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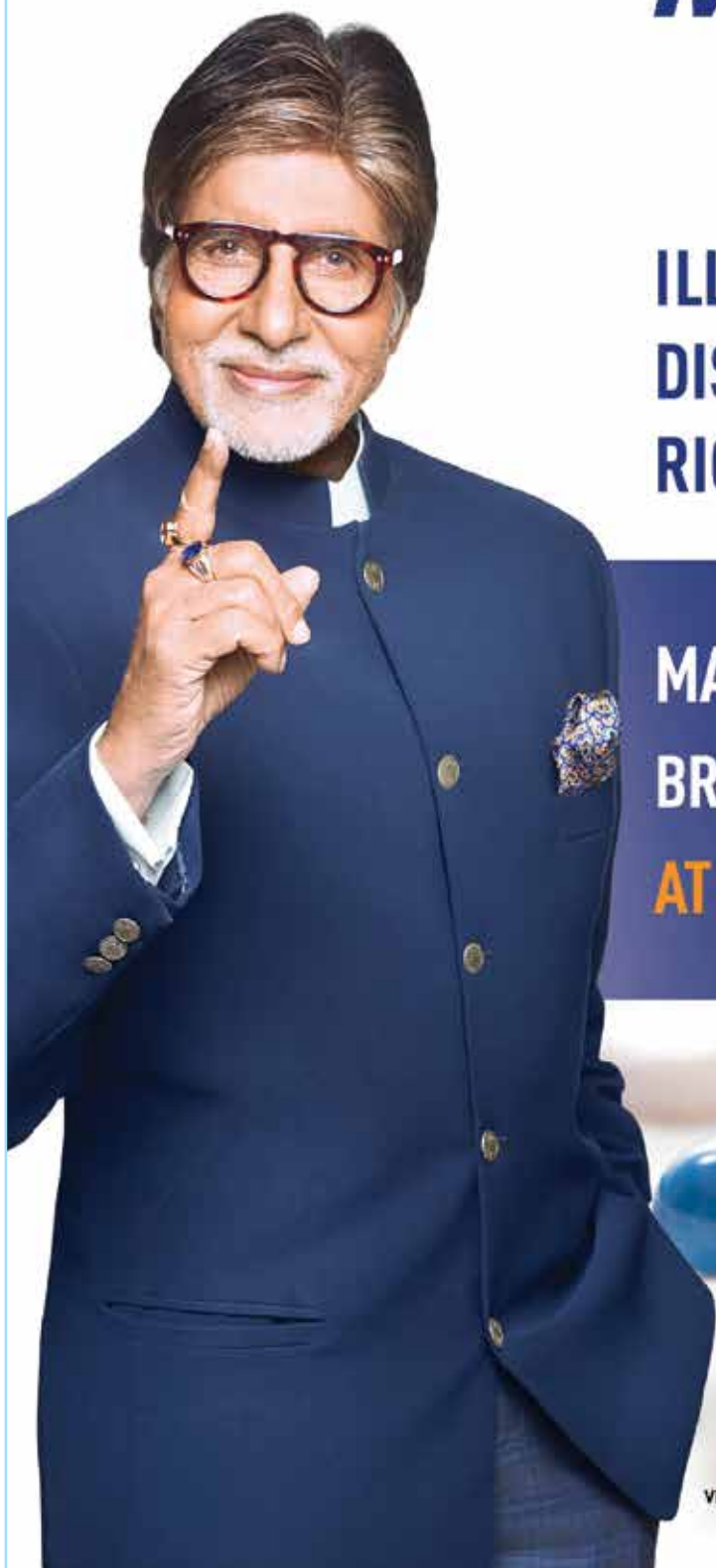




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Under TAP, Exim Bank has identified 72 focus countries, mainly including untapped geographies and countries with higher risk perceptions across Asia, Africa, Latin America and Europe & CIS region. The Bank is currently partnering with over 100 banks (overseas and domestic), under the programme and is in active discussion with many more.

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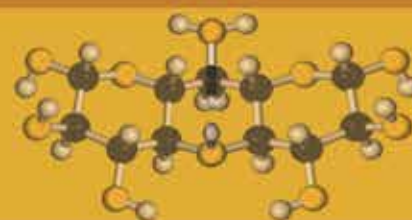
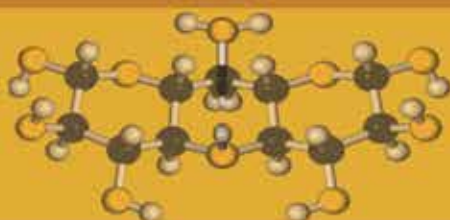


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Message

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As a Chamber, we remain committed to strengthening industry-government engagement, supporting MSMEs and start-ups, and driving sectoral growth through policy advocacy, skill development, and international collaborations. During my recent interaction with the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Mr. C. P. Radhakrishnan, we discussed key initiatives aimed at enhancing ease of doing business and fostering a more enabling ecosystem for industry.

"Arise, awake and stop not till the goal is reached." — Swami Vivekananda

It is with great pride and optimism that I address you at a time when India continues to advance steadily on its journey of inclusive and sustainable economic growth. The global economic landscape is undergoing a profound transformation, shaped by geopolitical tensions, changing trade alignments, technological disruption, and the reconfiguration of global supply chains. Amid these shifts, India continues to distinguish itself as a beacon of stability, resilience, and opportunity, supported by strong macroeconomic fundamentals, sustained structural reforms, and a steadfast commitment to improving the ease of doing business.

Under the visionary leadership of our Hon'ble Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi, India has reinforced its position as one of the world's fastest growing major economies. The recent Assembly election outcomes across several states reflect the continued trust and confidence of citizens in this development oriented governance model. These mandates underscore a broader national endorsement of the Government's emphasis on infrastructure expansion, welfare delivery, manufacturing growth, and inclusive development, thereby

strengthening policy continuity and economic stability. As rightly observed by John Lewis, "The vote is precious. It is the most powerful non-violent tool we have in a democratic society, and we must use it." This serves as a reminder of the enduring strength of democratic participation in shaping the nation's future.

India's economic performance continues to remain robust despite an increasingly uncertain global environment. According to the National Statistical Office's second advance estimates, India's real GDP growth for FY 2025–26 is estimated at 7.6 percent, while nominal GDP growth is expected at around 8.6 percent, taking the size of the economy close to USD 4.16 trillion. Growth has remained broad based, with strong contributions from manufacturing, construction, financial services, and public investment driven infrastructure development. High frequency indicators continue to reinforce this resilience. The HSBC India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI), compiled by S&P Global, stood at 54.7 in April 2026, reflecting sustained expansion in manufacturing activity, healthy domestic demand, and improving business confidence. India's services

sector has also maintained strong momentum, with the HSBC Services PMI rose to a five month high in April 2026 increasing to 58.8, supported by new orders, even as export orders moderated, suggesting that demand was increasingly driven by domestic consumption amid the challenges arising from the West Asia conflict.

While the global economy continues to grapple with elevated energy prices, supply chain disruptions, and on-going geopolitical conflicts, India's medium term outlook remains encouraging. GDP growth for FY 2026–27 is projected at 6.9 percent, reflecting the economy's ability to navigate external headwinds. Strong domestic demand, improving private investment, healthy banking sector balance sheets, and continued policy emphasis on infrastructure, and digital transformation are expected to support economic activity in the coming years. The agricultural outlook also remains positive, aided by favourable reservoir levels, improving rural demand, and sustained government support for the farm sector.

On the external front, India remains relatively well positioned compared to many emerging economies. Foreign exchange reserves continue to remain comfortable at over USD

697 billion, providing a strong buffer against external volatility and covering nearly 11 months of imports. India also continues to attract substantial foreign direct investment, particularly in sectors such as manufacturing, renewable energy, electronics, logistics, and digital services. On the other hand, we note that depreciation pressures on the Indian rupee, underline the importance of prudent macroeconomic management and export competitiveness.

To better understand business sentiment at the grassroots level, the Chamber continues to track the pulse of India's MSME ecosystem through its SME Market Sentiment Index, which draws insights from over 3,000 SMEs across key manufacturing and service sectors. The latest survey findings indicate that while business sentiment remains positive, enterprises are becoming more measured in their outlook amid evolving global conditions. The SME Business Activity Index continued to remain in expansionary territory during the January to March 2026 quarter, supported by improving domestic demand, stable order flows, and gradual capacity expansion.

Domestic consumption continues to provide strong support to economic activity, with several enterprises reporting improved production levels and higher new orders. Investment intentions also remain encouraging, particularly in sectors linked to manufacturing, logistics, clean energy, and digital services. The manufacturing sector, in particular, has demonstrated resilience through improved supply chain efficiencies, and initiatives aimed at strengthening India's position within global value chains.

However, emerging global risks continue to pose challenges, particularly for MSMEs and export oriented industries. Disruptions in key maritime trade routes, including the Red Sea region and the Strait of Hormuz, have increased logistics costs, elongated shipping timelines, and affected working capital cycles for businesses. These developments reinforce the need for continued policy support in areas such as affordable credit, logistics efficiency, technology adoption and energy diversification. In this context, we appreciate the Government's continued support for

industry through the recent Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme 5.0 aimed at strengthening liquidity and ensuring business continuity, particularly for MSMEs. Measures focused on credit facilitation, infrastructure enhancement, and production linked incentives have played an important role in supporting enterprise resilience, preserving employment, and sustaining industrial activity during periods of global uncertainty.

As a Chamber, we remain committed to strengthening industry government engagement, supporting MSMEs and start-ups, and driving sectoral growth through policy advocacy, skilling initiatives, international partnerships, and knowledge sharing platforms. During my recent interaction with the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Mr. C P Radhakrishnan, we discussed several initiatives aimed at improving ease of doing business, enhancing industry competitiveness, and creating a more enabling ecosystem for entrepreneurship and investment.

The Chamber has also continued to actively facilitate sector focused dialogues and collaborations. At the Bharat Spices Conclave 2026, themed "Roadmap for Doubling India's Spice Economy," Hon'ble Minister of Food Processing Industries, Mr. Chirag Paswan, emphasised the importance of transforming India's spice sector from a volume driven industry into a value driven global ecosystem through innovation, food processing, branding, and stronger integration with international markets.

As part of our global outreach initiatives, the Renewable Energy Committee of PHDCCI recently led a business delegation to China comprising start-ups and enterprises working in EV charging, battery storage, electric mobility, and energy trading. The delegation engaged with leading industry stakeholders to explore advanced technologies, investment opportunities, and strategic collaborations.

Further strengthening international cooperation, the visit of H.E. Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility, along with senior officials from Ecuador, opened new avenues for bilateral trade and investment collaboration. We also hosted business delegations from Trinidad and Tobago

in Delhi and Mumbai to explore opportunities for deeper economic engagement, trade partnerships, and sectoral cooperation.

Further reinforcing our role as a thought leader, the Chamber recently released a report on the "Impact of the West Asia Conflict on India's Tourism, Aviation and Hospitality Sectors." The report points to rising airfares, longer travel durations, supply side disruptions, and short-term moderation in inbound tourism demand, underlining the importance of policy agility, diversification strategies, and business resilience in an increasingly uncertain global environment.

At the same time, rapid advancements in technology, particularly in artificial intelligence, digital infrastructure, semiconductors, renewable energy, and advanced manufacturing, are reshaping industries and redefining global competitiveness.

This is, therefore, a moment for both reflection and decisive action. As the world moves towards a more fragmented and multipolar order, India's direction remains clear and its foundations remain strong. The journey towards becoming a "Viksit Bharat" by 2047 will require sustained commitment, institutional resilience, strategic foresight, and collective effort. It calls upon industry to innovate boldly, policymakers to act decisively, and institutions to collaborate more effectively in pursuit of shared national goals.

At PHDCCI, we remain fully committed to working closely with the Government, industry, academia, and global partners to harness the power of collaboration, innovation, and enterprise in building an India that is globally respected, economically vibrant, technologically advanced, and socially inclusive. Together, we can transform challenges into opportunities, strengthen India's global economic standing, and contribute meaningfully to the nation's growth journey. As Paul Meyer rightly said, "The future is built on the flow of new ideas."



Rajeev Juneja
President, PHDCCI

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Interaction with Hon'ble Vice President of India

Mr. Rajeev Juneja, President, PHDCCI, and Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI met the Hon'ble Vice President of India, Mr. C. P. Radhakrishnan, on April 18, 2026.

During the interaction, the delegation apprised the Hon'ble

Vice President of India of the key initiatives and ongoing activities of the Chamber, including its efforts towards promoting industry-government dialogue, facilitating ease of doing business, supporting MSMEs and startups, skill development and driving sectoral growth through policy advocacy,

capacity-building programs, and international collaborations.

The PHDCCI delegation extended a formal invitation to the Hon'ble Vice President of India to grace the Chamber's Annual Session 2026, as the Chief Guest, to which he gave his verbal consent.

The Hon'ble Vice President of India was quoted to have said that development must be inclusive and benefit Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and every section of society.

“Development can only be called true development, when it uplifts all sections of society.”

- C P Radhakrishnan -

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Pulse 2026 – An Interactive Session with New Members



The Membership Development Committee, PHDCCI organized Pulse 2026 – An Interactive Session with New Members on April 29, 2026 at PHD House, New Delhi. The session was aimed at warmly welcoming newly inducted members, fostering meaningful connections, familiarising them with the Chamber's wide-ranging initiatives, and creating an open platform for dialogue between members and leadership.

Welcoming the participants, Mr. Sanjay Singhania, Vice President, PHDCCI highlighted the Chamber's rich legacy, vision, and its pivotal role in promoting industrial growth and policy advocacy. He underscored the immense opportunities available to members for networking, collaboration, and business expansion, including engagement with leading entrepreneurs. He encouraged new members to actively leverage the Chamber's platform for policy advocacy, knowledge exchange, and participation in international delegations.

Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI provided a comprehensive overview of the Chamber's 121-year legacy and its evolving role in supporting members. He elaborated on the

wide spectrum of services offered by PHDCCI, particularly during challenging times such as the COVID crisis and the West Asia disruptions. He emphasized that the true strength of the Chamber lies in the active engagement and collective contributions of its members. Dr Mehta encouraged members to participate in expert committees, events, and consultations, and to take advantage of international business opportunities to expand their global footprint.

Mr. Anurag Singhi, Co-chair, Membership Development Committee, PHDCCI in his formal vote-of-thanks urged members to actively engage in discussions, contribute meaningfully, and make

the most of the diverse opportunities offered by PHDCCI for networking, learning, and growth—both at an individual level and for the broader industry ecosystem.

The session was moderated by Mr. Mohit Luthra, Assistant Secretary General, PHDCCI who ensured a dynamic and interactive exchange throughout the programme.

The session enabled new members to introduce themselves, share their business profiles, and express their expectations from the Chamber, thereby fostering a collaborative environment and laying the foundation for long-term engagement within the PHDCCI network.





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Bharat Spices Conclave 2026

Roadmap for Doubling India's Spice Economy



Mr. Chirag Paswan, Hon'ble Minister for Food Processing Industries, Government of India, underscored the historical significance of spices in India's trade legacy, while highlighting the sector's vast untapped potential. He emphasized the need for a strategic shift from a volume-driven approach to a value-driven ecosystem, powered by food processing, innovation, and deeper global market integration.

PHDCCI, in association with CATCH (DS Group) organized the "Bharat Spices Conclave 2026 – Roadmap for Doubling India's Spice Economy" in New Delhi on April 17, 2026.

Addressing the gathering as Chief Guest, Mr. Chirag Paswan, Hon'ble Minister for Food Processing Industries, Government of India, underscored the historical significance of spices in India's trade legacy while highlighting the sector's vast untapped potential. He emphasized the need for a strategic shift from a volume-driven approach to a value-driven ecosystem, powered by food processing, innovation, and deeper global market integration. The Hon'ble Minister also reiterated the Government's commitment to enhancing ease of doing business through sustained reforms and policy support, and invited industry stakeholders to contribute actively with actionable recommendations for sectoral

growth.

Mr. Anil Rajput, Chair, Food Processing Committee, PHDCCI, stressed the importance of repositioning spices as high-value products and strategic assets capable of driving farmers' incomes, MSME growth, and strengthening Brand India globally. He outlined key priorities, including deeper farmer



integration into value chains, greater emphasis on innovation and R&D, promotion of residue-free and organic production, and stronger public-private collaboration.

In his welcome address, Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary

General, PHDCCI, highlighted that while India possesses strong fundamentals in terms of scale, heritage, and production, the focus must now shift towards building global brands, strengthening quality systems, and crafting a compelling international narrative for Indian spices. He noted that the conclave aims to serve as a vital platform for aligning government, industry, and stakeholders towards a shared vision of establishing India as a global leader in the spice economy.

Mr. J. D. Desai, Co-chair, Food Processing Committee, PHDCCI, in his vote of thanks, expressed confidence that the conclave would play a pivotal role in integrating India's rich heritage with a forward-looking, innovation-driven food processing

ecosystem.

The session was moderated by Dr Jatinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI, who emphasized the importance of such platforms in fostering meaningful dialogue between government and industry,

and in shaping a progressive roadmap for the sector.

As Guest of Honour, noted actor Mr. Adil Hussain shared his personal reflections on Indian spices, highlighting their deep cultural significance and their role as storytellers of India's diverse regions and traditions. Drawing from his culinary experiences, he eloquently described the sensory richness—aroma, colour, and flavour—that spices bring to everyday life.

The conclave featured a series of engaging technical sessions with eminent speakers from government, industry, academia, the Spice Board, hospitality, and nutrition sectors:

Technical Session – I : From Purity to Prosperity: Ensuring Safe Spices to Double India's Spice Economy featured insightful deliberations by Ms. Kriti Awasthi, Advocate & Public Policy Consultant; Mr. Sandeep Ghosh, Business Head, Spice Division, DS Group; Dr Smita Sirohi, National Professor, ICAR & MS Swaminathan Chair; Mr. Neeraj Balani, Chief Operating Officer, Ascot Hospitality; and Mr. U Karthik, Director, Asian Spices & Co-chairman, Federation of Indian Spice Stakeholders.

Technical Session – II : Trust, Traceability, Trade: Parallel Exports Harming Brand India brought together a distinguished panel comprising Ms. Zeba Khair, Advocate, High Court, New Delhi; Ms. A B Rema Shree, Director (Research), Spice Board India; Mr. Anmol Badsra, Associate Business Head, Spice Division, DS Group; Mr. C N Kiran Kumar, Business Head (Spices), ITC Ltd.; and Mr. Shyam Sundar Singh, Co-founder, DeHaat.

Technical Session – III : From Farm to Foreign Market: Creating High – Value Export Brands featured an eminent panel of speakers comprising Dr Sampriti Baruah,



Programme Head (Sustainable Agriculture), WRI India; Mr. Vipin Saini, CEO, Biological Agri Solutions Association of India (BASAI); Dr Mehraj Ajjij Shaikh, Deputy Commissioner (NRM/ RFS), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Dr Tarun Shridhar, Director General, Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture; Dr Dinesh Chand Katoch, Former Adviser (Ayurveda) Ministry of Ayush; and Ms. Devli Sehgal, Director, Anaghaya Global Wellness.

Technical Session – IV: Spices, Health & Heritage: Stories from the Indian Kitchen brought together a diverse and distinguished panel comprising Dr Shikha Sharma, Founder of Nutriwel Health India and creator of the Vedique Diet programme; Chef Dhruv Oberoi, Director, Olive Bar and Kitchen; Chef Manjit Gill, President, Indian Federation of Culinary Associations; Prof (Dr) Mousumi Krishnatraya, Professor & HOD, Nagaon Medical College and Hospital, Assam & Owner, Native Frost; and Ms. Anoothi Vishal, Food columnist, Author, Culinary historian, curator and analyst.

The Bharat Spices Conclave 2026 was supported by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, FSSAI and Catch (DS Group) and served as a significant step towards charting a comprehensive, future-ready roadmap for India's spice economy.



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Hydrocarbons Summit 2026: Strengthening India's Energy Security

The Hydrocarbons Summit 2026 on "India's Energy Security in a Turbulent World- Navigating Geo-economics, Supply Disruptions and the LNG Future" held on March 31, 2026 at New Delhi brought together policymakers, regulators, industry leaders, public sector representatives, technology experts and stakeholders from across the hydrocarbon value chain to deliberate on strengthening India's energy security framework in an evolving global energy landscape.

In his keynote address, Mr. AK Tiwari, Member, Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board provided a broader strategic outlook on India's energy security challenges and emphasized the need to reduce excessive dependence on imported energy and better utilize India's domestic resources such as coal, renewables, compressed biogas (CBG) and domestic hydrocarbons. He advocated for a diversified energy strategy combining conventional and renewable sources, highlighted the role of CBG plants in supporting rural energy and agriculture, and suggested greater adoption of PNG-based cooking fuel systems in cities to reduce LPG imports. He also stressed the importance of stable policy frameworks to encourage long-term investment in the energy sector.

Mr. Anjan Kumar Mishra, Secretary Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board outlined the government's regulatory and policy measures aimed at ensuring supply stability and protecting consumers. He highlighted efforts to expand the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network, promote piped natural gas (PNG) as an alternative to LPG, and strengthen pipeline infrastructure and gas market development to support the long-term growth of India's natural gas sector.

Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI underlined the strong link between India's economic growth and reliable energy availability. He noted that while renewable energy capacity is expanding, hydrocarbons will continue to play a vital role in India's energy mix, making it essential to strengthen domestic capabilities, infrastructure and strategic planning to ensure long-term energy resilience.



Mr. Ashok Kumar, Executive Director & Chief Marketing Officer, ONGC highlighted that expanding exploration activities across India's sedimentary basins and adopting advanced technologies can help improve domestic production and reduce import dependence. Strengthening domestic upstream capabilities, he noted, will be essential for sustaining energy availability as demand continues to grow.

Mr. Ajay Sardana, President – Corporate Affairs, Nayara Energy, highlighted the role of the refining and downstream sectors in maintaining stability within India's energy supply system. He emphasized that strengthening supply diversification strategies, infrastructure resilience and industry collaboration will be essential for navigating evolving global energy challenges while ensuring consistent supply for consumers and industry.

Mr. Sandeep Jain, Former Executive Director, Indian Oil Corporation Limited highlighted that rising energy demand, combined with geopolitical developments affecting global supply routes, underscores the importance of diversifying crude sourcing strategies and strengthening domestic refining and infrastructure capabilities.

Mr. Pawan Kumar Gupta, Managing Director, Pace Marine highlighted that disruptions in key shipping routes and rising insurance costs have significant implications for global LNG and crude oil transportation. Strengthening logistics capabilities, strategic storage solutions and maritime preparedness, he noted, will play an important role in ensuring continuity of supply in uncertain global conditions.

Dr Jatinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI reaffirmed PHDCCI's commitment to fostering constructive dialogue between industry and policymakers to strengthen India's energy security.



Technical Session I on "Upstream Exploration and LNG Midstream Advancements: Building Secure and Affordable Supply Chains" moderated by Mr. Rajiv Sikka, CEO, Indian Oil Adani Gas Pvt. Ltd. and Director, Indraprastha Gas Limited, focused on strategies to strengthen upstream exploration, improve LNG infrastructure and enhance supply chain resilience.

The panel featured Mr. Remy Ravindran, President, Bamin Forum and Chairman, Rex Group; Mr. J.P. Mishra, LNG Consultant; Mr. Rama Shankar Pandey, Former Executive Director, ONGC & Directorate General of Hydrocarbons, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas; Mr. Sanjay Kumar Suri, Founding Partner & CEO, Future IT Advisory; and Mr. Akhilesh Srivastava.

Technical Session II on "Downstream Resilience, Sustainable Transitions and Enterprise Risk Management in Hydrocarbons" moderated by Mr. M. K. Biswas, Executive Director, GAIL (India) Limited examined strategies for strengthening downstream operations and integrating sustainable energy solutions into the hydrocarbon ecosystem.

The panel included Mr. Abhinav Arora, Vice President, HAL Offshore; Mr. Tanuj Sharma, Senior Assistant Vice President, Oil & Gas, Invest India; Mr. Praveer Kumar Agrawal, Executive Director, GAIL (India) Limited; and Mr. Arindam Mitra, Associate Vice President, Business Development, Indian Gas Exchange.

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The UK-India Business Conclave: Investment Roadshow on April 24, 2026 at the Taj Mahal Hotel, Lucknow was graced by Mr. Jaswant Singh Saini, Hon'ble State Minister for Industrial Development, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

The Hon'ble Minister, emphasized that the proposed India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) will be a transformative force, unlocking significant opportunities for skill development and employment, particularly for the youth. He highlighted the state government's commitment to fostering a transparent and investor-friendly ecosystem, supported by initiatives such as the Nivesh Mitra portal—a comprehensive single-window platform designed to facilitate industrial services and address investor concerns efficiently.

Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI, underscored Uttar Pradesh's growing economic strength, noting its population of over 230 million and the rapid expansion of consumption across emerging urban centres. He emphasized that rising purchasing power, coupled with a strong MSME base, ODOP products, and GI-tagged goods, positions the state as a competitive and reliable destination for global partnerships.

Mr. Ben Mellor, British Deputy High Commissioner to India, highlighted that robust India-UK partnerships are anchored in sustained dialogue, shared values, and tangible economic outcomes, particularly in the context of evolving global challenges such as supply chain disruptions. He noted that the proposed FTA is expected to enhance business certainty, improve ease of trade, and unlock new opportunities across sectors including AI, life sciences, financial services, and green energy.

Mr. Alok Dwivedi, Joint Directorate General of Foreign Trade, (DGFT) Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India,

UK- India Business Conclave: Investment Roadshow



elaborated on the ongoing efforts to strengthen India's export ecosystem through policy simplification and digitalization. He noted that DGFT plays a critical role in export promotion through schemes such as Export Promotion Capital Goods and duty credit incentives, while working closely with Export Promotion Councils to reduce procedural barriers for exporters.

Mr. Vivek Agarwala, Co-chair, Uttar Pradesh Chapter, PHDCCI, highlighted India's agility as a fast-learning and adaptive economy driven by a dynamic entrepreneurial ecosystem. Referring to the India-UK FTA, he described it as a strategic opportunity for the UK to engage with a diverse and talent-rich market.

Mr. Chetan Sabharwal, Co-chair, Uttar Pradesh Chapter, PHDCCI,

spoke on the evolving landscape for Indian exporters, particularly in the garment sector. He emphasized that global demand is increasingly shifting towards sustainable, premium, and high-quality products, presenting a significant opportunity for Indian exporters to leverage international certifications and build direct linkages with UK buyers.

Dr. Jatinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI, moderated the session and provided a comprehensive introduction to the distinguished speakers, effectively setting the context for the deliberations.

Mr. Ashish Kapoor, Head of Inward Investment (North India), Department for Business and Trade, British High Commission, New Delhi, delivered a presentation on "Setting up a Presence in the UK," offering practical insights for Indian businesses exploring expansion opportunities.

The session concluded with closing remarks by Mr. Karan Mangla, Co-chair, Foreign Trade and Investment Committee, PHDCCI. The conclave witnessed participation from over 100 representatives from business and industry, reflecting strong interest in strengthening India-UK economic engagement.

Interactive Session with the Trinidad and Tobago Business Delegation

The International Affairs Division of PHDCCI organized an interactive session with a business delegation from Trinidad and Tobago on April 21, 2026, at PHD House, New Delhi.

In his welcome address, Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI, highlighted the strong potential to significantly expand bilateral trade between India and Trinidad & Tobago. He reaffirmed PHDCCI's commitment to serving as a catalyst and bridge between the business communities of both nations, leveraging its extensive network of over 150,000 member enterprises to foster meaningful collaborations.

H.E. Mr. Chandradath Singh, High Commissioner of Trinidad and Tobago to India, described the session as a timely platform for dialogue, particularly as India's rapidly evolving economic landscape presents new avenues for global partnerships. He emphasized the need to deepen cooperation in pharmaceuticals and biotechnology, noting India's global leadership in these sectors and the potential for joint initiatives to strengthen healthcare resilience, including the development of commercial laboratories in the Caribbean.

Providing an economic perspective, Mr. Sanat Kumar, Chief Economist, PHDCCI, delivered a presentation on emerging business opportunities in India-Trinidad and Tobago engagements.

Mr. Emil Kishan Ramkissoon, President, Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association (TTMA), underscored the importance of targeted, result-oriented business engagements. He stressed the need for practical collaboration, exchange of market intelligence, and the development of long-term partnerships, while inviting Indian businesses to explore



opportunities in Trinidad & Tobago.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Mahindra Ramdeen, CEO, TTMA, emphasized the delegation's objective to strengthen bilateral trade and position Trinidad & Tobago as a strategic gateway to the Caribbean region. He highlighted

A key highlight of the interaction was the emphasis on building a long-term trade architecture encompassing logistics hubs, energy partnerships, and integrated supply chains to ensure sustainable and scalable growth.

The programme concluded with highly engaging B2B meetings between the Trinidad and Tobago delegation and PHDCCI members, providing a productive platform to strengthen bilateral business ties.

As part of the visit, the delegation toured the Mother Dairy Patparganj facility, gaining first-hand exposure to one of Asia's largest and most



the export readiness of the country's products and the importance of building sustainable trade linkages with India.

During the session, Mr. Hemanshu Aggarwal, Export Head at AS International, shared insights into India's growing trade footprint in the Caribbean, citing successful collaborations and increasing demand for high-quality Indian products in the region.

The session was moderated by Mr. Naveen Seth, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI, who also expressed appreciation to all speakers, dignitaries, delegates, and participants for their valuable contributions.



advanced dairy processing plants. The visit offered insights into large-scale integrated operations, modern processing technologies, stringent quality and food safety systems, and efficient cold chain and logistics management. It also highlighted cooperative farmer linkages, product diversification strategies, and sustainable practices, while opening avenues for knowledge exchange, technology collaboration, and deeper industry partnerships between India and Trinidad & Tobago.

PHDCCI mounted its first-ever business delegation to China, focusing on the renewable energy and electric vehicle (EV) sectors, from March 29 to April 4, 2026. The eight-member delegation included six start-ups working in areas such as EV charging, EV trucks, battery storage, and energy trading.

The visit aimed to explore advanced technology solutions, engage with global industry leaders, and identify opportunities for partnerships in sourcing machinery, equipment, and technical expertise.

Led by Ms. Shalini S. Sharma, Assistant Secretary General, PHDCCI, the delegation called on India's Consul General in Shanghai, Mr. Pratik Mathur. He congratulated PHDCCI for being the first industry chamber to lead a business delegation to China following the resumption of bilateral engagements and the opening of the Consulate's new office in Shanghai.

The delegation highlighted key regions identified for collaboration—Shanghai, Zhejiang, and Wuxi. The Consul General noted that East China accounts for nearly 41 percent of the country's total trade. He also provided a comprehensive overview of India–China trade relations, the policy landscape, and emerging opportunities for collaboration. Additional insights from industry and financial stakeholders helped the delegation better understand legal frameworks, investment facilitation mechanisms, policy developments, and operational requirements in China.

Highlighting the significance of the initiative, Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI, remarked, "China has emerged as a global leader in renewable energy deployment, battery technology, and electric vehicle manufacturing, while India is rapidly expanding its clean energy capacity and strengthening its electric mobility ecosystem. Both countries have a pivotal role in shaping the future of sustainable energy and transportation. PHDCCI believes that stronger partnerships between India and China in

Renewable Energy & EV Sector Business Delegation to China



renewable energy and electric mobility can accelerate innovation, reduce technology costs, and contribute significantly to global climate goals."

A key highlight of the visit was a series of B2B meetings with 15 renewable energy companies, organized by the Shanghai New Energy Industry Association (SNEIA) at the Global New Energy Empowerment Centre in Shanghai's Minhang district. While Indian delegates presented their specific requirements, Chinese companies showcased their capabilities through detailed presentations. Prominent participants included Jinko ESS, Svolt Energy Technology, FR Electric (Zhejiang), Haiti Solar, Jiangsu Oliter Energy Technology, Jiangsu EverShine Energy Technology, and Shanghai Huitian New Material, among others.

The delegation also engaged with senior officials in Wujin district, including Deputy District Mayor, Ms. Wang Ting and Mr. Hu Yanhong, Director of the Wujin District Bureau of Commerce.

Ms. Sharma reiterated PHDCCI's commitment to fostering deeper collaboration in renewable energy and provided an overview of the Chamber's work across sectors. Leading companies present at this interaction included Star Charge, Suwen Electric Energy Technology, Teld New Energy, Xinnian Group, Trina Solar and Shandong Jinchao Holdings.



The delegation visited major companies, including Narada Power, Yinenergy Digital Power Technology Co. Ltd., Chilwee Group, Shanghai Tianyu New Energy Technology Co. Ltd., Eraergy Technology Co. Ltd., Trina Solar, and Shanghai Energy Electronic Technology Co. Ltd.

Interactions with leading Chinese manufacturers and technology providers offered first-hand insights into the scale and sophistication of lithium-ion battery production, high levels of factory automation, and emerging innovations. These included advanced EV charging solutions such as energy bots, lightweight solar panels and next-generation energy storage systems supporting renewable integration and electric mobility.

Interaction with H.E. Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of the Republic of Ecuador



The International Affairs Division of PHDCCI organized a Roundtable with H.E. Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of the Republic of Ecuador on April 30, 2026 at PHD House, New Delhi.

The Hon'ble Minister was accompanied by H.E. Mr. Alejandro Dávalos, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, H.E. Mr. Fernando Bucheli, Ambassador of Ecuador to India, H.E. Ms. Anita Shukla, Ambassador-Designate, Embassy of India in Ecuador, Mr. Jairo Cueva, Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of the Republic of Ecuador and Mr. Lakshmi Chandra, Under Secretary - South America Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

Mr. Naveen Seth, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI while welcoming the delegation, emphasized that India and Ecuador have strong potential to substantially expand bilateral trade. He highlighted the roles and responsibilities of the Chamber towards its members and reaffirmed PHDCCI's commitment to serving as a catalyst and bridge between the industries of both countries, drawing on its vast network of member enterprises to foster meaningful collaborations.



Mr. Sanat Kumar, Chief Economist, PHDCCI gave a presentation on the Business Opportunities on India-Ecuador Engagements.

H.E. Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador delivered a comprehensive presentation outlining Ecuador's current economic landscape and its burgeoning potential as a strategic partner in global trade. She then provided a detailed economic growth outlook, emphasizing Ecuador's commitment to fiscal stability and sustainable development and a significant portion of the address was dedicated to the modernization of Ecuador's energy and regulatory frameworks.

A meaningful interaction took place between the delegation from

Ecuador and PHDCCI members on a range of key subjects, reflecting the seriousness of the dialogue and a shared commitment to exploring business opportunities in the region.

A high-level luncheon meeting was convened on April 29, 2026 at Hotel Taj Mahal, New Delhi, in honour of the visiting delegation from the Republic of Ecuador, led by H.E. Excellency, Ms. María Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility. It was attended by Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General and Mr. Naveen Seth, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI.



PHDCCI Uttarakhand Adventure Ride 3.0: A 3-day Motorcycle Rally

PHDCCI flagged off the PHDCCI Uttarakhand Adventure Ride 3.0, a three-day motorcycle rally held from April 10–12, 2026. The initiative supported by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and the Ministry of Tourism, and presented by Apollo Tyres aimed to promote road safety awareness, responsible driving behaviour, and adventure tourism in Uttarakhand.

The ride was flagged off at Transport Bhawan, Ministry of Corporate Affairs and the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH), in the presence of Mr. Harsh Malhotra, Hon'ble Minister of State for the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; Mr. V. Umashankar, Secretary, MoRTH; Mr. Mahmood Ahmed, Additional Secretary, MoRTH; Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI; and Dr. Jatinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI.

Addressing the gathering, the Hon'ble Minister appreciated the initiative and emphasized the importance of promoting road safety awareness, particularly amongst the youth. He underscored the need to adhere to traffic rules, maintain speed limits, wear ISI-certified helmets, and avoid over-speeding and drink-and-drive practices—key contributors to road accidents.

He also highlighted several government initiatives, including financial assistance of up to Rs. 1.5 lakh per victim for injuries caused by motor vehicle accidents, covering treatment expenses for up to seven days under the PM Rahat Scheme. He further noted the deployment of



ambulances equipped with advanced rescue cutters at toll plazas to ensure timely intervention during the critical “golden hour.” Referring to the Rah-Ver Scheme, he mentioned that Good Samaritans are rewarded with Rs. 25,000 for assisting accident victims without fear of legal or procedural complications. He commended PHDCCI for its efforts in strengthening road safety awareness through such impactful initiatives.

The expedition featured over 40 bikers, including women riders, travelling from New Delhi to Bhimtal, Uttarakhand, over three days, covering Moradabad, Jim Corbett, Mukteshwar, and Bhimtal. A youth interactive session at Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad was also held to encourage responsible driving behaviour among students.

Speaking on the initiative, Dr Ranjeet Mehta stated that the rally has been conceptualized to promote

responsible riding among youth and to raise awareness about road safety norms. He added that the initiative would help to position Uttarakhand as a leading hub for adventure tourism and motorsports in India, while showcasing the state as a premier destination offering diverse and scenic routes for motorcycle touring.

The rally also witnessed participation from officials of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, further strengthening its outreach and impact. Participants were expected to act as ambassadors of road safety, promoting the use of ISI-marked helmets and strict adherence to traffic rules throughout the journey.

The PHDCCI Uttarakhand Adventure Ride 3.0 reflected a collective effort to foster a culture of safe and responsible driving, while simultaneously promoting adventure tourism and youth engagement across the country.



PHDCCI launches report on Impact of West Asia conflict on India's Tourism, Aviation & Hospitality Sectors

PHDCCI launched a comprehensive report titled 'Impact of the West Asia Conflict on India's Tourism, Aviation & Hospitality Sectors' on April 16, 2026, at PHD House, New Delhi.



The report was formally released by PHDCCI's leadership, including Mr. Anil Parashar, Chair, Tourism & Hospitality Committee; Mr. Rajan Sehgal and Mr. Shashank Bhagat, Co-chairs, Tourism & Hospitality Committee; Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General; and Ms. Shalini S. Sharma, Assistant Secretary General in the presence of media representatives.

Prepared by Ms. Sulagna Ghosh, Secretary, PHDCCI, the report

draws upon extensive industry inputs from stakeholders across the tourism, aviation, hospitality, and restaurant sectors. It examines the emerging implications of the ongoing West Asia conflict on key segments of India's travel ecosystem. The findings indicate that airfares on select international routes have increased by 15–25%, while certain long-haul flights are experiencing extended travel durations due to airspace restrictions. The report also projects a potential short-term

decline of 15–20% in inbound tourist arrivals, accompanied by softer demand in premium hospitality segments and moderation in discretionary dining.

The report also highlights the resilience of domestic tourism, which continues to

account for nearly 85–90% of overall travel demand. However, it cautions that the sector faces mounting cost pressures and demand uncertainties. To enhance sectoral resilience and sustain growth, the report recommends strategic measures such as route diversification, cost rationalization, strengthened regional connectivity, and calibrated policy support for the tourism, aviation, hospitality, and restaurant industries.

Handling Business Disruptions in The Iran - Israel / US War

At the webinar on “Handling Business Disruptions and the Legal Battles in the Current Scenario – Iran–Israel/US War” held on March 31, 2026, Ms. Babeeta Sharma, Director, PHDCCI, underscored the importance of such timely discussions in helping businesses navigate an increasingly uncertain global environment.



Mr. Gagan Kumar, Partner, Khaitan Legal Associates, highlighted the far-reaching impact of geopolitical conflicts. With India importing a significant portion of its crude oil from Gulf countries, any disruption can have cascading effects on petrochemicals, fertilizers, agriculture, food prices, and manufacturing—ultimately affecting both businesses and the common man.

Mr. Paresh Lal, Associate Partner, Khaitan Legal Associates, outlined key concerns surrounding business disruptions and the emerging legal challenges arising from the ongoing Iran–Israel/US conflict. He noted that the conflict is already disrupting global shipping routes and multiple industries, leading to supply chain stress, contractual defaults, and financial pressures, including potential defaults on commitments to investors, banks, and financial institutions.

Mr. Sakate Khaitan, Senior Partner, Khaitan Legal Associates, emphasized that geopolitical tensions give rise to significant contractual risks, such as material shortages, loss of export markets, and supplier disruptions. He observed that while force majeure clauses are commonly invoked in supply contracts, Material Adverse Change (MAC) clauses in investment agreements require careful drafting, as courts may not permit investors to exit deals unless the disruption is demonstrably material.

Mr. Bipul Khanduri, Senior Consultant, Khaitan Legal Associates, highlighted the systemic disruptions caused by geopolitical conflicts across global trade, energy, financial, and insurance markets. He pointed out that tensions around the Strait of Hormuz have significantly impacted marine and war risk insurance, with insurers either withdrawing coverage or sharply increasing premiums. Given that war is typically excluded from most insurance policies, such developments pose substantial risks to global shipping, trade, and supply chains.

Ms. Minakshi Srivastava, Deputy Secretary, PHDCCI coordinated the webinar, ensuring its smooth and successful conduct.

Conference on IBC Pulse: Trends, Transitions & Trajectories

The Conference on IBC Pulse – “Trends, Transitions & Trajectories” (Based on Recent Amendments) held on April 18, 2026 at New Delhi served as a significant platform for deliberations on the evolving landscape of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), recent amendments, and emerging trends shaping the insolvency ecosystem.

Mr. Sanjay Singhania, Vice President, PHDCCI delivered the welcome Address, while Mr. GP Madaan, Chair, NCLT & IBC Committee, PHDCCI spoke on the theme address, highlighting key developments and challenges in the IBC framework. Dr Jatinder Singh, DSG, PHDCCI gave the introductory remarks.

Distinguished participants included Mr. Chetan Sharma, Additional Solicitor General, Hon'ble High Court of Delhi; Mr. R. J. R. Kasibhatla, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Law and Justice; Mr. Debajyoti Ray Chaudhury, Managing



Director & CEO, National E-Governance Services Limited; Justice Rakesh Kumar Jain, Former Member (Judicial), NCLAT; and Mr. Ashok Kumar Bhardwaj, Hon'ble Member (Judicial), NCLT.

A key highlight of the conference was the MoU signing ceremony between PHDCCI and National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL), marking a significant step towards strengthening collaboration in the insolvency ecosystem.

The NCLT IBC Committee Co-chairs, Ms. Ranjana Roy Gawai, Mr. Abhishek Anand and Mr. Harish



Taneja moderated the technical sessions.

Mr. Rachit Mittal, Co-chair, NCLT & IBC Committee, PHDCCI, delivered the vote-of-thanks, expressing gratitude to all speakers, dignitaries, and participants for their valuable contributions.

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India-Nepal Economic Cooperation Forums 2026

To create a uniquely important platform for discussing a forward looking bilateral economic partnership agenda, PHDCCI India-Nepal Centre organized “India-Nepal Economic Cooperation Forums 2026” in different clusters of Nepal. The deliberations supported by the decision-makers' shall help in opening new avenues of business engagements in key sectors of the economy besides giving a much needed boost to trade.

April 15, 2026 at Hotel Vishuwa, Birgunj: Conducted in association with the Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI) and Bara Parsa Udyog Sangh (BPUS).

Mr. Devi Sahai Meena, Consul General of India, Birgunj, Nepal was the “Chief Guest & Keynote Speaker” on the occasion. The forum was moderated by Mr. Atul K Thakur, Senior Secretary, India-Nepal Centre, PHDCCI and addressed by the industry leaders including: Dr Ghanshyam Ojha, Director General, Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI); Mr. Pramod Kumar Sah, President (Madhesh Province), Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI); Mr. Hari Prasad Gautam, President,



Birgunj Chamber of Commerce & Industries (BiCCI); Mr. Suman Shrestha, Immediate Past President, Chamber of Commerce & Industry-Chitwan (CCIC); Mr. Ashok Temani, Immediate Past President (Madhesh Province), FNCCI; Mr. Chiranjivi Subedi, President, Chamber of Commerce & Industry-Chitwan (CCIC); Mr. Mohan



Sharma, President, Jeetpur Simra City Chamber of Commerce & Industry; Mr. Anil Kumar Agrawal, Immediate Past President, Birgunj Chamber of Commerce & Industries (BiCCI); Mr. Bishwash Pratap Shah, President, NYEF (FNCCI) – Birgunj Chapter; and Mr Niraj Agrawal, Vice President, NICCI Birgunj Chapter and Joint Treasurer, BiCCI.

16 April 2026 at Hotel Palpasa Paradise, Hetauda: Conducted in association with the Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI), Makwanpur Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI) and Confederation of Bagmati Province Industries (CBPI).

Mr. Devi Sahai Meena, Consul General of India, Birgunj, Nepal was the “Chief Guest & Keynote Speaker” on the occasion. The forum was moderated by Mr. Atul K Thakur, Senior Secretary, India-Nepal Centre, PHDCCI and was addressed by the industry leaders including: Dr Ghanshyam Ojha, Director General, Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI); Mr. Pramod Singh Ranabhat, President,



Makwanpur Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI); Mr. Trilochan Kandel, President, Confederation of Bagmati Province Industries (CBPI); Mr. Suman Shrestha, Immediate Past President, Chamber of Commerce & Industry-Chitwan (CCIC); Mr. Chiranjivi Subedi,

President, Chamber of Commerce & Industry-Chitwan (CCIC); Mr. Bishwash Pratap Shah, President, NYEF (FNCCI) – Birgunj Chapter; and Mr. Chandan Singh, First Vice President, NYEF Birgunj Chapter.

Navigating CBAM: Challenges, Readiness, and India's Carbon Market Context

A consultative seminar on “Navigating CBAM: Challenges, Readiness, and India's Carbon Market Context” was held on April 21, 2026, at PHD House, New Delhi, bringing together key stakeholders from industry, government, export-oriented sectors, and the Testing, Inspection, and Certification (TIC) community. The deliberations focused on the implications of the European Union's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) and assessed India's preparedness within its evolving carbon market framework.

The seminar served as a vital platform to build awareness and deepen practical understanding of CBAM. Discussions underscored the growing importance of credible emissions data, robust verification systems, and industry readiness in an increasingly carbon-conscious global trade environment.

The programme commenced with opening remarks by Dr Seema Shukla, Executive Director–India, TIC Council, who highlighted the strategic importance of carbon transparency in international trade, noting that “CBAM is not only about pricing carbon, it is about trust in data.”

Presenting the industry perspective, Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, PHDCCI, drew attention to concerns around rising compliance costs and regulatory complexity. He observed that Indian exporters face the dual challenge of aligning with CBAM requirements while sustaining global competitiveness, even as the country advances towards its Net Zero emissions target by



2070. He emphasized the need for a coordinated, multi-stakeholder approach to navigate this transition effectively.

In his keynote address, Mr. Sarath Chandran Ramakrishnan, Executive Director, RSJ Inspections, examined India–EU trade linkages and sustainability pathways, situating CBAM within the broader context of evolving global trade norms.

Providing an international perspective, Mr. Alberto Monje Gama, Sustainability Policy Manager, TIC Council, elaborated on CBAM's implications for Indian exports and highlighted the critical role of sustainability certification frameworks in strengthening environmental data management and compliance readiness.

Addressing developments in India's domestic carbon market, Mr. Amit Kumar, Product Manager

(Sustainability), Bureau Veritas, outlined the regulatory landscape, ongoing progress, and emerging opportunities in the sector.

In the valedictory session, Mr. Manojkumar Borekar, Product Manager (Sustainability), TÜV

Nord, emphasized the long-term significance of the Carbon Credit Trading Scheme and underscored the importance of sustained preparedness as India integrates into a carbon-constrained global economy.

The sessions were moderated by Mr. Mithilesh Kumar, Senior Secretary, PHDCCI.

The deliberations collectively reinforced the critical importance of credible carbon data, strong verification mechanisms, and collaborative action among stakeholders to enable Indian industry to navigate emerging global carbon regulations. The seminar also highlighted the pivotal role of the TIC sector in fostering trust, transparency, and compliance in a sustainability-driven global trade ecosystem.

From Tax Inquiry to Enforcement Action: Understanding ED, PMLA & Black Money Act

The Direct Tax Committee of PHDCCI organized a Conference on “From Tax Inquiry to Enforcement Action: Understanding ED, PMLA & Black Money Act Proceedings” on April 24, 2026 at PHD House, New Delhi.

Welcoming the participants, Ms. Babeeta Sharma, Director, PHDCCI, highlighted the relevance of the conference, noting that the subject holds significant importance in the current regulatory environment marked by an increasing focus on enforcement under tax and financial laws.

Dr Rakesh Gupta, Co-chair, Direct Tax Committee, PHDCCI, underscored the need to understand enforcement mechanisms under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) and the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015.

Mr. Arun Kumar Agarwal, Former Member & Acting Chairperson, Appellate Tribunal under PMLA, elaborated on the legal framework governing money laundering. He explained that the offence involves direct or indirect participation in activities related to the proceeds of crime, including concealment, possession, acquisition, use, or

projection of such proceeds as untainted property. He further noted that “proceeds of crime” includes any property derived from criminal activity or its equivalent value. He also highlighted that since its enactment, PMLA has undergone several amendments, with significant changes introduced in 2019 to strengthen enforcement provisions.

Mr. Kanhaiya Singhal, Advocate, Supreme Court of India, discussed the concepts of reverse burden of proof and presumption of guilt under PMLA, along with the retrospective applicability of the Black Money Act. Under PMLA, the principle of reverse burden of proof requires the accused to demonstrate that the property in question has been acquired through legitimate means.

Mr. Gagan Kumar, Partner at Khaitan Legal Associates, highlighted that courts treat white-collar crimes with utmost seriousness due to their deliberate nature. He emphasized the wide ambit of Section 50 of PMLA, noting that even professionals may fall within its scope.

Mr. Rohit Jain, Partner at Vaish Associates, explained the concept of



benami transactions prior to 1988, noting that such arrangements involved property held in another person's name without real beneficial ownership. He outlined their classification into tripartite and bipartite structures and discussed their legal treatment under the prevailing laws of that time.

Mr. Suyash Raj Nahata, Co-chair, Direct Tax Committee, PHDCCI, raised questions addressing key legal and practical

challenges associated with enforcement trends.

The conference concluded with an engaging interaction, reinforcing the importance of awareness, compliance, and preparedness in navigating evolving enforcement frameworks. The seminar was coordinated by Ms. Minakshi Srivastava, Deputy Secretary, PHDCCI.

Fostering Collaboration with Industries of Trinidad and Tobago

The International Affairs Division of PHDCCI organized an Interactive Session and B2B meeting for the Business Delegation from Trinidad and Tobago with member of World Trade Center, Mumbai on April 23, 2026 at the WTC Building, Mumbai.

Dr Vijay G. Kalantri, Chairman, MVIRDC, World Trade Center while welcoming the business delegation from Trinidad and Tobago, thanked PHDCCI for facilitating this engagement with WTC members. He informed that the World Trade Center, Mumbai, as part of the global network of World Trade Centers, plays a pivotal role in promoting international trade and fostering business linkages by providing a robust platform for dialogue, collaboration, and partnerships among global and local enterprises. He further highlighted that such interactions are instrumental in enhancing bilateral trade ties and exploring new avenues of cooperation between India and Trinidad & Tobago.

Mr. Naveen Seth, Deputy Secretary General, PHDCCI briefed the participants about PHDCCI's proactive role in promoting Indian industry, particularly MSMEs, in the international arena, emphasizing that such collaborations create significant value and open new avenues for industries in both nations.

Mr. Emil Kishan Ramkissoon, President, TTMA highlighted the importance of targeted business engagements and result-oriented discussions. He emphasized the need for practical collaborations, exchange of market intelligence, and development of long-term partnerships. He also extended an invitation to Indian businesses to explore emerging opportunities in Trinidad & Tobago and leverage the country as a gateway to the Caribbean region.



Mr. Mahindra Ramdeen, CEO, TTMA noted that the delegation aims to further strengthen bilateral trade ties and position Trinidad & Tobago as a strategic gateway to the Caribbean region. He highlighted the export readiness and competitiveness of the country's products, while underscoring the importance of building sustainable and long-term trade linkages with India.



Mr. Hemanshoo Aggarwal, Export Head, AS International shared his experience of over 15 years of doing business in the region. He spoke about the people and the business environment in Trinidad & Tobago, and provided valuable insights into India's expanding trade presence in the Caribbean. He also highlighted successful collaborations and the growing demand for high-quality Indian products in the region.

Ms. Priya Pansare, Director, Trade and Investment Promotion, WTC in his vote-of-thanks acknowledged the efforts of all stakeholders in making the session productive and reaffirmed WTC Mumbai's commitment to fostering meaningful international business collaborations.

The session was followed by B2B meetings, which witnessed participation from over 50 member companies of the World Trade Center, Mumbai, facilitating focused

business interactions and exploring potential avenues for collaboration.

A Factory Visit for the Business delegation from Trinidad and Tobago was organized to Viva Cosmetics in Asangaon, Thane.

Viva Cosmetics caters to the evolving needs of the color cosmetics industry and has been a trusted private label and contract manufacturer since 2003.

Mr. Sanjay Thakur, Founder, Viva Cosmetics, along with his team, provided a detailed overview of the various processes involved in the manufacturing of cosmetic products, particularly those related to facial applications. The delegation was given exposure to advanced automation systems deployed across the production line and gained insights into quality control measures, packaging processes, and compliance with international standards.

Conference on The Proposed Corporate Laws Amendment Bill, 2026

The Conference on the Proposed Corporate Laws Amendment Bill, 2026, held on April 28, 2026 at PHD House, New Delhi, served as a vital platform for in-depth deliberations on the key provisions of the proposed amendments and their far-reaching implications for corporate governance and regulatory frameworks.

Mr. Vinod Kothari, Director, Vinod Kothari Consultants, delivered an engaging and insightful presentation on the amendments proposed under the Companies Act. He shared valuable perspectives on the anticipated challenges and emerging opportunities in the evolving corporate law landscape. He highlighted that the Bill broadly focuses on simplifying legal provisions, particularly for small companies. In cases of inadvertent breaches, companies would no longer face prosecution.

Monetary penalties have been rationalised, the adjudication process streamlined, and the penalty framework simplified. The requirement of statutory audit for small companies is proposed to be relaxed, and the process for filing appeals against penalties has also been made more accessible. These measures, he noted, are significant steps toward enhancing Ease of Doing Business, which remains the central theme of the Bill.

He further elaborated on proposed changes relating to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), valuation norms, statutory audits,

directorships and Key Managerial Personnel (KMPs), and the legal framework governing the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA), among others. His detailed analysis encouraged meaningful dialogue and enabled participants to gain clarity on complex compliance and implementation aspects.

Mr. Shubham Goyal, Assistant General Manager, and Mr. Paras Jain, Assistant Manager, International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA), delivered presentations on the Capital Market Ecosystem and Fund Management at GIFT IFSC. They offered valuable insights into jurisdictional comparisons, the



competitive tax regime, and the advantages available to entities registered with IFSCA, including benefits under the proposed Corporate Law Amendment Bill. They also highlighted the regulatory framework supporting SMEs operating within IFSCA.

Mr. Satwinder Singh, Chair, Corporate Affairs Committee, PHDCCI, delivered the theme address. He emphasised that the proposed amendments seek to address emerging challenges, simplify compliance mechanisms, strengthen accountability, facilitate voluntary compliance, and make

doing business in India more efficient and investor-friendly. He also outlined the initiatives undertaken by the Corporate Affairs Committee to promote sound corporate governance practices and enhance awareness of evolving legal and regulatory frameworks under the Companies Act, SEBI regulations, and allied laws.

The addresses by the eminent speakers were followed by a panel discussion on “Practical Challenges & Preparedness,” featuring senior industry experts. The session was moderated by Mr. Lokesh Dhyani, Partner, Aekom Legal, and included Mr. Dharamvir Malik, Company Secretary & Compliance Officer, Akums Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.; Mr. Rajiv Malik, Legal Leader – LG Electronics; and Mr. Ranjeet Pandey, Former President, The ICSI. The panel deliberated on key aspects of the proposed amendments, including Ease of Doing Business, ESOP provisions, decriminalisation measures, and

penalty reforms.

The distinguished panelists shared insightful perspectives on emerging trends, anticipated challenges, and strategic preparedness for organisations. The interactive session fostered meaningful

dialogue, providing participants with practical insights into compliance and implementation.

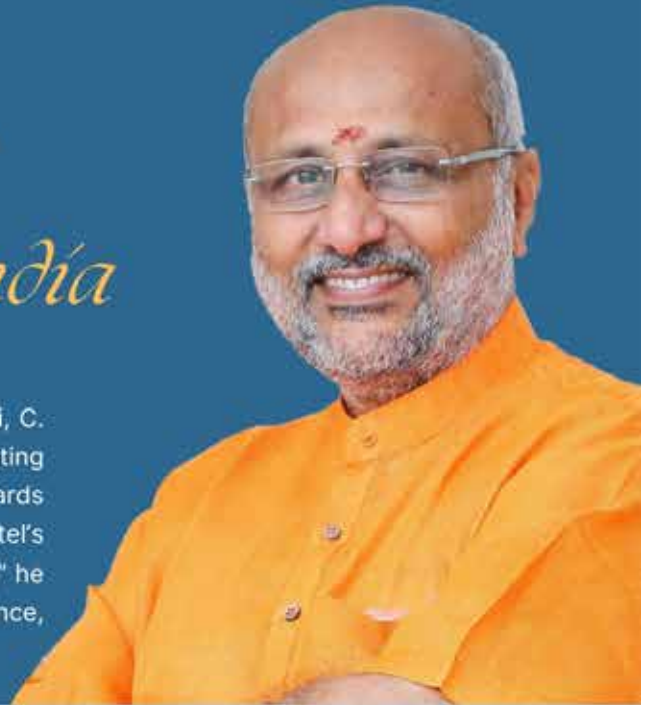
Mr. Mohit Luthra, ASG, PHDCCI, delivered the opening remarks and effectively moderated the overall proceedings.

The conference witnessed active floor participation and was widely appreciated for its well-curated agenda, high-quality deliberations, and strong relevance to contemporary corporate and legal developments.



Thus spoke

Vice President of India



At the 18th Civil Services Day celebrations in New Delhi, C. P. Radhakrishnan delivered a keynote address highlighting the pivotal role of civil servants in India's journey towards Viksit Bharat @2047. Recalling Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's description of civil servants as the "steel frame of India," he emphasized their enduring contribution to governance, national integration, and public service.

The Vice President acknowledged India's developmental progress in recent years under the leadership of Narendra Modi, citing achievements such as large-scale poverty reduction, housing for the poor, and initiatives like Aspirational Districts and One District One Product. He underscored that civil servants are the key drivers of these outcomes and must ensure that the vision of inclusive growth—"Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas"—is realized on the ground through effective last-mile delivery.

In view of rapid technological changes, he urged officers to continuously upgrade their skills, embrace platforms like iGOT Karmayogi, and adopt emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and blockchain to enhance governance efficiency and transparency. He also called for a shift from generalist roles to greater specialization and encouraged states to reform recruitment policies accordingly.

Emphasizing ethical leadership, he advised civil servants to uphold integrity, fairness, and accountability, distinguishing clearly between legitimate guidance and undue pressure. He highlighted the increasing participation of women in civil services—from about 21% in 2016 to nearly 31% in 2025—as a strong reflection of Nari Shakti and evolving societal mindsets.

Concluding his address, the Vice President described Sewa Teerth and Kartavya Bhawan as symbols of duty, service, and national commitment, and reminded officers that their privileged position comes with the responsibility to serve every citizen with dedication, inclusivity, and a deep sense of public duty.

Vizag International SME Business Expo 2026: Think Global. Build Local



The Vizag International SME Business Expo 2026 held from March 27-29, 2026 at the Gadiraju Palace Convention Centre in Visakhapatnam, marked a significant milestone in promoting India's MSME sector on a global platform.

The prestigious three-day event was inaugurated by Mr. A. K. Balaji, Coordinator for Andhra Pradesh, Laghu Udyog Bharati, and Mr. Senthil Kumar, Joint Director of the MSME Development & Facilitation Office. Mr. Sudarsan Swamy, President, VCCI, Mr. R K Agarwal, MD, Indore Infoline and Mr. Niraj, Director – International Affairs, PHDCCI were also present.

Jointly organized by the PHDCCI and the Visakhapatnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the expo brought together 65 exhibitors, showcasing a diverse cross-section of industries. Key sectors represented included:

- Technology & Infrastructure: IT & ICT, Solar Photovoltaic (SPV), and Electrical Equipment;
- Industrial & Manufacturing: Spare Parts, Machinery, and Printing;
- Lifestyle & Essential Goods: Textiles, Handicrafts, Healthcare, and Agri-Products.

Positioned as one of India's rapidly emerging economic hubs, Visakhapatnam provided an ideal setting for the expo. The event was strategically timed to align with increasing manufacturing investments and infrastructure development in the region. A major highlight of the expo was its strong emphasis on B2B engagements and strategic networking, enabling participating enterprises to explore new markets, forge partnerships, and integrate into global supply chains. The platform facilitated meaningful interactions between SMEs,

industry leaders, and stakeholders, thereby enhancing opportunities for collaboration and innovation.

Aligned with its theme, "Think Global. Build Local," the expo underscored the importance of strengthening domestic manufacturing capabilities while enabling Indian SMEs to expand their global footprint. By fostering international trade linkages and promoting competitiveness, the event served as a catalyst for long-term economic growth and global integration of India's MSME sector.

Overall, the Vizag International SME Business Expo 2026 stands out as a significant initiative in advancing India's vision of empowering SMEs to become globally competitive and resilient contributors to the economy.



India to emerge as a major trusted Value Chain and Supply Chain Partner to the world in Electronic Manufacturing

India is poised to emerge as major trusted value chain and supply chain partner to the world in electronic manufacturing, driven by strong policy support and visionary leadership. The project, with an estimated investment of USD 15 billion, is being developed in partnership with Adani ConneX and Airtel Nxtra, and will include a 1 GW hyperscale AI data centre in Visakhapatnam. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has allocated around 600 acres of land in Turluvada, Rambilli and Adavivaram areas for the project. The 1 GW hyperscale AI data centre marks a major milestone in India's AI journey and will position Visakhapatnam as a new digital gateway for India.



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It was a privilege to have Maj Gen Rajesh Bhat, SM, Director General, Combat Engineers, E-in-C Branch, deliver a special keynote address on "Technology-Enabled Subsurface Intelligence for Safer and Resilient Infrastructure" at the NirmanShakti - Viksit Bharat 2047 Infrastructure Series.



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All India Food Processors' Association
@AIFPA Delhi

We are happy to announce that we, the All India Food Processors' Association, are the Association Partner for the Bharat Spices Conclave 2025. (1/3)



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TERI Contributes to Dialogue on Green and Tech-Enabled Supply Chains

TERI participated in a seminar organised by the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (@phdchamber) on "E-Commerce Logistics 2026: Leveraging AI & Automation for Next-Gen Supply Chains," held on March 21, 2026, in New Delhi.



TERI with 25.4K followers mentioned us in a tweet



PHDCCI, in collaboration with the UK Government, is organising the UK-India Business Conclave: Investment Roadshow on 24th April 2026 at Taj Mahal, Lucknow.



Mr. Jaswant Singh Saini, Minister of State Government of U.P. with 16.7 K followers reposted our tweet



PHDCCI, through its Food Processing Committee in collaboration with DS Group, successfully organised the Bharat Spices Conclave 2026 - Roadmap for Doubling India's Spice Economy at PHD House, New Delhi, on 17th April 2026.



PM FME Scheme with 4.5K reposted our tweet



Trade Attache @DarioDelgado from @EmbaMexInd met the #PoojaAlliance colleagues to discuss collaboration projects to promote more trade and investment exchanges between Mexico and our countries.



Embassy of Mexico in India with 9.4K followers mentioned us in a tweet

Exporter– Importer Meet

The Chandigarh Chapter of PHDCCI, in collaboration with Canara Bank, successfully organised an Exporter–Importer Meet on April 29, 2026, at Vivaan Hotel & Resorts, Karnal.

The session aimed at strengthening the EXIM ecosystem by providing a dynamic platform for industry stakeholders to connect, collaborate, and explore new business opportunities in the international trade landscape.

Mr. Ajay Kumar Singh, DGM, Canara Bank, in his welcome address, appreciated the enthusiastic participation of exporters and importers from Karnal. He underlined the importance of such engagements in reinforcing the EXIM ecosystem and fostering

stronger industry–bank partnerships.

Delivering the keynote address, Mr. Amarjit Singh, General Manager, Canara Bank, emphasized the imperative of boosting exports and highlighted the Bank's proactive approach in supporting industries through efficient, responsive, and competitive banking solutions.

Ms. Rekha Sharma, Divisional Manager, Canara Bank, presented a comprehensive overview of

the joint initiative of PHDCCI and Canara Bank in creating a common platform for stakeholders. He also drew attention to key industry concerns and stressed the need for sustained support to further strengthen the export ecosystem.

Special Guest Mr. R. L. Sharma, State President, Haryana Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association and State Vice President, Haryana Chamber of

Commerce & Industry, lauded the efforts of PHDCCI and Canara Bank. He suggested organising such interactive sessions more frequently to enhance industry engagement and collaborative growth.

Mr. Naveen Kumar, Resident Manager, PHDCCI, delivered the vote-of-thanks and expressed sincere appreciation to all participants for their valuable presence and contributions. He acknowledged the support of partners and attendees in making the session both insightful and impactful.



banking services and specialised schemes designed for exporters and importers. She elaborated on key financial products and support mechanisms aimed at facilitating seamless and efficient international trade operations.

The Guest of Honour, Mr. Sushil Jain, President, Haryana Rice Exporters Association, appreciated

IRC Supply Chain Solutions Ltd., enters into a Joint Venture with Aoki Trans Corporation, Japan

PHDCCI Star Member and Chairman of the International Affairs Committee (Asia), Mr. Ashok Gupta, also Chairman and Managing Director of IRC Supply Chain Solutions Ltd., entered into a strategic Joint Venture with Aoki Trans Corporation, headquartered in Shimizu, Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan. With over 112 years of legacy, Aoki Trans brings strong expertise in freight forwarding, warehousing, customs clearance, and integrated logistics solutions.

The partnership marks a significant step in IRC's global expansion, combining its international network and execution capabilities with Aoki Trans' deep presence in Japan and established industry relationships.

While anchored in the automotive sector—covering KD (Knock-Down), CBU (Completely Built Units), and spare parts logistics—the Joint Venture will also support

engineering, industrial manufacturing, consumer goods, pharmaceuticals, and other emerging sectors.

By leveraging complementary strengths, the collaboration will deliver seamless end-to-end logistics solutions across the Japan–India corridor and global markets, enhancing efficiency, transit speed, compliance, and supply chain visibility.

IRC extends its sincere gratitude to its customers and partners for their continued trust and support. The partnership will further drive technology-led operations, operational excellence, and scalable solutions to meet evolving industry needs.



New Labor Code Insights & Technology Upgradation Benefits for MSMEs



PHDCCI Gujarat Chapter, in association with MSME-DFO Ahmedabad, SIDBI, and GSPMA, organized a conference on “New Labour Code Insights & Technology Upgradation Benefits for MSMEs” on April 28, 2026, in Ahmedabad. The event was graced by the Chief Guest, Mr. Manoj Kumar Vats, Director & Head of Office, MSME-DFO Ahmedabad.

Mr. Anish Patel, President, GSPMA, Director, EEWA Engineering, in his corporate presentation, highlighted the importance of industry collaboration and technology adoption in enhancing MSME competitiveness. Mr. Dhanpat Malu, Chairman, Seminar Committee, GSPMA, underscored the need for greater awareness and preparedness among MSMEs to effectively adapt to evolving regulatory frameworks.

Mr. Naresh Babuta, General Manager, SIDBI, emphasized the critical role of financial institutions in supporting MSME growth, sharing insights on credit facilitation, sustainable financing, and SIDBI’s initiatives for technology upgradation and cluster development.

During the technical session, Mr. Shish Awasthi, Assistant General Manager, SIDBI, delivered an in-depth presentation on various financial products, digital lending initiatives, and support mechanisms available to MSMEs for modernizing operations and improving efficiency.

Mr. Shailendra Kumar Singh, Senior General Manager – Finance & Taxation, Kalorex Group, provided a comprehensive overview of the New Labour Codes, explaining key

changes, compliance requirements, and their practical implications for MSMEs, along with strategies to ensure a smooth transition and adherence.

Mr. Umesh Sharma, Assistant Director, MSME Development & Facilitation Office, Ahmedabad, elaborated on various schemes and incentives offered by the Ministry of MSME, including subsidies, credit-linked capital support, and government initiatives aimed at fostering innovation, skill development, and ease of doing business.

In his address, Mr. Manoj Kumar Vats highlighted the Government’s commitment to strengthening the MSME ecosystem through policy reforms, simplified compliance structures, and enhanced institutional support. He encouraged MSMEs to actively leverage government schemes and remain updated on regulatory developments, particularly the new labour codes.

Mr. Jay Samani, Resident Manager, PHDCCI, proposed the vote of thanks, expressing appreciation to all speakers, partners, and participants for making the conference insightful and impactful.

India–Vietnam Relations Elevated to Enhanced Comprehensive Strategic Partnership

The visit of H.E. Lam, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam India marks a major achievement in bilateral relations, with ties elevated to Enhanced Comprehensive Strategic Partnership with the new bilateral trade target of USD 25 billion by 2030. The visit resulted in the signing of multiple MoUs, with strategic partnerships across sectors including rare earths, digital payments, pharmaceuticals, electronics, tourism, culture, urban development, education, and technology cooperation. The agreements align with India’s initiatives of “Make in India”, Digital India, pharmaceutical exports expansion, semiconductor and electronics ecosystem development, and diversification of critical mineral supply chains. Cooperation in rare earths and critical minerals will strengthen India’s access to critical inputs required for electric vehicles, semiconductors, electronics, renewable energy, and defence manufacturing, supporting supply-chain security and advanced manufacturing growth. The outcomes of the visit reinforces India’s “Act East Policy” by expanding strategic engagement with Southeast Asian countries.

Entrepreneur Awareness & Special Vendor Development Programme

The Ministry of MSMEs in collaboration with PHDCCI organized an Entrepreneur Awareness & Special Vendor Development Programme (EA&SVDP) on April 24, 2026 at HP University Regional Centre, Khaniyara, Dharamshala. The programme aimed to create awareness about various initiatives of the Ministry of MSME, including the National SC-ST Hub (NSSH) Scheme, and to enhance participation of SC-ST entrepreneurs in public procurement as mandated under the Public Procurement Policy, which requires 4% procurement from SC/ST-owned MSMEs.

More than 100 existing and aspiring SC-ST entrepreneurs from across Kangra District participated in the programme. Aspiring entrepreneurs were informed about the importance of registration on the Udyam Portal to formalize their enterprises, while existing entrepreneurs received detailed guidance on vendor registration procedures, documentation



requirements, e-tendering processes, items procured by CPSEs, credit facilitation, and subsidy support available through banks for business growth and sustainability.

The programme was graced by the Chief Guest, Prof. Kuldeep Attri, Director, H.P. University Regional Centre, Dharamshala and other distinguished participants including representatives from banks, CPSEs, MSME departments, and supporting agencies.

Mr. Surya Bhushan, Branch Incharge, National SC-ST Hub, Ludhiana, highlighted the objectives of the programme and explained the Public Procurement Policy of the Government of India, emphasizing procurement opportunities for SC/ST and women-owned MSEs.

The programme also facilitated direct interaction between entrepreneurs and key stakeholders such as CPSEs, MSME officials, financial institutions, and GeM representatives. Technical sessions provided valuable insights on financial assistance, vendor empanelment, and allied support services, thereby strengthening the MSME ecosystem and encouraging entrepreneurial growth.

Mr. Anil Kumar Saunkhala, Resident Director, PHDCCI expressed sincere appreciation to all dignitaries, speakers, participants, and organizers for their valuable contributions to the success of the programme.



UIDAI joins hands with NFSU to enhance cybersecurity and digital forensics resilience

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) and the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) have joined hands to establish a structured, five-year collaboration in the domains of digital forensics, cybersecurity, and advanced technology research. The collaboration will focus on six strategic pillars: academic and professional development, information security and system integrity, forensic infrastructure and lab excellence, technical support for cyber security activities, technical advisory and research including joint research in emerging areas like AI, blockchain, deepfake detection, and cryptographic technologies, and strategic placement and outreach including a pathway for placement and outreach opportunities for NFSU students. This collaboration will strengthen the security, resilience, and forensic capabilities supporting India's digital public infrastructure and ensuring further safeguards for India's digital identity systems."

West Asia Crisis Impacts J&K's Industrial Units

A high-level stakeholder consultation meeting was convened on April 5, 2026 to assess the evolving situation arising from the West Asia crisis and its cascading impact on industrial units operating in Jammu & Kashmir. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Vikramjit Singh (IPS), Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Industries and Commerce Department, J&K.

Representing PHDCCI, Mr. A. P. Vicky Shaw, J&K State Chapter, expressed his gratitude to the Commissioner/Secretary for organizing a timely and constructive feedback session. He presented a set of key recommendations and highlighted the severe disruptions being faced by industries across sectors, including:

- **Input Cost Surge:** Industries dependent on petrochemicals and raw materials—such as plastics, chemicals, and synthetic apparel—are experiencing a sharp rise in input costs.
- **Energy Shortages:** The

hospitality sector (hotels and restaurants) as well as manufacturing units reliant on LPG/LNG are facing supply disruptions, particularly impacting LPG availability.

- **Export Disruptions:** Escalating freight charges and shipping delays are adversely affecting exporters, including the handicrafts sector, resulting in cancelled orders and stalled consignments.
- **Logistics Costs:** A steep increase in freight and insurance costs for both imports and exports has significantly squeezed margins, especially for small and medium enterprises.
- **Financial Stress:** MSMEs, which are highly sensitive to interest rate fluctuations, are facing mounting cash flow pressures and potential credit constraints.

Among the recommendations put forward were the provision of export subsidies to offset increased freight and insurance costs for shipments

to the Middle East, facilitation of partial advance payments, wider use of Letters of Credit, diversification of shipping routes, and sustained B2B engagement and market presence in Europe. It was also pointed out that exporters' CIBIL scores may be adversely affected due to delayed payments and financial stress, necessitating proactive intervention by the Industries & Commerce Department with financial institutions and other concerned authorities.

Addressing the concerns raised, Secretary Mr. Vikramjit Singh reassured stakeholders that there is no immediate or imminent shortage of energy or oil supplies. He emphasized that alternative import arrangements are being actively facilitated at the highest level, including by the Prime Minister's Office. He further issued a stern warning against hoarding and black marketing, stating that such practices are punishable under law and will invite strict action.

Meeting with Additional Development Commissioner, Office of DC –Ministry of MSME

A PHDCCI delegation led by Mr. Himayoun Wani, Co-chair, Kashmir, Er Pervaiz Kaiser, Mr. Bilal Kawoosa, Mr. Shabir Abdullah, Members, and Mr. Iqbal Fayaz Jan, Deputy Director held a pivotal deliberation with Mr. Praveen Kumar (IES), Additional Development Commissioner, Office of DC – MSME, Ministry of MSME, Srinagar on April 28, 2026.

Key issues raised by PHDCCI:

- Credit score deterioration following the abrogation of Article 370, further exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Chronic delayed payments to MSMEs.

- Challenges in onboarding on the TReDS platform.
- Inadequate lending under the CGTMSE scheme.
- Demand for a diagnostic study to identify root causes of sickness in existing MSMEs.
- MSME purchase preferences in turnkey projects for locally manufactured items.
- Specific identification on GeM portals to distinguish manufacturers from traders in Udyam registration.
- Need for a Kashmir-specific



MSME Relief & Growth Policy.

- Logistic policy-related schemes and robust awareness campaigns for MSME schemes.

MADHYA PRADESH

DARSHAN Roundtable on Spiritual, Cultural & Heritage Tourism in Madhya Pradesh

Under the aegis of its Madhya Pradesh State Chapter and State Development Council, and in association with the Department of Tourism, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Development Leaders' Alliance (DLA) and Visa Inc., PHDCCI as "Initiative Partner" co-organized the "DARSHAN Roundtable on Spiritual, Cultural & Heritage Tourism in Madhya Pradesh" on April 29, 2026 at Hotel MPT Palash Residency, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. The roundtable was convened as a focused, closed-door consultation bringing together key stakeholders across government, cultural institutions, industry, think tanks and academia.

Dr T Illaiyaraja, Secretary, Department of Tourism, Government of Madhya Pradesh addressed the session as "Chief Guest". Among others, the panelists of roundtable discussion were: Mr. Atul K. Thakur, Senior Secretary, PHDCCI; Mr. Mehul Gupta, Head - Public Policy and Regulatory Affairs, India, VISA; Mr. Sankalp Shukla, Founder, DLA; Mr. Sanjay Kr Mishra, Additional Secretary AYUSH & CEO, Madhya Pradesh State Medicinal Plants Board; Mr. Shubham Chauhan- Acharya



Shankar Sanskritik Ekta Nyas; Mr. Sandesh Maheshwari- AGM – MP Eco-Tourism Devt. Board; Dr Arun Raj T, Regional Director (Central), Archaeology Survey of India; Mr. Shubham Chauhan, Acharya Shankar Sanskritik Ekta Nyas; Mr. Madan Mohan Upadhyaya, Convenor, INTACH Bhopal Chapter; Mr. Ajay Mishra, Manager (Admin & Education), WWF; Dr Swati Moghe, State Director (MP), WWF; Mr. Hemant Meshram & Ms Naina Meshram, Co-founders, Ayyam Wellness; Dr Rajesh Saxena, Senior Advisor, Patanjali (Madhya Pradesh & Chhattisgarh); Dr Pragya Awasthi, Joint Director, Department of Women & Child Development, Government of Madhya Pradesh; Ms. Seema Raghuvanshi, Deputy Director, Department of Women & Child Development, Government of Madhya Pradesh; Dr Prakash

Chandra Rout, Assistant Professor – Hospitality, Travel & Tourism, PSSCIVE; Dr Reenu Yadav, Principal, Prestige Institute of Management, Bhopal; Mr. R G Dwivedi, President, ISTD Bhopal Chapter; Mr. Mukesh Sharma, Senior Advisor, AISECT & Scope Skill University; Mr. Anil Gulati, Manager, UNICEF (Madhya Pradesh) and Mr. Suyash Kulshreshtra, Senior Consultant, Architect & T&CP

The discussion aimed to examine Madhya Pradesh's potential as a leading destination for spiritual, cultural, and heritage tourism, while addressing critical challenges related to infrastructure, visitor experience, and coordinated development. It also explored pathways for policy support, partnerships, and sustainable, community-oriented tourism models.

Womaniya: Building Inclusive Market Access for Women Entrepreneurs

Public procurement constitutes a major organised market in India. With the expansion of digital procurement through the GeM, the system has become more transparent, standardised and accessible to a wider supplier base. In order to encourage the participation of women-led micro and small enterprises (MSEs) and Self-Help Groups (SHGs) the Government introduced the Womaniya Initiative on GeM in 2019. The initiative aims to strengthen the inclusion of women entrepreneurs in public procurement by providing a designated digital interface, simplifying access requirements and creating structured pathways for women-entrepreneurs and SHGs to connect with Government buyers. Under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, it provides a dedicated digital interface through which women MSEs and SHGs can register & list their products such as handloom, jute, coir and home décor items, etc. to be purchased directly by Central Ministries and PSUs anywhere in India. SHGs are a grassroots informal organisations aiming at empowering rural women. SHGs normally include 10 to 20 members who pool their resources, work together to save money and provide a helping hand to one another and engage in income generating activities. As of February 2026, 10.05 crore women have been mobilised into 90.09 lakh SHGs, expanding financial inclusion and collective economic action. Women led micro and small enterprises are onboarded through a digital process using Udyam verification and essential documentation.

Exclusive Meet & Greet with Hon'ble Former President of India

The Regional Fashion Tex & Tech Forum, PHDCCI organized an exclusive Meet & Greet with Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble Former President of India, along with leading women personalities of Amritsar on April 20, 2026 at Hotel Le Méridien Amritsar.

Ms. Himani Arora, Chair, Regional Fashion Tex & Tech Forum, PHDCCI, while welcoming the Hon'ble Former President, highlighted the Forum's continuous efforts towards promoting women empowerment, skill development, entrepreneurship, and innovation. She reiterated the Forum's commitment to creating meaningful platforms that enable women to contribute actively to economic growth and nation-building.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble Former President of India appreciated the initiatives undertaken by PHDCCI



and commended the efforts of the Regional Fashion Tex & Tech Forum in empowering women through skill development and industry engagement. He emphasized that women today are not only contributors but key drivers of India's economic and social transformation. He highlighted the growing role of women in entrepreneurship, leadership, and innovation, and stressed the need to further strengthen support systems such as

skill training, access to finance, mentorship, and market linkages. He also spoke about the importance of education, digital inclusion, and self-reliance in enabling women to scale new heights and contribute meaningfully to the vision of Viksit Bharat.

The occasion was also graced by Ms. Savita Kovind and Ms. Swati Kovind, whose presence added dignity to the gathering.

The session witnessed the participation of prominent women personalities of Amritsar, providing



a vibrant platform for interaction, exchange of ideas, and inspiration.

FOCUS STATE

UTTAR PRADESH

UPEX Pre-Event Awareness Programme on PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana

The UP State Chapter, PHDCCI, in collaboration with FirstView and UPNEDA, Government of Uttar Pradesh organized UPEX Pre-Event Awareness Programmes on "PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana" in different cities of Uttar Pradesh. The programmes were organised as part of the outreach activities leading to the UP Energy Expo (UPEX) 2026, scheduled to be held from May 7-9, 2026, which will bring together key stakeholders from the renewable energy ecosystem.

April 8, 2026 at Vikas Bhawan,
Varanasi



April 17, 2026 at Vikas Bhawan,
Gorakhpur



April 24, 2026 at Hotel Taj, Lucknow

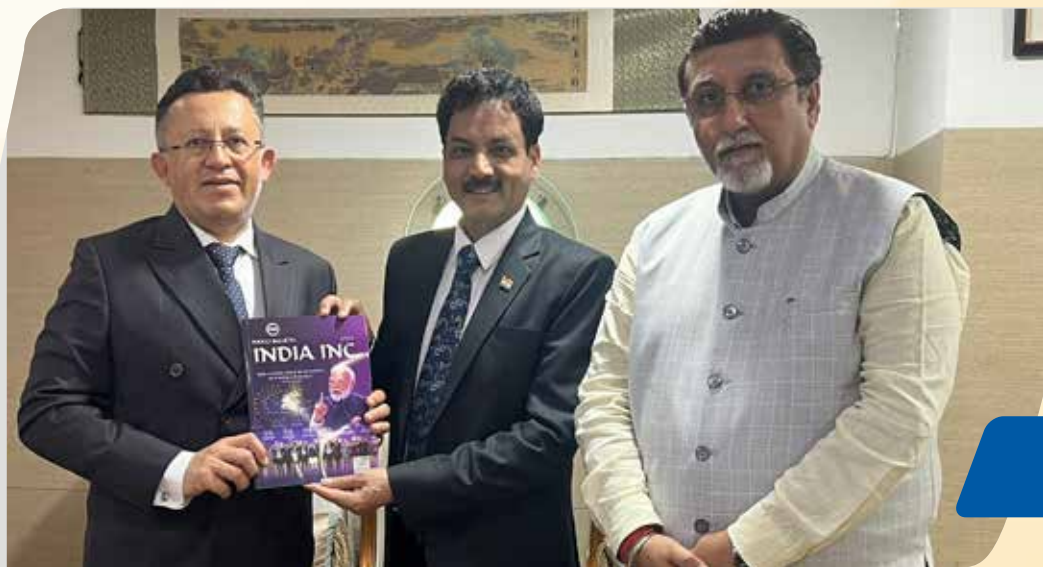


MEETING WITH HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER OF DELHI



Dr Puneet Dhawan, Co-chair, AYUSH Committee, PHDCCI and Founder of Karma Ayurveda met Ms. Rekha Gupta, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi on April 6, 2026. The discussion focused on the various initiatives undertaken by the Delhi Government to promote Ayurveda across the state. The Hon'ble Chief Minister highlighted the key efforts focused on strengthening Ayurvedic infrastructure, enhancing accessibility of traditional healthcare services, and integrating Ayurveda into the broader public health system.

MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR TO INDIA



A PHDCCI delegation led by Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO and Secretary General along with Mr. Naveen Seth, Deputy Secretary General and Mr. Niraj, Director – International Affairs, interacted with H.E. Mr. Fernando Bucheli, Ambassador of the Republic of Ecuador to India on April 8, 2026 at New Delhi. The discussion focused on the proposed official visit of H.E. Ms. Gabriela Sommerfeld, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of the Republic of Ecuador, to India in April 2026.

MEETING WITH HON'BLE UNION MINISTER FOR COAL AND MINES



Mr Vijay Sharma, Chair, Minerals and Metals Committee along with Ms Shalini S Sharma, Assistant Secretary General, PHDCCI met with Mr. G Kishan Reddy, Hon'ble Union Minister for Coal and Mines on May 1, 2026. The delegation briefed him about the activities of the Minerals and Metals Committee of PHDCCI and invited him to the National Conclave being organised by the Committee on Raw Material Securitisation for Metals & Minerals on May 13, 2026, at PHD House, New Delhi.

MEETING WITH SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA



A PHDCCI delegation led by Dr Ranjeet Mehta, CEO & Secretary General, along with Dr Jatinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, and Mr. Shubham Singh, Resident Officer met Mr. Santosh Kumar Sarangi, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) on April 30, 2026. The delegation invited him to be the Guest of Honour for the Inaugural Session of Uttar Pradesh Energy Expo (UPEX) 2026 held from May 7-9, 2026. The Secretary acknowledged the significance of UPEX 2026 as a timely platform particularly in advancing the solar energy sector, promoting electric mobility and strengthening the renewable energy ecosystem in Uttar Pradesh.



MEETING WITH SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINES



A PHDCCI delegation comprising Mr. Vijay Sharma, Chair, Minerals & Metals Committee, Mr. Manish Singla, Head, Mining Auction, Jindal Steel Ltd., Ms. Shalini S. Sharma, Assistant Secretary General and Mr. Punit Chaudhry, Senior Secretary attended the Stakeholders' meeting chaired by Mr Piyush Goyal, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Mines on April 9, 2026 at the Ministry of Mines. The agenda was to seek industry's suggestions for reducing the adverse impact of war in Iran and other inputs for promoting the mining sector in the long term. The delegation invited the Secretary to be the Guest of Honour for the Conclave on "Raw Material Securitisation for Metals & Minerals: Advancing Self-Reliance, Resilience & Resource Security" scheduled for May 13, 2026 at PHD House, New Delhi.

MEETING WITH MANAGING DIRECTOR, DELHI TOURISM AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



A PHDCCI delegation led by Mr. Rajan Sehgal, Co-chair, Tourism & Hospitality Committee and comprising Ms. Shalini S. Sharma, Assistant Secretary General; Ms. Sulagna Ghosh, Secretary and Mr. Sanchit Prabhakar, Joint Secretary met Mr. Suneel Anchipaka (IAS), Managing Director, Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation (DTTDC) on April 8, 2026 at New Delhi. The PHDCCI delegation presented an overview of the key initiatives planned by the Tourism & Hospitality Committee for the year FY 2026–27, including the proposed 3rd edition of the Global Spiritual Tourism Conclave in Delhi, showcasing the city's rich cultural and spiritual legacy to a wider audience.

MEETING WITH JOINT SECRETARY AND, DIRECTOR, MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS



A PHDCCI team led by Mr. Satwinder Singh, Chair, Corporate Affairs Committee, Mr. Mohit Luthra, ASG and Ms. Monika Shingari, Secretary met Mr. Balamurugan D, Joint Secretary and Mr. Narinder Dua, Director, Ministry of Corporate Affairs on April 6, 2026. The delegation extended a formal invitation for a conference on Amendments in Corporate Laws.

MEETING WITH H.E. MS. DIANA MICKEVIČIENĖ, AMBASSADOR, EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA IN INDIA



MEETING WITH H.E. MR. ANTONIO SERIFO EMBALÓ, AMBASSADOR - DESIGNATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF GUINEA-BISSAU TO INDIA



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MEETING WITH H.E. MR. ELCHIN HUSEYNLI, AMBASSADOR, EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN





**MEETING WITH MR. ROMAN BABUSHKIN,
MINISTER COUNSELLOR & DEPUTY
CHIEF OF MISSION, EMBASSY OF THE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION IN INDIA**



**MEETING WITH H.E MR. PIOTR ANTONI
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EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC
OF POLAND**



**MEETING WITH MR. IVO STOYANOV
KAFEDZHIEV, FIRST SECRETARY & HEAD
OF TRADE & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, EMBASSY
OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA**



**MEETING WITH MS. VERONICA BAN,
FIRST SECRETARY (ECONOMIC) AND
HEAD OF THE TRADE SECTION, HIGH
COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF
SINGAPORE**



MEETING WITH CEO, NOIDA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



A PHDCCI delegation of UP State Chapter led by Mr. Vivek Agarwal, Co-chair, along with Mr. Shubham Singh, Resident Officer met Mr. Krishna Karunesh, CEO of Noida Development Authority on April 7, 2026, at Noida. The purpose of the meeting was to invite Mr. Karunesh for the Second Edition of the Uttar Pradesh Energy Expo (UPEX) 2026, held from May 7–9, 2026 at Lucknow.

MEETING WITH HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER OF HARYANA



Mr. Supreet Singh, Convener, Regional Pharmaceutical, Health and Wellness Committee, PHDCCI and Co-chair, Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI interacted with Mr. Nayab Singh Saini, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Haryana on April 22, 2026 in New Delhi. The interaction focused on the Draft Haryana Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Manufacturing Policy and PHDCCI's inputs and recommendations aimed at strengthening the state's ecosystem for pharma and medical devices manufacturing. Mr. Rao Narbir Singh, Minister- Industries, Govt of Haryana was also present during the meeting.

MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN, UP POWER CORPORATION LTD. GOVT. OF UTTAR PRADESH



A PHDCCI delegation of UP State Chapter led by Mr. Rajesh Nigam, Co-chair, Mr. Atul Srivastava, Senior Regional Director along with Ms. Riddhi Garg, Resident Officer met with Dr. Ashish Kumar Goel, IAS, Chairman, U.P. Power Corporation Ltd., Government of Uttar Pradesh on April 17, 2026. The delegation invited him to grace the Uttar Pradesh Energy Expo (UPEX) 2026, held from May 7-9, 2026.

MEETING WITH PRINCIPAL CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX, (EAST), GOVT. OF UTTAR PRADESH



A PHDCCI delegation of UP State Chapter led by Mr. Rajesh Nigam, Co-chair along with Mr. Ashish Kapoor, Ms. Reena Bhargava, Senior Members; Mr. Atul Srivastava, Senior Regional Director; and Ms. Riddhi Garg, Resident Office met with Ms. Aparna M. Agrawal, IRS, Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Uttar Pradesh (East) on April 17, 2026. The delegation discussed the recently introduced Income Tax Act, 2025.



MEETING WITH INDO CANADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Mr. Supreet Singh, Co-chair, Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI interacted with the officials of the Indo Canada Chamber of Commerce in Canada on April 2, 2026. The interaction focused on exploring avenues of collaboration between PHDCCI and the Indo Canada Chamber of Commerce, particularly in the areas of healthcare, industry linkages, and immigration facilitation to strengthen bilateral engagement.

MEETING WITH CEO, STATE TRANSFORMATION COMMISSION, GOVT. OF UTTAR PRADESH



A PHDCCI delegation of UP State Chapter comprising of Mr. UP Tripathi, Senior Member and Mr. Atul Srivastava, Senior Regional Director met Mr. Manoj Kumar Singh (IAS Retd.) Chief Executive Officer State Transformation Commission, Government of Uttar Pradesh on April 2, 2026. The delegation invited Mr. Singh to grace the Uttar Pradesh Energy Expo as the Guest of Honor, held from May 7-9, 2026 at Lucknow.

MEETING WITH REGIONAL PROVIDENT FUND COMMISSIONER-I



Mr. Ashish Wig, Chair, HR IR Committee, PHDCCI met Mr. Ashok Kumar, Regional Provident Fund Commissioner-I, to extend a warm welcome on his assumption of charge at the EPFO Zonal Office for Haryana in Faridabad on April 24, 2026. During the interaction, Mr. Wig pointed out that Haryana's manufacturing, IT, and services ecosystems employ lakhs of subscribers, and that a responsive, digitally-enabled EPFO office plays a critical role in supporting compliance, investor confidence, and worker welfare alike.

INTERACTION WITH REGIONAL COMMISSIONER, EPFO, FARIDABAD REGION



Mr. Ashish Wig, Chair, HR IR Committee, PHDCCI met with Mr. Ravindra Babra, Regional Commissioner, Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO), Faridabad Region, (who recently assumed charge of the region) on April 30, 2026. Mr. Wig congratulated Mr. Babra on his appointment and shared the Chamber's long-standing commitment to working with EPFO to ensure that every eligible employer and employee can avail the protections and incentives created by recent reforms.



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PHD FAMILY WELFARE FOUNDATION (PHDFWF)

MOTIVATIONAL TALK AND CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMME



PHD Family Welfare Foundation organised a Motivational Talk and Certificate Distribution Programme and cultural performances by beneficiaries of PHDFWF on April 10, 2026, at PHD House, New Delhi. Chairperson Ms. Anuradha Goel welcomed the guests and an MOU was signed with the Department of Women & Child Development, Govt. of NCT Delhi for projects on Anganwadi, street children awareness. Chief Guest, Dr Rashmi Singh, Secretary, DWCD and other eminent speakers shared valuable insights and encouraged the beneficiaries followed by the distribution of certificates to successful participants. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Madhulika Mehta, leaving a positive impact on around 300 attendees.

PHDFWF-JAQUAR AWARENESS GENERATION PROGRAMMES WITH DWCD, GOVT. OF NCT DELHI



PHD Family Welfare Foundation in association with the Department of Women & Child Development, Govt. of NCT of Delhi and Jaquar Foundation started a new project with an electric vehicle provided by the DWCD. Dr Rashmi Singh, Secretary, DWCD interacted with the Anganwadi workers, pregnant & lactating mothers and children on April 28, 2026. The awareness programme will be conducted on a regular basis based on audio visual short clips made by the Ministry of Women & Child Department.

PROJECTS RUN BY THE PHD FAMILY WELFARE FOUNDATION

SKILL DEVELOPMENT



Mobile Repairing

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PHDFWF is making a significant impact across India through its 34 Skill Development Centres, empowering youth with industry-relevant skills for sustainable livelihoods while promoting employment and community development with the support of its funding partners. The Foundation is also committed to providing free primary healthcare services to underprivileged communities facing geographical and financial barriers, actively working on HIV/AIDS prevention among high-risk groups and operating 12 mobile medical vans—including specialised eye and dental units—to reach remote areas. In addition, PHDFWF supports education by offering free tutorial classes in Mathematics and Science for needy students and running the NL Mehra Pre-Primary School, which focuses on early childhood education through interactive learning that enhances literacy, numeracy, creativity and social skills.

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PHD RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (PHDRDF)

PHD Rural Development Foundation, the social arm of PHDCCI, actively works in Healthcare, Education, Skill Development, Water Conservation, Agriculture and Integrated Village Development.

INAUGURATION OF UPGRADED RAMGOPAL KHANNA GIRLS SR. SECONDARY SCHOOL, ALWAR RAJASTHAN



PHDRDF-supported upgradation project at Ramgopal Khanna Girls Sr. Secondary School, Alwar, inaugurated by Dr. Artika Shukla, IAS, District Magistrate, Alwar in the presence of Mr. Anil Khaitan, Chairman, PHDRDF, benefiting approximately 500 students through infrastructure and digital learning interventions.

MoU SIGNED WITH RAJASTHAN GOVERNMENT



PHDRDF signed an MoU on 'Watershed Development' with the Government of Rajasthan. The dignitaries present included – Mr. Madan Dilawar, Cabinet Minister for School Education and Panchayati Raj, Government of Rajasthan; Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Resident Director, PHDCCI, Rajasthan Chapter; Mr. Otaram Dewasi, Minister of State, Government of Rajasthan and Ms. Kalpana Agrawal, IAS, Director WDSC.

HEALTH



Medical Equipment provided to the Blood Bank at Rajiv Gandhi Super Speciality Hospital and to the operation theatre at Jag Parvesh Chand Hospital, New Delhi with the support of BYPL.

EDUCATION



Inauguration of upgraded Government Girls Primary School, Bhigan, Sonapat, Haryana under Project Shiksha Path with the support of Hindustan Tin Works Ltd.

WATER CONSERVATION



Groundbreaking ceremony of 32 farm ponds in Kathumar, Alwar, Rajasthan – under the Mukhyamantri Jal Savlambhan Abhiyan 2.0 (Phase 2)

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Stakeholders and Public Interest over Ratification of Illegality:

Supreme Court Strengthens SEBI Framework

Suman Jyoti Khaitan

Managing Partner, Suman Khaitan & Co. (Khaitan & Partners Advocates)

In the world of securities trading where trust and interest of investors is everything, the role of the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") becomes indispensable. SEBI stands as the watchdog of India's securities market with the objective of protecting investors from fraud, unfair trade practices, and misleading information. In furtherance of its objective, SEBI has established a robust legal framework through the SEBI Act and its accompanying Regulations. Through the SEBI Act and a strong regulatory framework, it ensures that the market remains fair and transparent. One such Regulation issued by SEBI is the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 2003 ("PFUTP Regulations") which acts as a powerful tool in protecting the interests of the investors.

Quite recently, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India ("the Hon'ble Court") delivered a significant judgment regarding violation of PFUTP Regulations in the matter of Securities and Exchange Board of India v. Terrascope Ventures Limited Etc. (2026 SCC OnLine SC 403), where the Hon'ble Court observed that matters involving public interest cannot be deemed as private waivable right.

In the present case, Terrascope Ventures Limited ("Respondent Company") issued notice for Extraordinary General Meeting for raising funds amounting to Rs. 15,87,50,000 - through preferential allotment of shares in the year 2012. The said notice was presented to its

shareholders and the public, wherein the object of the issue of shares was set out as-

"The object of the issue is to fulfil the additional fund requirements for capital expenditure including acquisition of companies/business, funding long-term working capital requirements, marketing, setting up of offices abroad and for other approved corporate purposes."

However, instead of utilising the raised funds for the approved objects, the Respondent Company diverted the funds to purchase shares of other companies and grant loans and advances. Subsequently in 2014, the Respondent Company amended the object clause of its Memorandum of Association and included financing, investment and share trading in the objects. In 2017, a resolution was passed by the Respondent Company purportedly ratifying the said diversion of funds.

In 2020, the Adjudicating Authority imposed fine on the Respondent Company and its directors for violating provisions of PFUTP Regulations, Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 and Listing Agreement. However, the Securities Appellate Tribunal ("SAT") set aside the penalties imposed by the Adjudicating Authority.

On appeal, the Hon'ble Court analysed the object of SEBI Act and Regulations in depth and observed that the object is to prevent exploitation of the public through misrepresentation and to ensure that adequate and true information before the investor is placed. It was further observed that the aim of SEBI's Regulations, including

PFUTP, is protection of rights of several stakeholders and as such has public law dimensions.

While adjudicating the issue of ratifying the diversion of funds, it was further held by the Hon'ble Court that in cases where rights of multiple stakeholders are involved and certain Regulations proscribe a particular course of action, any breach of such Regulation will face consequences since they are not in the realm of private rights which can be waived off as ratified.

Hence, the Hon'ble Court set aside the order passed by the SAT with the view that the said diversion was contrary to, inter alia, the PFUTP Regulations of SEBI since it was contrary to the object set out to the explanatory note and was before any amendment was carried out to the Memorandum of Association and the purported resolution of ratification dated 29.09.2017. It was further held that since it is a plainly illegal and affects a vast array of stakeholders beyond just the company's shareholders, the question of ratification does not arise at all.

With this ruling, the Hon'ble Court has reaffirmed the intent of SEBI and the Indian Judiciary of maintaining transparency and fraud in check while strengthening confidence of public and stakeholders in the securities market. The Hon'ble Court has made it clear that ratification on aspects opposed to public policy cannot be made since it will jeopardize public interest.



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India's Resilience in a Fractured Global Order



Vivek Seigell, Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Apeejay Styra Svrn Group

At a time when the international system is being tested by war, tariff pressures, energy volatility and supply-chain realignments, India's resilience deserves attention not as a slogan, but as a serious strategic fact. Few major economies today combine scale, growth, institutional continuity and diplomatic room for manoeuvre as effectively as India does. That is why, even amid global uncertainty, India is increasingly seen not merely as a large market, but as a stabilising force and a credible long-term partner for business, investment and international cooperation.

The economic foundation of this resilience is visible in the latest data. India's revised GDP series released by MoSPI in February 2026 estimated real GDP growth at 7.6% in FY 2025–26, with Q3 growth at 7.8%. At the same time, India's cumulative exports of goods and services during April–February 2025–26 were estimated at US\$790.86 billion, reflecting 5.79% growth over the previous year. The country's digital public infrastructure continues to reinforce this momentum: UPI processed 20.39 billion transactions worth Rs.26.84 lakh crore in February 2026 alone. These figures are significant because they point not only to economic size, but to economic adaptability — the ability to sustain internal momentum even as the external environment becomes more difficult.

This resilience has also been shaped by policy continuity and political will over the last several years. India's growth story has not rested solely on consumption or sentiment; it has been supported by a deliberate emphasis on public investment, infrastructure, formalisation, digital governance and implementation capacity.

The Economic Survey noted that Union Government capital expenditure on key infrastructure sectors rose 38.8% between FY20 and FY24, while the 2025–26 Union Budget provided Rs.1.5 lakh crore of 50-year interest-free loans to states for capital expenditure and reform-linked development. The IMF, in its latest assessment, observed that India's strong economic performance has been underpinned by sound macroeconomic policies and earlier structural reforms, and that growth is expected to remain resilient despite external headwinds. For industry, that continuity matters. It strengthens confidence that India's rise is being built on policy direction, not merely on favourable cycles.

Equally important is the evolution of India's foreign policy. Over the years, India has moved towards a more confident and balanced diplomatic posture — principled, pragmatic and firmly anchored in national interest. This has been evident across the world's most difficult conflicts. On Ukraine, India has consistently emphasised dialogue and diplomacy. In West Asia too, India has maintained

a careful equilibrium: on Gaza, it has called for the release of hostages, humanitarian assistance, ceasefire and a negotiated two-state solution; during the 2025 Israel-Iran crisis, including the phase of direct U.S. military action against Iranian nuclear facilities, India urged restraint, de-escalation and a return to diplomacy. At the same time, it acted decisively to protect its own citizens, evacuating 4,415 Indian nationals from Iran and Israel under Operation Sindhu. This is strategic autonomy in practice — not passivity, not posturing, but a calm willingness to engage all sides while preserving India's own interests.

For the business community, the implications are clear. India's resilience lies not only in its economic numbers, but in the quality of its statecraft. A country that can sustain growth, expand exports, build digital depth, invest in capacity and navigate geopolitical fault lines with balance is better placed than most to convert uncertainty into opportunity. That is the larger lesson of the present moment. In a fractured world, resilience is no longer just about enduring shocks; it is about retaining strategic clarity while others are forced into reaction. India, increasingly, appears capable of doing precisely that — and doing so in a manner that inspires confidence both at home and abroad.

MEDIA BUZZ

COVERAGE IMPRINTS

THE ECONOMIC TIMES

WEST ASIA CONFLICT ADULTS TRAVEL SECTOR

Tourist Inflows Dip 15-20%, Rerouting Hits Aviation

Our Bureau

New Delhi: A report released by the PHDCCI Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) on Thursday highlights a 15-20% dip in inflows and a 20-40% increase in rerouting costs for the industry owing to the West Asia conflict. It also notes a sharp impact on the hospitality sector, with nearly 40% of restaurants closing down and several hotels reporting a 20-30% drop in occupancy. PHDCCI stated that India's tourism industry has lost an estimated ₹18,000 crore in revenue since the conflict began in early September. The report also notes that the aviation sector has lost an estimated ₹18,000 crore in revenue since the conflict began in early September.

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THE INDIAN EXPRESS

Aviation, tourism, restaurant sectors could take a hit

ANI ECONOMIC BUREAU | New Delhi

INDIA'S tourism and hospitality sectors, which contribute nearly 8% to GDP and support over 40 million jobs, are under threat from the West Asia conflict, according to a report by the PHDCCI Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The report states that the aviation sector has lost an estimated ₹18,000 crore in revenue since the conflict began in early September. The report also notes that the aviation sector has lost an estimated ₹18,000 crore in revenue since the conflict began in early September.

Business Standard

Indian biz delegation visits China after five-year hiatus

An Indian chambers of commerce delegation is currently visiting China to interact with their counterparts, marking the first such visit after the five-year freeze in relations. A delegation of the Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Chambers of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) is on a visit to Shanghai and China's Jiangsu province, one of the most industrialised areas of China, from March 29 to April 4. This is the first Indian trade delegation to visit China after the two countries normalised bilateral relations last year, after over five years of hiatus following the military standoff at Eastern Ladakh in 2020. The relations were on the course of normalisation after the meetings between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping in 2024 and 2025 on the sidelines of the BRICS and SCO summits.

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The Statesman

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STATESMAN NEWS SERVICE
New Delhi: India

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OrissaPOST

West Asia war taking its toll

The OrissaPOST reports on the impact of the West Asia conflict on the tourism and hospitality sectors in Orissa. It notes a significant decline in tourist inflows and a corresponding loss in revenue for the industry. The report also mentions the impact on the aviation sector, with rerouting costs increasing and flight cancellations on the rise.

THE GOAN

MSME mfg sector expands in Jan-March period but growth moderates: PHDCCI

ANI

India's MSME manufacturing sector continued to remain in expansion mode during the January-March 2024 quarter, although growth momentum showed signs of moderation due to external challenges, particularly arising from the West Asia crisis, according to a survey by the PHDCCI Chamber of Commerce and Industry. As per the findings of the SME Market Sentiment Index (SMEI) - Round 4, the SME Business Activity Index stood at 58.5 in Q4 FY24, indicating continued expansion, though a moderation from 59.5 recorded in the previous quarter. Similarly, the SME Business Outlook Index (SMEOI) stood at 58.5 in Q4 FY24, indicating continued expansion, though a moderation from 59.5 recorded in the previous quarter. Similarly, the SME Business Outlook Index (SMEOI) stood at 58.5 in Q4 FY24, indicating continued expansion, though a moderation from 59.5 recorded in the previous quarter.

BIZZ BUZZ

MSME sector holds ground amid global headwinds

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FURTHER BUSINESS EXPANSION

- SME Business Activity Index (SMEI-BAS) at 58.5, down from 59.5 in previous quarter
- SME Business Outlook Index (SMEI-BOI) at 58.7, down from 59.7 in previous quarter
- 27% firms reported increase in new orders, supporting production growth
- Employment and supplier delivery timelines remain stable
- 37% firms expect further business expansion next quarter

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रिपोर्ट : नीतिगत समर्थन और स्थिर वैश्विक माहौल जरूरी, नीति आयोग ने कहा चुनौतियों के बाद भी MSME सेक्टर मजबूत

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The Statesman

Indian biz delegation visits China after hiatus

An Indian chambers of commerce delegation is currently visiting China to interact with their counterparts from, marking the first such visit after the five-year freeze in relations.

A delegation of the Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Chambers of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) is on a visit to Shanghai and China's Jiangsu province, one of the most industrialised areas of China, from March 26 to April 4.

This is the first Indian trade delegation to visit China after the two countries normalised bilateral relations last year, after five years of hiatus following the military standoff between Eastern Ladakh in 2020. The relations were on the verge of normalisation after the meetings between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping in 2020 and 2023 at the sidelines of the BRICS and SCO summits.

The Indian Consulate General of Shanghai, Pratik Mishra, on Tuesday hosted a Business Round Table between the PHDCCI delegation and Indian companies and financial institutions from Eastern China to explore opportunities for collaboration with Indian business.

Welcoming the delegation, Mishra noted that India continues to emerge as the world's fastest growing major economy with the use of the present demographics globally, creating immense opportunities for international partnerships and investments, a prime mission by the Consulate said.

During his address, Mishra emphasised India's expanding prospects in several sectors, including New and Renewable Energy, Electric Vehicles (EVs), computer and information technology, as well as information and technology industries.

These sectors, he said, offer significant potential for collaboration between India and global companies seeking sustainable growth.

The visit of the PHDCCI delegation was designed to build stronger connections between Indian businesses and industry counterparts in Eastern China, particularly in Shanghai, the country's commercial hub, as well as the rapidly growing province of Zhejiang and Jiangsu, the press release said.

The engagement aimed to encourage new partnerships, strengthen trade ties, and promote long-term cooperation between companies from both regions.

In addition to industrial discussions, the visit also focused on the rising technology sectors and facilitating business-to-business (B2B) meetings.

These engagements are intended to support India's vision of strengthening economic cooperation and integration while advancing the national goal of building a developed India by 2047, it said.

The formidable witnessed high-level participation from the Chinese side as well, including leading corporations and financial institutions such as HSBC and Wuxi Technology Development Corporation.

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India's retail inflation rises to 3.4 per cent in March amid uptick in prices

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New Delhi, 14 April

India's retail inflation slightly climbed by March to 3.4 per cent, up from 3.2 in February, said government data.

The corresponding inflation rates for rural and urban areas were 3.6 and 3.7 per cent, respectively.

"Year-on-year inflation rose based on All India Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the month of March, 2024 over March, 2023 to 3.4 per cent (provisional). Corresponding inflation rates for rural and urban are 3.6 and 3.7 per cent, respectively," said the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

Food inflation for March rose to 2.1 per cent, up from 1.9 per cent in February. Non-food inflation remained at 3.5 per cent.

Among the major contributors to the rise in food inflation, the price of pulses rose by 1.2 per cent, while the price of vegetables rose by 0.8 per cent.

Non-food inflation was driven by a rise in the price of services, which increased by 0.5 per cent, and the price of housing, which rose by 0.3 per cent.

The government expects inflation to remain stable in the coming months, provided there is no significant change in global oil prices and the domestic supply chain remains stable.

नवोदय टाइम्स

देश के आर्थिक और सामाजिक विकास में महिलाओं की प्रमुख भूमिका : रामनाथ कोविंद

जम्मू, 20 अप्रैल (वि.प्र.)

देश के आर्थिक और सामाजिक विकास में महिलाओं की प्रमुख भूमिका है, यह बातें जम्मू में आयोजित एक कार्यक्रम में नवोदय टाइम्स के अध्यक्ष रामनाथ कोविंद ने कहा।

कोविंद ने कहा कि महिलाएं देश के विकास में एक अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा रही हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि महिलाओं को अधिक शिक्षा और रोजगार के अवसर दिए जाने चाहिए, ताकि वे अपने अधिकारों का उपयोग कर सकें और देश के विकास में योगदान दे सकें।

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पांच साल बाद भारतीय कारोबारी दल चीन में

भारत का एक कारोबारी प्रतिनिधिमंडल इन दिनों चीन की यात्रा पर है और यहां अपने समकक्ष संगठनों के साथ बातचीत कर रहा है। यह पांच साल के अंतराल के बाद इस तरह की पहली यात्रा है।

पीएचसी चैंबर ऑफ कॉमर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री (पीएचडीसीआई) की पंजाब, हरियाणा, दिल्ली इकाई के सदस्यों का प्रतिनिधिमंडल 29 मार्च से चार अप्रैल तक शांघाई और चीन के च्यांग्सु प्रांत की यात्रा पर है। ये दोनों शहर चीन के सबसे बड़े औद्योगिक क्षेत्रों में से एक हैं।

पूर्वी लद्दाख में 2020 में सैन्य गतिरोध के बाद दोनों देशों के संबंधों में आई खटास से पिछले पांच वर्षों से ऐसी यात्राएं बंद थीं। पिछले वर्ष दोनों देशों के बीच संबंध सामान्य होने के बाद यह पहला भारतीय व्यापारिक प्रतिनिधिमंडल है, जो चीन पहुंचा है।

प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी और चीन के राष्ट्रपति शी चिनफिंग के बीच 2024 और 2025 में ब्रिक्स तथा शांघाई सहयोग संगठन (एससीओ) शिखर सम्मेलनों के इतर हुई बैठकों के बाद दोनों देशों के संबंधों में सुधार की प्रक्रिया तेज हुई।

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RoSCTL, RoDTEP extension will boost export competitiveness: Ranjeet Mehta

"RoSCTL and RoDTEP reduce embedded taxes, enabling exporters to offer more competitive prices globally," adding that the schemes are critical in a highly price-sensitive international market

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A ₹18,000 crore blow seen for India's aviation story as West Asia conflict clips wings

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"Everyone is suffering from the issue of energy supply," he said, adding that as India emerges as one of the fastest-growing economies, consistent access to energy becomes critical



ईरान-US का सीजफायर भारत के लिए कितनी राहत लेकर आया... PHDCCI के CEO ने NDTV को बताया

PHDCCI के CEO और सेक्रेटरी जनरल रंजीत मेहता ने बुधवार को एनटीवी से कहा कि युद्ध विराम के बाद एनटी प्रोडक्ट्स की सप्लाई में सुधार की उम्मीद है. दुनिया भर में शौक मार्केट में इसका असर आज दिखा है.

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PHDCCI (Delhi) and Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association to sign MOU with PHDCCI High Commissioner of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to India, Chandrasekhar Singh says, "This is a very important day for the delegation of Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association, being hosted here by PHDCCI (PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry)... Prime Minister Modi came to Trinidad and Tobago recently in a very important and very impactful visit and pledged assistance to Trinidad and Tobago and the rest of the CARICOM countries in areas including pharmaceutical industries, the biotechnology industries, agriculture, and a wide range of other areas... We have signed quite a few MOUs during the visit of the Prime Minister to Trinidad and Tobago. The TMA organisation plans to sign an MOU with PHDCCI... We have some niche products in niche areas, which I think can be successful in India... I know that Gen Z, which is the largest young population in the world, are displaying a preference for new, innovative products, for new tastes... This is the time for us to make an impact with our exports into India."



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Delhi: Trinidad and Tobago Manufacturers' Association, President Emili Ramkissoon says, "I see a lot of opportunities for trade and investment in India, especially for our manufacturers who are here today... I think these are a few of the major markets that we could penetrate from India into Trinidad and Tobago"



आकाशवाणी साधना (AAZNewsHindi)

वर्षा दिवसी में पीएचडी कैबर ऑन कॉमर्स ट्रेड इंडस्ट्री द्वारा अग्रेजित भारत मसाला सम्मेलन 2024 में खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री चिराग पासवान ने भारत के मसाला क्षेत्र की क्षमताओं को उजागर करने के लिए गुजरात, नासाकर और उद्योग तथा सरकार के मजबूत सहयोग की आवश्यकता पर जोर दिया।



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