

IFAT India 2025: A Mega Platform for Green Technology and Business Collaboration

Record participation expected as global leaders, policymakers, and corporates to converge in Mumbai to tackle India's waste and water challenges

Key Highlights

- **28,000+ trade visitors and 500+ exhibitors** from 30+ countries expected across **45,000 sqm of exhibition space**
- **2,000+ buyer-seller meetings** and **15,000+ solutions** on display, spanning waste-to-energy, recycling, water and effluent treatment
- **40+ technical sessions, 400+ speakers, and multiple themed pavilions**, including bio-energy, SWAN, Smarter SME, and start-ups.

Mumbai: IFAT India 2025—the country's largest trade fair for water, sewage, solid waste and recycling technologies—will be held from **October 14–16 at the Bombay Exhibition Centre (NESCO), Mumbai**. Organised by Messe Muenchen India, the event is projected to be the **biggest-ever edition**, bringing together global innovators, domestic buyers, and policymakers amid mounting environmental and infrastructure pressures.

Covering **45,000 sqm**, this year's fair will host **500+ exhibitors from 30+ countries** and an estimated **28,000+ trade visitors from 50+ nations**. International presence will be strong, with **country pavilions from Canada, the Netherlands, Germany, South Korea, Hungary and Australia**.

"India is at an inflection point where waste and water solutions are no longer optional, but central to sustainable economic growth," said **Bhupinder Singh, President IMEA (India, Middle East, Africa), Messe München, and CEO of Messe Muenchen India**. *"IFAT India has become a trusted platform for technology transfer, investment exploration, and business networking. With record participation this year, we expect strong global collaborations."*

Deal-Making Platform

Organisers expect **2,000+ structured buyer-seller meetings**, connecting solution providers with **municipal authorities, EPC contractors, and corporate procurement heads**. More than **15,000 solutions** will be showcased, spanning effluent treatment, sludge management, waste-to-energy, and recycling automation.

The show is increasingly seen as a **procurement hub for corporates** under ESG mandates. Industry analysts estimate compliance-driven investments in solid waste and effluent treatment could reach **₹35,000–40,000 crore** over the next five years.

Conferences & Special Pavilions

A **three-day conference program** will feature **40+ technical sessions** and **400+**

speakers, including policymakers, financiers, and global sustainability experts. Sessions will explore **ESG financing, PPP models in urban waste management, and industrial decarbonisation**.

Dedicated pavilions will spotlight emerging areas: **Bio-Energy, SWAN Pavilion, Start-up Pavilion, SME Zone, and International Waste Pavilion**, among many.

The fair will be inaugurated by **Dia Mirza**, who called IFAT India “*a movement towards a greener, cleaner, more responsible India.*”

Why It Matters

According to the CPCB, India generates **~160,000 tonnes of municipal solid waste daily** and **~72,000 MLD of sewage**, of which only **~28% is treated**. With landfill capacities nearing exhaustion in metros, IFAT India is being closely watched as a **deal-making platform for both technology providers and investors** in waste-to-wealth, bioenergy, and ESG-driven compliance solutions.

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