

SPP to foster collaboration across various scientific disciplines, recognising the interconnectedness of scientific issues and the need for holistic approaches to policy development. IUPAC officials also stressed that all policy recommendations and decisions should be based on sound scientific evidence and have geographical, regional and gender balance, including adequate representatives from developing countries in the SPP. A sense of urgency was also stressed without compromising on quality.

The next meeting of the OEWG will be held after a few months, and subsequent to that the Intergovernmental meeting of Ministers will meet to formalise the establishment of the SPP.

### Massive challenge

Currently, more than 350,000 chemicals are registered globally. Of these, as per UNEP, about 6,000 contribute to 99% of the volume of chemicals used

### COLLABORATION

## Mysore Ammonia signs green ammonia offtake MoU with Avaada

Mysore Ammonia group, a Mumbai-based player in the distribution of anhydrous ammonia and manufacturing of ammonia solution in India, has signed a distribution offtake MoU with the Avaada group.

The MoU was signed between Avaada Green Fuels Pvt. Ltd., an arm of Avaada Group, and Mysore Ammonia and Chemicals Ltd. at Avaada's headquarters in Mumbai. The MoU aims to establish a long-term green ammonia supply contract with Mysore Ammonia, targeting an intended volume of 100,000-tpa from the year 2027.

The MoU was signed in the presence of Mr. Vineet Mittal, Chairman of Avaada Group; Mr. Nitin Chabria,



commercially. The hazardous chemicals in this list include, among others, Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals, Environmentally Persistent Pharma Pollutants, Hazardous Substances in the Lifecycle of Electronic and Electrical

Products, Highly Hazardous Pesticides, PFASs, lead, cadmium, bisphenol A, microplastics, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), etc.

[Based on inputs provided by Dr. Saha].



Managing Director of Mysore Ammonia and Chemicals Ltd.; Mr. Narinder Goyal, President of New Initiatives/Ammonia Business; Mr. Jitendra Singh, Assistant Vice President of New Initiatives/Ammonia Business, Mr.

Sudhir Menon, Head – Supply Chain & Logistics, Mysore Ammonia and other senior officials. Commenting on signing of the MoU, Mr. Mittal, said, "This MoU underscores our dedication to advancing green fuels such as green ammonia production in India and driving the transition towards a low-carbon economy. By leveraging our cutting-edge technology and expertise, we aim to support industries in reducing their carbon footprint and fostering environmental stewardship."

In September last year, Avaada had announced plans to establish a green hydrogen and green ammonia manufacturing facility with a capacity of 0.5-mtpa at Tata Steel SEZ Industrial Park in Gopalpur (Odisha).