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Prakash Malla Joins 2018 Class of TAPPI Fellows

Honorary title given to extraordinary contributors

ATLANTA, May 7 – Dr. Prakash Malla of Thiele Kaolin was recently inducted into the TAPPI Fellows during the annual PaperCon conference in Charlotte, NC, USA. Fellow is an honorary title bestowed upon a small percentage of TAPPI’s membership and is given to individuals who have made outstanding technical or service contributions to the industry and/or the Association.



Dr. Prakash Malla, is Director of the Research & Development at Thiele Kaolin Company, where he has been working for over 25 years.

Prakash and his team are involved in improving and developing kaolin products and processes for improved paper coating and filling as well as other industrial applications. He previously worked as a Research Associate (Postdoctoral Fellow) at the Materials Research Laboratory of Pennsylvania State University for 5 years.

Prakash earned a Ph.D. in Clay Mineralogy and Clay Chemistry from Rutgers. He’s served TAPPI in a variety of leadership roles including Chairman of the Coating Division. Dr. Malla is a prolific author and is inventor or co-inventor of 15 U.S. patents.

Born and raised in Nepal he and his wife Anju have two children, daughter Prerana and son Adarsha.

Each year, the Association may elect members as TAPPI Fellows in recognition of meritorious service to the Association and the industry. The title Fellow is also conferred upon TAPPI Board chairs, vice chairs, and directors at the end of their terms of office, and upon Gunnar Nicholson Gold Medal Awardees and Herman L. Joachim Distinguished Service Recipients.

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