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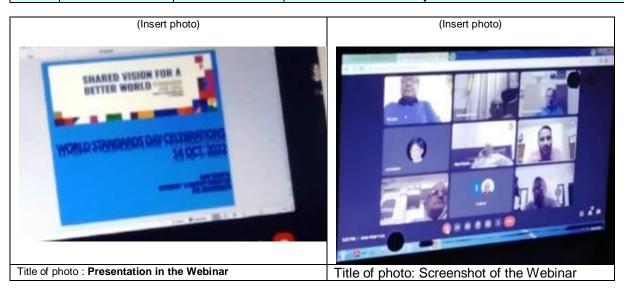
Name of Centre

Meerut Local Centre

Title of Activity: World Standards Day

Activity under Divisional Board Statutory Days

Date: 15-10-2022 Venue: Webinar from own place



Brief Report:-

World Standards Day was celebrated on 15-10-2022 by organizing a webinar on google meet. The webinar started with the introductory remarks by Er. A.K. Gupta, FIE, Convener of the event. He discussed the theme for this year "A Shared Vision for a Better World" and highlighted the importance of standards. Er. M.L. Jain, Chairman Meerut Local Centre welcomed the guests and members of IEI. Er. Ajay Maurya, Scientist C and Deputy Director, Bureau of Indian Standards, Chandigarh was the Keynote Speaker on the occasion. He started with the background of BIS and ISO and discussed the role of BIS in India and at International level. He told that the main activities of BIS are standardization, conformity, assessment, training, hall marking and consumer protection.

Speaking on the theme, he said that the rapid strides in development and ease of living have rendered the air we breathe, the water we drink and land we live on, polluted and degraded. Natural resources have been greatly depleted with many species of flora and fauna becoming extinct or being on the verge of it. It means development is there but sustainable development is needed. More over benefits of development must be equitably distributed. United Nations identified 17 Sustainable Development Goals which project to address social imbalances, develop sustainable economy and slow the rate of climate change. This should be achieved by year 2030. These goals are not independent but are rather interlinked with one another. Standardization at international, regional and national levels play a crucial role in the endeavour to achieve these goals. The leading international standards setting bodies such as ISO, IEC and ITO have been striving to work towards formulating standards following the best practices of standardization, making standards as widely acceptable as possible. He underlined the role of Bureau of Indian Standards in achieving SDGs.

BIS too, has been endeavouring to achieve the SDGs through rolling out need based standards for the society. BIS has been formulating indigenous standards, in diverse sectors like food and agriculture, environment, information technology, power distribution systems and medical devices etc. He explained how standards can help achieving each of 17 SDGs. Er. Ajay Maurya concluded his talk by saying that the decade 2021-2030 is the decade of action and we all should contribute to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

In the end Er. R.P. Agrawal Hony. Secretary, Meerut Local Centre presented vote of thanks.