Ecommerce Gateway Pvt. Ltd. the organizers of Textile Asia Exhibition organised Textile Asia Seminar 2016 with theme “New trends in textiles” was held at Lahore Expo Centre concurrent with the Textile Asia exhibition and in collaboration with the Textile Institute Manchester, Lahore Section. The seminar was attended by over 200 textile professionals and students.

It highlighted new trends prevailing in the textile industry and pointed out where Pakistan textile industry is lagging behind and on what products entrepreneurs should focus to have more share in the export market and more earning of foreign exchange.

The Chief Guest of the seminar was senior textile technologist Mr. Tahir Panjwani and guests of honor included Mr. Muhammad Ismail Khurram and Mr. Jamal Akbar.

Mr. Syed Mehfooz Qutab, Chairman Textile Institute Manchester, Lahore Section and Mr. Nusrat Ali Chishti, General Secretary Textile Institute welcomed the honorable guests and the speakers at the seminar.

Following were the speakers at the Seminar:

- Professor Dr. Tanveer Hussain, Rector, National Textile University, Faisalabad spoke about new developments in technical textiles.
- Mr. Azfar Hasan, CEO, Matrix Consulting highlighted the strengths of Pakistan’s apparel and garment industry and expressed high hopes for the future of this high value added sector in Pakistan.
- Dr. Mumtaz Hasan Malik, Head of University of Management and Technology shared a study to boost Pakistan’s textile and clothing exports.
- Mr. Almas Hyder, Senior Vice President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry spoke about the trade relations between Pakistan, the UK and other European countries.
- Mr. Nadeem Mazhar, Senior Editor and Publisher, Pakistan Textile Journal gave relevant information about the ITMA ASIA + CITME 2016 exhibition.
Mr. Nusrat Ali Chishti, General Secretary, The Textile Institute, Lahore-Section in his closing speech, spoke about the function and activities of The Textile Institute Manchester Lahore-Section.

He said, “The Textile Institute is a nonprofit international organization represented by local and national offices around the world with its international headquarters based in Manchester, UK. The mission of The Textile Institute is to promote professionalism in all areas associated with the textile industry worldwide. The aim of the textile institute is to facilitate learning, to recognize achievements, to reward excellence to disseminate information.”

According to Mr. Chishti, their members include senior, retired technologists as well as working executives, managers at the senior and middle management level. Lahore Section offers services in establishing training facilities, providing syllabus short courses and trainers at the local level and even consultants locally and from abroad through the headquarters in Manchester UK.

“The Textile Institute Lahore Section holds seminars and international conferences on its own and in collaboration with educational universities of the country on regular basis to highlight latest global research and trends of technology development among the textile community.”

Members of The Textile Institute Lahore Section.