Name of the Ministry / Department : <u>MSME/ Coir Board</u>

1. Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:

Konkan Coir Mahotsav at Kankavli, Sindhudurg during 25-28 Feb.2022

"Konkan Coir Mohotsav" was coincided with MSME Conclave held during 24 to 26th February, 2022 by the Ministry in Sindhudurg District. The exhibitors from all coconut growing states and particularly Konkan were participated in the Mahotsav. An exclusive dome was created in the Expo for Konkan region artisans / entrepreneurs for live demo /products display. Total of 50 stalls were there for displaying variety of coir products. Total of 8 stalls were from Konkan including machinery. Four stalls of central Coir Research Institute and central institute of coir technology were displayed showcasing the latest R&D technologies including Mini fibre extraction machine which was the centre of attraction. Live demos were also dislayed. A 3D hologram was displayed showing the development of coir industry. Inauguration of Expo was held in grand fanfare on 25th Feb 2022 which was done by the Union Minister of MSME Hon'ble Shri Narayan Rane in the presence of Chairman, Coir Board. Also present were all the top officers of Ministry Of MSME which include Chairman KVIC, Secretary MSME, DC &AS MSME, JS ARI MSME, CEO KVIC, Economic Advisor MSME, etc. The Expo attracted very good number of visitors who appreciated the show. Media covered the event widely. The Exhibitors benefited with their exposure to the trade/visitors in Maharashtra and their feedback was encouraging.







IECA Annual conference & Expo 2022, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA

Coir Board organized participation of Indian coir sector in the Annual Conference and Expo of International Erosion Control Association held at Minneapolis Convention Centre, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA during 15-18 February, 2022. The International Erosion Control Association (IECA) is an international forum for worldwide exchange of information related to issues of erosion control and soil conservation, in fact only one of its kinds. **Shri. D Kuppuramu, Chairman, Coir Board and Shri. Deepak Narang, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of MSME leads the delegation comprising of 5 Exporters/entrepreneurs from Indian coir sector to the IECA Annual Conference & Expo.** The Coir Board Pavilion at the Exhibition displayed coir products viz. Machine-made Woven & Non Woven Coir Geotextiles; Coir Erosion Control Blankets, Audio Visual Display on application of coir geotextiles for road construction, river embankment, soil erosion control, etc.



25th Banga Sanskriti Utsav 2022 at Kolkata during 11-20 Feb. 2022

Board participated in the 25th Banga Sanskriti Utsav- 2022 at Kalyani. Dist-Nadia (West Bengal) from 11th to 20th February 2022 at B-8 Civic Centre Ground. Inaugurated by Hon'ble Dy.High Commissioner. Exhibited entire range of coir products and distributed various Scheme Broachers.



8th Indian National Exhibition cum Fair at Kolkata during 24-28 Feb.2022

Board participated in 8th Indian National Exhibition - cum-Fair 2022 at Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority (KMDA) Ground, Patuli, Kolkata – 700 094 (West Bengal) from 24th - 28th Feb' 2022. There were so many Central and State Government stalls and 25 nos. of other stalls in the Mela. The Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri Chiranjit Chakroborty, MLA (WB), Shri Jiban Mokhopadhay, MLA (WB), Adv. Pranabesh Mondal, Councilor – Rajpur - Sonarpur Municipality & other prominent personalities were present for the inauguration ceremony.



EXPORT DIVISION

Exhibition Abroad (virtual) participation - 1No.

New Registration / issuing of RCMC – 19 Nos.

Cumulative achievement – 130 Nos. (Annual Target 100 Nos)

Export – October 2021 (Provisional)

Quantity - 87806 MT

Value – 271.05 crore

Unit Registration

Kerala – 2

Odisha – 1

Total -3 Nos

Research Institutes

Research studies on value addition of tender coconut husks- initiated under the inhouse projects at CICT. – feasibility studies on potpourri scent using tender coconut husk fiber has been initiated. Fabrication of garden articles using tender coconut husk fiber without the application of adhesives was initiated.



Industrial Development

Sl.No.	Name of Scheme/Sub head	Achievement during 26.01.2022 to 25.02.2022	Cumulative achievement up to 25.02.2022
	Skill upgradation & Mahila Coir Yojana		
1	VAP	300	1439
2	МСҮ	375	1451
3	EDP	4	11
4	WORKSHOP	1	15
5	SEMINAR	0	1
6	AWARENESS PROGRAMME	4	20

7	Exposure Tour	0	1
8	Diploma Course in Coir Technology	0	2
	(Advanced Training Course)		
9	Certificate Course of Coir Artisan in	0	34
	Coir Technology (Artisans Training		
	Course)		

- 2 Important policy matter held up on account of prolonged inter-ministerial consultations: N/A
- 3 No. of cases of 'sanction for prosecution' pending for more than three months: NIL
- 4 Particulars of cases in which there has been a departure from the Transaction of Business Rules or established policy of the Government: N/A
- 5 Status of ongoing Swachhta Abhiyan (progress under Special Campaign): NIL
- 6 Status of Rationalization of Autonomous Bodies: N/A
- 7 Information on specific steps taken for utilization of the Space Technology based tools and applications in Governance and Development: N/A
- 8 Vacancy position of senior level appointments in the Ministry/Department, including Autonomous Bodies/PSUs: N/A
- 9 List of cases in which ACC directions have not been complied with: N/A
- 10 Details of FDI proposals cleared during the month and status of FDI proposals awaiting approval in the Ministry/Department: N/A