

School of Infrastructure (SIF) of Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar organised a Two-day Workshop on Geosynthetics for Sustainable Civil Infrastructure. The event “Workshop on Geosynthetics for Sustainable Civil Infrastructure” was held at IIT Bhubaneswar during June 16-17, 2023 in association with Indian Geotechnical Society, Bhubaneswar Chapter and C. V. Raman Global University, Bhubaneswar. Shri. Ashutosh Dash, Engineer-in-Chief, Interstate Issues and Legal Matters, Govt. of Odisha was the chief guest of the inaugural function. The workshop started off with a welcome address by Prof. Sumanta Haldar, organizing secretary and Head of the School of Infrastructure, IIT Bhubaneswar. This was followed by addresses by Prof. Sujit Roy, Dean, Continuing Education, IIT Bhubaneswar, Dr. Anil Joseph, President, Indian Geotechnical Society, Shri. L. K. Tripathy, Hon. Secretary, Indian Geotechnical Society, Bhubaneswar Chapter, Prof. G. Sridevi, Professor in Civil Engineering, C.V. Raman Global University, and vote of thanks by Dr. Shantanu Patra, Joint Organising Secretary. Application of geosynthetics in pavement, railroads, embankments, retaining structures, reservoirs, canals, dams, landfill liners and covers were discussed during the event. The workshop also promoted the uses of sustainable geosynthetics, such as jute and coir geosynthetics in various civil infrastructure projects. More than 150 delegates attended from various organisations, such as Department of Water Resources, Minor Irrigation, Works Department (Govt. of Odisha), and National Jute Board. Several expert lectures were delivered by prominent academicians. Case studies were presented by various organisations, such as, FlexiTuff ventures, Garware Technical Fibres Ltd., Best Geotechnics Pvt. Ltd., Terre Armee, Maccaferri India, TechFab India, G-CUBE Engg. Pvt. Ltd. and Sagar Cement. The event was immensely beneficial for students, academicians, researchers, professionals from various public and private sector and industries. Mr. Ajay Kumar Pradhan, Chief Engg., M&ERO, Govt. of Odisha graced the event as a guest of honour during the panel discussion. The program ended with closing remarks by Dr. Shantanu Patra, Joint Organising Secretary. The 235<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting of Indian Geotechnical Society was also hosted by School of Infrastructure, IIT Bhubaneswar on June 17, 2023.



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