



National Automotive Test Tracks
Under National Automotive Board (NAB)

CONFERENCE ON

GLOBAL PRESENCE OF INDIAN TEST AGENCIES - WAY FORWARD

Saturday 27th April 2024, NATRAX, Pithampur (MP)

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Automotive Industry have continuously grown since many decades and its accelerated growth in recent times is setting new benchmarks globally. After achieving the pivotal position of being the third largest Automotive market in the world, Indian Industry is well set for sustained growth in coming years and decades. With the presence of all major Automotive and Technology players in the world along with a booming array of start-ups, demographics of talent, and supportive Government Policies, Indian Automotive Industry is well set to usher in a new era, which perhaps may get judged as Indian Automotive Renaissance period.

In last two decades, significant game changing work has also happened from Test Agencies perspective. Setting up of new greenfield Test Agencies (under NAB) and upgradation of existing test agencies was a major boost from MHI to provide supportive infrastructure and ecosystem for Indian Auto Industries to test and certify the entire set of Products and Technologies in India for both local and global market. Lot of transformative work has come about on the regulatory front, where Indian regulatory envelop has gradually expanded to come at par with rest of the world. While significant work has already happened in evolution of test agencies, looking at Indian Global Aspirations and ever-changing technology landscape, it is equally important to discuss preparedness and path forward for Indian Test Agencies to move into unchartered territory of evolving as Global Players for Testing, Certification and Co-Development.

This conference aims at bringing together Industry thought leaders, Automotive OEMs, Component Manufacturers, Tyre Companies, Senior Delegates from Test Agencies along with senior Officials from Ministry of Heavy Industries and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways to discuss the way forward for Indian Auto Test Agencies to transform as Global Hub for R&D, Testing, Certification and Co-Development.





Time	Discussion Points/Theme
9:00am- 9:30am	Registration
Panel Discussion 9:30am-10:30am	Stake Holders Collaboration - External Perspective Panelist: - Smt. Sapna Anurag Jain, ED-MPIDC, RO Indore & MD- Pithampur Auto Cluster - Dr. Suhas Joshi, Director, IIT Indore - Mr. SKP Amarnath, Group Head - R&D (Asia), Apollo Tyres - Mr. Ashok Jha, Engineering Director - Chassis solution, ZF Group - Prof. P. Rajalakshmi, Director, NMICPS TIHAN Foundation, IIT Hyderabad Panel Moderator: Mr. Sumantra Barooah, Consulting Editor- ET Auto Open to Audience for Q & A
10:30am - 11:00am	Visiting Exhibition Area & Tea/ Coffee Break
Collaborative Ecosystem- Global Lessons Session 11:00am - 12:00pm	Testing for ADAS / Active Safety – Global Lessons by Mr. S Ramanathan, Managing Director, ATS Tyre Testing Technology – Needs & Challenges by Dr. K Rajkumar, Director, IRMRI Testing Certification / Homologation in India for Global Market by Mr. Rajendra Bandal, Vice President TÜV Rheinland India Pvt Limited Role of Simulation in Automotive Mega Trends by Mr. Sameera Damle, Senior Product Sales Manager, Ansys Session Chair: Dr. Arun Jaura, Chief Technology Officer, Hero MotoCorp
Inaugural Session 12:00pm - 01:00pm	Welcome & Context setting: - Dr. Manish Jaiswal, Director, NATRAX Inaugural Address: - Dr. Hanif Qureshi, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries, Government of India (MHI) Keynote Address: - Mr. Rajinder S Sachdeva, COO & Head of R&D, Volvo Eicher Commercial Vehicles - Dr. Arun Jaura, Chief Technology Officer, Hero MotoCorp - Mr. VK Misra, Director Technical, JK Tyre & Industries Ltd.
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Networking Lunch
MHI / Test Agencies Panel Discussion 2:00pm - 3:30pm	Path Forward for India to become Global Hub for Vehicle Testing- Challenges & Opportunities - Shri Rajnesh Singh, Director (Auto), Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) - Dr. Reji Mathai, Director, Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI) - Shri Saurabh Dalela, Director, International Centre for Automotive Technology (ICAT) - Dr. Ramadhas, Director, Global Automotive Research Centre (GARC) - Dr. T Suriyakiran, Director, Central Institute of Road Transport (CIRT) - Dr. Manish Jaiswal, Director, National Automotive Test Tracks (NATRAX) Panel Moderator: Mr. PK Banerjee, Executive Director, SIAM
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Tea / Coffee Break
Transformation Path - GOI and Industry Convergence 4:00pm - 5:30pm	Special Address by Dignitaries: - Mr. Vinod Aggarwal, President-SIAM & MD & CEO, VE Commercial Vehicles Ltd - Mr. Ravin T Kurian, Chairman, Indian Tyre Technical Advisory Committee (ITTAC, ATMA) - Senior leadership delegate, ACMA - Shri Sudhendu Jyoti Sinha, Advisor, Infrastructure Connectivity & Electric Mobility, NITI Aayog, Govt of India - Dr. Hanif Qureshi, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries, Government of India (MHI), Guest of Honour - Shri Kamran Rizvi, Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI), Chief Guest Vote of Thanks by National Automotive Test Tracks

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NATRAX serves as a comprehensive test facility for the entire Automobile Industry, and provides a one stop solution for the development, Certification and R&D Projects, be it for National or Global automotive, auto component or tyre Industry. Under the Automotive Mission Plan, NATRAX is designated to be the Center of Excellence in Vehicle Dynamics. The center is also planning to impart various training programs for Skill India mission in association with the Industry and Academia.

NATRAX was notified under CMVR -126 as a Homologation and certification agency in June 2019. The special tracks, like High-Speed Track, Dynamic platform, Braking, Noise and Gradient tracks are being used for all Vehicle's type approval. All the mentioned tracks are certified by M/s TUV Rhineland, as per ISO 17025:2017 norms. Keeping abreast with the latest needs of the Industry, NATRAX has also established facilities for ADAS testing, along with testing and certification of the Electric Vehicles and Batteries.

"NATRAX is also accredited under ISO 17025:2017 for Certification tests, including Crash Barrier certification (EN-1317)." Located near the vibrant Industrial township of Pithampur, NATRAX is situated approx. 50 Km from Indore, the commercial capital of Madhya Pradesh, on NH-3 bypass road (Indore-Mumbai). This place is well connected by rail, road and air with Metros like New Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Pune, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Jaipur and Dubai.



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