



TC and GTZ Proklima seeks alternative for CTC

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Textiles Committee (TC) and GTZ-Proklima a Germany-based NGO have joined hands to phase out the use of Carbon Tetra Chloride (CTC) and find suitable alternatives for CTC as the stain remover. For years, CTC - a proven carcinogen - is being used in the Indian textile industry, as a stain remover by almost all manufacturers.

In this project, GTZ-Proklima would provide information in form of handouts, testing expenses for conducting the necessary analysis and effective testing using approximately 20 alternatives, expenses of rental cost for the halls for the seminar and other miscellaneous expenses. TC has agreed to provide the technical and scientific support to GTZ-Proklima through its facilities, know-how and networking on the following areas of operation:

1. Verify translation of information handouts prepared by GTZ and distribute them to its member and clients.
2. Carryout testing of alternative solution identified and provided by the GTZ consultants, and provide the comprehensive results to the GTZ-Proklima Consultants.
3. Collaborate with GTZ-Proklima consultants to consolidate the results in view of identifying suitable alternatives to substitute CTC in the sector.
4. Coordinate with GTZ-Proklima consultants for planning and organising at least two half-day information exchange seminars in the region, targeting specific affected sub-sectors.

The project has been commenced from 15th July 2004 in the Tirupur cluster, and is expected to be completed within three months.

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