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Productivity and Green Growth: New Interlocking Paradigms

The world is faced with a climate emergency. During the Amritkal, India is decisively moving towards Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE). The Asian Productivity Organization, Japan has also outlined several activities under its Vision 2025. In this context, the National Productivity Council (NPC), an autonomous body under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, is going to organize a three-day APO supported international conference on "Productivity and Green Growth: New Interlocking Paradigms" from 14-16 June 2023 in Chennai. Chennai headquartered diversified company, Indian Potash Limited is the industry partner for the conference.

The deliberations in the conference will cover different interlocking paradigms of green growth, such as leveraging ESG, enhancement of energy productivity, green finance, green re-skilling, institutional strategies and net-zero emission targets.

Experts and delegates from sixteen countries would physically assemble in Chennai to discuss strategies for enhanced green growth and sustainable development. There would be keynote presentations, panel discussions, and knowledge sharing sessions on policy frameworks and emerging trends in industry focusing on green growth.

Secretary-General of APO, Dr. Indra Pradana Singawinata, will deliver the opening address of the conference as Chief Guest. APO National Awards 2022 would be conferred upon Shri G.M. Rao, Group Chairman, GMR Group and Prof. Pradip Kumar Ray, Emeritus Professor, IIT Kharagpur.

While speaking about the forthcoming conference, Sh. Sundeep Kumar Nayak, Director General, NPC said that an APO conference was being held in Chennai after a long gap and, it was highly focused on India's sustainable development paradigms. He added that India's track record in environmental sustainability has been exemplary, while seen in the context of Net Zero targets set by Hon'ble Prime Minister.

Some of the international experts who would speak at the conference include Dr. Hung Suck Park from Korea, Dr. Kaushik Deb from USA, Mr. Nicholas Gandolfo from Singapore, Dr. Ganesan Kannabiran (Director, IIIT Chitoor), and Dr. J. Nagesh Kumar (Director, CEEP, Chennai).

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