

## **R. P Asia 2004 held at Hotel Shangri- La, Bangkok on September 1 & 2, 2004**

As per the decision taken in the Governing Council, India Pavilion was set up at this Composites Show with the following objectives.

- Ø Promote the exports of our members and composites Industry of India.
- Ø Publicize our next event ICERP 2006 and in the process to achieve the target of 150 booths.

TIFAC supported partially the expenses of India Pavilion. The other members who contributed to the effort are

1. Kineco Pvt. Ltd
2. Siro Plast Ltd
3. Kerox Chemicals Pvt. Ltd
4. Permal Wallace Ltd
5. Hindustan Fibre Glass Works
6. CNC Technics Pvt. Ltd
7. Devi Polymers Pvt. Ltd

There were 40 stalls in the show and we had a very prominent position. The Industries Minister of Thailand inaugurated the conference and Exhibition and he visited our booth also. We were located at the very entrance next to Reinforced Plastics showcase and almost every one had to pass by our Pavilion. The Pavilion attracted many visitors and all the members of India Pavilion were rather happy with the discussions that took place. I have requested the participants to give us their views and the business leads obtained for our statistics.

Apart from the above, Valeth High Tech Composites Pvt. Ltd and NTF Ltd had their own 3 M x 3 M booths.

We met all the exhibitors and invited them to come to ICERP 2006. The interaction was good and India is receiving the attention of many of these multinationals.

We had prepared a new brochure of FRP Institute and the soft copy is attached herewith for your perusal. Hard copies can be sent on hearing from you.

**Conference:**

There were in all 19 presentations. Apart from Mr. Jayakumar of FRP Institute, Mr. Srikant of TIFAC and Mr. Mihir Merchant of Permali were also the speakers. I had the great opportunity to hear Prof. Vistasp Karbhari of University of South California, present his paper on Bridges. I had a detailed discussion with him and I have briefed Dr. Nair of the help Prof. Karbhari has assured us. As you are aware Prof. Karbhari is on the Board of International Advisors for our Institute.

Mr. Kanemasa Nomaguchi, President, Plastic Lining Association of Japan presented a paper on Composites and Environmental Protection (recycling), which is interesting and I can share xerox copies on request.

It was indeed nice of Owens Corning India Pvt. Ltd to invite members of Indian Delegation to RP Asia 2004 for a Lunch on get together on 01.09.2004. Both Mr. Satish Kulkarni and Mr. Sunil Saxena were present for this get-together.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Y. J. Jayakumar', written over a horizontal line.

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