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EVENT REPORT



HALL of PRIDE







The Pride of India (PoI) Expo, one of the major attractions of 103rd Indian Science Congress (ISC) was held at the University of Mysore, Mysuru, Karnataka from 3 – 7 January 2016. The 103rd ISC was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 03 January 2016 and PoI Expo by **Dr. Harsh Vardhan**, Hon'ble Union Minister of Science and Technology and Earth Sciences in the presence of **Dr. Ashok Saxena**, General President, Indian Science Congress Association and other dignitaries.





Special Pavilions at PoI Expo were "Hall of Pride" (HoP), dedicated to the life and works of Former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam - The Missile Man. Lighting of the lamp was undertaken at the hands of Dr. Harsh Vardhan and other dignitaries. "Edu Vision" brought various educational institutions under one roof & other stake holders in education sector.





The one day symposium "Genesis" with theme "Realizing the Make In India Mission through Indigenous Development - Role of MSME" was organised on 04 January 2016,. Prominent speakers like Dr. Anup K. Pujari, Secretary, Ministry of MSME, Dr. Ashok Kumar Saxena, Prof. K.S. Rangappa, Vice Chancellor, University of Mysore, Dr. Ajit Sapre, Group President – R & T, Reliance Industries Ltd, Dr. V. Prakash, Ph.D., FRSC, CFS, Distinguished Scientist of CSIR, Mr. Manish from Directorate of Public Interface, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) addressed the august gathering.

Vigyan Jyot (VJ) – *Flame of Knowledge* is a novel initiative to popularize science and encourage pure science as career amongst the youth thus preparing scientists and innovators for future. VJ was flagged off ceremoniously on 01 January 2016 from Bengaluru to reach Mysore on 2nd January 2016 by road. The VJ was ceremoniously received by **Prof. K S Rangappa** and other dignitaries at the University of Mysore campus on 02 January 2016 the venue of the 103rd ISC. The VJ was relit at the site of PoI Expo by



Dr. Harsh Vardhan and remained lit throughout the 103 ISC inspiring all the visitors at the expo to lead life with scientific temperament. During the valedictory function, the VJ Torch was handed over to Prof D. Narayana Rao, General President Elect 104th ISC by Dr. Ashok Saxena, General President ISCA.





The PoI Expo received tremendous response which was spread over an area of approx. 20,000 sqm with the participation of over 150 organizations. It was a splendid display of cutting-edge technologies, leading scientific products and services, path breaking R&D initiatives and achievements of India's foremost and leading public and private sectors, government departments, research labs, educational institutions, corporate, defence etc. The PoI Expo was visited by over 5 lakhs visitors.





During the "Valedictory Function" on 07 January, 2016 the exhibitors were presented with excellence awards in various categories at the hands of Shri. Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala Hon'ble Governor, Govt. of Karnataka, in the presence of Shri. H. D. Deve Gowda, Member Loksabha and former Prime Minister of India, Shri T.B. Jayachandra, Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Higher Education, Govt. of Karnataka, Dr. Ashok Kumar Saxena, Prof. K.S. Rangappa, Prof D. Narayana Rao, Dr. N B Ramachandra, Ph.D, Local Secretary, 103rd ISC, Dr. D.D. Somashekara, Local Secretary, 103rd ISC, Mr. Ravi Boratkar, Director MM Activ and other dignitaries.





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