

**Collaborative Project with Dr.MGR University Chennai in association M/s. LMW, Coimbatore**

A prototype of 10 head machine for spinning of coir yarn has been developed under the collaborative project “Development of process and machinery for spinning of fine quality yarn with reduced hairiness- Coir Spinning Plant Machinery Development” with Dr.M.G.R.University Chennai in association with M/s.Lakshmi Machine Works Coimbatore. The project was initiated in June 2017 and the fine tuning of the machine and trial runs are underway and the plant machinery is proposed to be installed in CCRI by November 2019. The Federation of Indian Coir Exporters Association (FICEA), Alappuzha is also keenly monitoring the progress of the project which will go a long way to benefit the coir industry,