Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs, said Prof H S Dhami, Vice Chancellor, Kumaun University, Nainital, while speaking as Chief Guest at the 6th Environment Summit organized by Confederation of Indian Industry & Uttarakhand Council for Science & Technology, at Rudrapur. He also expressed that industries should Think Global & Act Local and utilize locally available strengths & capabilities as a step towards sustainability.

While delivering the opening remarks, Mr Prashant Mahadik, Chairman CII Uttarakhand State council, stressed on balancing environment & economic growth in the state. He shared that manufacturing industry needs to match pace with today's globalised and highly competitive word by inventing and innovating new processes & deploying latest technology.

Mr Alok Kumar Singh, Chairman, 6th Environment Summit 2015, CII Kumaon Zone & Plant Head Tata Motors Ltd, Pantnagar expressed that it is important today for any manufacturing industry to meet the needs of humanity without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. He also said sustainable manufacturing efforts are viewed as incomplete unless they address concerns in three core dimensions i.e economic, environmental & social. He mentioned that sustainable business is resource efficient, respects the environment & is a good neighbor.

The day long deliberations dwelled upon issues & challenges relating to the environment, sharing of best practices that can be adopted by industries; various advance technologies & zero defects zero effect approach to make industries more competitive and sustainable in the long run.

The first session focused on Best Practices in Implementing Green Manufacturing and was moderated by Mr Suresh Redhu, Vice Chairman CII Uttarakhand State Council. The speakers at the session included representatives from TATA Motors Ltd, Pantnagar & Bajaj Auto Ltd, & Denso India Ltd and shared their best practices for sustainable manufacturing.

The second session dwelled upon Advanced Manufacturing Technologies and was moderated by Mr M P Singh, Plant Head, Delphi - TVS Diesel Systems Ltd. The speakers at the session included representatives from Yaskawa India Pvt. Ltd, FANUC India Pvt Ltd & Dassault Systems and shared various advanced technologies for manufacturing industry which could enable them to become much stronger and more competitive over long run.

Keeping consensus with Hon’ble PM's idea of Zero Defect Zero Effect Manufacturing” Mr M M Singh, CoChairman, Special Task Force on Manufacturing and Make in India CII NR and Executive Advisor, Maruti Suzuki India Ltd shared that "to make a mark in global manufacturing industry, we need to set global standards and follow the PM Modi’s idea of zero defect zero effect. Our manufacturing should have zero defects so that our products should not be rejected in the global market. Besides, we should also keep in mind that manufacturing should not have any negative impact on our environment”. "There is great need to anchor investments to promote ancilliarity, as it minimizes the set up cost and helps in grooming entrepreneurial skills”, he added.

The Summit was well attended by over 70 delegates from Industry. The Summit was addressed by 11 experts.