

# PetroFed, Petrotech to be merged to power hydrocarbon industry

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**ONGC Chairman & Managing Director D K Sarraf making the historic announcement on Thursday**

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The amalgamation of two entities would multiply their current capabilities, reduce the overlapping activities and bring to the forefront a synergized society which would take India's oil & gas sector to

newer heights of professional excellence. Petrotech Society was conceptualized in 1993 and its biennial International Oil & Gas Conference & Exhibition, Petrotech was launched in 1995. Petrotech Society has also been holding regular national/international conferences, seminars and study tours in India and abroad for regular exchange of information for the benefit of oil & gas industry.

PetroFed was registered in 2002 with a wide range of activities which include lectures, workshops and seminars to promote the interest of the petroleum industry besides maintaining a healthy and strong interface with Government, legislative agencies and regulatory bodies. MPOST

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