conference features an interactive Panel discussion and a Q&A session at every closing session enabling the guests to engage with the esteemed speakers.

All the Speakers were honored with a memento as a token of appreciation.

The Conference came to an end with a Vote of Thanks from Ms Padma Ramakrishnan, Senior Producer, and Editor Informa Markets. For any further details & queries visit www.informamarkets.com