

Challenges in efficient waste management poses an opportunity for Indian MSMEs says Mr. Madan

“Mumbai’s population of two crore produces 500 gms of waste per capita, with such volumes of waste to be managed, catering to its management has proved to be a failure posing both challenges and opportunities. Waste management is being mismanaged by the informal sector and to put it in order requires the involvement of the formal sector. It is thriving opportunity for the MSME sector to explore waste management”, said Mr. U P S Madan, Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA in his opening remarks at the Regional Dialogue, Mumbai, third in the row of dialogues leading to the

15th Delhi Sustainable Development Summit (DSDS 2015). The DSDS has been organizing Regional Dialogues at various cities on topics such as climate change, waste management, etc. The topics identified for Regional Dialogue: Mumbai are waste management and sustainable transportation which are pertinent for the city’s overall economic development and growth. The Dialogue was jointly organized by All India Association of Industries, MVIRDC World Trade Centre Mumbai, World Sustainable Development Forum, TERI, Agence Francaise of Development and United Nations Development Programme. Mumbai has made pioneering efforts in the arena of waste management making it stand out on the world map, however much remains to be done with growing urban areas, Mr. Madan added.

Dr. Amiya Kumar Sahu, President & Founder, National Solid Waste Association of India addressed the basic issue of what comprises garbage and its value. Waste management is everybody’s responsibility. Awareness of waste, segregation of it needs to be followed by everyone. It is essential to keep one’s country clean to stay at par with developed countries. Creations of a Smart City is only possible if waste management is adhered to.

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