## **BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS**

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## **BIS GOVERNING COUNCIL HOLDS ITS FOURTH MEETING**

Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) held its fourth meeting of the Governing Council on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at its Headquarter in New Delhi. It was chaired by Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Commerce & Industry and Textile and was attended by Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey, Hon'ble Minister of State for Consumer Affairs and ex-officio Vice President of the Governing Council of BIS along with the distinguished members of the Governing Council.

In his presidential address Shri Goyal congratulated BIS on completion of 75 years and also appreciated that BIS has evolved with the country and has been steadily contributing in national economy. He highlighted that BIS has a significant role in development of 'Brand India'. The power of youth and motherhood should be utilized to achieve quality consciousness. He appreciated the initiative of creating Standards Clubs in school by BIS for sensitizing young minds towards standards and quality.

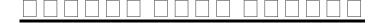
Hon'ble minister laid special emphasis on importance of upgradation and integration of laboratory infrastructure. He said, "Superior labs will boost formulation of better standards as well as ease in certification. All existing labs in India should be modernised and mapped so that the testing facilities can be better utilized. Young technical professional and technical students should be apprised with the testing procedures through arranging tours to these labs".

He further expressed his desire for India to be the top in the emerging fields of manufacturing and appreciated the efforts being made by BIS in the direction of developing Standards to support the same.

Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey in his address acclaimed BIS for formulating standards that are enabling manufacturers to produce internationally acceptable products which is not only a giant step in consumer benefit but has eased the export also. He further added that 'Standards Revolution' is the requirement of the hour, where implementation of Standards should be supporting the businesses and should not be seen as an impediment".

On this occasion, Hon'ble Minister inaugurated the renovated building, "Mankalaya" of BIS headquarter. He launched revised website of BIS which has enabled easy access to information through user friendly interfaces and has been updated with all the important initiatives of BIS. Pamphlets on National Building Code and handbook on the National Electricity Code was also released.

The Governing Council members discussed the initiatives taken by BIS since last Governing Council meeting and shared their valuable views/suggestions in this regard.



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