Indian Technical Textile Association organized the Workshop on ATUF & Other Schemes of Ministry of Textiles on 13th April, 2017 at Mumbai Cricket Association, BKC, Mumbai. The half-day workshop was supported by the Office of the Textile Commissioner (OTXC). The workshop was attended by more than 60 delegates from the Technical Textiles Industry.

Shri. Pramod Khosla, Chairman, ITTA, welcomed the Guest- Shri. Santosh Pakhre, Assistant Director, TUFS and ITTA Members in the meeting. In his brief welcome address, he stated that Office of the Textile Commissioner (TXC) is very instrumental in promoting technical textiles in India and rigorously monitors progress of various Ministry schemes on technical textiles. He also highlighted that other than 15% capital subsidy for TT, 10% is also given for stitch garment under ATUFS.

Shri. K. S. Sundararaman, Vice Chairman, highlighted the objective of workshop to spread awareness on the different schemes available for the growth of Technical Textile in India. To discuss the issues/ difficulties faced by the ITTA members on the TUFS and Other Schemes of Ministry of Textiles, GOI. He appreciated the support and encouragements given to ITTA by the TXC Office, Ministry of Textiles.
Shri. Santosh Pakhre, Assistant Director, TUFS-Office of the Textile Commissioner presented the topic about the Schemes of Ministry of Textiles, GOI on growth of Technical Textiles in India. He explained the overview of TUFS from starting i.e. TUFS, MTUFS, RTUFS, RRTUFS, ATUFS & period-wise and segment-wise applicable subsidies-capital subsidy, interest reimbursement & margin money subsidy for MSME sector. He stated that there are 2 monitoring mechanism under ATUFS Inter Ministerial Steering Committee (IMSC) and Technical Advisory-cum-Monitoring Committee (TAMC). List of Schemes are Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS), Technology Mission on Technical Textiles (TMTT), Scheme for promoting the usage of Agrotextiles in North East Region, Scheme for promoting the usage of Geotextiles in North East Region & Research & Development (R & D) Scheme. He also explained about the online application submission for ATUFS through Integrated Software (iTUFS).

**Interactive Sessions on TUFS & other Schemes of MOT**

During the sessions many of the ITTA members asked their query/ problems related to-

- Capital subsidy not received but interest subsidy has been received under RTUFS & RRTUFS - NABCONS are hired for reconcile the committed liabilities & also reconcile the cases where interest subsidy is given & capital subsidy is not given (partial reimbursement).
- Black out period pending subsidy- Was during 29.06.2010 to 27.04.2011 during which the cos. registered cannot avail the subsidy.
- Left out cases of RTUFS & RRTUFS- Cases which not have UID in given time period, they are left out cases. Left out claims are out of TUFS schemes.
- Why old RRTUFS funds disbursements pending from MOT- because there were no funds to be given but now the funds disbursements pending has been given.
- Parallel Assembly winder m/c is not included under ATUFS- Under ATUFS all spinning m/c has been removed.
- Machines not included under ATUFS can avail benefit- No, the machine cannot avail the benefit of ATUFS
- Under ATUFS why Co-operative bank are not registered- Because of some earlier issues the co-operative bank cannot registered.
How to apply Online application submission for ATUFS- Detailed explanation was given by the presentation

Is there any news on extending TMTT & MDA- Work is in progress

Dr. Anup Rakshit, Executive Director, ITTA proposed a vote of thanks. Dr. Rakshit thanked all the Directors and ITTA members who were present. He specially thanked the resource persons from OTXC for making the presentation.