

# Mr. Meela Jayadev – President AIPMA on the dais as a panelist for panel discussion on “Business Opportunities of Polypropylene” at Make in Odisha Conclave at Odisha on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

Odisha Government had organised a Make in Odisha Conclave from 11th to 15th November 2018. Wherein they had organised a Plastics, Chemicals and Petrochemical session on 13th November 2018 and had invited our President Mr. Meela Jayadev as a Panelist to give his views on Business Opportunities of Polypropylene in Odisha.

As we all know Orissa is one state which is highly rich in natural resources, so it has the biggest mining industries and many big companies like Vedanta, Tata steel, Hindalco, JSW Steel has committed a huge investment in Odisha. Odisha Government is currently also focusing on investment from Plastics industry as presently it has PVC pipes, woven sacks and household item industries in its state. But As Indian Oil is soon starting its production from March 2019 with PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF 7,00,000 TONNES PER ANNUM, Government is looking for huge investment in its Paradip Poly Park for downstream units and is giving many incentives for new units .

This Conclave had an exhibition hall wherein there were around 112 exhibitors from all sectors. It was very well organised Exhibition by the State Government.

The Plastics, Chemicals and Petrochemical session was chaired by Mr. Deepak Mehta - Chairman, National Chemical Committee - FICCI AND CMD. It was attended by some very important personalities. Following were the persons attended and had given their views regarding plastic industry.

1. Mr. Nitin Jawale (Executive director - IPICOL)
2. Mr. Avinash Verma (Co- Chairman, National Petrochemical Committee, FICCI and Executive director Petrochemicals, IOCL)
3. Mr. Ranjit Chugh (Chief Operations Officer, Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.)
4. Mr. Ananta Das (Hon’ble Minister Industries, Govt. of Odisha)

In the Panel Discussion Mr. Meela Jayadev had given his beautiful views regarding business opportunities of Polypropylene in Odisha by stating the importance of

Polypropylene in various fields and how its use is growing in medical. He also said that there should be polypro in each district which will also create job opportunities in each region. The main advantage that Odisha has over the other states was its two very good functional ports at Dhamra and Paradip.

Mr. Avinash Verma (Co Chairman, National Petrochemical Committee, FICCI and Executive Director Petrochemicals, IOCL) and Mr. Alok Tibrewal (President - Indian Plastic Federation) were also there as Panelist.

