



Regional Convention-South (Coimbatore)
***“Advancing Sustainable and Resilient Supply Chains
through Strategic Procurement: From Principles to Practice”***

Vivanta Coimbatore | 9th October, 2026

Programme Flow

Time	Title / Theme
Inaugural session	
1000 – 1005 Hrs	Welcome address Thakur Pherwani , Vice President – Southern Region, UN GCNI & Chief Sustainability Officer, TVS Motor Company
1005 – 1010 Hrs	Presidential Address Vaishali Nigam Sinha , President, UN GCNI & Co-Founder & Chairperson – Sustainability, ReNew
1010 – 1020 Hrs.	Signing of MoU with Rathinam Global (Deemed to be University)
1020 – 1030 Hrs.	Special Address Dr. C. Krishnaraj , Registrar, Rathinam Global (Deemed to be University)
1030 – 1040 Hrs.	Signing of MoU with Industrial and Technical Consultancy Organisation of Tamilnadu Limited (ITCOT)
1040 – 1055 Hrs.	Inaugural Address - Chief Guest Shri Hans Raj Verma, IAS (Retd.) , Chairman, ITCOT Limited
1055 – 1100 Hrs.	Vote of Thanks and Way Forward Sanjeev Verma , VP- Western Region, UN GCNI & EHS Head - Aditya Birla Grasim Epoxy
Session I: Opening Plenary	
1100 – 1200 Hrs.	Strategic Procurement for Resilient Value Chains: The Coimbatore Manufacturing Ecosystem in Transition <u>Moderator</u> Dr. Nava Subramaniam , Dean, Amrita School of Business, Coimbatore <u>Panelists</u> Jayesh B Boraste , General Manager, Quality Assurance & Sustainability (Global), EPL Limited Meet Goradia , Chief Operating Officer (COO), Refex Green Mobility Limited Satyanarayan Nayak , General Manager- Corporate Initiatives, Waaree Group

Session II: Panel Discussion	
1200 – 1300 Hrs.	Women at the Centre of Textile Value Chains: Rethinking Competitiveness through Gender and Living Wages <u>Moderator</u> Dr. Vidya Mahambare, Union Bank Chair Professor, Economics, Chairperson, Centre for Finance and Economics Research, Director, Research and Fellow Program in Management, Great Lakes Institute of Management, Chennai <u>Panelist</u> Anand Muthuswamy, Joint Secretary, Tiruppur Exporters' Association (TEA); Chairman – Branding, Sustainability & Business Promotion Sub-Committee, TEA Kavitha Dinesh, Director, Victus Dyeings Rudrani Rikkal, Assistant Vice President, Women Empowerment, Eastman Exports Global Clothing Pvt. Ltd. Thirukkumaran Natarajan, Chairman, ESSTEE Exports
Networking Lunch	
Session III: Fireside Chat	
1400 – 1500 Hrs.	From Supplier Scope 1 to Buyer Scope 3: How are buyer climate commitments reshaping supplier expectations? <u>Moderator</u> Dr. Aditya Gupta, Chief Operations Officer of the Supply Chain Management Centre (SCMC) and the TCI-IIMB Supply Chain Sustainability Lab at the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) <u>Panelist</u> Dr. Janakaraj Murali, Director, Innovotek Private Limited Sandipa Lahiri Anand, General Manager, EHS and Sustainability, Vikram Solar Shraddha Dudhane, Senior Manager - ESG, Nirantara Ecoventures Pvt. Ltd.
Session IV: Implementation Showcase	
1500 – 1600 Hrs.	From Supplier to Supplier of Choice: MSME Transformation in Global Value Chains <u>Moderator</u> Renukaprasad B., Associate Director, Good Business Lab <u>Panelist</u> Dr. Aurthur Vimalachandran, Founder, ExIAthena

	Raman Azhahia Manavalan, Founder & CEO, VRNC - SME Business Development Services Dhaarini Srinivasan, Associate Director, Global Sustainability and CSR, VDart Nandkumar R. Kulkarni, Senior Industrial Sustainability & ESG Leader, Veer-O-Metals
1600 – 1615 Hrs.	Valedictory Session Special Address Dr. Nirav Mandir, Chief Human Capital & Sustainability Officer, Shree Ramkrishna Exports Pvt. Ltd. (SRK) Takeaways and Way Forward Dr. Annapurna Vancheswaran, Senior Advisor - Business Development & Strategic Growth - E5 Sustain ESG Solutions Pvt. Ltd.