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# President's Message

*Friends,*

***"Agricultural science has enormous potential to increase the yields of small farmers and lift them out of hunger and poverty." Bill Gates.***

The farmer is an integral part of rising India and the agriculture sector, one of PHD Chamber's thrust areas, opens doors for national prosperity, providing food security, eradicating poverty and improving the livelihoods of our populace. Acknowledging that India's soul resides in her villages, more than 58 percent of rural households depend on agriculture. The sector contributes 15-16 percent to India's GDP. Substantiating this, last month, PHD Chamber partnered with the Haryana Government to organize the Fourth Agri Leadership Summit, 2019 at Ganaur, (Sonipat), wherein Hon'ble President of India, Mr Ram Nath Kovind was the Chief Guest for the valedictory session. The Hon'ble President called for positioning farming in the agricultural value chain as well as giving it its due credit in the wider entrepreneurial context.

The Summit deliberated on the government's schemes to promote agriculture, horticulture and livestock sectors in the state of Haryana, by displaying innovative and novel technologies for the benefit of farmers and attracting investments in agro-related industry.

The Chamber applauds the initiatives taken by the government in the last four and a half years to fast track the progress of the farm sector. Reforms in the areas of irrigation, insurance, soil health, market, credit and farm infrastructure have resulted in record production of foodgrains and horticulture crops in the current year. The Indian food processing industry accounts for 32 percent of the country's total food market and is ranked fifth in terms of production, consumption, exports and growth. India is among the top 15 exporters of agricultural products in the world with agricultural exports aggregating at US\$ 38.21 billion in FY 2017-18.

I am heartened to commend Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi's mantra of "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas" that has been reflected in this year's Interim Budget 2019, reaffirming the government's commitment to focus on farmers' welfare. The historic programme, "Pradhan



Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi" assuring an annual income of Rs. 6,000 to 120 million small and marginal farmers, having cultivable land upto 2 hectare is a creditable measure. Other programs taken to address risks related to price and yield, such as PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, crop insurance, Soil Health cards, electronic-National Agriculture Market, up-gradation of rural haats and fixing the Minimum Support Price are likely to benefit the hardworking farmers. Here, I would like to comment that with men migrating to urban areas, 'feminization of agri sector' is taking place, with women performing multiple roles as cultivators, entrepreneurs and labourers.

I concur with the government's Agriculture Export Policy announced in December 2018, which strengthens the vision of doubling of farmers' income to US\$ 3,420 per household by FY 2022. Exports are expected to increase to US\$ 60 billion by 2022 and US\$ 100 billion in the coming decade which will help to integrate farmers with the global value chain, by diversifying the export basket and promoting high value products. Another notable proposal announced recently is the setting up of a corpus fund of Rs. 2,000 crores by NABARD for development and upgrading of agricultural marketing infrastructure in rural and regulated wholesale markets. I also applaud the government's proposal to launch an index to rank States on the basis of ease-of-doing-agri-business which will help in fostering agriculture among States by promoting a competitive spirit.

I must highlight the infusion of digital technologies in the farm sector that is transforming the entire input supply chain, crop management cycle, storage and market access. Initiatives taken by Agriculture Universities and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research in digital and artificial intelligence are playing a vital role in agri research. Lab-to-Land programs are being disseminated to make technologies accessible to farmers. Also, a number of agri-innovation startups are coming up for accelerating modernization by bringing in applications in precision agriculture and creation of digital platforms. The AGRI-UDAAN programme of mentoring start-ups is helping to connect them with potential investors. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry's policy of allowing 100 percent FDI in marketing of food products and in food product e-commerce under the automatic route is a welcome initiative for foreign investors.

To enhance agriculture productivity, there is a need to focus on R&D for judicious water management, up-gradation of irrigation facilities, storage infrastructure as well as to promote participatory farming. I firmly believe that efficient supply chain management, building more integrated markets and resolving market distortions will not only boost the food processing sector but also help in providing better prices to farmers' and enhance their income. Further, a diversified cropping pattern would mitigate the risks such as harvest losses and price shock. Bridging the urban-rural divide, promoting investments in modernizing agriculture, harnessing technology, empowering woman and creating jobs for rural population will all help in making agriculture a viable activity, eradicating hunger and malnutrition and thereby ensuring "food for all."

I must say with India on the rise and for New India to become a reality at the earliest, the government should modernize farming and position it as a profitable opportunity so that it attracts our youth.

With elections around the corner, I sincerely hope that the political parties develop election manifestos that focus on building a superpower India in which the government, industry and people are equal stakeholders, aiming at inclusive growth and sustainable development. With this, I would rest my thoughts with a quote by Thomas Jefferson, "Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals and happiness."







# 4<sup>th</sup> AGRI LEADERSHIP SUMMIT- 2019

**PHD Chamber partners with Government of Haryana**



Lamp Lighting Ceremony by Dignitaries



Under the aegis of the Government of Haryana, the Agri Leadership Summit 2019 was held, February 15-17, 2019 at India International Horticulture Market, Ganaur, Sonipat. PHD Chamber was the Institutional Partner of the Government of Haryana for the Summit. Keeping with its mission of “empowering states,” the Chamber played a pivotal role for conceptual framework, infrastructure, outreach, drive and knowledge base for the Summit. The deliberations undertaken supported the Agriculture, Horticulture and Livestock Sectors in the state. The outcomes accomplished should inspire other states to replicate similar exercises for attaining a greater degree of sectoral growth.

The three-day Summit and Expo saw the presence of key government functionaries, representing the State as well as industry leaders and experts from relevant sectors to make the grand initiative absolutely conclusive in its intended objectives. PHD Chamber was represented by its Leadership.

The Summit's key objective was to provide a platform to a large number of progressive farmers, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), agri-input and agri-produce processing industry from the state and across the country for

interaction with policymakers, scientists and technologists.

The Summit and Expo also witnessed the participation of eminent dignitaries from Central Government, International Agencies and Media. A session on International Cooperation was organized

separately where Senior Diplomats of various countries participated and shared their experience. Further, two Knowledge Reports prepared by PHD Chamber viz. “Progressive Haryana: The Agriculture Hub of India” and “Progressive Haryana: Economic Profile” were released during the Summit.



Mr. D K Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, PHD Chamber addressing the delegates during the Inaugural session

Eminent dignitaries who participated in the Inaugural Session included Chaudhary Birender Singh, Union Steel Minister; Mr. O P Dhankar, Minister of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Haryana; Ms. Kavita Jain, Minister of Women & Child Development, Haryana; Mr. Manish Grover, Minister of State Cooperation, Haryana; Mr. Nayab Saini, Minister of Labour and Employment, Haryana; Mr. Ramesh Kaushik, Member of Parliament, Ms. Navraj Sandhu, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department, Government of Haryana; Mr. S C Gulati, Additional

Chief Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Government of Haryana and Ambassadors and Diplomats from various countries.

Mr. D K Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, PHD Chamber addressed the Inaugural Session and appreciated the Haryana Government's efforts towards promoting diversification in the farm sector, improvement in Research & Development and upgrading agri-infrastructure as per international standards to harness the emerging opportunities in the agri sector.

He said that the state's cropping and irrigation intensity are significantly high at 182 percent and 188 percent respectively which is a good indicator and can further be broad-based.

The session on 'International Cooperation' witnessed participation from countries such as Brazil, Rwanda, Namibia and Mauritius where the diplomats from these respective countries shared their best practices and investment opportunities which can be experimented by farmers of the state.



Group photograph of the participants of the Goshthi, including diplomats from several countries on "International Cooperation"

During the Agri Leadership Summit, 8 parallel thematic-seminars were organized focusing on different thrust areas concerning agriculture and allied sectors. These sessions were aligned with the Theme of the Day. On day one, the theme "Innovation & Entrepreneurship" was featured whereas on the second day, "Kheti Plus" was the theme with

representations from allied agri sectors such as Poultry, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries. On the concluding day, the theme "Direct Marketing & Agri Service" was discussed with emphasis on making agriculture sustainable and profitable.

Prominently, the sessions dealt with Crop Technologies and Agri Business, Agri Industries, Livestock Business – An

Untapped Potential, Increasing Business Opportunities for Women, Doubling Income through Livestock Productivity, Haryana – The Next Destination for Aquaculture, Agri Business and Youth in Horticulture and Farmer Producer Companies – Way Forward for Direct Marketing.



Group photo of speakers of the Seminar on 'Crop technologies and agribusiness' on Day 1 of the Summit along with Dr. Arjun Saini, DG Horticulture and Dr. Chindi Vasudevappa, VC, NIFTEM



The sessions witnessed the participation of a large number of farmers, sector experts, policy-makers, industry stakeholders, diplomats and media. Experts advised the farmers on various technical know-how and methods to increase their agricultural productivity, strengthen marketing & sale of agri-products and enhance their level of incomes.

Apart from seminars, interactive sessions or “Goshthis” were also organized on themes such as New Technology Trends and R&D in Agriculture, New Technologies in Agriculture and Food Processing, Farmer Interest Leadership, Farm Sector Innovation and Entrepreneurship and Role of Media in Agriculture.

All the Goshthis witnessed impressive



participation from the farmers, government officials and private players operating in the sector. Farmers used the platform to share their concerns and how they could



Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Honble President of India with other dignitaries at the Valedictory Session



apply state-of-the-art technology in their farm and improve productivity.

The Valedictory Session of the Agri Leadership Summit 2019 was graced by Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India who appreciated the people and the Government of Haryana for making efforts for the overall development of the State, including enhancing Ease of Doing Business and improving social indicators.

Mr. Manohar Lal Khattar, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Haryana in his remarks stated that the Government of Haryana has been organizing this Summit with the aim to double the income of farmers by 2022, improving agricultural productivity and strengthening market linkages between farmers and markets.

He made an observation that the Summit offered an excellent platform for farmers to gain expertise on how to enhance their agriculture productivity.

Mr. O P Dhankar, Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Haryana stated that the key objective of the Summit was to promote growth and development of farmers of the State. He appreciated the efforts taken up by the farmers for making significant contribution in the national agri basket. He gave a brief overview about cattle exhibition displayed at the Summit that showcased the hard work and commitment contributed by the farmers of the State. He expressed happiness that many farmers from the State have received Krishi Ratan Award.

Remarkably, each day of the Summit witnessed the presence of dignitaries and over 60,000 farmers from across the state and outside.

The Summit held special importance to the concerned departments like Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Animal Husbandry & Dairy, Fisheries, Agriculture Marketing Board and other organizations that have direct bearing on the farm sector. The Summit offered a platform for the various State Government Departments and Cooperative Institutions to exhibit their products and share plans related to agriculture and allied sectors in a most productive way.

In the Agri Leadership Summit 2019, the Government of Haryana honoured the farmers with "Haryana Kisan Ratna Samman" to encourage them for their exemplary achievements and for continuous innovation. The award had a cash prize of Rs. 5 lakhs and a citation was given to farmers for their outstanding contributions in the field of agriculture development.

Mr. O. P. Dhankar encouraged the farmers to learn from other farmers who are doing good work. Mr. Dhankar mentioned the various important initiatives that have been taken by the government in the last four years such as allocation of Rs. 3,640 crores to farmers affected by natural calamities, organization of programs like Agri Leadership Summit and encouraging farmers for their outstanding contribution through awards and other means. He also persuaded the farmers to undertake direct marketing of their farm produce and get the maximum returns possible. He shared that the government has built the largest Mandi in Gurgaon and is now building a new Mandi for flowers in Gurugram.

The 1st Agri Leadership Summit was organized in 2016 at Gurugram, the aim was to appreciate the State's strong position in agriculture and allied sectors and to create a further roadmap of development. Subsequently, 2nd and 3rd Agri Leadership Summits were organized in 2017 and 2018 at Faridabad and Rohtak respectively.

The 4th edition of Agri Leadership Summit was structured in such a way that key attributes and people concerning agriculture and allied sectors came in prominence.





# Glimpses of 4th Agri Leadership Summit 2019



Mr. Satyadeo Narain Arya, Governor of Haryana presenting a shawl to Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India



Mr. Manohar Lal Khattar, Hon'ble CM, Haryana presenting the customary "Pagadi" to Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India



Mr. OP Dhankar, Agriculture Minister, Haryana welcoming the Hon'ble President, Chief Guest of the Valedictory Session



Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India launching the App



Prof. KP Singh, VC, CCSHAU receiving the award on behalf of the university from Chief Guest, Mr. Ram Nath Kovind, Hon'ble President of India





Release of the Knowledge Report prepared by PHDCCI



Mr. OP Dhankar, Agriculture Minister, Haryana presenting a memento to Ch. Birendra Singh, Union Minister of Steel



Mr. OP Dhankar, Agriculture Minister, Haryana addressing the audience



Ch. Birendra Singh, Union Minister of Steel addressing the inaugural session



Ms. Kavita Jain, Minister, Women & Child Development, Haryana addressing the inaugural session



Ms. Navraj Sandhu, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government of Haryana addressing the Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur



Mr. Depinder Singh Dhese, Chief Secretary, Government of Haryana and Dr. J. Ganeshan, Chief Administrator, Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur



Dr. J. Ganeshan, Chief Administrator, Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board and Ms. Navraj Sandhu, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government of Haryana share the dice during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur



Awardees of Krishi Ratan



Mr. Depinder Singh Dhese, Chief Secretary, Government of Haryana being felicitated during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur





Mr Om Prakash Dhankar, Minister for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Haryana and other dignitaries are honouring a progressive farmer during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur, Sonipat



Mr Om Prakash Dhankar, Minister for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Haryana with Mr Raj Kumar Beniwal, CMO, Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur, Sonipat



Mr Om Prakash Dhankar, Minister for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Haryana during Agri Leadership Summit 2019 at Ganaur, Sonipat



Mr. OP Dhankar, Agriculture Minister, Haryana interacting with the farmers at the Cattle Show



Farmers attending the inaugural session



Farmers flock the stalls & machinery display



Farmers displaying their products during the Expo





# AERO INDIA 2019: Redefining the Future of Aviation



Air Cmde B K Gairola, PD Indigenisation-IAF; Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber; Mr. Amber Dubey, Partner, KPMG; Wing Cdr KA Santhosh Kumar, Managing Director-KINFRA and Mr. Anil Pant, GM, Bharat Electronics Ltd.

**P**HD Chamber in association with the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence, organized an International Conference on “Redefining the Future of Aviation” on February 21, 2019 at AERO INDIA 2019 at Yelahanka, Bengaluru.

This conference was supported by Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO), US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF), ROSOBORONEXPORT & ROSTEC from Russia, SIATI and IID.

The conference was partnered by the Government of Kerala through its different departments such as :KINFRA, KELTRON, KEL, KSIDC, SIFL & TRACO. Corporates, AIRBUS, SKF and SAI AEROTECH were also partners of the conference.

KPMG was the exclusive Knowledge Partner and prepared a Knowledge Report on “Redefining the Future of Aviation” with focus on Aerospace Manufacturing, UAVs and 5th Generation Combat Aircraft.

The conference was inaugurated by Air Cmde B K Gairola, PD Indigenisation-IAF; Wing Cdr KA Santhosh Kumar, Managing Director-KINFRA; Mr. Amber Dubey, Partner, KPMG; Mr. Anil Pant, GM, Bharat Electronics Ltd. and Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber and the Knowledge Report was also released by them.

The exclusive session on “5th Generation Aviation: Challenges and Opportunities” was chaired by Air Cmde B K Gairola, PD Indigenisation-IAF and Mr. David Park, BAE Systems, Cmde J A Maolankar, Chief Test Pilot at the National

Flight Test Centre, Mr. Rahul Bapat and Mr. Anil Pant, GM-Bharat Electronics Ltd.

A dedicated Session on UAVs, “Unmanned Flying: Future of Surveillance, Logistics and Agriculture” was chaired by Mr. Satyendra Kumar Mishra, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation and Mr. Robert (Bob) Schoeffling, Director (India), Country Manager, General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc.; Mr. Siddappaji B, Scientist-E, ADE; Mr. Sai Pattabiram, Founder & CEO, Sree Sai, Aerotech Innovations; Mr. Mohan Jacob, Head-UAV, Honeywell India; Mr. Naveen K Verma, Director (BD), VIASAT, USA and Mr. Anshuman Tripathi, Senior Consultant Aerospace & Defence.



Mr. Anil Pant, GM-Bharat Electronics Ltd.; Mr. David Park, Regional Director (IBD), BAE Systems; Session Chairman Air Cmde B K Gairola, PD Indigenisation-IAF; Cmde J A Maolankar, Chief Test Pilot at the National Flight Test Centre and Mr. Rahul Bapat, Director, Boeing India



Mr. Naveen K Verma, Director (BD), VIASAT, USA; Mr. Siddappaji B, Scientist-E, ADE; Mr. Anshuman Tripathi, Senior Consultant, Aerospace & Defence; Session Chairman Mr. Satyendra Kumar Mishra, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation; Mr. Sai Pattabiram, Founder & CEO, Sree Sai, Aerotech Innovations; Mr. Mohan Jacob, Head-UAV, Honeywell India and Mr. Robert (Bob) Schoeffling, Director (India), Country Manager, General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc.

# PHDCCI facilitates largest number of centres for video conference with Dr Suresh Prabhu, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry and Civil Aviation



Members viewing the interaction with Hon'ble Minister at PHD Chamber, New Delhi

**P**HD Chamber organized an Interaction with Mr. Suresh Prabhu, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry and Civil Aviation, through video conferencing on February 18, 2019, at 14 locations, namely New Delhi; Chandigarh; Jaipur, Rajasthan; Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh; Ranchi, Jharkhand; Raipur, Chhattisgarh; Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh; Guwahati, Assam; Cochin, Kerala; Hyderabad, Telangana; Patna, Bihar; Dehradun, Uttarakhand; Baddi, Himachal Pradesh; and Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

Dr. Suresh Prabhu addressed and interacted with the representatives of industry and trade associations and export promotion organizations through a video conference and shared his vision for industry and trade in India. He emphasized that this was the first ever direct interaction with trade and export bodies on this scale by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Dr Suresh Prabhu said that the government's duty is to help industry to grow and facilitate business by simplifying regulations. The Minister referred to the

jump made by India to 77th position in the Ease of Doing Business Ranking. He emphasized that it is the target of the government to take India into top 50 rankings for which it is constantly making endeavors. In this regard, a pan India exercise was conducted to understand the problems and parameters affecting Indian businesses.

Dr. Prabhu stressed on improving the Ease of Doing Business for each district in India and further said that the benefits of the schemes and initiatives should percolate down to the ground level. He mentioned that with improvement in EODB in each district, the standard of living and income of people in that district improves, and with it their demand increases and simultaneously the revenue of that district also increases. He opined that to achieve the aim of double digit GDP growth of India, GDP growth rate of each district must increase by 3-4%.

The Minister mentioned that the strategy has been changed to increase

overall economic growth of India and that depends on both internal trade and external trade and assured that the two ministries involved are working together in a holistic way.

He also highlighted that India received highest ever foreign direct investments (FDI) in recent years and now their target is to bring in FDI aggregating US\$ 100 billion in the country. This would help to create new technology and new job opportunities, new small and medium commercial enterprises, among others.

Dr Prabhu mentioned about the Government's vision on 'Make in India.' He pointed out that many initiatives have been taken in the defence sector along with startups. He said that the 'Startup India' programme has been very successful so far and planning is underway to expand it further by removing all the hurdles.

The Minister stressed that in India, small industries, self-help groups, among others face the problem of lack of market, for which government has planned to





launch an initiative that will provide women organizations, artisans, among others to offer their products on GEM platform.

He also discussed about the two convention centers, at Dwarka and ITPO, that the government has started to attract people to come to India. He further spoke about the plan to modernize leather and footwear industry of India, that would include skill development and setting up of plants so that employment can be created in this sector.

The Minister further emphasized on the government's efforts to address the challenges under GST especially for MSMEs that have been successfully addressed. Dr. Suresh Prabhu said that exports have been growing for the last three years and reached the highest level of around US\$ 314 billion this year. He stressed that India is able to achieve this level when the rest of the world is suffering from global challenges and reduced trade.

Dr Suresh Parbhu also discussed the agriculture export policy and spoke about

the government's plan to take agriculture exports to the level of US\$ 100 billion. He also mentioned that the government is trying to setup 15 international offices that would be closer to market places and would promote businesses.

He further discussed about the government's strategy to take India to the level of US\$ 5 trillion economy that would include US\$ 3 trillion from manufacturing, US\$ 1 trillion from agriculture and US\$ 1 trillion from services. He further said that a separate department has been created for logistics to remove the logistics related problems in the ministries. The government is working on increasing the market access, bilateral deals, SOPs, among other important areas.

Dr. Suresh Prabhu urged industry representatives and government to work together to take India to the level of US\$ 5 trillion economy and requested industry representatives to engage with the government closely and work as a team.

#### **Plan for \$100 billion FDI inflow**

**Hon'ble Commerce and Industry Minister, Mr. Suresh Prabhu said that the government is working on a blueprint to increase FDI inflows to \$100 billion through a targeted approach. He was quoted to have said, "We have removed almost all sectoral restrictions. I have asked Invest India to identify those who can get that amount. I am getting research done on companies who have the cash, where they will invest, what is the sectoral intent and I am personally talking to Fortune 500 companies and requesting them to come. We will make sure that we will take it to a new level." In 2017-18, FDI flows into India were estimated at over \$61 billion.**

## GLIMPSES AT VARIOUS STATES

### CHANDIGARH



### JAIPUR



### LUCKNOW



### BHOPAL



### PATNA



### RAIPUR



### DEHRADUN



### RANCHI





## BADDI



## SRINAGAR



## GUWAHATI



## HYDERABAD



## KOCHI



***Commerce and Industry Minister, Mr. Suresh Prabhu said the government is making a strategy to make India a US\$ 5 trillion economy and simultaneously fine tuning the plan to take it to US\$ 10 trillion. Of the US\$ 5 trillion, services sector contribution is pegged at US\$ 3 trillion and equal contribution for manufacturing and agriculture at US\$ 1 trillion each.***

# Astitva Samman 2019



Chief Guest Mr. D.D. Verma, IAS, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha addressing the audience. Also seen: Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President and Ms. Anuradha Goel, Chairperson, Women and Child Development Committee, PHD Chamber; Guest of Honour, Mr. Ram Mohan Mishra, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner, MSME; Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber and Ms. Suneeta Trivedi, Board Member, WCD Committee.



The Women and Child Development Committee of PHD Chamber organized the 4th Astitva Samman and 3rd Junior Astitva Samman 2019 on February 15, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. The Astitva Samman was instituted to recognize an “exemplary advocate for women empowerment gender sensitive workplace” in an Organization, maybe a government, NGO or a corporate.

The main aim of the programme was to recognize organizations, NGOs and corporates where women have the potential to demonstrate their entire phenomenal and leadership skills. Through this programme, the Committee also recognizes organizations where women have the potential to demonstrate their

entrepreneurial and leadership skills as well as work places that create a long-term vision for the growth of women while having proper systems, facilities and policies that benefit women.

The Junior Astitva Samman was added to encourage and motivate students who have made an innovation which helps society. The selection was made across schools from Delhi/ NCR.

## The following were honoured

### Women:

Ms. Rupinder Kaur along with Ms Urjala Chandra from CRPF Family Welfare Association; Ms. Reena Lanba, President, Navy Wives Welfare Association; Ms. Malini Gupta, Head - CSR and her

group, JCB India Ltd; Dr. J.S Arora, Thalassemiologist and General Secretary, National Thalassemia Welfare Society (NTWS) and Ms. Rashi Narang, Founder, Heads Up For Tails

### Students:

Krish Chawla from Modern School, Vasant Vihar; Arnab Gupta and Vasu Madan from Amity International School, Saket; Ramanjeet Singh from Birla Vidya Niketan, Pushp Vihar IV and Tanishka Sahay, Navya Sachdeva, Aryan Verma, Tejasv Rastogi from Shiv Nadar School, Gurugram

The Sammans were presented collectively by Mr. D. D Verma, IAS, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha,; Mr Ram Mohan Mishra, Additional Secretary &



Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President and Ms. Anuradha Goel, Chairperson, Women and Child Development Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. D. D. Verma, IAS, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha; Guest of Honour, Mr. Ram Mohan Mishra, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner, MSME; Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber and Ms. Suneeta Trivedi, Board Member, WCD Committee felicitating with the Women Astitva Samman 2019 to CRPF Family Welfare Association for their outstanding contribution towards the betterment of the society





Mr. D. K. Aggarwal, Senior VP, PHD Chamber; Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President, PHD Chamber; Mr. D. D. Verma, IAS, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha; Ms. Anuradha Goel, Chairperson, Women and Child Development Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. Ram Mohan Mishra, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner (MSME), as the Guest of Honour; Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, VP, PHD Chamber and Ms. Suneeta Trivedi, Board Member, WCD Committee

Development Commissioner, MSME, in the presence of Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President, Mr. D. K. Aggarwal, Sr. Vice President and Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber along with Ms. Anuradha

Goel, Chairperson, Women and Child Development Committee and Ms. Suneeta Trivedi, IPS (Retd.), Board Member, Women and Child Development Committee, PHD Chamber.

The troupe of Ms. Rachana Yadav presented a dance ballet "Adhikaar".

Ms. Karuna Shriram, Co-chairperson, WCD Committee moderated the programme.

## Interactive Session on Marketing Opportunities in Government Procurement Program for Women Entrepreneurs



Mr. Anurag Awasthy, Product Manager, Center of Excellence for Indigenous and Inclusive Products, Government e Marketplace (GeM) addressing the queries of participants. Also seen: Ms. Kanchan Zutshi, Secretary, Women Entrepreneurs Committee and , Mr. Anil Khaitan, Former President, PHD Chamber; Ms. Tripti Somani, Chairperson, Women Entrepreneurs Committee, PHD Chamber; Dr. H. P. Kumar, Former CMD, NSIC and Advisor, and Ms. Vertica Dvivedi, Co-chairperson, Women Entrepreneurs Committee, PHD Chamber

The PHD Women Entrepreneurs Committee organized an interactive session on 'Marketing Opportunities in Government Procurement Program for Women Entrepreneurs' on February 25, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. The interactive session was for Women Entrepreneurs to benefit from the GeM portal/schemes to market their products and services to the Government Departments as well as PSUs as there is a huge potential for women entrepreneurs to enter in Government Procurement Programme.

Government e-Marketplace (GeM-gem.gov.in) is a very bold step of the Government with the aim to transform the way in which procurement of goods and services is done by the Government Ministries and Departments, Public Sector Undertakings and other apex autonomous bodies of the Central Government. GeM is a completely paperless, cashless and system driven e-market place that enables procurement of common use goods and services with minimal human interface. In January 2019, GeM launched 'Womaniya on GeM', an initiative to enable women

entrepreneurs and women self-help groups (WSHGs) to sell handicrafts and handloom, accessories, jute and coir products, home décor and office furnishings directly to government ministries, departments and institutions. Womaniya initiative aligns with the government's initiatives for MSMEs, especially the three percent reservation in government procurement from women entrepreneurs.

The event was graced by the presence of Mr. Anurag Awasthy, Product Manager, Center of Excellence for Indigenous and Inclusive Products, Government e Marketplace (GeM); Mr. Anil Khaitan, Immediate Past President, PHD Chamber; Dr. H. P. Kumar, Former CMD, NSIC and Advisor, PHD Chamber; Ms. Tripti Somani, Chairperson, Women Entrepreneurs Committee, PHD Chamber and Ms. Vertica Dvivedi, Co-chairperson, Women Entrepreneurs Committee.

The session was very interactive wherein the GeM team, headed by Mr. Anurag Awasthy answered the queries of women entrepreneurs in regard to vendor registration on GeM portal and list of services and products available on GeM. During the interactive session, four on the spot vendor registrations were done successfully by the GeM Team on the GeM Portal.



# Bangladesh Printing and Packaging International Expo 2019



Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, MP, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Industries, Govt. of PR of Bangladesh along with various dignitaries at the inaugural session



PHD Chamber organized a national level participation from India at the Bangladesh Printing and Packaging International Expo 2019, January 17-20, 2019 at International Convention City, Basundhara, Dhaka. The four-day international trade show on printing, packaging and plastics presented an ideal platform for exhibitors and buyers to witness a range of products to help in promoting exports of these sectors to Bangladesh. More than 100 international companies participated in the international

Expo held concurrently with the Garment Expo and GAP Expo. The countries which participated were India, China, Taiwan, Bangladesh, Hong Kong, Japan and Italy.

PHD Chamber organized the India

Pavilion with participation of 48 Indian Companies from the print and packaging industry. The Indian exhibitors displayed their capabilities to exploit the available potential of Bangladesh.

***The products exhibited at the International Expo 2019 were printing and packaging machines and equipments, filling, sealing, shrink wrapping machines, tube packaging, masking and surface protection tapes, electrical and paper tapes, printing machinery and equipments, screen and flex printing machinery and equipments, lamination machine, barcode printers and scanners, label printing, stickers, label badges, signage, neon sign and various solution products for the packaging and printing industry.***



Mr. Rakesh Kumar Sangrai, Secretary presenting a memento on behalf of PHD Chamber to the Chief Guest, Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, MP, Hon'ble Minister of industries, Govt. of PR of Bangladesh

The inaugural ceremony on January 17, 2019 was graced by Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun, MP, Hon'ble Minister of industries, Govt. of PR of Bangladesh. The ceremony was also attended by Mr. Md. Shafiu Islam (Mohiuddin), President, Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Abdus Salam Murshedy, MP and President of Exporters Association of Bangladesh; Md. Siddique Rahman, President, Bangladesh Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association; Md. Abdul Kader Khan, President, Bangladesh Garments Accessories & Packaging Manufacturers & Exporters Association; Mr. Nanda Gopal, Director, ASK Trade & Exhibitions Pvt. Ltd. and Mohammad Moazzem Hossain Moti, Chairman, Standing Committee on Trade Fair, BGAMPEA.





Mr. Rakesh Kumar Sangrai, Secretary presenting a memento on behalf of PHD Chamber to the Chief Guest of the Valedictory Session, Mr. MA Mannan, Ministry of Planning, Govt. of PR of Bangladesh

The valedictory function held on January 21, 2019 was graced by Mr. MA Mannan, Planning Minister Govt. of PR of Bangladesh, wherein he said that the Bangladesh garments, accessories and print and packaging industries are growing fast and the government will continue to support the sector. During the session, he also conferred awards to the SMEs and large enterprises of Bangladesh. Mr. Ahmad Jamal, Deputy Governor of Bangladesh Bank and Mr. Sultan Md Iqbal, National Board of Revenue (NBR), Member of Customs, Export, Bond and IT also attended the concluding session.

Officials of the High Commission of India also visited the exhibition and interacted with the Indian exhibitors.

## Interactive Session on Banks versus NBFCs - Funding for MSMEs



Ms. Babeeta Sharma, Secretary, PHD Chamber; Mr. B Sankar, General Manager, State Bank of India; Mr. Anil Khaitan, Immediate Past President, PHD Chamber; Mr. Jyoti Prakash Gadia, Chairman, Banking, Financial Services & Insurance (BFSI) Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. H P Kumar, Advisor, MSME Facilitation Centre, PHD Chamber and Mr. Abhi Narayan Mishra, Principal Director ( Finance & HR), PHD Chamber

The Banking, Financial Services and Insurance Committee of PHD Chamber under the PHD-KAS Project organized an interactive session on 'Banks versus NBFCs – Funding for MSMEs' on January 11, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. The session was attended by delegates from the Banking Sector, NBFCs, Fin Tech Companies, Entrepreneurs, Proprietary Firms and MSMEs.

Chief Guest, Mr. B Sankar, General Manager, NW-4 Delhi Circle, State Bank of India stated that MSME sector is the backbone of the Indian Economy and there has to be a sense of ownership in running MSME enterprises if the sector has to remain competitive globally and domestically. He further added that MSMEs should strive for digitisation in all

areas of their operations with 100 percent cashless transactions.

Mr. Anil Khaitan, Immediate Past President, PHD Chamber mentioned that MSMEs should not be penalized for wrongdoings of few individuals who have defrauded the banking system. He said access to credit to MSMEs is vital for employment generation and economic development of the country.

Mr. Jyoti Prakash Gadia, Chairman, Banking, Financial Services and Insurance Committee, PHD Chamber elaborated that MSMEs should avail the benefits of digitization and GST, shift from informal source of funding to formal source of funding and identify the right instrument and right institution for their funding requirements.

Mr. H P Kumar, Advisor, MSME Facilitation Centre, PHD Chamber said that MSME enterprises should get adequate and timely credit. He further suggested that cost of funds for MSMEs should come down; there should be relaxation in norms for ECBs for raising working capital funds, collateralized lending, restructuring scheme, one-day default scheme and mechanism to protect MSMEs from large buyers such as government agencies from delayed payments.

The technical panel discussion focused on alternative financing mechanism for MSMEs, NBFCs and their diversifying role, Trade Receivables Discounting System and Digitization. The Panelists stressed on the fact that MSMEs need to organize their businesses as per today's dynamic business environment.

# Budget Viewing Session 2019-20



Dr S. P. Sharma, Chief Economist, PHD Research Bureau, Mr. Anil Khaitan, Immediate Former President, Mr Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, Mr DK Aggarwal, Sr. Vice President and Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President, PHD Chamber, Mr Ajay Shankar, Former Secretary, DIPP, Dr. C S C Shekhar, Professor of Agriculture, Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi; Ms. Sushma Berlia, Former President, Mr. Gopal Jiwarajka, Former President and Mr. Sharad Jaipuria, Former President, PHD Chamber

The Economic Affairs Committee of PHD Chamber organized the 2019-20 Budget Viewing session on February 1, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. The session was addressed by Mr. Ajay Shankar, Former Secretary, DIPP and Dr. C S C Shekhar, Professor of Agriculture, Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi and the leadership of PHD Chamber.

Mr. Gopal Jiwarajka, Former President, PHD Chamber said that GDP growth in India was coming majorly from the services sector which is good but not adequate. He stressed that the country needs large job creation and for jobs to grow, it is important for agriculture and manufacturing sectors to grow.

Mr. Sharad Jaipuria, Former President, PHD Chamber said that the budget should focus on the rural sector and on creating employment for the growing population of the country.

Ms. Sushma Berlia, Former President, PHD Chamber expected the government to focus on health & social sector and the agriculture sector.

Mr. Ajay Shankar, Former Secretary, Dept. of Industrial Policy and Promotion said that the right approach is to learn from China as India needs to see what works for its economy without any prior commitment. He suggested that there is a need to check how to get rid of poverty, create jobs and bridge the gap between India and China.

Subsequently, the Interim Budget presented by Mr. Piyush Goyal was viewed

by the speakers and participants. After viewing of the Budget Session, speakers gave their views on the Budget.

Dr. C S C Sekhar, Professor of Agriculture, Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi expressed that the budget was balanced across all sectors and has a positive effect on the economy. He opined that the direct transfer of Rs. 6000 annually to farmers is appreciable. He suggested that there should have been some provisions for agricultural labourers. He mentioned that the formation of a separate department of Fisheries and increased allocation for the fisheries sector was an important step taken by the government. He indicated that direct tax proposals would increase disposable income of consumers, increase consumer demand and boost the economy.

Mr. Anil Chopra, Chairman, Direct Taxes Committee, PHD Chamber appreciated the government's announcement regarding rationalization of direct tax, increased compliance, online scrutiny, instant rebates, among others. He opined that the benefit of rollover of capital gains from investment in two residential houses for a tax payer having capital gains up to Rs. 2 crore is a good measure.

Mr. Anil Khaitan, Immediate Former President, PHD Chamber expressed that the 10 year vision provided by the government in the budget will give right direction to the economy. He further mentioned that the budget was all-round holistic and supported the motto of

Hon'ble Prime Minister - 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas.'

Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President, PHD Chamber expressed that the budget focused upon almost all sections of the economy such as rural, defence, middle and salaried class, among others. According to him, this budget may be called green budget for the people and the government. He praised the government for increase in outlay for education, benefits to middle class population in form of tax exemption, exemption of income tax on notional rent from one to two houses, benefits for unorganized sector and senior citizens, among others. He said that the proposal of rollover of capital gains from investment in two residential houses would keep the prices of property down and thereby increase investment by young generation in the housing sector.

Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, PHD Chamber appreciated the announcement of tax exemption on notional rent on second house and full tax exemption on income upto Rs 5 lakh. He highlighted that direct transfer of Rs 6000 per annum to farmers would help relieve farmers' distress as this would directly go into their bank account.

Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber appreciated the government's announcement for making one lakh villages into Digital Villages over the next five years.





# Nepal Tourism Promotion Summit



Inaugural Session of Nepal Tourism Promotion Summit

Under the aegis of India-Nepal Centre (INC) and in association with the Embassy of Nepal, New Delhi and the Indian Institute of Public Policy (IIPP), Chennai, PHD Chamber organized a Nepal Tourism Promotion Summit on February 6, 2019 at Chennai. The objective was to bring key stakeholders of Tourism & Allied Sectors together to discuss to create a sustained convergence of industry and government. The potential of the tourism sector in Nepal is to explore opportunities of developing roads, railways and air networks in Nepal; to ideate Cluster-based Tourism Zones across Nepal-India border and relax investment norms for investment in Tourism & Allied Sectors in Nepal.

**PHD Chamber has been closely working with the Government of Nepal and has exchanged MoUs with leading industry bodies of Nepal. PHD Chamber also launched the India-Nepal Centre with an aim to promote two-way bilateral economic and business relations.**

Former Indian Ambassador to Nepal, K.V. Rajan, Chairman, India-Nepal Centre, PHD Chamber delivered the key note address. Mr. Kashi Raj Bhandari, Director, Nepal Tourism Promotion Board gave a presentation on the potential of tourism-led businesses in Nepal.

**Technical Session-I** on 'Promoting Tourism in Nepal' focused on heritage, religious, adventure, film, ecological, medical and wellness tourism. Speakers included Mr. Krishna Hari Pushkar, Minister (Economic), Embassy of Nepal, India; Mr. K C Sundaram, Director, IIPP; Dr. Prasad



Mr. Krishna Hari Pushkar, Minister (Economic), Embassy of Nepal, India

Dauids, SICCI; Dr. Chetan Ginigeri, Senior Consultant, Aster CMI Hospital; Mr. M B Sridharan, Vice President, Indo-ASEAN-Srilanka Chamber of Commerce; Mr. P Nandagopal, Secretary, Andhra Chamber of Commerce, Chennai and Mr. T N Ranganathan, Consultant.

**Technical Session-II** on 'Channelizing Investment in Tourism Sector in Nepal' was moderated by Mr. Somi Hazari, SICCI. Speakers included Mr. Tirtha Prakash Poudel, Counselor, Embassy of Nepal, India; Mr. Choza Naachiar Rajasekhar, President, Tamil Chamber of Commerce (TCC); Mr. R Rangachari, Consultant; Mr. Hugh R Cruz, Head-Protocol & Trade Development, Romania Consulate Office, Chennai; Ms. Bina Karamjeet, Secretary General, South India Hotels and Restaurants Association, Chennai and Mr. Jambunathan Elango, Secretary, Indo-ASEAN-Sri Lanka Chamber of Commerce.

PHD Chamber was represented by Mr. Niraj, Secretary, International Affairs, PHD Chamber and Mr. Atul K Thakur, Deputy Secretary & Coordinator, India-Nepal Center.



Technical session of Nepal Tourism Promotion Summit



# International Best Practices of Academia and Corporate Interface in Research and Innovation



Dr. Jatinder Singh, Director, PHD Chamber; Dr. Rubina Mittal, Co-chairperson, Education Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr Pankaj Dave, Co-convener, Canada India Foundation; Mr. Nishant Berlia, Chairman, Education Committee and Dr. Vishwa Mohan Bansal, Co-chairman, Education Committee, PHD Chamber

A panel discussion on 'International Best Practices of Academia and Corporate Interface in Research and Innovation' was organized under the aegis of PHD Chamber on January 17, 2019 in collaboration with Canada India Foundation. The panel discussion envisaged to bring the Corporates and Academia stakeholders together to share international best practices, challenges and practical solutions for fulfilling the wide gaps in learning, research, innovation and employability skills to reflect the needs of the industry.

Mr. Nishant Berlia, Chairman, Education Committee, PHD Chamber reiterated that the outcome of success in industry and academia collaboration will depend upon technological advancement, talent acceptability and vibrancy. He pointed out that private universities face a bias from Government research grants as most of the grants are given to public universities.

Mr. Pankaj Dave, Co-convener, Canada India Foundation shared that Canada India Foundation is a think tank based in Canada and education is one of its key focus areas. Mr. Dave shared that the 'Higher Education Forum' was constituted last year. Many Indian students go to Canada for studies and stay back for jobs. Hence the idea was to put into context how the government

policy can shape up and resolve the issues of innovation, research and employability.

Dr. Rubina Mittal, Co-chairperson, Education Committee, PHD Chamber asserted that it is about the elements that create breakthrough innovation. If we can clearly identify and understand the attributes that help and hamper the creation of breakthrough innovation, we can develop conditions that allow these attributes to exist and thrive.

Dr. Vishwa Mohan Bansal, Co-chairman, Education Committee, PHD Chamber emphasized that the focus of Education, be it elementary or higher secondary should be on quality that empowers the learner with skills and in

the present context we need to be updated with the current technology.

Guest Speakers for the panel discussion included Prof. Bibhu Biswal, Cluster Innovation Centre, University of Delhi; Dr. S.K. Salwan, Vice-Chancellor, Apeejay Stya University; Dr. H Purushotham, CMD, National Research Development Corporation; Ms. Nivedita Das Kundu, York University; Ms. Anita Lal, The Education Counsellor and Dr. Satish Modh, Vivekananda Institute. The session was moderated by Mr. Nirav Bhatt, Barrister & Solicitor, Astha Lawyers.

Dr. Jatinder Singh, Director, PHD Chamber delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.



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# Conference on Renewable Energy -Challenges and Way Forward



**Inaugural Session:** Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, Mr. Pawan Kumar Kohli, Co-chairman, Renewable & Alternate Energy Committee and Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber; Mr. K S Popli, Chairman & Managing Director, India Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA); Mr. Sanjeev Gupta, Chairman, Renewable & Alternate Energy Committee, PHD Chamber; Dr. Purnima Jalihal, Project Coordinator, (BMDP), Scientist G, National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) and Dr. J P Gupta, Co-Chairman, Renewable & Alternate Energy Committee, PHD Chamber

The Renewable & Alternate Energy Committee of PHD Chamber organized a conference on 'Renewable Energy -Challenges and Way Forward' on February 7, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. It was attended by more than 130 delegates from Industry, Academia and Policymakers from different parts of the country.

Mr. K. S. Popli, CMD, India Renewable Energy Development Agency stated that the government is likely to roll out bids to set up solar power projects to the tune of around 7,500 mw in Ladakh and Leh region. He further said that the agency is aggressively focusing on 'Solarisation of Diesel Agri pumps' across the country with multiple socio-economic objectives.

Dr. Purnima Jalihal, Project Coordinator, (BMDP), Scientist G, National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) emphasized on harnessing the potential of the blue economy not only for power generation but also for other multiple applications such as providing cleaner drinking water.

Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Vice President, PHD Chamber in his welcome address proposed that IREDA and NIOT should join hands with PHD Chamber to make a meaningful impact on various sectors in the interest of all stakeholders and for sustainable economic progress.

Mr. Sanjeev Gupta, Chairman, Renewable Energy Committee, PHD Chamber in his industry perspective highlighted that fluctuations of RE Output,



**Plenary Session-I: Ultra Mega Solar Projects, Wind Energy & Energy Storage- Industry Outlook, Policy Initiatives and Regulatory Framework**

Mr. Vikas Bansal, Group Executive Vice President- Corporate Finance, YES Bank; Mr. Deepak Gupta, Vice President, Renew Power Limited; Mr. Neeraj Kumar Singal, Director, Semco Group; Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, PHD Chamber; Mr. Naushad Saifi, Senior Director, Jinko Solar and Mr. Sugata Mukherjee, Head- Solar and New Business, Tata Power DDL



**Plenary Session-II: Rooftop Solar- Stakeholder's Engagement & Way Forward**

Mr. Arun Kumar Mishra, Director-NPMU, Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd.; Mr. Tanmay Bishnoi, Head – Standards & Research, Skill Council for Green Jobs; Mr. Simarpreet Singh, Director, Hartek Group; Mr. Arjun Chaudhuri, Senior Journalist; Mr. Rachit Kumar, Manager, Punjab National Bank; Mr. Rajesh Bansal, Head- Network Operations, BSES Rajdhani Power Limited and Mr. Vijay Nirmal, Manager, US-India Clean Energy Finance, Climate Policy Initiative

inadequate RE storage capacity and ineffective credit support mechanisms were the key challenges which need to be addressed.

Dr. J.P. Gupta, Co-chairman, Renewable Energy Committee, PHD Chamber proposed a formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.

The conference had three Plenary Sessions which were addressed by eminent speakers both from the government and Industry.

Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, PHD Chamber in his concluding remarks requested the participants to send their valuable feedback and suggestions to the Chamber for the growth of the sector.



**Plenary Session-III: Potential & Future of Small Hydro Power & Bio-Energy in India**

Mr. Sanjay Kumar Shahi, Scientist-C, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy; Lt. Col Monish Ahuja (Retd), MD, Punjab Renewable Energy Systems Private Limited; Mr. Arun Sharma, President, Himalayas Power Producers Association and Mr. Y B Ramakrishna, Member, Working Group on Biofuels, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

## Seminar on Resolution Plan under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016



Mr. Virender Ganda, Senior Advocate- President, NCLT and AT Bar Association; Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.J. Mukhopadhyaya, Chairperson, National Company Law Appellate Tribunal; Hon'ble Chief Justice (Retd.) Mr. M.M. Kumar, President, National Company Law Tribunal and Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Advocate

PHD Chamber in collaboration with the National Company Law Tribunal and Appellate Tribunal Bar Association (NCLT & AT BAR), Society of Indian Law Firms (SILF) and The Bar Association of India organized a seminar on 'Resolution Plan under The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and Issues Arising Therefrom' on February 1, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi.

The session was addressed by Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. J. Mukhopadhyaya, Chairperson, National Company Law Appellate Tribunal; Hon'ble Chief Justice (Retd.) Mr. M.M. Kumar, President, National Company Law Tribunal and Mr. Virender Ganda, Senior Advocate and President of the National Company Law Tribunal and Appellate Tribunal Bar Association.

Hon'ble Chief Justice (Retd.) Mr. M.M. Kumar, President, National Company Law Tribunal emphasized that the resolution professionals have a greater role to play and seek solutions for the cases referred to NCLT so that these are resolved with

with utmost sincerity. He pointed out that the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the RBI have often recalled the contribution of National Company Law Tribunal in settling corporate cases, referred to it with such meticulousness that as a result huge amount of money came back to the banking institutions. Ever since, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 came into being, intensive efforts have been made for cases referred to NCLT and adjudicating authorities to find resolutions and liquidation has never been the objective.

Justice Mr. S. J. Mukhopadhyaya, Chairperson, National Company Law Appellate Tribunal asked the resolution professionals to perform their assigned duties with diligence and required detailing so that such professionals not only render required help for carving out resolution but also help adjudicating authorities in pronouncing their judgement. Justice Mukhopadhyaya stressed that the role of resolution professionals as well as

the Committee of Creditors and other such stakeholders becomes critical and important. He hoped that the resolution professionals will be making such diligence as this would lead to seeking a resolution rather than liquidation.

A panel discussion was also organized which was moderated by Mr. Virender Ganda, Senior Advocate. Mr. Sanjeev Krishan, PWC and Mr. Atul Sharma, Managing Partner, Linklegal India Law Services addressed the participants. While the former delved into the commercial aspects of the resolution process, the latter emphasized on the practical problems being faced in the corporate insolvency resolution process. Mr. Sanjeev Krishan opined that trading in debt might be the right way to go forward in resolving corporate insolvency. He illustrated that there has only been one case till date, where the financial creditor has been backed by the financial investor. He brought forward the practicality that even if there have been numerous cases where the corporate insolvency resolution process had been successfully initiated, most of them have somehow continued to remain in legal entanglements for a long time to come. Consequently, such corporate debt had been liquidated. A commonality between the speeches of Mr. Sanjeev Krishan and Mr. Atul Sharma was that both of them marked out the resolution process to be essentially a merger and acquisition process.

Around 230 delegates comprising of Senior Advocates, Advocates, Insolvency Resolution Professionals/ Resolution Professionals and other stakeholders attended the seminar.



# Mainstreaming the Marginalized through Digital Inclusion #PwDs #Tribals # Women

## A National Consultative Seminar

**KEYNOTE SESSION:** Thought leadership session on speeding digital inclusion for achieving SDG 10 (reduced inequalities)



Dr. S. Chandrasekaran, Co-chairman, CSR Committee and Dr. Jatinder Singh, Director, PHD Chamber; Dr Neeta Verma, Director General, National Informatics Centre, Department of Information Technology and Mr. Amit Kansal, TL, Centre for Development of Telematics, Ministry of Science & Technology

The CSR Committee of PHD Chamber organized a national consultative seminar on 'Mainstreaming the Marginalized through Digital Inclusion' on February 1, 2019 at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, Janpath Road, New Delhi.

The main objective of the seminar was to address the problems of the Persons with Disabilities, Tribals and Marginalized Women and provide innovative solutions to improve their socio-economic conditions in order to integrate them in the digital domain and overcome social exclusion.

Delivering the welcome address, Dr. S. Chandrasekaran, Co-chairman, CSR Committee, PHD Chamber stressed on the fact that Digital inclusion is not just about access to all things "digital" but also about meaningful engagement with digital content, adoption of digital tools and technologies and application of knowledge.

Dr. Neeta Verma, Director General, National Informatics Centre, Department of Information Technology said that multiple schemes have been launched in the digital domain but there are people who are not yet sensitized about their benefits, hence the need of spreading awareness to the marginalized sections of the population. Dr. Verma clearly pointed out that specific strategies can be planned out. In this

### SESSION I: Digital Inclusion for Persons with Disabilities



Dr Sushil Chandra, Scientist G, Defense Research and Development Organization; Mr. Nikunj Kishore Sundaray, IAS, Joint Secretary & Chief Executive Officer, The National Trust; Mr. Anup K Srivastava, Chief Executive Officer, Skill Council for Persons with Disability; Mr. Ashok Kumar, Technical Advisor, Dr. Reddy's Foundation and Dr Jitender Aggarwal, Founder, Sarthak Educational Trust

### SESSION 2: Digital Inclusion for Tribals



Dr Jatinder Singh, Director, PHD Chamber; Mr. Paramiyoti Chattopadhyay, Senior Manager, Deloitte and Mr. Rusen Kumar, Managing Editor, India CSR Network



## SESSION 3: Digital Inclusion for Marginalized Women



Dr Rashmi Singh, IAS, Secretary, New Delhi Municipal Council; Dr Jatinder Singh; Director, PHD Chamber; Dr Priyamvada Tripathi, Founder & CEO, Pink Tech Design and Mr. Rajiv Siwach, General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development

context, the entertainment industry can play a vital role in generation of awareness to the marginalized communities. Dr. Verma also opined that IT education is very important for knowledge creation in the digital sector.

Mr. Amit Kansal, TL, Centre for Development of Telematics, Ministry of Science & Technology emphasized on the three-pronged programme of the Govt of India i.e Jan Dhan-Aadhaar-Mobile programmes aimed at a comprehensive strategy of inclusion, financial

empowerment and social security. He highlighted that in India, increase of internet penetration leads to higher efficiency and productivity compared to global average and its impact is higher on GDP growth.

Other distinguished speakers included Mr. Rajiv Siwach, General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development; Dr Rashmi Singh, IAS, Secretary, New Delhi Municipal Council; Dr Sushil Chandra, Scientist G, Defense Research and Development Organization; Mr. Nikunja Kishore Sundaray, IAS, Joint

Secretary & Chief Executive Officer, The National Trust; Mr. Anup K Srivastava, Chief Executive Officer, Skill Council for Persons with Disability; Mr. Ashok Kumar, Technical Advisor, Dr. Reddy's Foundation; Dr. Jitender Aggarwal, Founder, Sarthak Educational Trust; Mr. Paramjyoti Chattopadhyay, Senior Manager, Deloitte; Mr. Rusen Kumar, Managing Editor, India CSR Network and Dr. Priyamvada Tripathi, Founder & CEO, Pink Tech design.

The Seminar was supported by NABARD.

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# Interaction with VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant



Mr. Peter Van Biesbroeck, CEO, VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant; Mr. Sanjay Beswal, Co-chairman, Foreign Trade and Investment Committee, PHD Chamber; Dr. S. P. Sharma, Chief Economist, PHD Chamber; Ms. Patricia Schoolmeesters, Head of Department, Economic & Trade, Stad Leuven; Mr. Han Vloeberghs, Chief Economic Policy Advisor, City of Leuven, Economics & Trade; Mr. Girish Bhagat, Indian Business Advisor, 2cib; Mr. G.L.Agrawal, President & Founder Trustee, Social Action Foundation and Mr. Sumeet Malhotra, Principal Enabler, Ground Strategy Consulting

**T**rade and Investment Facilitation Services (TIFS) and Foreign Trade and Investment Committee, PHD Chamber interacted with a three member delegation from VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant led by Mr. Peter Van Biesbroeck, CEO, VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant along with Ms. Patricia Schoolmeesters, Head of Department, Economic & Trade, Stad Leuven and Mr. Han Vloeberghs, Chief Economic Policy Advisor, City of Leuven, Economics & Trade on February 12, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi for enhanced facilitation between business firms of India and Belgium in various promising areas.



Mr. Sumeet Malhotra, Principal Enabler, Ground Strategy Consulting; Mr. Sudhir Kashyap, Advisor - International Business, Overseas Procurement Business Solutions; Mr. Han Vloeberghs, Chief Economic Policy Advisor, City of Leuven, Economics & Trade; Mr. Sanjay Beswal, Co-chairman, Foreign Trade and Investment Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. Peter Van Biesbroeck, CEO, VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant; Mr. Girish Bhagat, Indian Business Advisor, 2cib; Mr. G.L.Agrawal, President & Founder Trustee, Social Action Foundation; Ms. Patricia Schoolmeesters, Head of Department, Economic & Trade, Stad Leuven; Mr. Sonu Kumar Sah, Research Trainee, PHD Chamber; Ms. Surbhi Sharma, Associate Economist, PHD Chamber and Ms. Shreya, Intern, Ground Strategy Consulting

## Interaction with Business Delegation from Pau, France



Ms. Shweta Singh, Partner, Maheshwari & Co.; Prof Sanjay Sehgal, HoD, Department of Financial Studies, University of Delhi; Prof Muneesh Kumar, Department of Financial Studies, University of Delhi; Mr. Vishal Jindal, Senior Consultant, Vishad Edutech Pvt Ltd., and Chairman, Skill Development Committee, PHD Chamber; Dr. Florent DEISTING- HDR, Executive Dean and Professor in Finance, ESC, PAU; Mr. Didier Laporte, President, CCI Pau Bearn; Mr. Atul Prakash Anand, President, Rosmerts Technologies Ltd; Dr. S. P. Sharma, Chief Economist, PHD Chamber; Mr. G.L. Agrawal, President & Founder Trustee, Social Action Foundation; Dr. Youssef ERRAMI, Director General and Dean and Professor of Innovative Management, ESC, Pau; Ms. Surbhi Sharma, Associate Economist, Ms. Bhawna Kakkar, Research Associate and Ms. Sanajana Jagga, Intern, PHD Chamber

**T**rade and Investment Facilitation Services (TIFS) along with the Foreign Trade and Investment Committee of PHD Chamber organized an interaction with a three member delegation from Pau, France led by Mr. Didier Laporte, President, CCI Pau Bearn; Dr. Florent DEISTING- HDR, Executive Dean and Professor in Finance and Dr. Youssef Errami, Director General and Dean and Professor of Innovative Management, ESC, Pau on February 4, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi.



## MoU with VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Flemish-Brabant



Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President, PHD Chamber; Mr. Peter Van Biesbroeck, CEO, VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant and Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General, PHD Chamber

**P**HD Chamber signed a MoU with VOKA Chamber of Commerce and Industry Flemish-Brabant on February 12, 2019 at the Embassy of Belgium, New Delhi for strengthening trade and economic cooperation between India and Flanders. The MoU focuses on exchanging market information on various economic developments in India and Flanders with a view to opening up further possibilities for expanding trade between the two countries in the coming times.



# Multimodal Transportation Conclave-2019



**Inaugural Session:** Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, PHD Chamber; Mr. Pawanexh Kohli, CEO, National Centre for Cold-chain Development (NCCD), Govt. of India; Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, PHD Chamber; Ms. Leena Nandan, IAS, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India; Mr. Manoj Kumar, IAS, Managing Director, Delhi Transport Corporation, Govt. of NCT of Delhi and Mr. Ashish Wig, Chairman, Roads, Ports & Other Infrastructure Committee, PHD Chamber

The Roads, Ports and Other Infrastructure Committee, PHD Chamber organized its fourth 'Multimodal Transportation Conclave-2019' on January 24, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi which was attended by more than 150 delegates from industry and other stakeholders.

Chief Guest, Ms. Leena Nandan, IAS, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways informed that the Centre in collaboration with all States and UTs is trying to develop the land parcels owned by the State Transport Corporations as 'Bus Ports' which could be used by other stakeholders to smoothen the passenger traffic movement. The experiment is based on the facilities created at different Airports which are used by all entities either for passenger movement or for cargo movement.

Mr. Manoj Kumar, IAS, Managing Director, Delhi Transport Corporation, Govt. of NCT of Delhi said that to make sure that the safety of its commuters is ensured completely, 3900 DTC buses are to be fitted with GPS technology latest by March 2019. Currently, 1600 DTC buses are well facilitated with GPS facilities. He further informed that the DTC has undertaken a pilot project according to which route rationalization plan for the Najafgarh region will be achieved within the deadline of next few months in which not only DMRC but also other stakeholders like Gramin Sewa and the like are equally involved.

Mr. Pawanexh Kohli, CEO, National Centre for Cold-Chain Development (NCCD), stressed on the fact that the Indian Cold Chain industry is poised for a healthy growth in future & the Industry is evolving at a faster speed in India due to shift in

focus from increasing the production to better storage and transportation facility of the commodities.

Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, PHD Chamber mentioned that more and more players from variant sectors are relying on multimodal transportation and the potential for the logistics sector is enormous. But what is required on war footing is to plug the infrastructure gaps. A coordinated approach is required to oversee all infrastructure projects spanning road, rail, air, coastal shipping and inland waterways. This will not only speed up things, but also bring in transparency.

Mr. Ashish Wig, Chairman, Roads, Ports & Other Infrastructure Committee, PHD Chamber in his Industry Perspective mentioned that the highest growth has been in road freight transport, which incidentally is the mode with the highest



**Plenary Session-I on 'Transport Infrastructure for Seamless Connectivity'**

Mr. S.K. Lohia, MD&CEO, Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation Limited (IRSDC), Govt. of India; Mr. D.K. Rai, Director (Sagarmala), Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India; Mr. R.K. Pandey, Member (Projects), National Highways Authority of India (NHAI); Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, PHD Chamber; Mr. Biplav Kumar, GGM-Business Development, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL); Mr. Gopal Dalmia, Member, State Innovation Council, Puducherry & Member Coordination, Puducherry Rail Projects Coordination Committee and Mr. Anshuman Chauhan, Associate Director-Transport & Logistics, CRISIL Infrastructure Advisory



#### Plenary Session-II on 'Integrated Multimodal Transportation network for reducing the logistics cost'

Mr. Varun Bhardwaj, Deputy Secretary, PHD Chamber; Mr. N Ramakrishna, VP - Business Development, Kribhco Infrastructure Ltd.; Mr. Ramesh Venkat, Head- Industry Partnerships, Logistics Sector Skill Council; Mr. Pabitra Mohan Panda, Asst. Vice President, TCI Express Limited; Mr. Arjun Chaudhuri, Sr. Journalist; Mr. Anil Arora, Founding Partner, Aetos Growth Partners LLP; Mr. Firoze Hussain, Vice President, Delhivery Private Limited and Mr. Atul Holkar, Senior Vice President-Supply Chain, Varun Beverages Limited

external costs. In the meantime, competing freight transport alternatives, e.g. rail, air, sea shipping and inland navigation have been largely underutilized. Shifting the balance between modes and supporting multimodality in freight transport is one of the main priorities of the country, Mr. Wig added.

The Conclave had three plenary sessions which were addressed by various eminent speakers both from the government and private sector. Industry experts included Mr. R.K. Pandey, Member (Projects), National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; Mr. S.K. Lohia, MD & CEO, Indian Railway Stations Development

Corporation Limited (IRSDC); Mr. D.K. Rai, Director (Sagarmala), Ministry of Shipping; Mr. Gopal Dalmia, Member, State Innovation Council, Puducherry & Member Coordination, Puducherry Rail Projects Coordination Committee; Mr. Biplav Kumar, GGM-Business Development, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL); Mr. Anshuman Chauhan, Associate Director-Transport & Logistics, CRISIL Infrastructure Advisory; Mr. Anil Arora, Founding Partner, Aetos Growth Partners LLP; Mr. Pabitra Mohan Panda, Asst. Vice President, TCI Express Limited; Mr. Atul Holkar, Senior Vice President-Supply Chain, Varun Beverages Limited; Mr. Ramesh Venkat, Head- Industry

Partnerships, Logistics Sector Skill Council; Mr. N Ramakrishna, VP, Business Development, Kribhco Infrastructure Ltd.; Mr. Firoze Hussain, Vice President, Delhivery Private Limited; Mr. Binay Kumar, Chairman, Banaras House Pvt. Ltd. & Former President, PHD Chamber; Mr. Harsh Dhingra, Management Consultant-Rail & Metro; Mr. Nilesh Sinha, Director & CEO, Procum Group and Dr. E. Madhu, Senior Principal Scientist, Central Road Research Institute (CRRI).

Dr. Ranjeet Mehta, Principal Director, PHD Chamber delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.



#### Plenary Session-III on 'Technological disruptions for creating multimodal transport Infrastructure'

Dr. E. Madhu, Senior Principal Scientist, Central Road Research Institute (CRRI) ; Mr. Binay Kumar, Chairman, Banaras House Pvt. Ltd. & Former President, PHD Chamber ; Mr. Ashish Wig, Chairman, Roads, Ports & other Infrastructure Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. Harsh Dhingra, Management Consultant-Rail & Metro and Mr. Nilesh Sinha, Director & CEO, Procum Group



## Solar Awareness Session

The Chandigarh Chapter of PHD Chamber flagged off the Solar Awareness Campaign for the year 2019 by organizing the first awareness seminar on Solar Energy on February 15, 2019 at Chandigarh College of Architecture (CCA), Chandigarh. The session highlighted the various forms of renewable energy and importance of usage of solar energy. The interaction was attended by over 70 students of Chandigarh College of Architecture along with the faculty members.

Mr. Simarpreet Singh, Chairman, Regional Committee on Power & Renewable Energy, PHD Chamber & Director, Hartek Group said that Renewable energy is not only the answer to all energy problems but a solution to build a sustainable infrastructure for the future. Architects are the pillars of our country who are the force behind the infrastructure building. He expressed his happiness in interacting with budding architects of CCA and create awareness about solar energy.

Ar. Manmohan Khanna, Member,



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Regional Committee on Power & Renewable Energy, PHD Chamber & Director, KMA Architects mentioned that owing to Solar Passive Architecture, India is ranked the third largest solar market in the world. India is relatively well placed in terms of harnessing wind, tidal, solar and geothermal energy by the virtue of its geographical position. He further spoke about the technology available today

in solar power and the need for further research to make it more beneficial and productive. He also explained how to audit energy consumption in buildings.

Ar. Sohal Lal, Dean of Academics, Chandigarh College of Architecture thanked PHD Chamber for conducting the session.

## Workshop on Circular Economy for Productivity & Sustainability

PHD Chamber in association with the National Productivity Council (NPC), Chandigarh organized a regional workshop on 'Circular Economy for Productivity & Sustainability' on February 12, 2019 at PHD House, Chandigarh.

Chief Guest, Dr. Amrik Sohal, Former Dean-Department of Management, Monash University, Australia explained the difference between linear economy and circular economy, principles of circular economy and challenges in moving towards a circular economy.

Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, PHD Chamber stated the challenges to put circular consumption into practice which can be addressed by 3R Principles based on Reduce, Recycle and Reuse. The principle reflects the scope for converting wastes into valuable products and making the Mission Zero Waste a reality.

Mr. R.S. Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter, PHD Chamber stated that India has the opportunity to save money, make money and do good by adopting the



Mr. R.S. Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter, PHD Chamber addressing the participants

principles of a circular economy. He further mentioned, in a world that is increasingly running out of natural resources, this thinking is an asset that must be leveraged by businesses, policymakers and citizens in an organized manner and expanded to include other elements to make the economy truly circular.

Mr. S.P. Singh, Regional Head, NPC, Chandigarh mentioned that every year NPC celebrates February 12 as 'National

Productivity Day' and February 12-18, as 'National Productivity Week' to promote productivity culture in the country and create awareness among citizens, industry and other stakeholders. He further informed that Circular Economy for Productivity and Sustainability is the theme for the year 2019.

Ms. Rimneet Kaur, Deputy Resident Director, PHD Chamber delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.



# Budget Viewing Session 2019-20

The 2019-20 Budget Viewing Session was held on February 1, 2019 at PHD House, Chandigarh for industry entrepreneurs and media. A team from the Income Tax Department led by Mr. B K Jha, IRS Principal Chief Commissioner, North West Region was also present.

After viewing the live telecast of the Budget Speech of Mr. Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Interim Union Finance Minister, participants termed it as innovative and an inclusive Budget.

Dr. Ashok Khanna, Former President, PHD Chamber said that the Interim Budget - 2019 was a very well documented budget and has something for all sections of the society.

Mr. R S Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter, PHD Chamber welcomed the various provisions announced in the interim Budget such as hike in Income Tax exemption to Rs. five lakhs, increase in TDS exemption on banks and post office interest income.

Mr. B K Jha, IRS Principal Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Chandigarh termed the budget as balanced and opined that the announcement of assessing the Income Tax Returns electronically within 24 hours will bring transparency into the system, a great relief for the honest tax payers.

Mr. Jha took this opportunity to inform the participants that his Department has been organizing outreach programs in Ludhiana schools for the past one and a half year to motivate people for tax compliance and as a result of this campaign around 20 percent new tax payers have been added. Besides the outreach programs, the IT Department has also undertaken a skill development program for under privileged children titled 'Slums to Schools'. He invited PHD Chamber to partner with the Income Tax Department for these initiatives.



Ms. Sonali Arora, IRS, Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Panchkula; Mr. R S Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI; Dr. Ashok Khanna, Former President, PHDCCI; Ms. Sudha Sharma, former Chief Commissioner of Income Tax and Mr. B. K. Jha, IRS Principal Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, North West Region

Ms. Sudha Sharma, Former Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, termed the interim Budget as innovative that has provision for every category. Ms. Sharma informed that her NGO was working for education of slum children and desired that PHD Chamber should associate with this social work.

Dr. Ashok Khanna indicated that PHD Chamber has always been on the forefront in CSR activities and assured that the Chamber will be happy to associate with them and asked the Regional Director to work out modalities for the same.

Eminent dignitaries from the Income Tax Department comprised of Mr. Ram Mohan Tiwari, IRS, Commissioner Income Tax, Admin & TPS, Chandigarh; Mr. Ram Mohan Singh, IRS, Commissioner Income Tax, Exemption, Chandigarh; Ms. Sukhwinder Khanna, IRS, Principal Commissioner, Income Tax 1; Ms. Poonam K Sidhu, IRS, Principal Commissioner, Income Tax 2; Mr. Rameshwar Singh, IRS, Principal Commissioner, Income Tax, Panchkula and Ms. Sonali Arora, IRS, Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Panchkula and Shimla.



Ms. Poonam K Sidhu, IRS, Principal Commissioner, Income Tax 2; Ms. Sonali Arora, IRS, Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Panchkula; Mr. R S Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter, PHDCCI; Dr. Ashok Khanna, Former President, PHDCCI; Ms. Sudha Sharma, Former Chief Commissioner of Income Tax; Mr. B K Jha, IRS Principal Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, North West Region and Ms. Sukhwinder Khanna, IRS, Principal Commissioner, Income Tax 1



Participants at the Budget Viewing Session



# Awareness Programme on Importance of Intellectual Property Rights



Mr Mithilesh Kumar, Joint Secretary, PHD Chamber, Mr. Sandeep Agarwal, Director, Aastra IP, Dr H P Kumar, Advisor, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Former Chairman and Managing Director, NSIC, Mr. Jose Manuel Noronha, Chairman, Goa Public Service Commission, Panaji, Goa and Chairman, Goa State Innovation Council; Mr. Vishwanath, Chairman, MSME Committee, PHD Chamber, Mr Vijay T. Doye, Assistant Controller of Patents & Designs, Patent Office, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, and Mr D S Prasant, CEO, Forum for Innovation Incubation Research and Entrepreneurship (FiIRE), Goa

**P**HD Chamber in collaboration with Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks, Ministry of Commerce and Industry organized an awareness programme on 'Importance of Intellectual Property Rights' on January 31, 2019 at World Trade Centre EDC House, Panaji. The objective was to educate and support MSMEs, Industry Associations and other concerned stakeholders in raising awareness about IPR related issues.

Mr. Vishwanath, Chairman, MSME Committee, PHD Chamber welcomed the Chief Guest, Mr. Jose Manuel Noronha, Chairman, Goa Public Service Commission, Panaji and Chairman, Goa State Innovation Council and Mr Vijay T. Doye, Assistant Controller of Patents & Designs, Mumbai Office and other dignitaries.

Dr. Mridula Goel, Associate Professor, Department of Economics said that IPR is an important driving force for the economic, cultural and social development that contributes to the enrichment of the society through new and useful goods & services and tech information.

Dr. H P Kumar, Advisor, PHD Chamber and Former Chairman and Managing Director, NSIC spoke on the basic concepts of Intellectual Property Rights.

Mr. Vijay T. Doye, Assistant Controller of Patents & Designs from Mumbai Office spoke on the various Indian laws available where one can take help in case of infringement of his or her IP Rights. He also informed about the procedures and importance of securing intellectual property of an enterprise and its implications in the global markets.

Mr. D. S. Prasant, CEO, Forum for Innovation Incubation Research and Entrepreneurship, Goa said that the government recognizes direct link between GDP growth with the innovation index of industry and of MSMEs in particular. He said that IPR spurs innovation and thus the government both at the Central and State level are constantly engaging in efforts for bringing out needed changes in regulations to create an enabling environment.

Mr. Sandeep Agarwal gave a presentation on IPR tools such as Patents, Trademarks, Industrial Design, Geographical Indication, Copyright, Trade secrets, Layout designs for integrated circuits, Plant breeder rights, etc. He also spoke on Commercialization and Technology transfer issues faced by R&D organizations and industry.



Participants

# Seminar on Importance of Energy Efficiency for MSMEs

**P**HD Chamber in association with the World Trade Centre organized a 'Seminar on Importance of Energy Efficiency for MSMEs' on January 30, 2019 at EDC Limited, Panaji. The objective was to deliberate on different aspects of promoting energy efficiency among SMEs, identify innovative ways of financing energy efficiency projects and discuss major barriers to improve energy efficiency in SMEs.

Mr. Vishwanath, Chairman, MSME Committee, PHD Chamber in his welcome address said that MSMEs need to be innovative and should adopt new technologies for growth of their companies. Mr. Vishwanath also encouraged MSMEs to carry out periodic Energy Audits so that wastages in energy consumption can be identified and suitable measures put in place to plug energy wastages and thus add to the profitability of the organizations.

Mr. H. P. Kumar, Former CMD, NSIC in his address informed that in some MSMEs, the cost of energy is almost 20 to 25% of the input cost, thus making them highly uncompetitive in international markets. He also stressed on the need of periodic Energy Audits to reduce wasteful energy consumption and thus become competitive in the pricing of products both for domestic as well as international markets.

Mr. G. R. Akadas, Director, MSME DI, Goa in his address urged MSMEs to



Mr. H. P. Kumar, former CMD, NSIC; Mr. Vishwanath, Chairman, MSME Committee, PHD Chamber; Mr. G. R. Akadas, Director, MSME DI, Goa and Mr. Cyril Desouza, Assistant Director, Trade Promotion, World Trade Centre Goa

implement Lean Manufacturing practices in their organizations to reduce the use of energy. He also briefed about the schemes being implemented by various government agencies for enhancing energy efficiency in energy - intensive SME clusters. Prominent among them is the BEE program for energy efficiency upgrade in 35 selected energy intensive SME clusters and the technology as well as quality up-gradation scheme of the Ministry of MSMEs.

Mr. K B Kulkarni, Proprietor, Comfort Services said that energy conservation would help in reducing carbon footprint and global warming. He gave a presentation on proper maintenance of air conditioning systems for reducing the cost of energy consumption.

Mr. Anish Sousa, Founder and CEO of Sun 360 gave a presentation on Solar Energy Systems and how it could play a very important role in future to help reduce the cost of energy consumption. He opined that although installing and maintaining Solar Energy Systems are a bit expensive initially, over a period of time the cost benefits are innumerable.

Mr. Ketan Kenkre, Director, Sanya Energy LLP spoke on "The Missing Link to Renewable Energy while Mr. Vijay Kalinani, DGM Small Industries Bank of India made a presentation on "Funding Schemes for MSMEs from SIDBI."

Mr. Cyril Desouza, Assistant Director, Trade Promotion, World Trade Centre Goa delivered the vote-of-thanks to the guests.



Participants



# MSME Conclave



Mr. Bhushan Goel, Chairman, Haryana Agriculture Sub Committee, Haryana, PHDCCI (addressing the participants); Mr. Rahul Priyadarshi, GM, SIDBI; Mr. Major Singh, Director, MSME DI; Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter, PHDCCI; Mr. Lokesh Jain, Chairman, MSME Sub Committee, Haryana, PHDCCI and Mr. Mrigendra Lal Das, GM, SBI

The Haryana State Chapter of PHD Chamber organized a MSME Conclave on January 25, 2019 at Karnal, Haryana. The conclave aimed to inform the industry representatives of the various schemes introduced by the Haryana government as well as the Central government for the industry as well as apprise them about the funding schemes of banking institutions.

Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter, PHD Chamber welcomed the government officials, delegates and media present during the occasion. He informed that PHD Chamber has a MSME Facilitation Centre at New Delhi and Chandigarh to provide all the required information to MSMEs.

Mr. Anil Kumar, Joint Director, Dept. of Industries and Commerce, Haryana gave a presentation about the industrial policy of Haryana Government for the MSMEs. Mr. Major Singh, Director, MSME DI apprised the delegates about the incentive schemes provided by the Ministry of MSMEs.

Mr. Mrigendra Lal Das, GM, SBI & Mr. Rahul Priyadarshi, GM, SIDBI talked about the various funding schemes for the industry.

Mr. Royal Benjimen, Associate Manager, Bombay Stock Exchange described the benefits of listing SMEs on BSE. Representatives from HSIIDC, Electricity Board & Pollution Control Board were also present to address the issues of the local industry and assured full support to the industrialists.

Mr. Bhushan Goel, Chairman, Agriculture Sub Committee, Haryana State Chapter, PHD Chamber while moderating the session assured that all the problems discussed during the conclave would be shared with ACS, Industries and Commerce, Haryana. Other dignitaries included Mr. Subhash Chander Rana, President, Laghu Udyog Bharti, Karnal, Mr. Subhash Goyal, President, Rice Miller Association, Karnal and Mr. R.L. Sharma President, Pharma Cluster Karnal.

Mr. Lokesh Jain, Chairman, MSME Sub Committee, Haryana State Chapter, PHD Chamber delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.

Over 100 industrialists from in and around Karnal attended the program.



Delegates attending the session

# Awareness Programme on Importance of Intellectual Property Rights



Mr. Manoj Madhavan, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, Office of Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks, Govt of India, Chennai; Mr E V Shiril, Chairman, Kerala Chapter, PHD Chamber; Dr. K. Santhosh Kumar, Dean, RGCB and Ms. Kanchan Zutshi, Secretary, MSME Committee, PHDCCI

**P**HD Chamber with the support of the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks, Ministry of Commerce and Industry and Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology (RGCB), Thiruvananthapuram India organized a seminar on 'Importance of Intellectual Property Rights' on January 15, 2019 at Thiruvananthapuram.

Dr. K. Santhosh Kumar, Dean, RGCB said the seminar will be incredibly helpful to understand how to convert research and project work into patents which will bring a positive transformation among the

faculty members' attitude in their projects and research work.

Dr. E. Sree Kumar, Chief Scientific Officer, Office of Technology Ventures said this was an event where the researchers, industry & academia got together to discuss the problems and opportunities with respect to IPRs.

Mr. E V Shiril, Chairman, Kerala Chapter, PHD Chamber mentioned the importance of Universities in developing the skills of students at the basic stage.

Mr. Manoj Madhavan, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, Office

of Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks highlighted the importance of IPR by giving an example of biotech sector. He spoke at length about the need of skill, academics and implications of patent laws.

Dr. Mandira Roy, Director, Adastra IP, talked about IP Commercialisation and its process. She emphasized that University IP is a big business. She mentioned about technology development pathway in which certain key questions should be kept in mind before manufacturing a product by looking at its cost and availability of other similar products in the market.

Mr. Sandeep Aggarwal, Director, Adastra IP gave a presentation on the importance of IPR, its issues and challenges and how it protects a person from the misuse of their innovation. He emphasized that it is very important for an institution to have a policy for IP rights as academic institutions play a vital role in the innovation sector and having an expert team can further help the students. He detailed about the different types of IPs in India and also presented a comparative study of IPs filed all over the world.

Ms. Kanchan Zutshi, Secretary, MSME Committee PHDCCI mentioned that to promote IP culture, it is very important that the faculty should come forward and help the students by providing awareness of IPR and further help them by connecting with the experts for availing IPs for their innovations.



Participants



## Members Meet- MP State Chapter

The MP State Chapter of PHD Chamber organized a Members Meet for members of MP State Chapter on January 30, 2019 at the Conference Hall of PHD Chamber, Bhopal. Mr. Subhash Vithaldas, Chairman MP Committee presided over the meeting along with Mr. Pradeep Karambelkar, Co-chairman, MP Chapter and Mr. R G Dwivedi, Regional Director, PHD Chamber, Madhya Pradesh.



State Chapter Members along with Mr. Subhash Vithaldas, Chairman and Mr. Pradeep Karambelkar, Co-chairman, MP Committee

## Felicitation of PHD Chamber Members' Madhya Pradesh

To encourage best practices of Business among MSMEs & Start-ups of Madhya Pradesh, Consumer Protection Welfare Services Society, Madhya Pradesh organized an Award Ceremony for PHD Members, namely the 'Raja Bhoj Udyog Ratna Award' on February 3, 2019 at Hotel Surendra Vilas, Bhopal.

Mr. Subhash Vithaldas, Chairman, MP State Chapter, PHD Chamber; Mr. Vishwas Ghuse, Secretary, BMA Bhopal; Mr. Pratap Verma, Advisor, Federation of MP Industry, Trade & Services; Mr. V C Dubey, Incharge, Startup Incubation Cell MSME, Govt of MP; Mr. Sunil Joshi, Secretary, Institution



Mr. Kunal Giani, Managing Director of Sarva Foam P Ltd Bhopal being felicitated with Raja Bhoj Udyog Ratna Award



Mr. Piyush Tiwari, Director, Tapti Marvels P Ltd Betul being felicitated with Raja Bhoj Udyog Ratna Award

of Engineers, Bhopal and Mr. R G Dwivedi, Regional Director, PHD Chamber were present during the ceremony.

The Raja Bhoj Udyog Ratna Award was bestowed upon the following Members of PHD Chamber: Mr. Kunal Giani, Managing Director, Sarva Foam P Ltd, Bhopal; Mr. Piyush Tiwari, Director, Tapti Marvels P Ltd, Betul; Mr. Dilip Suryawanshi, MD, Vijay Enterprises Betul; Mr. Pawan Tamrakar, Director, Harish Metals, Satna and Mr. Swapnil Tripathi, Gennext Technologies P Ltd.

# Seminar on GST Audit and Annual Return- Issues, Approach and Challenges



Advocate Pawan Kumar Pahwa, Chairman, Taxation Sub-Committee, Punjab State Chapter, PHD Chamber & Partner, Panacea Legal Services, Chandigarh addressing the participants -Also seen: Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, PHD Chamber; CA Vishal Garg, Former Chairman, NIRC of ICAI; Mr. Pawan Garg, D.E.T.C.(Admin), Department of Excise & Taxation, Ludhiana; CA Nagesh Bajaj, MD, Lawcrux Advisors Pvt. Ltd and Mr. G S Kular, President, Federation of Industrial and Commercial Organization (FICO) Ludhiana



**P**HD Chamber under the PHD-KAS Project organized a seminar on 'GST Audit and Annual Return- Issues, Approach and Challenges' on January 18, 2019 at Hotel Park Plaza, Ludhiana.

While welcoming the participants, Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, PHD Chamber mentioned that all taxpayers registered under GST are required to furnish an Annual Return (GSTR 9) along with a copy of audited annual accounts and GST Audit Report (GSTR 9C) for the Financial Year 2017-18 on or before June 30, 2019.

Addressing the participants, Advocate Pawan Kumar Pahwa, Chairman, Taxation Sub-Committee, Punjab State Chapter, PHD Chamber & Partner, Panacea Legal Services, Chandigarh stated that the introduction of Goods and Service Tax has been a very noteworthy step in the field of indirect tax reforms in India. Despite teething troubles and confusion over the new law, the Government crossed some crucial milestones with GST, he added.

Adv. Pahwa said that though GST has been successfully implemented, the government is making every effort to iron out the teething problems and difficulties being faced by trade and industry. He said that in the GST Council's 32nd meeting, certain amendments have been proposed to ease out business and trade of compliances under GST.

Mr. Pawan Garg, Deputy Excise and Taxation Commissioner (DETC) Ludhiana, Department of Excise and Taxation, Government of Punjab answered the issues and queries of the industry members.

CA Vishal Garg, Ex-Chairman, NIRC of ICAI in his presentation on 'Importance of GSTR 9; How to prepare Annual Return in form GSTR 9 and Important aspects to be considered while preparing GSTR 9' apprised participants on the annual reconciliation statement to be prepared and filed by the tax payers having an annual turnover of more than Rs. 2 crores.

CA Nagesh Bajaj, MD, Lawcrux Advisors Pvt. Ltd. covered in detail the important decisions and Advance Rulings under GST. He also discussed about usage of e-book on GST.

Queries and various issues on GST were discussed at length during the interactive question and answer session.

Mr. GS Kular, President, Federation of Industrial and Commercial Organization (FICO) Ludhiana delivered the formal vote-of- thanks to the guests.



Participants



# Meeting with Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Uzbekistan

The Rajasthan Chapter of PHD Chamber organized a meeting with H.E. Mr. Farhod ARZIEV, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Uzbekistan to India on February 2, 2019 at Hotel The Fern, Jaipur.

The decades old India Uzbekistan trade and commerce relations are showing new dynamics presently with US\$ 3 billion agreements signed between the two countries. Interacting with PHDCCI, Rajasthan Chapter members, H.E. Farhod Arziev, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Uzbekistan to India said, "Tourism is one area where ties between the two countries are going to be strengthened."

The interaction was aimed at stakeholders exploring business opportunities in Uzbekistan following an agreement between the Republic of Uzbekistan and India on cooperation in the field of tourism.

"We welcome with open arms any and every kind of investment in Uzbekistan. Tourism in the country had grown exponentially at 200 percent in the last one year and we are short of 50,000 rooms. There is a great scope for Indians to invest in hotels, restaurants, guest houses, transport infrastructure and bring in airlines to cater to tourism," stated Mr. Arziev.

Interacting with the representatives of industry, Rajasthan Association of Tour Operators and Federation of Hospitality and Tourism of Rajasthan FHTR, the Ambassador elucidated several sops that the government of Uzbekistan is willing to extend to investors. "The government would provide free land for hotels besides zero tax benefits for 15 years to registered investors. We would insure safety of investment and also promote those interested in hill resorts that abound with hot springs for spas or healing medical tourism. Developing tourism infrastructure is a priority," said Mr. Arziev.

Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, PHDCCI, Rajasthan Chapter, said, "The interaction with Mr. Farhod Arziev has opened up new vistas for both inbound and outbound tourism. Barely two hours away, Uzbekistan is a great destination and we hope both the countries have much to gain, economically, socially and culturally."



Mr. Bhim Singh, President, FHTR; Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, PHDCCI, Rajasthan Chapter; H.E. Ambassador Farhod Arziev, Republic of Uzbekistan; Mr. Khalid Khan, Executive Director, IATO; Mr. Mahender Singh RATO and Mr. Mukesh Gupta, Morarka Foundation

Mr. Sharad Mishra, Chairman, Hospitality, Handicraft & Tourism Committee, PHDCCI-Rajasthan presented a special address while Mr. Abhinav Bishnoi, Co-chairman, Handicraft & Tourism Committee, PHDCCI-Rajasthan delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.

The conference was moderated by Ms. Rachna Singh, Regional Director, PHDCCI Rajasthan.



Mr. Abhinav Bishnoi, Co-chairman, Tourism, Hospitality and Handicrafts Committee; H.E. Ambassador Farhod Arziev, Republic of Uzbekistan, Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, PHDCCI Rajasthan Chapter and Mr. Sharad Mishra, Chairman, Tourism Hospitality and Handicrafts Committee, PHDCCI-Rajasthan



Tourism stakeholders at the meet

# Conference on Solid Waste Management: Challenges & Opportunities



Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, Rajasthan Chapter, PHD Chamber; Ms. Rachna Singh, Regional Director, PHDCCI Rajasthan; Mr. Gaurav Goyal, IAS, Managing Director, RIICO; Mr. Rajeeva Swarup, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, ACS, Home, Home Guard, Jail & Rajasthan State Investigation Bureau; Mr. Dalip Singh, Retired Justice & Former Judicial Member of National Green Tribunal and Mr. Rishabh Kasliwal, Chairman, Energy & Environment Committee, PHDCCI-Rajasthan

The Rajasthan Chapter of PHD Chamber organized a conference on 'Solid Waste Management' on January 18, 2019 at Hotel Hilton, Jaipur. The conference was supported by RIICO. The objective was to minimize solid waste in industrial estates and find opportunities to turn waste into wealth for achieving Zero Landfill by 2020.

Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, PHDCCI-Rajasthan Chapter said, "Today waste management is no more a financial burden rather a problem of lack of awareness. In fact, investment in waste management is paying off. If you have plants in your campus, you buy manure with the waste generated by your unit, you will not have to spend for manure".

Chief Guest, Mr. Rajeeva Swarup, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, ACS, Home, Home Guard, Jail & Rajasthan State Investigation Bureau asserted that we should take responsibility for the waste we generate as the first point of onus in waste management is of the person who generates the waste.

Guest of Honour, Mr. Gaurav Goyal, Managing Director, RIICO assured that RIICO will provide technical assistance to industrial units in its zone to upgrade common affluent treatment plants (CETPs) and provide land as well to set up new ones to check pollution. Mr. Goyal also stated that if required, RIICO would also help in research and development for developing new technologies to address the problem of pollution. He further added that RIICO will lay out pavements and repair old ones in partnership with the industrial units to improve the infrastructure. These pavements would be planted with trees to

check air pollution in industrial areas and developing and maintaining parks will also be given priority, he reiterated.

Other speakers included Ms. Almitra Patel, Member, Supreme Court, Solid Waste Management Committee; Mr. Dalip Singh, Rajasthan High Court Retired Judge and National Green Tribunal Judicial Member; Mr. Ulhas Parlikar, Global Advisor Waste Management and Dr Vivek Agrawal, Chairman, WGCCT, International Solid Waste Association.

Ms. Almitra Patel, Member, Supreme Court Committee on SWM focused on Solid Waste Management in the textile industry. She said that finely-shredded thin carry-bags, multi-films and thermo Cole that is usually burnt by industries can be sprinkled onto heated stones in a hot-mix plant. They soften and give the stones a good coating to which tar (asphalt, bitumen) bonds very firmly. Road life is more than doubled and costs are also less as 8% by weight of bitumen can be replaced by shredded plastic.

"Waste is not Waste - It is an Unutilized Resource", said Former Judicial Member of National Green Tribunal, Retd. Justice Dalip Singh.

RIICO envisaging to achieve the target of "Zero Landfill" by the year 2020 unveiled its plans at the conference. The conference also pitched for a different approach towards sustainable development.

The event saw active participation of the Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board and RIICO officials.

Mr. Rishabh Kasliwal, Chairman, Energy & Environment Committee, PHDCCI-Rajasthan presented the keynote address. Ms. Sunita Mantri, Co-chairperson, Energy & Environment Committee, PHD Chamber, Rajasthan delivered the vote-of- thanks to the dignitaries and participants.

Mr. Yogesh Srivastav, Principal Director, PHD Chamber was also present. The conference was moderated by Ms. Rachna Singh, Regional Director, PHDCCI Rajasthan.



Dr. Vivek Agrawal, Chairman WGCCT, International Solid Waste Association; Dr. Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, Rajasthan Chapter, PHD Chamber; Dr. Vijay Singhal, Chief Engineer, Rajasthan Pollution Control Board; Mr. Vikram Joshi, Textile Technologist, Jaipur Bloc; Mr. Dalip Singh, Retired Justice & former Judicial Member of National Green Tribunal; Mr. K C A Arun Prasad, Member Secretary, Rajasthan Pollution Control Board; Mr. Ulhas Parlikar, Global Consultant, Waste Management and Ms. Almitra Patel, Member, Supreme Court Committee for Solid Waste Management



# Awareness Programme on Importance of Intellectual Property Rights



Mr. Sandeep Agarwal, Director, Adastra IP; Dr.T.Kamali, Dean (Research), Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal; Er T Sheela, Project Scientist, Patent Information Centre, Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology; Mr. Mithilesh Kumar, Joint Secretary, PHD Chamber; Dr. G. Valli, Vice Chancellor, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal; Dr. A.Suganthi, Registrar, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal; Mr. A Raja, Assistant Controller of Patents and Designs, Office of Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks, Chennai and Dr. Mandira Roy, Director Tech Transfer & Commercialisation, Adastra IP

**P**HD Chamber and Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal, Tamilnadu in collaboration with the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks, Ministry of Commerce and Industry organized an awareness Programme and workshop on 'Importance of Intellectual Property Rights' for women on February 8, 2019 at Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.

The objective of the workshop was to educate women faculty members, research scholars, faculty members, start-ups and academicians for adopting best practices in generation, protection and efficient management of their intellectual assets and to disseminate information about IPR and its benefits for boosting economic development of the country.

Dr. G. Valli, Vice Chancellor, appreciated the initiative and efforts of the faculty members of the University for organizing this seminar. Dr. Vallie said IPRs are an important driving force for the economic, cultural and social development that contribute to the enrichment of society through new and useful goods and services and tech information. She said that Kodaikanal being rich in natural resources has vast scope in the field of IPR especially in Geographical Indications.

Dr. A. Suganthi, Registrar, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal motivated all the faculty members to undertake research work and aim for quality contribution.

Mr. Mithilesh Kumar, Joint Secretary, PHD Chamber briefed about PHD Chamber

and its engagement in discussions between the Government, Industry and International Agencies for bringing out the vitals for growth.

Er T Sheela, Project Scientist, Patent Information Centre, Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology insisted that all participants should file for patents of their academic research and innovations to protect their intellectual work.

Mr. A Raja, Assistant Controller of Patents & Designs from Chennai Office spoke on patenting in India with relevant details like fee structure, time required and on how to obtain patents in other countries.

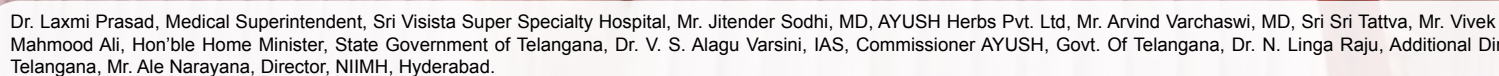
Mr. Sandeep Agarwal, Director, Adastra IP gave a presentation on introduction to

IPR tools such as Patents, Trademarks, Industrial Design, Geographical Indication, Copyright, Trade secrets, Layout designs for integrated circuits, Plant breeder rights, etc.

Dr. Mandira Roy, Director, Adastra IP talked about IP Commercialisation and its process. She indicated the Commercialization and Technology transfer issues faced by R&D Organizations and Industry. She also pointed out the bottlenecks that included: lack of IPR education, lack of interests amongst industries to encourage R&D and commercialization of inventions.

Dr. Usha Raja Nanthini, Associate Professor of Department of Biotechnology, Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal delivered the vote-of-thanks to the distinguished dignitaries.

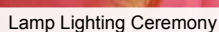




Mr. Mohd. Mahmood Ali, Hon'ble Home

The Inaugural session was attended by government officials of the State Govt. Of Telangana and different Councils of Indian Medicine like CCRAS (Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences),

Cultural evenings were conducted by the students of Homeopathy, Unani, Ayurveda and Siddha Medical Colleges of Telangana.







Dr. Y. Praveen Kumar, Principal Director, PHD Chamber, Shri. Mohd. Seigell, Director (Homeopathy), Department of AYUSH, Govt. of

## Valedictory Session

Mr. Bandaru Dattatreya, MP, Secunderabad was the Chief Guest for the Valedictory Session. Also present were the HODs of different AYUSH Departments from the Govt. of Telangana. Mr. Dattatreya spoke about the recognition of Yoga at the United Nations under the able leadership of Prime Minister, Narendra, Modi and also talked about the benefits of AYUSH in our daily lives. The Hon'ble MP of Secunderabad appreciated the efforts of PHD Chamber and thanked the Chamber for organizing the successful AROGYA Fair at Hyderabad.

The overall footfall for AROGYA Fair in three days was around 28,000-30,000 and total number of free OPDs conducted were 5,500. Free medicines were distributed to all the patients, Live Yoga demonstration was performed by Yoga Experts and Ayurveda treatments like Shirodhara and Cuppin therapy were also given to the patients.

## Lecture Sessions at Arogya Fair

Multiple lectures were organized during three days of AROGYA Fair and the topics of the sessions were 'Potential of Homeopathy in Healthcare System', 'Creating an Eco System of Entrepreneurship in Healthcare through Innovation and Incubation' and 'Lifestyle Disorders & Management in Ayurveda' on the first day. Sessions on 'Fundamental Laws of Health, Obesity and Naturopathy Management & Healthy Pregnancy and Normal Delivery' were conducted on the second day. Sessions on 'Impact of Fasting Therapy on Health', 'Homeopathy in Treatment of Lifestyle Related Disorders', 'Panchkarma for the Maintenance of Well being' and 'Introduction to Swastha



Rakshan, Dincharya, Ritucharya & Vata Vyadhi' were held on the last day.

### Highlights:

- The total footfall in the 3 days of Arogya Fair was 28,000-30,000 approximately.
- Total number of free OPDs conducted in 3 days were 5,500 and patients received free check-ups in different OPDs of Ayurvedic, Homeopathic, Unani, Yoga and Naturopathy by the Doctors of the State Govt and private exhibitors including large companies such as Herbalife, Dr. Willmar Schwabe, Sri Sri Tattva, AYUSH Herbs etc.
- Almost all the regional TV Channels and local newspapers like Eenadu, Hans India, Sakshi, Namasthe Telangana etc. covered the highlights of the Fair.

### Exhibitors

Herbalife, Dr. Willmar Schwabe



India Pvt Ltd, Sri Sri Tattva, Dr. Roshanlal Aggarwal & sons Pvt Ltd, Sri Visista-Chaitanya Ayur, Leo Juventa, Vaidyaratnam Oushadhasala, AYUSH Herbs Pvt Ltd, Travancore, Hilarius, Sita Ram Ayurveda, Unjha, Shree Rakhadi Bio Pharma Pvt Ltd, SKM Siddha and Genetech Pvt Ltd

### Participants

State Govt. of Telangana: State Government Display for Ayurveda; State

Government Display for Homoeopathy; State Government Display for Unani and State Government Display for Yoga

**State Councils:** Central Council for Research in Homeopathy; Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences; National Medicinal Plants Board; Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine; Central Council for Research in Siddha; Ministry of AYUSH and Central Council for Research for Yoga And Naturopathy.



# Glimpses of Arogya Fair 2019





# Connecting with Indian Diaspora & Leveraging their Strengths



Mr. Logie Naidoo, Former Deputy Mayor of Durban; Mr. Ashok Kumar Gupta, Convener-Varanasi Chapter, PHDCCI; Dr H P Kumar, Advisor PHDCCI & Former CMD NSIC; Mr. Dinesh Sharma, Head North & East India and Business Banking, RBL Bank; Mr. Atul Khatwarkar – Cybersecurity Head & Advisory Board Member OWASP AppSec India and Mr. Subramaniam Krishnan, Partner- PE & FS, E&Y

**P**HD Chamber in collaboration with the People of Indian Origin Chamber of Commerce & Industry organized a session on 'Opportunities in Indian MSME Sector' at the conference on "Connecting with Indian Diaspora & Leveraging their strengths for Developing Focus Sectors of Mutual Interest" on the eve of 15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas on January 20, 2019 at Hotel Clarks, Varanasi. The objective of this session was to disseminate various policies being implemented in the country for the promotion and growth of MSMEs, which might be of interest to the NRIs.

Dr. H P Kumar, Advisor, PHDCCI & Former CMD, NSIC in his welcome address highlighted the various policies of Indian Government to promote investments from Non-Resident Indians and PIOs for setting up new business ventures. He highlighted that MSME sector in India enjoyed priority in the 'Ease of Doing Business'. Registration of new businesses had become simpler and a lot easier for an MSME as it is now faceless, contact less and paper less which used to be tedious earlier. He further assured the participants that this was the best time to invest in India due to its favourable investment environment.

Mr. Atul Khatwarkar – Cybersecurity Head & Advisory Board Member OWASP

AppSecIndia in his address talked about Stuxnet – a virus which remains dormant without a particular target. Being an open source weapon, MSMEs are exposed to such cyber threats. He highlighted that Internet is a powerhouse with 26 billion connected devices and all sectors are being targeted by such virus such as transport, defence, nuclear, etc. He said that being digital, there is a great need for a more powerful Cyber security.

Mr. Dinesh Sharma, Head North & East India and Business Banking, RBL Bank briefed the participants about the RBL Bank. He highlighted that MSME business has grown as mid-sized Banks, like RBL has reached out to remote areas to finance the MSMEs. He also mentioned that the government has taken a lot of initiatives for finance & skill so that Micro units can grow into Small, Small to Medium and Medium to Large. He further mentioned that Indian Diaspora should connect with MSMEs and for this RBL Bank is ready to make a connect.

Mr. Subramaniam Krishnan, Partner- PE & FS, E&Y in his address highlighted that MSMEs play a big role. He mentioned that various tax and regulatory aspects have benefitted the MSME sector. He further highlighted that it is an incentive to invest in new plant and machinery as

in last five years several funding options have ushered in like Payments Bank, Small Finance Banks, etc. He said that MSMEs have a bunch of alternatives for raising funds.

Mr. Logie Naidoo, Former Deputy Mayor of Durban said that there are 1.5 million Indians in Durban. He highlighted that Mahatma Gandhi spent 21 years in South Africa and Satyagrah and Ahimsa came to his mind during that period. He mentioned that in 1994 with a new Democratic Government, Indians and African people were restricted to spices, jewellery and saree sector. They were not allowed to be a part of the industry. And only now Indian people are becoming industrialists in South Africa. He highlighted that youth have a tremendous opportunity and synergy to develop South Africa with its available resources. He said that there can be a link with the eastern part of the world for further development with involvement of MSMEs. Lastly, he said that GOPIO, Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is a wonderful platform for such tie ups and linkages with the Indian Diaspora.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Gupta, Convener-Varanasi Chapter, PHDCCI in his vote-of-thanks highlighted that the Indian Diaspora have a very good opportunity to collaborate with the MSMEs of Varanasi.



## UP State Chapter Members' Meet-cum-Interactive Session

The Uttar Pradesh State Chapter of PHD Chamber organized an interactive Members' Meet on February 13, 2019 at PHD House, Lucknow to discuss the future activities of the Chamber along with the current industry scenario of the State and the challenges being faced by the business owners. PHD representatives were Dr. Lalit Khaitan, Chairman, Mr. Mukesh Bahadur Singh & Mr. Gaurav Prakash, Co-chairmen, Mr. Yogesh Srivastav, Principal Director and Ms. Anuradha Goel, Resident Director, Uttar Pradesh Chapter.

Mr. Yogesh Srivastav, Principal Director, PHD Chamber briefed the audience about the outstanding benefits provided by the Chamber to its members in addressing their business needs.

Mr. Mukesh Bahadur laid stress on strengthening the membership base of the



Ms. Chetna Gupta, Radico Khaitan Ltd.; Mr. Yogesh Srivastav, Principal Director, Mr. Mukesh Bahadur Singh, Co-chairman, UP Chapter, Mr. Gaurav Prakash, Co-chairman, UP Chapter and Ms. Anuradha Goel, Resident Director, PHD Chamber

State Chapter and assured that the Chamber will hold such Members' Meetings quarterly. Mr. Gaurav Prakash thanked the members for their cooperation and assured them that the challenges pertaining to their industry will be taken up with the State Government.

Ms. Anuradha Goel, Resident Director, PHD Chamber, UP Chapter gave a presentation for the upcoming activities of the State Chapter and urged the audience for their suggestions and active participation in the same.

## FOCUS STATE : UTTARAKHAND



## MSME Growth Series: Uttarakhand Workshop on Ease of Doing Business & MFP



Mr. Praksh Pant, Hon'ble Finance Minister, Uttarakhand; Mr. Rajeev Ghai, Co-chairman, PHD Chamber UK; Mr. Manoj Tyagi, President, SIIDCUL Entrepreneurs Welfare Association; Mr. Shiv Arora, Chartered Accountant, District President for BJP; Mr. Raj Kumar Thakral, Local MLA; Dr. J.S Juneja, Former Chairman & MD NSIC & Former National Chairman MSME PHD Chamber; Mr. V.K Sharma, Director, MSME Uttarakhand; Mr. P.C Dumka, GM, SIIDCUL and Mr. Ashwani Tewari, Chief Manager PNB, Kashipur

Uttarakhand State Chapter of PHD Chamber organized a seminar for the MSME Growth Series under PHD-KAS Project on January 28, 2019 at Hotel Raddison, Rudrapur. The main objective of the seminar was to address the gap areas, so that the MSME growth rate can be accelerated to tap the real potential of the economic growth of the nation.

This initiative gave entrepreneurs an opportunity to understand and evaluate the

local and national enterprise investment opportunities for business expansion. Entrepreneurs were apprised on the dynamics of investments in new and technology driven business.

Chief Guest, Mr. Praksh Pant, Hon'ble Finance Minister, Uttarakhand stated that the Uttarakhand Government is committed to bring the ranking of the state to top three by the next assessment. He explained that reform evidence scores on only two

parameters, i.e. its land availability and Environment registration which pulls the ranking down. The State government is working out a solution for these issues, unique to the Himalyan state. Construction permit issues are also being addressed by the State Government, assured the Minister. He also pointed out that as on date, more than Rs. 20,000 crores of investment through MoUs signed during the Investors Summit is ready to be deployed in the state which is already being processed under the single window clearance system and the balance is in the process.

Mr. Raj Kumar Thakral, Local MLA was the Guest of Honour while Mr. Shiv Arora, Chartered Accountant and District President of BJP was the Special Guest.

Mr. Rajeev Ghai, Co-chairman, Uttarakhand State Chapter of PHD Chamber appreciated the Central Government's initiative to sign a MoU with Japan for the development of Advanced Model Single Window and its operationalization in Central and State Governments in India for fulfilling administrative procedures necessary for business operations.



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## Meeting with Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs

**A** PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President and comprising of Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, Mr. P K Rustagi, Co-chairman, Corporate Affairs Committee, Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General along with the Secretariat team met Mr. Injeti Srinivas, Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs on February 6, 2019 at his office in New Delhi. The delegation discussed important provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and its implications on the industry.



## Meeting with Secretary, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways

**A** PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President and comprising of Mr. D.K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, Dr Mahesh Reddy, Secretary General, Mr. Sandeep Aggarwal, Chairman, Telecom Committee and the Secretariat team met Mr. Sushant Kumar Mishra, Secretary, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways on February 11, 2019 at New Delhi. The meeting was to invite him for the 6th PHD Global Rail Convention held on February 26, 2019.



## Meeting with Chairman, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways

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## Meeting with Hon'ble Governor of Uttar Pradesh

**M**r. Mukesh Bahadur Singh and Mr. Gaurav Prakash, Co-chairmen, UP State Chapter and Ms. Anuradha Goel, Resident Director, PHD Chamber met Mr. Ram Naik, Governor of Uttar Pradesh on February 25, 2019 at Raj Bhawan, Lucknow. The Governor was invited for the proposed UP State Film Festival being co-partnered with the State Government with a focus on film induced tourism.







## Meeting with Hon'ble Finance Minister, Govt. of Punjab

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. R S Sachdeva, Chairman, Punjab State Chapter and comprising of Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter, Mr. Karan Gilhotra, Co- chairman, Punjab State Chapter and the secretariat team met Mr. Manpreet Singh Badal, Hon'ble Finance Minister, Govt. of Punjab on February 4, 2019 at Chandigarh and briefed the Minister about the various activities of the Chamber for promotion of industry in the State of Punjab.

## Meeting with Minister of Finance, Govt. of Haryana

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Lokesh Jain, Chairman MSME Sub Committee, Haryana Chapter and comprising of Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director met Capt. Abhimanyu, Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Govt. of Haryana on February 5, 2019 at Chandigarh. Dr. Reddy apprised the Hon'ble Minister about the Skill Development Summit organized by PHDCCI in Jharkhand and suggested a similar program in Haryana.



## Meeting with Agriculture Minister, Govt. of Haryana

**M**r. Lokesh Jain, Chairman MSME Sub Committee, Haryana Chapter PHDCCI and Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General, PHDCCI met Mr. O P Dhankar, Hon'ble Agriculture Minister, Govt. of Haryana on February 4, 2019 at Chandigarh to discuss the Haryana Agri Leadership Summit (HALS) held on February 15-17, 2019 at Ganaur.



## Meeting with Hon'ble Minister for Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Haryana

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Lokesh Jain, Chairman MSME Sub Committee, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director met Mr. Vipul Goel, Hon'ble Minister for Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Haryana on February 5, 2019 at Chandigarh and discussed the Haryana Agri Leadership Summit held on February 15-17, 2019 at Ganaur and also requested government support for organizing the second edition of the International Trade Expo – HITEX.





## Meeting with Hon'ble Minister for Women and Child Development, Govt. of Haryana

A PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Lokesh Jain, Chairman MSME Sub Committee, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director met Ms. Kavita Jain, Hon'ble Minister for Women and Child Development, Govt. of Haryana on February 5, 2019 at Chandigarh. The Secretary General invited the Hon'ble Minister to address the women agripreneurs at the Haryana Agri Leadership Summit held on February 15-17, 2019.

## Meeting with Principal Secretary to CM Haryana

A PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, Chandigarh met Mr. R K Khullar, Principal Secretary to CM Haryana on February 4, 2019 at Chandigarh. The meeting discussed various initiatives of PHD Chamber in Haryana, including arrangements for Haryana Agri Leadership Summit held on February 15-17, 2019 at Ganaur, Sonipat. .



## Meeting with Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Dept., Govt. of Haryana

A PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, Chandigarh met Ms. Navraj Sandhu, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department, Govt. of Haryana on February 4, 2019 at Chandigarh. The meeting discussed the Haryana Agri Leadership Summit held on February 15-17, 2019 at Ganaur in association with PHDCCI as Institutional Partner.



## Meeting with Chief Administrator, Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board

A PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director, Chandigarh met Mr. J Ganesan, Chief Administrator, Haryana State Agriculture Marketing Board (HSAMB) on February 4, 2019 at Chandigarh. The meeting discussed the Haryana Agri Leadership Summit (HALS) held on February 15-17, 2019 at Ganaur, wherein PHD Chamber was the Institutional partner.







## Meeting with Additional Chief Secretary, Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Haryana

**A** PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Pranav Gupta, Chairman, Haryana State Chapter and comprising of Dr. Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Ms. Madhu Pillai, Regional Director met Mr. Devender Singh, Additional Chief Secretary, Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Haryana on February 5, 2019 at Chandigarh. The meeting discussed the Chamber's proposal to organize a Global Skills Summit in Partnership with Govt. of Haryana to offer an opportunity to the youth from Haryana to interact with employers from across India and abroad.

## Meeting with Principal Secretary, MSME, Govt. of MP

**A** PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Pradeep Karambelkar, Co-chairman, MP Committee along with Mr. R. G. Dwivedi, Regional Director, Mr. Sumit Agrawal, Director, Bionutrient Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. D. K. Kohli, Director, D K Insulation Pvt. Ltd. met Mr. K. C. Gupta, IAS, Principal Secretary, MSME, Govt. of MP on February 1, 2019 at his office in Bhopal.



## Meeting with Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Rajasthan

**D**r. Jayshree Periwal Chairperson, PHD Chamber Rajasthan Chapter along with Mr. Sharad Mishra, Chairman, Hospitality, Handicraft & Tourism Committee and representatives from TODAR met Mr. Sanjay Malhotra Principal Secretary, Revenue Department, Rajasthan on February 7, 2018 at Jaipur to present a representation from the Chamber to simplify land conversion rules under 'Ease of Doing Business'.

## Meeting with Commissioner & Principal Secretary Department of Tourism, Rajasthan

**A** PHD Chamber delegation of Rajasthan Chapter led by Dr Jayshree Periwal, Chairperson, along with Ms. Nidhi Aggarwal, Co-chair, Legal and Finance Committee and Ms. Rachna Singh, Regional Director met Ms. Sreya Guha, Commissioner & Principal Secretary, Department of Tourism, Rajasthan to discuss the proposal of 'Film Tourism Festival' that the Chamber intends to organize in Rajasthan.



## Meeting with High Commissioner of Australia to India

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Rajeev Talwar, President and comprising of Mr. D. K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President, Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Mr. Vivek Seigell, Principal Director met H.E. Ms. Harinder Kaur Sidhu, High Commissioner of Australia and Ms. Vanessa Voss, First Secretary (Economic) to India on February 1, 2019 at New Delhi. The meeting discussed how to reduce tariffs that would add as an impetus to trade between the two countries.



## Meetings with High Commissioner, Malta High Commission, Ambassador, Embassy of the Czech Republic and Ambassador, Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr Mohit Jain, Chairman, International Affairs Committee for Central Europe along with Mr Rajan Sehgal, Co-chairman, Tourism Committee; Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General and Mr Niraj, Secretary - International Affairs met H.E. Mr.

Stephen Borg, High Commissioner of Malta to India, H.E. Mr. Milan Hovorka, Ambassador of the Czech Republic to India and H.E. Mr. Julius Pranevicius, Ambassador of the Republic of Lithuania to India on February 13, 2019 at their offices in New Delhi.

The objective of these meetings was to invite them for the 4th Agri Leadership Summit 2019 held on February 15-17, 2019; 'Ambassadors' Meet 2019' scheduled for March 15, 2019 and the Conference on 'Strengthening India-Europe Economic Relations' scheduled for April 5, 2019.

The three Mission Heads agreed to participate in the Ambassadors' Meet and the Conference on Europe.



## Meeting with Ambassador of Indonesia to India

**A**PHD Chamber delegation led by Mr. Ajay Poddar, Chairman, Int'l Affairs Committee for ASEAN, East Asia & Oceania and comprising of Mr. Neelabh Dalmia, Mr. Bharat Joshi & Mr. Surinder Kalra, Co-chairmen, Int'l Affairs Committee for ASEAN, East Asia & Oceania and Dr Mahesh Y Reddy, Secretary General met H.E. Mr. Sidharto Reza Suryodipuro, Ambassador of Indonesia to India on February 11, 2019 at New Delhi to ascertain his views and inputs on the proposed conference on "ASEAN: Towards growing India-ASEAN Trade and Investment Ties" scheduled for August 2019. The Chamber also extended invitations to His Excellency for the Ambassadors' Meet scheduled for March 15, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi.



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# Indian Economy Grows from Steady to Fast and Fastest

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**T**he journey of Indian economy has been promising as the economic growth trajectory increased steadily during 1960s to 1990s to fast in 2000s and fastest in the 2010s. The advent of economic reforms has not only enhanced the socio-economic growth and development, but also provided a conducive and promising business environment.

## Trends in GDP Growth Rate

The GDP growth trend of Indian economy has shifted from steady to fast and now to fastest in the world economic system. From 1960s and 1990s, the average growth rate of GDP has been steady at 4.6%. In 2000s, GDP recorded fast growth at the rate (average) of 7.2%. In 2010s, especially, over the last five years, spanning from 2014 to 2019, the average growth rate of GDP in India has been the fastest at 7.7%. This has made India the fastest moving emerging economy in the world economic system. The macro-economic environment has improved significantly during the last few years. Inflation is contained, fiscal consolidation is on the right path and foreign investment flows are growing year after year.

During the last few years, the government has undertaken a plethora of reforms and corresponding budgetary allocations for each and every segment of the population to facilitate all-inclusive growth and sustainable

development of the economy. According to the IMF, India is a bright spot in the global ecosystem and India's growth is looking very lucrative in the coming years. India's growth has surpassed many emerging and developing economies. Recent IMF data suggests that India is the fastest growing economy in the world and this trend will continue in 2019 and 2020 also. Recently, NITI Aayog expects India to grow at 9-10% by 2022-23 which would raise the size of the economy in real terms from USD 2.7 trillion in 2017-18 to nearly USD 4 trillion by 2022-23.

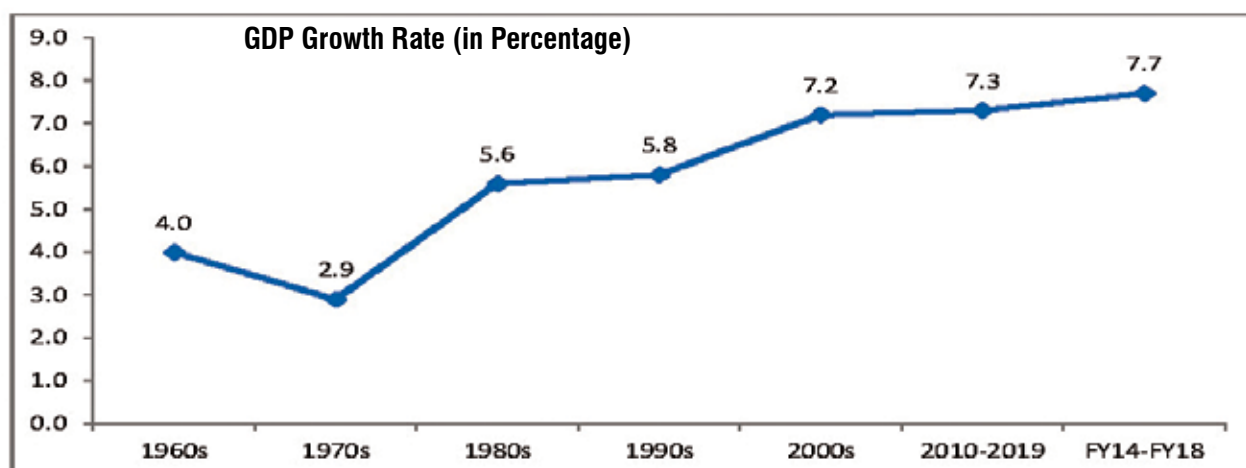
## Incomes Improved and Inflation Contained

During the last five years, the Indian economy has witnessed remarkable improvement in macro-economic environment with lead indicators improving significantly. The real GDP growth increased from 6.4% in 2014 to 7.2% in 2019. Per-capita income at current prices has exhibited

an increasing trend from Rs. 79,118 in 2014 to Rs. 1,25,397 in 2019. Overall inflation has been contained over the last few years as the WPI inflation decreased from 5.2% in 2014 to 4.4% in 2019 and CPI inflation dipped from 9.5% in 2014 to 3.3% in 2019.

Exports have steadily increased from 7.8% in 2014 to 12.1% in 2019 and the total trade of the country has improved from USD 764.5 billion in 2014 to USD 769.1 billion in 2018. The fiscal deficit as share of GDP declined from 4.5% in 2014 to 3.3% in 2019. Further, India recorded a consistent increase in foreign inflows over the last few years. FDI inflows have increased from USD 36.0 billion in 2014 to USD 61.9 billion in 2019.

Going ahead, according to advanced estimates of Government of India, the industrial growth is expected to increase from 3.8% in 2014 to 7.8% in 2019, while services growth is also expected to show a consistent growth, increasing from 7.7% in 2014 to 7.9% in 2019. The agriculture sector is expected to grow by 3.8% in 2019. The



Source: PHD Research Bureau, compiled from RBI, Planning Commission (Note: Data of last five years pertains to 2014-15 to 2018-19, in which data for 2018-19 are from First Advance Estimates)



## Growth Trajectory of Leading Economies

| S. No. | Economic Indicators                 | FY14              | FY19                           |
|--------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1      | Real GDP Growth                     | 6.4%              | 7.2%*                          |
| 2      | Per Capita Income at current prices | 79,118%           | 1,25,397*                      |
| 3      | WPI Inflation**                     | 5.2%              | 4.4% <sup>o</sup>              |
| 4      | CPI Inflation!                      | 9.5%              | 3.3% <sup>o</sup>              |
| 5      | Exports Growth                      | 7.8%              | 12.1%*                         |
| 6      | Imports Growth                      | -8.1%             | 13% <sup>o</sup>               |
| 7      | Fiscal Deficit as % of GDP          | 4.5%              | 3.3%* <sup>@</sup>             |
| 8      | Current Account Deficit as % of GDP | 1.7%              | 2.7% <sup>o</sup>              |
| 9      | FDI Inflows                         | USD 36.0 bn       | USD 61.9 bn□□                  |
| 10     | Exchange Rate (INR/USD)             | 60.50             | 69-67 <sup>o</sup>             |
| 11     | Agriculture Growth**                | 5.6%              | 3.8%*                          |
| 12     | Industry Growth**                   | 3.8%              | 7.8%*                          |
| 13     | Services Growth**                   | 7.7%              | 7.9%*                          |
| 14     | Private Consumption                 | 7.3%              | 6.4%*                          |
| 15     | Public Consumption                  | 0.6%              | 9.2%*                          |
| 16     | GFCF (Growth)                       | 1.6%              | 12.2%*                         |
| 17     | Forex Reserves                      | USD 304.2 bn      | USD 393.2 bn□                  |
| 18     | BSE Sensex#                         | 22386             | 35749***                       |
| 19     | Crude Oil (Rs./1 BBL)               | 5982.36           | 4497.1□□                       |
| 20     | Repo Rate                           | 8.0% <sup>@</sup> | 6.5% <sup>@</sup> <sup>@</sup> |
| 21     | EODB Ranking                        | 142               | 77                             |
| 22     | Total Trade                         | USD 764.5 bn      | USD 769.1 bn□□                 |

Source: PHD Research Bureau, compiled from various sources

Note: \*According to the First Advance Estimates of National Income, 2018-19; %Data pertains to first revised estimates of National Income, 2016-17; \*\* Data pertains to the new base year 2011-12; \*<sup>@</sup>Data pertains to Budget Estimates of 2018-19; <sup>^</sup>Data pertains to April-August FY2019; !Data pertains to old base year 2004-05; <sup>@</sup> Data pertains to 28-01-2014; <sup>@</sup><sup>@</sup> Data pertains to RBI Monetary Policy, December 2018, <sup>^</sup><sup>^</sup><sup>^</sup>Data pertains to IMF's WEO April 2018 forecast; \*data pertains to April to November 2018-19; □ data pertains to 21st Dec 2018; □□ average of FY19 till 18 Jan 2019; \*\*data pertains to FY2017-18; <sup>o</sup> PHD Research Bureau Estimates; # Yearly average; \*\*\*data pertains to 31st January 2019.

growth of public consumption has increased from 0.6% in 2014 to 9.2% in 2019. GFCF grew from 1.6% in 2014 to 12.2% in 2019. Other factors that put India on an upward growth trajectory are forex reserves that increased to USD 393.2 billion in 2019 from USD 304.2 billion in 2014; BSE Sensex increased to 35749 in 2019. The average crude oil price (Rs./1BBL) decreased to Rs 4497.1 per barrel in 2019 from Rs 5982.3 per barrel in 2014. The Reserve Bank of India reduced repo rate to 6.5% in 2019.

On the global charts, the Indian economy is looking remarkably attractive in comparison to its performance in the last five years. The improvement in the Ease of Doing Business from 142nd in 2014 to 77th in 2019 is a significant outcome of the diligent efforts of the government towards improving business environment in the economy. Improvement in World Bank's Ease of Doing Business rankings have been observed primarily due to significant improvement in dealing with construction permits with improvement and

trading across borders. India ranked 44 out of 160 in the Logistics Performance Index in 2018. India improved to 58th rank out of 140 economies in the Global Competitiveness Index.

India has demonstrated sizeable improvements over the years. India has been able to accelerate on the pathway to innovation due to quality of its research institutions. India has been consistently climbing up its Global Innovation Index (GII) ranking since 2015. The Global Innovation Index (GII) rankings put India at 57th position in 2018. India improved in four out of the seven GI pillars: Institutions, Human capital and research, Market sophistication, and Creative outputs. The improvement in rankings is a result of shift to ease of paying taxes and to an improvement in ease of resolving insolvency.

#### Conclusion

Going ahead, the economy needs further bold measures to boost the investment environment and to trigger demand growth

to the next level. Though lot of reforms have been announced across sectors and segments, structural reforms are required in the land and labour laws along with a dedicated approach for skill development.

Health and education system needs to be focused with the longer-term approach as strong education sector would help the growing population not only to find better standards of living but also enhanced competitiveness of the workforce at the domestic level and in international markets.

Inclusive health facilities would place India in a better position for inclusive growth and development of the nation. Shifting disguised unemployment from the basic agriculture sector towards the food processing and value added activities and other growing sectors such as housing and construction sector, MSMEs, among others, would open up great avenues for the job creation for the growing young population in the coming times.



# CONSTRUCTION ARBITRATION: Claim preparation is critical and vital

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**T**he infrastructure and construction sector in India is progressing rapidly with many ongoing large scale construction projects receiving huge investments. The importance of construction sector cannot be denied from the fact that its contribution to GDP of India is around 1.4% which is next highest to agriculture. It employs around 40 million of work force. This sector has operational budget of around 1,75,000 crores per annum.

Due to multi - party nature, the projects are becoming more risky. There are many risks in the large and mega construction projects in any country in general and in India in specific. One of the identified risk is delay of the projects due to various reasons of delays, therefore, the disputes in the construction sector are on rise. These disputes finally land in demands of extension of time of project without imposition of any liquidated damages (LD) and penalties and brings claims and counter-claims from contractors to employers and vice-versa and that begins the battle of conflicts and disputes. In view of above, the preparation of claims and counter claim is one of the most critical and vital activity in the arbitration.

Although there is no standard format or set formula for preparation of claims/ counter-claims by the party(ies) in construction arbitration - as every project is unique and involves different variety of disputes but below mentioned steps and factors can be considered as a general guidance for preparation of claims / counter claims by domain experts of the contractors as well as the employers -

## A. Preparation of claims by the contractors:

Again there is no standard formula or format to indicate the heads under which claim can be prepared. However the following can work as an overall guide:

- i) Complete cost incurred in organizing the project by the contractor during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- ii) Cost incurred for the extra engineering hours during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- iii) Cost incurred for the extra hours in procurement during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- iv) Cost incurred in supervision of site during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- v) Cost incurred with regard to additional insurance, premiums and maintaining/ extension of the financial BG's and LCs for the delayed period of the project.
- vi) Cost of the overhead of the contractor's company during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- vii) Cost of the price variation as per the price variation formula mentioned in the contract for labor, supplies and applicable items during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- viii) Cost relating to payment of extra taxes, duties and levies by contractor, if any for during the entire duration of the delay in the project.

- ix) Cost with regard to extra resources for accelerating the project during delayed period.
- x) Cost with regard to arrears or pending amount/invoices/bills with the employer during the entire duration of the delay in the project.
- xi) Interest on the payment not received, arrears, late payments with bank rate of cumulative interest.
- xii) Payment of cost of items which were not originally in the scope of work of the contractor but were supplied as per requirement of the employer and were not paid.
- xiii) Cost relating to extra scope of work which was not originally part of the contract but executed by contractors on the subsequent request of the employer.
- xiv) Additional claims/prolongation claims based on specific criteria and conditions of contract of particular project executed by contractors.
- xv) Prolongation cost incurred by contractor due to delay in completion of the project.
- xvi) Overhead of the contractor's organization proportionate to the cost of the project is to be claimed which can be based on actual amount as per records. Otherwise it can be calculated based on some standard formula that has been accepted as one technique to determine overheads internationally. For example Eichley formula can be used to determine overheads.





xvii) Change orders which have not been paid by the employer will have to be evaluated.

xviii) Any exceptional claim which is unique to the project as per execution situations and contract conditions/breaches/violations will have to be considered.

While preparing the claim by contractors under various heads as above the accepted item rate / data either available in contract or available as per National / International standard norm of rates will be considered for computing the claims. Abnormally high rates, exaggerated values, unrealistic prices and item rates which cannot be justified, should not be used for computation of claim amounts. Basis and system of calculation of various claim amounts must be explained in justification notes to make the claims more scientific, realistic and logical.

#### **B. Preparation of Counter-claim by the employer:**

It may be pertinent to note that any consequential damages and claims due to delay in the project are normally not allowed and are not normally tenable in the construction/project contract except the Liquidated Damages (LD) for delay in the completion of the Project.

The possible heads of claims may vary from one contract to another depending on its conditions. The possible heads are as follows:

- i) Recovery of the amount for opportunity loss for the delayed period, if allowed by the contract.
- ii) Extra counter-claims based on specific criteria adopted by employer as per contract condition.
- iii) Recovery of the LD amount from contractors by the employer for delayed period of the project.
- iv) Recovery of the LD amount for failure in Performance Guarantee (PG) parameters as specified in the contract.
- v) Recovery of the amount for items not supplied as per specification and scope in the contract in terms of quantity and quality.
- vi) Recovery of the amount for the jobs which could not be completed as per scope of contract by contractors. These jobs may either still be pending or may have been executed by employer at risk and cost of the contractor.
- vii) Recovery of any consequential losses incurred by the employer

due to any act of contractors as per specific provisions of contract.

viii) Cost for any item which is repeatedly failing and non-performing as per mentioned rating causing production loss and have not been replaced by the contractor in spite of at least three reminders during defect liability period can be claimed.

ix) Cost for items and erection work which were inferior in quality and needs replacement/substitution based on past performance records and which have not been remedied by the contractors can be claimed.

#### **C. Consideration of following points by the Arbitral Tribunal for giving an arbitral award:**

- i) Arbitral Tribunal is required to go in details of Delay Analysis Report ( DAR ) of the contractor and employer.
- ii) It also needs on the type of delay and the party responsible for it is based on the DAR and evidences submitted by the contractor and employer in support of/against it.
- iii) Arbitral Tribunal can classify delays of the project in basic four categories. The four categories are as follows:

##### **a. Critical delay:**

There are delays on critical path and are excused by single party and are compensable. Such delays can be attributed wholly to the employer or to the contractor. It is also possible that some part of such delays may be attributable to employer and some part to the contractor at different stages of critical path.

##### **b. Concurrent delay:**

These delays are caused by the contractor as well as by the employer and are excused by both the parties.

Such delays are excusable but non-compensable.

##### **c. Non-critical delays:**

These delays do not delay the project and are non-excusable and non-compensable.

##### **d. Force Majeure delays:**

Such delays are not attributable to contractor or to the employer as these happen due to reasons which are beyond their control.

After the Arbitral Tribunal classifies the delays and places them in a particular category, then the total picture of delay becomes very clear from the angle of how much delay is by employer, how much delay is by the contractor, how much is concurrent and how much is under force majeure category.

From the above, following conclusions can be drawn by the arbitral Tribunal:

- i) Quantum of delay attributable to the employer;
- ii) Quantum of delay attributable to the contractor;
- iii) Quantum of extension of time a contractor is eligible along with eligibility of claims;
- iv) Quantum of extension of time contractor is eligible without its eligibility of claims.

#### **E. How much extension of time contractor is eligible with eligibility of claims?**

Once the Arbitral Tribunal is clear as to how much extension a contractor is eligible against the delay then it becomes clear to determine as to what claims are to be awarded to contractor by employer and how much should be the amount of each claim as calculated based on the granted extension of the contract.



# Policy Pronouncements and Developments

## Recommendations of the 33rd GST Council meeting

To boost the residential segment of the real estate sector, at the 33rd GST Council Meeting held recently, it was recommended that GST shall be levied at an effective GST rate of 5% without ITC on residential properties outside affordable segment and 1% without ITC on affordable housing properties. The new rate applicable from 1st of April, 2019 shall be for a residential house/flat of carpet area of upto 90 sqm in non-metropolitan cities/towns and 60 sqm in metropolitan cities having value upto Rs. 45 lacs (both for metropolitan and non-metropolitan cities). Metropolitan Cities include Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi NCR (limited to Delhi, Noida, Greater Noida, Ghaziabad, Gurgaon, Faridabad), Hyderabad, Kolkata and Mumbai (whole of MMR). Intermediate tax on development right, such as TDR, JDA, lease (premium), FSI shall be exempted only for such residential property on which GST is payable. Advantages include: Buyer of house gets a fair price and affordable housing gets very attractive with GST @ 1%; Interest of the buyer/consumer gets protected; ITC benefits not being passed to them shall become a non-issue; Cash flow problem for the sector is addressed by exemption of GST on development rights, long term lease, FSI, etc. Unutilized ITC, which used to become cost at the end of the project gets removed and should lead to better pricing. Tax structure and tax compliance becomes simpler for builders.

## India's Inc. debt levels to triple by next year

Global Rating agency Standard and Poor's in a report titled "Indian Corporate 2019 Outlook--Time For Caution." warned that revenue growth of India's rated companies is likely to slow down in the next 18-24 months. It cautioned that global risks such as stability of commodity prices as well as demand from the US and China will have a greater bearing on Indian companies rather than domestic demand in the next year or two. Elections may pose additional risks for Indian corporates. Change of administration may trigger expansionary government spending which may push up borrowing costs or even raise inflation. The revenue environment for rated corporates is facing increasing global risks such as China's slowdown, trade war escalation, or a disorderly Brexit, the

report said. The capital expenditure will be concentrated in few companies in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 for either one-off capacity building or defending market positions against disruptive trends. A gradual taper down of capital expenditures for rated companies in aggregate is likely to turn discretionary cash flows positive for the first time in three years. Over the decade from FY 2011-FY2020, rated corporates will double their aggregate EBITDA but this will be accompanied by tripling of debt.

## GS1 India and GeM sign MoU to Empower Buyers to make Informed Choice

GS1 India, a standards organization set up by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry signed a MoU with Government e-Marketplace (GeM). This will enable GeM's buyers and vendors to access rich, accurate and standardized information on attributes of thousands of products across categories, empowering them to make more informed decisions. GeM will access product data from GS1 India's DataKart, the National repository of information on attributes of millions of retail products in the country. The categories get populated directly by manufacturers and brand owners. Every data will undergo validity checks based on globally accepted GS1 standards prior to being published for access by buyers.

## Proposal to encourage investments in Start-Ups cleared

Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation, Dr Suresh Prabhu cleared a proposal aiming at simplifying the process of exemptions for Start-ups under Section 56 (2) (viib) of Income Tax Act. With this notification, the definition of Start-ups will be expanded. Now an entity will be considered as Start-ups upto a period of ten years from the date of incorporation and registration in place of the earlier duration of seven years. Similarly, an entity will continue to be recognized as Start-ups, if its turnover for any of the financial years since incorporation and registration has not exceeded Rs. 100 crore in place of Rs. 25 crore earlier.

## Ease of Doing Agri-Business Index

The government has been reorienting the agriculture sector by focusing on an

income-centeredness which goes beyond achieving merely the targeted production. The income approach focuses on achieving high productivity, reduced cost of cultivation and remunerative price on the produce, with a view to earn higher profits from farming. To ensure that the reform agenda of Government is implemented by all States/UTs, a need was felt to develop a competitive spirit between the States. Keeping this in mind to rank the States through Ease of Doing Agri-Business Index, a concept note along with parameters for developing an Index has been circulated to all States/UTs inviting their views. The concept is to consider farming not solely as a production oriented activity carried out to achieve food security for the country, but as a business activity carried out by farmer as entrepreneur. The proposed index has taken the aspects of increasing production/productivity, increasing price realization of agri produce and decreasing input costs of production, risk mitigation and investment related attributes. Agriculture being a State subject, the State Governments undertake development of perspective plans and ensures effective implementation of the programs. The index will help in fostering agriculture among States by promoting a competitive spirit amongst the States.

## Agro Meteorological Advisories

About 5.13 crore farmers are receiving Agro meteorological advisories through m-kisan portal (<https://m-kisan.gov.in>). 25 centres of All India Coordinated Research Project on Agrometeorology located in State Agriculture Universities, distributed across the country have made efforts to issue Agromet advisories through Radio, TV and Newspapers in local languages. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research and India Meteorological Department have jointly planned to augment the Agromet Advisory System network to sub-district-block level. Under this plan, 200 Krishi Vigyan Kendras including the 110 Aspirational districts have been identified for setting up of District Agro-Met Units to provide Agromet services to farmers. The initial fund of Rs. 2.4 crores (@ Rs.1.2 lakh per unit has been sanctioned for establishing the facilities to start the advisory services. Further, several awareness campaigns have been undertaken to encourage farmers to register themselves on m-kisan portal and receive crop and weather specific advisories. Many farmers have registered through Kisan Call Centre





also. Extension workers explain the process of registration and benefits of getting registered to the farmers thereby helping farmers to receive crop and weather based advisories.

### **Cabinet approves MoU between India and Maldives for Establishing Mutual Cooperation to Improve the Ecosystems for Agribusiness**

The Union Cabinet accorded ex-post facto approval to the MoU between the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, India and the Ministry of Fisheries, Marine Resource and Agriculture, Maldives signed in December, 2018 during the State visit of President of Maldives to India. The MoU for establishing mutual cooperation to improve the ecosystem for agribusiness provides for cooperation in the fields of agriculture census, agribusiness, Integrated Farming System, Irrigation, improved seeds, Soil Health Management, research, capacity building of local agribusiness, enhancing knowledge of entrepreneurs in the areas of food security and nutrition, developing climate resilient agriculture system and establishing facilities to test pesticide residues.

### **Cabinet approves introduction of National Institutes of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Bill, 2019**

The Union Cabinet has approved the introduction of National Institutes of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Bill, 2019. The objective of the bill is to confer the status of Institutions of National Importance to National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management at Kundli, Haryana, and the Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology at Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu. The legislation would provide for functional autonomy to the institutes to design and develop courses, undertake research activities and leverage enhanced status in their academic pursuits, so that they become world class institutes. The institutes would implement the reservation policy of the government and would also undertake special outreach activities for the benefits of concerned stakeholders. It would enable the institutes to provide world class teaching and research experience by adopting innovative practices.

### **Online Awareness Course for Exporters**

Union Minister of Industry and Civil Aviation, Mr. Suresh Prabhu chaired a meeting of the Board of Trade (BOT). On this occasion, he launched a new online "Anytime-Anywhere" export awareness course to train, mentor and hand-hold potential exporters so as to help them to tap international trade

opportunities. This Online Course has been funded under the 'Niryat Bandhu' scheme of Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) and is in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi. On successful completion, a Certificate in Export Import Management under Niryat Bandhu Scheme will be awarded to participants.

### **Cabinet approves MoU between India and Argentina in tourism**

The Union Cabinet has approved the signing of MoU between India and Argentina in the field of Tourism. The signing of MoU between India and Argentina in the field of tourism will help the two parties in creating an institutional mechanism for enhancing cooperation in the tourism sector.

### **Government may exempt DPIIT-certified startups from angel tax**

The government is considering giving complete exemption to startups from angel tax once they are certified by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, a move aimed at helping budding entrepreneurs. The consideration assumes significance as several startups have claimed to receive angel tax notices, impacting their businesses.

### **Increased exports in India can improve jobs and raise wages**

A report titled "Exports to Jobs: Boosting the Gains from Trade in South Asia" jointly produced by the World Bank and the International Labour Organization shows that increasing exports can lead to better jobs and higher wages in India, including more formal jobs for youth and women. Labor market policies can help different groups of workers acquire the right skills and ensure that the gains of increased exports are shared more broadly across society. The report shows that increasing exports would boost average wages. The biggest beneficiaries of the wage gains would be the high-skilled, urban, more experienced, and mainly male workers. For low-skilled workers, the shift would result in an increase in formal jobs. The research report looks at how globalization might contribute to local jobs and wages. The report also provides options on how to expand and widely share the benefits of higher exports. Improving workers' skills, getting women and youth into more jobs, and addressing distortions that make labor mobility costly are some of the recommended policy actions.

### **Promulgation of Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019**

The Union Cabinet has approved the promulgation of an Ordinance to make amendments to the Aadhaar Act 2016,

Prevention of Money Laundering Act 2005 & Indian Telegraph Act 1885. The amendments would enable Unique Identification Authority of India to have a more robust mechanism to serve the public interest and restrain the misuse of Aadhaar. Subsequent to this amendment, no individual shall be compelled to provide proof of possession of Aadhaar number to undergo authentication for the purpose of establishing his identity unless it is so provided by a law made by Parliament.

### **National Mineral Policy, 2019 approved by Cabinet**

The Union Cabinet approved the National Mineral Policy 2019 that will ensure more effective regulation. It will lead to sustainable mining sector development in future while addressing the issues of project affected persons especially those residing in tribal areas. The aim of the policy is to have a more effective, meaningful and implementable policy that brings in further transparency, better regulation and enforcement, balanced social and economic growth as well as sustainable mining practices. The policy includes provisions which will give boost to the mining sector such as introduction of Right of First Refusal for RP/PL holders; encouraging the private sector to take up exploration; auctioning in virgin areas for composite RP cum PL cum ML on revenue share basis; encouragement of merger and acquisition of mining entities and transfer of mining leases and creation of dedicated mineral corridors to boost private sector mining areas. The policy also proposes to grant status of industry to mining activity to boost financing of mining for private sector and for acquisitions of mineral assets in other countries by private sector.

### **New Facility for Public Viewing of Train Charts and Vacant Berths**

To enhance travel experience and bring greater transparency for Indian Railway passengers, the government has launched a new facility for Public Viewing of Train Charts and Vacant Berths. The information about occupancy in trains as per Passenger Reservation Charts will now be available for public view on the internet through IRCTC website ([www.irctc.co.in](http://www.irctc.co.in)). Complete information of vacant berths from train source as well as intermediate locations will be available to the user. Prospective customer can use the information for online booking of vacant berths or through TTE as per business rules. This feature is available in web as well as mobile version. The system displays coach layout of 9 classes used in the reserved trains of Indian Railways and more than 120 different coach layouts have been incorporated.



## Workshop on Challenges and Scopes for SMEs



Participants

**P**HD Chamber under the PHD-KAS project organized a workshop on 'Challenges and Scopes for SMEs' on February 15, 2019 at Hotel Babylon International, Raipur.

Mr. Rajeev S. Nair, Director, MSME DI said that for Entrepreneurs and Start-ups, it is important to use IPR to protect their products and services because there are so many threats to lose your control from your IDEAs. He also explained about the online registration process of Udyog AADHAR and Credit Link Capital Subsidy.

He also gave his inputs regarding collateral free loan i.e. CGTMSE.

Mr. O.P. Banjare, in-charge of Chhattisgarh State Industrial Development Corporation said that about 44 percent of the State's GDP is received from the MSMEs. He said that the priority of the State Government is to promote food processing industries and also explained the schemes of Cold Chain, Referred Vehicle Subsidy Scheme and other subsidy schemes.

Dr. Rajeev Roy, Chief Executive Officer,

36 Inc. Government of Chhattisgarh highlighted the global scenario of start-ups and innovation. Artificial Intelligence technology is replacing manpower rapidly and this will be a big threat for future, he further added.

Mr. Sudipta Aich, Deputy General Manager, SIDBI informed the participants about the schemes and assistance being provided by SIDBI for MSMEs.

Mr. Adarsh Agrawal, Member, PHD Chamber of Chhattisgarh delivered the formal vote-of-thanks to the guests.



## Workshop on Personal and Interpersonal Effectiveness

**U**nder the PHD-KAS Cooperation Project, PHD Chamber organized a workshop on "Personal and Interpersonal Effectiveness" on February 14, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi. The objective of the programme was to prepare managers to face the challenge of change by understanding individual's potential through self-development, innovation and empowerment.

In order to remain competitive, business organizations in the world over are looking inward and placing an increasing emphasis on self-development through creativity, innovation and team work. The role of managers in the current VUCA environment will therefore be more people-oriented than before. Successful managers today will not only need to develop strong interpersonal relationships but also engage and motivate their employees into achieving synergistic output through effective self and team performance.



Participants with Mr. CM Krishna, Honorary Advisor, PHD Chamber and faculty members Dr (Cdr) Satish Seth and Mr. Manmohan Bhutani

Specifically the workshop aimed at enhancing understanding of the Self and others; developing effective interpersonal Skills; encouraging a creative and innovative work environment and developing effective inter-personal competence amongst team members.

Mr. CM Krishna, Honorary Advisor, PHD Chamber; Dr. (Cdr) Satish Seth,

Director General, JIMS, Kalkaji and Mr. Manmohan Bhutani, Vice President (HR) & Business Operations, American Cyber Systems, New Delhi were the faculty at the workshop.

The workshop was attended by corporate managers, academicians and others who are in the business of managing people at all levels.



## Workshop on Excellence in Selling Skills : How to Sell even more Effectively



Participants with Mr. CM Krishna, Honorary Advisor and faculty members Prof Sujit Sengupta and Dr Pankaj Rawal

**U**nder the PHD-KAS Cooperation Project, PHD Chamber organized a workshop on "Excellence in Selling Skills: How to Sell even more Effectively" on February 15, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi.

Prof Sujit Sengupta, Professor Marketing and Entrepreneurship, IILM and Dr Pankaj Rawal, Professor & Area Chair, Marketing were the faculty at the workshop.

In case of B2B industry there should not be any disconnect about offerings from customer care and companies. Prof Sengupta taught the value discipline model,

value drivers of business, consumerization of business buying, various sales methods, different buying styles, requirement of sales success, skill sets for achieving the ability of sales success as well as negotiation strategies to the participants. He made the participants understand various concepts through case studies, live corporate examples and videos.

Prof Sujit Sengupta spoke on building relationships, continuous follow-up with customers, general mistakes made by sales people and the opportunities to pitch in.

Dr Pankaj Rawal taught consultative

selling, spin selling and also spoke about various types of questions asked during a sales call by a sales person. These were situation questions, problem questions, implication questions and need-pay off questions. He also made participants understand the concept through case studies and videos.

The workshop was attended by managers and professionals at various levels including front liners with responsibilities in marketing, sales and service, and manufacturing sector of an industry.



## Seminar on Rationalization of GST & Implementation of E-Way Bill



Ms. Sunita Prajapati, Deputy Secretary, PHD Chamber; Mr. Amar Mittal, Past President & Chairman – GST Cell, National Chamber of Industry & Commerce, Agra; Mr. Himanshu Chadha, Senior Associate, NITYA TAX; Mr. Rajiv Tiwari, President, National Chamber Industry and Commerce, Agra; Mr. Alok FARSAIYA, Chairman – GST Technical Awareness Cell, National Chamber of Industry & Commerce, Agra; and Mr. Sunil Singhal, NCIC, Agra

**P**HD Chamber in association with National Chamber of Industry and Commerce under PHD-KAS Project organized a seminar on 'Rationalization of GST & Implication of E-Way Bill' on February 16, 2019 at Hotel Clarks Shiraz, Agra.

Mr. Rajiv Tiwari, President, National Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Agra welcomed all the dignitaries and guests on the dais. Ms. Sunita Prajapati, Deputy Secretary, PHD Chamber delivered the opening remarks and spoke about the concerns of industries related to GST.

Mr. Himanshu Chadha, Senior Associate, NITYA TAX and Mr. Alok Farsaiya, Chairman – GST Technical Awareness Cell, National Chamber of Industry & Commerce, Agra were the speakers at the seminar. The speakers discussed about the changes proposed at

the 31st GST Council meeting and CGST Laws effective from January 1, 2019 and February 1, 2019 respectively.

The speakers highlighted key changes such as non-issuance of an e-way bill on failure of furnishing return for two consecutive tax periods (applicable from a notified date), extension in filing GSTR-1, GSTR-3B and ITC-04 till March 31, 2019, claiming input tax credit pertaining to fiscal year 2017-18 before April 20, 2019 and liability to pay GST

under reverse charge mechanism by the recipient on security services received from non-body corporates. Further, the speakers also deliberated upon the issue of credit utilization mechanism and its impact on business by paying GST in cash even though there is credit ledger. The discussion moved towards credit restriction on motor vehicles (having approved seating capacity less than 13 persons), insurance, repair & maintenance of services received thereon. Moreover

credit on canteen services, water, and insurance is allowed if the same is bound to be provided.

Lastly, speakers shared their insights on the complexities faced and the efforts required by businessmen while preparing the Annual return.

Mr. Amar Mittal, Past President & Chairman – GST Cell, National Chamber of Industry & Commerce, Agra delivered the vote-of-thanks to the guests.

## International Conference on Business Sustainability in the 21st Century – Managing People, Planet and Profit



Mr. Peter Rimmel, Resident Representative to India, KAS addressing the Conference. Also seen: Mr. CM Krishna, Honorary Advisor, PHD Chamber; Dr. D K Banwet, Fmr, Vice Chancellor of University of Engg & Mgt, Kolkata and Dr (Cdr) Satish Seth, Director-General, JIMS, Kalkaji, New Delhi

**P**HD Chamber under its PHD-KAS Cooperation Project, in association with Jagannath International Management School (JIMS), Kalkaji, New Delhi organized an International Conference on “Business Sustainability in the 21st Century: Managing People, Planet and Profit” on February 23, 2019 at PHD House, New Delhi.

The inaugural session was presided over by Mr. Peter Rimmel, Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS), Germany as the Chief Guest. Other distinguished guests on the dais included Guests of Honour, Dr. D K Banwet, Fmr, Vice Chancellor of University of Engg & Mgt, Kolkata; Mr. C M Krishna, Honorary Advisor, PHD Chamber and Dr (Cdr) Satish Seth, Director-General, JIMS, Kalkaji, New Delhi. The highlight of the inaugural session was the release of a book comprising selected research papers contributed by the eminent academicians and industry experts.

Distinguished speakers who made presentations during the first technical session on “Business Sustainability : SDGs as the Games Changers or Key Differentiators” included Mr. Sandeep Shrivastava, Head-Environment & Sustainability, Ambuja Cements Limited (Moderator); Ms. Meenakshi Batra, CEO, CAF India; Mr. Rishi Chawla, Director-Government, Public Affairs, Sustainability & CSR, Philips Lighting India Ltd; Mr. Ritwik Bhaumik, General Manager-Sustainability, Jubilant Life Sciences Ltd.; Mr. Anurag Krishna- Head CSR (North), Tata Consultancy Services(TCS) and Ms. Ruchi Sharma, Deputy General Manager, Paharpur Business Centre.

Eminent international speakers who made presentations during the second technical session on “Impact of Economy, Entrepreneurship, Culture and Governance on Business Sustainability” included Mr. Ron McLuckie, Chairman & CEO, WIAL India

Pvt Ltd (Moderator); Mr. Ignace Hindrick, Director, DMH Business Advisors; Dr. Marja-Liisa Tenhunen, Professor, Shanghai University, China; Ms. Brigitte Wuethrich, Director, Swiss Kalpvriksh Education Pvt. Ltd; Dr. Susann Kowalski, Professor, Cologne University of Applied Sciences, Germany and Dr. Spinder Dhaliwal, Reader in Entrepreneurship, University of Westminster, UK.

In the technical sessions, a number of strategic approaches were suggested for corporate leaders to ensure that their businesses would survive and sustain in the 21st Century. These were followed by the Research Paper Presentation Competition by top academicians, research scholars and industry experts. Dr. Madhu Vij, Professor, FMS, Delhi University was Chairperson of the Jury which included, Director, JIMS, Dr. J K Batra, Professor Dr. Preeti Singh and Prof. Neelam Tandon.



# PHD FAMILY WELFARE FOUNDATION (PHDFWF)

## Inauguration of New Skill Development Training Centres in Assam



**P**HD Family Welfare Foundation took an initiative of opening two Skill Development-Training Centers on January 29 & January 31, 2019 in two villages, namely Milan Nagar and Borimuri in Lakhimpur district of Assam in association with Kajaria Ceramics Limited. Here, training in Knitting and Hand Weaving is being provided to the rural beneficiaries. The centres were formally inaugurated by Former President of Dist. Sahitya Sabha, President of Dist. Lekhika Samaroh, District Jila Parishad Member, Ward councillor, senior faculties from colleges and local communities. Through these trainings, PHDFWF is trying to provide income generating learning skills of hand-weaving and knitting to empower and motivate local women & girls which will make them self-dependent by involving them in different micro enterprises activities. This will also help to improve the status of women within their households and the society in general.





## PHDFWF Displaying Craft Work at Astitva Samman 2019



**O**n February 15, 2019 the craft work done in different PHDFWF Skill Development Training Centers was displayed in the programme Astitva Samman 2019. These craft works included different handbags, clutches, potli bags, Tie & Dye design chunnis, home décor items, rangoli displays, wall clocks, photo frames, etc. The underprivileged girls of different resettlement colonies where PHDFWF Skill Development Centers are being run made these décor items. PHD leadership, GB members and the audience present appreciated their craftwork.

## Certificate Distribution in PHDFWF - Hindustan Tin Works Skill Development Training Centre, Lal Kuan, Badarpur



**P**HDFWF has been running a Skill Development-Training Centre in Lal Kuan, Badarpur with financial support from Hindustan Tin Works Ltd. Training in Computer Education & Beauty culture is being provided at the Centre. On successful completion of Computer Education and Beauty culture course, 54 certificates were distributed to the trainees on February 12, 2019 in the gracious presence of Ms. Anuradha Goel, Chairperson, PHDFWF, Ms. Mani Bhatia, GB Member, PHDFWF, senior GB Members, PHDFWF and officials from PHDFWF.

## Special Health Check-up Camp in Association with Prayas Trust, L & T, Faridabad



**A** Special health check up camp was organized on February 20, 2019 at Alla Mohalla, Okhla, Phase-I, New Delhi in association with Prayas Trust, L & T, Faridabad. The camp was inaugurated by Ms. S. K. Lamba, President, Prayas Trust; Ms. Anuradha Goel, Chairperson, PHDFWF; Mr. Sunil P George, Head, Implant, L & T, Faridabad along with senior members from Prayas Trust, PHDFWF and officials from L & T, Faridabad and the local community. Free distribution of medicines, weight, blood pressure testing, sugar & haemoglobin tests were conducted in the camp. In all, 265 patients benefitted from this special camp.



## Motivational Talk at PHDFWF-SMPF Skill Development Training Centre, Vinodpuri



On January 28, 2019 an interactive session was organized by GB members - Ms. Neetu Jiwrajka and Ms. Nirmala Fenn for the beneficiaries of Vinodpuri Centre. They spoke to the beneficiaries about their interests, how they are benefitting from the centre and what they are planning to do after completing the course. Some of the beneficiaries shared their inspirational stories like how they have overcome their situation and started living a better life. Beneficiaries and GB Members discussed various social and family issues and how their life is getting affected by it.

## PHDFWF-L&T New Skill Development Training Centre in Tailoring and Beauty Culture in Okhla Resettlement Colony



PHDFWF is running a Skill Development-Training Centre at Allah Mohalla Village, Tekhand, Okhla Phase-I with financial support from Larsen & Toubro Ltd. This Centre is providing training in Tailoring and Beauty culture. In all, 74 trainees are availing training at the Centre.



## PHDFWF-SMPF Skill Development Training Centre, Vinodpuri



PHDFWF has been running a Skill Development-Training Centre in Vinodpuri in association with Seth Madanlall Palriwala Foundation since 2012. Training in Tailoring & Embroidery, Beauty culture & Mehendi, Mobile repairing and Computer education are being provided under the project. Training in Bridal make-up under Beauty culture training is being provided to the beneficiaries. Apart from other activities, regular SHG meetings and awareness generation programmes on health & sanitation were organized under this project.

## PHDFWF-WRG Skill Development Training Centre in Rangpuri Pahari, Vasant Kunj



PHDFWF has been running a Skill Development-Training Centre in Rangpuri Pahari Resettlement Colony, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi. The Centre is providing training in Computer Education, Tailoring & Embroidery, Beauty Culture and Nursing Assistant. In all, 78 trainees are availing training in both the courses.



## PHDFWF- SETH Madanlall Palriwala Foundation Mobile Medical Van

During this month, 16 free health check-up camps were organized in different rural areas of Rajasthan, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and slums of Delhi. Free diagnostic care, clinical services and medicines were provided to the patients. In all, 1696 patients benefitted from these camps.



## PHDFWF-Aruna Abhey Oswal Trust – Mobile Medical Van

PHDFWF is running a mobile medical van in association with Holy Family Hospital donated by Aruna Abhey Oswal Trust. Free health check-up camps are being organized in Okhla resettlement colonies, Jamia Nagar & IKV centres on a regular basis.



## PHDFWF- Jaquar Foundation Mobile Medical Van (Gurugram, Haryana)

During the month, 16 free health check-up camps were organized in different villages of Haryana adopted by the Jaquar Group. Free diagnostic care, clinical services and medicines were provided to the patients. In all, 1025 patients benefitted from these camps.



## PHDFWF- Jaquar Foundation Mobile Medical Van (Bhiwadi, Rajasthan)

During this month, 20 free health check-up camps were organized in different villages of Haryana adopted by the Jaquar Group. Free diagnostic care, clinical services and medicines were provided to the patients. In all, 1240 patients benefitted from these camps.





## PHDFWF-JAQUAR New Skill Development Training at Rangpuri Pahari

**P**HDFWF in collaboration with Jaquar Foundation is running a Skill Development Centre at Rangpuri Pahari. The courses that are being conducted at these Centres include Beauty culture and Nursing Assistant. Currently, 45 students are availing training at the Centre in these two courses.



## PHDFWF-Goyal MG Gases Pvt. Ltd. - Shree Charitable Trust-Skill Development Training Centre, Badli Ext., Rohini

**P**HDFWF has been running a Skill Development-Training Centre at Badli Ext., Rohini with financial support from Goyal M G Gases Pvt. Ltd & Shree Charitable Trust. Presently, 76 trainees are availing training in Computer education, Tailoring and Beauty culture & Adult education at the Centre.



## PHDFWF-TPDDL Rohini Sec-3 Vocational Training Centre

**P**HDFWF is running a Vocational Training Centre at Rohini Sector-3 with financial support from Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. Presently, 189 trainees are availing training in Computer education, Beauty culture & Tutorial classes at the Centre.



## PHDFWF-DSACS Target Intervention Project on HIV/AIDS

**A** special training was organized by Delhi State AIDs Control Society for the Programme Managers under the project to apprise on updated techniques and procedures adapted under the new rules. During this month, 146 ICTC, 69 RPR, 4 review meetings, 8 demand generation meetings and 2 DIC meetings, were also conducted. A total of 345 patients attended the STI clinical services. Also, 16 PT, 8 STI and 328 RMC (Regular medical checkups) patients were identified under this project.

## PHDFWF-FENA Skill Development Training Centre

Presently, 110 girls and women are undergoing training in Tailoring and Beauty culture at Tekhand village, Okhla Phase-I. The Centre is being supported by Fena Foundation. After the completion of the respective courses, exams were also conducted and certificates have been awarded to the trainees.



## PHDFWF-ITE Foundation Trust-Skill Development Centre, Noida

Presently, 64 trainees are availing training in tailoring and beauty culture at the Centre. Trainings are held for making different embroidery designs on fabrics and earning their livelihood. One awareness generation programme was also organized during this period under the project.



## PHDFWF-TPDDL Rohini Sec-11 Vocational Training Centre

PHDFWF is running a Skill Development Training Centre at Rohini Sector-11 with financial support from Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. Presently, training in Computer education, Beauty & wellness & Tutorial classes are being conducted under the project. Presently, 183 trainees are availing training at the centre.





# PHD RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (PHDRDF)

**P**HD Chamber strongly believes in its social responsibility being an important part of business philosophy. The PHD Chamber is extending its contributions to the community through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives by PHD Rural Development Foundation as its social arm. The initiatives are designed to ensure that every corporate donor embodies the principles of CSR as per section VII of Company's Act 2013. The Foundation takes appropriate initiatives in the areas of Healthcare & Sanitation, Education, Skill Development, Women Empowerment and Water Conservation Harvesting and seeks to empower individuals and community at large by providing them with the support they need to affect change in their own environment for social and economic development.

## PHDRDF SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

PHDRDF has been actively working towards improving quality and standards of school education and literacy by supporting the existing Government schools in different states.

### A. Rotary South East Charitable Foundation

Rotary South East Charitable Foundation has partnered with PHDRDF to implement a project on constructing a rain water harvesting system in the school 'Raghukul Arya Girls Sr. Sec. School', Raja Bazar, CP, New Delhi to promote water conservation. The work for this project will take approximately a month to get completed.

### B. PHDRDF- TEVA API India Limited

Teva API India Ltd and PHDRDF have initiated a partnership for a project - Aadharsh Vidyalaya- Integrated Development of Government Schools in Gajraula, Uttar Pradesh and Malanpur, Bhind in Madhya Pradesh. During this period, a health camp for students in Shashkiya Prathamik Vidyalaya, Malanpur was organized in which 85 students benefitted. School Infrastructure development activities such as rain water harvesting system, roof repair and water proofing, floor repair/replacement and installation of new main gate have been completed. Activities like whitewash of the building, fabrication of new benches for students, refurbishment of toilets and installation of drinking water station are in progress. Also, seasonal fruits/glucose biscuits are distributed once a week as nutritional supplements to the school students.



Health camp in progress at Shashkiya Prathamik Vidyalaya, Malanpur, MP



Infrastructure work in progress at Shashkiya Prathamik Vidyalaya, Malanpur, MP



### C. PHDRDF- Peter Und Luise Hager Stiftung (Hager Foundation)

PHDRDF and Hager Foundation, Germany have come together to implement the project on WASH and Quality education in five Government Schools in Sikar, Rajasthan. During this period, a drawing competition on 'WASH' was organized in Govt. Upper Primary School, Rai Singh Ki Dhani. Also, girls and boys toilet blocks were renovated.



Students showcasing drawings during drawing competition at Govt. Upper Primary School, Sikar



A student showing his drawing at Govt. Upper Primary School, Sikar, Rajasthan

## PHDRDF HEALTHCARE INTERVENTION

PHDRDF has been actively conducting free health camps for the low-income population in various geographical locations across the country to increase access to healthcare. A team of a qualified Doctor, ANM, Lab Technician and project coordinator are present for each camp and are responsible for its success. Emphasis is given on generating awareness among the community on sanitation & hygiene, child & maternal health, waterborne diseases, communicable diseases and other geography based medical problems.

### A. PHDRDF- Sekisui-DLJM Pvt. Ltd.

SEKISUI DLJM Pvt. Ltd. collaborated with PHDRDF for the project on FREE MOBILE HEALTH CAMPS in four villages in Greater Noida. During this period, a total of 04 Generic Health Camps were organized and a total of 345 patients benefitted. One eye care camp was also organized in which 154 patients benefitted. The patients were provided with free medical counselling, ECG, Blood Sugar and Haemoglobin test facility.



Patient being examined at Eye testing camp in Greater Noida under the project by Sekisui-DLJM



Patient being examined at health camp in Noida under the project by DLJM

### B. PHDRDF- DIPTY LAL JUDGE MAL PRIVATE LTD.

Dipty Lal Judge Mal Private Ltd. collaborated with PHDRDF to conduct health camps in Noida. During this period, 4 Generic Health Camps were organized and a total of 404 patients benefitted. Patients were provided with free medical counselling, ECG, Blood Sugar and Haemoglobin test facility.

### C. PHDRDF- Dhampur Sugar Mills Ltd.

Project on Free Mobile Health Services is being implemented with support from Dhampur Sugar Mills Limited, Asmoli, Uttar Pradesh across nine villages. During this period, a total of 10 generic health camps and one women & child care camp were organized. A total of 872 patients from generic camps and 93 patients from women & child camp benefitted. The patients were provided with free medical counselling, ECG, Blood Sugar and Haemoglobin test facility. Also, a blood group testing camp was organized for the employees of Dhampur Sugar Mills, Asmoli wherein 510 employees got their blood group checked.



Mr. Subhash Pandey, President, Dhampur Sugar Mills, Asmoli getting his blood group checked



Doctor examining patient at Women and Child care camp under DSM project, Asmoli

### D. PHDRDF-BSES Yamuna Power Ltd

BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. collaborated with PHDRDF to implement 'Mobile Health project' in Central and East Delhi. During this period, a total number of 14 health camps were organized in which 1584 patients were provided with free medical counselling and medicines.



Patient check up at Health care camp under BSES project in Delhi





## PHDRDF SKILL DEVELOPMENT

**P**HDRDF has been undertaking skill development programs with various corporate organizations with an aim to enable the underprivileged youth to be economically independent. These programs include training in stitching & tailoring, beauty culture, computer literacy including tally software, spoken English language, soft skills etc.

### A. CAF America and DowDuPont India

DowDuPont India through CAF America has partnered with PHDRDF to implement a project for empowering rural women by training them on “Beekeeping” as a supplementary source of income to around 100 women who will be brought together as Self-Help Groups to produce and sell bee products. The project will be implemented in Manchar, Pune, Maharashtra for a period of one year. Technical experts from the industry will be invited to impart training and mobilize women to ensure that the project is implemented efficiently and effectively.

### B. PHDRDF- Donaldson India Filter Systems Private Limited

PHDRDF and TCI Foundation have partnered for the project titled ‘Enterprise Development - Low Cost Sanitary Napkin Production Enterprise by Women Self Help Group’ which aims to address the dual purpose of economic empowerment for women and provide low-cost sanitary napkins to rural women and adolescent girls in and around Jamhar Village, Khunti District of Jharkhand. Eight women have been engaged for the project and are enrolled in women SHG model. After training, women have started manufacturing the pads independently. Production of sanitary pads is in full progress. Efforts are under way for promotion of the product.



Stitching & Tailoring class in progress at Skill Development Centre in Gurugram



Awareness generation camp on ‘Menstrual Hygiene’ being carried out in Khunti, Jharkhand

### C. PHDRDF-TCI Foundation

PHDRDF and TCI Foundation has partnered for the project titled, “Enterprise Development - Low Cost Sanitary Napkin Production Enterprise by Women Self Help Group” which aims to address the dual purpose of economic empowerment for women and provide low cost sanitary napkins to rural women and adolescent girls in and around Jamhar Village, Khunti District of Jharkhand through enterprise development of manufacturing low-cost sanitary napkins. Efforts are under way for promotion of the product. In this context, awareness generation camps are being organized regularly. Also, sanitary napkin packets have been printed and packaging of the same is in progress.



## PHDRDF WATER MANAGEMENT

PHDRDF has been constantly working towards recharging of ground water table through construction of Rain water harvesting structures.

### A. Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) and Rotary Club of Delhi Central (RCDC)

IREDA through RCDC has partnered with PHDRDF to implement a CSR project on ‘Water Conservation’ in Neem-ka-thana block, Sikar District, Rajasthan. A tripartite MoU was signed with IREDA, Rotary Club of Delhi Central and PHDRDF on February 1, 2019. Mr. K.S. Popli, CMD, IREDA; Mr. P. Sreenivasan, GM, IREDA; Mr. Sunil Jain, President, Rotary Club Delhi Central; Dr. Mahesh Reddy, Trustee, PHDRDF; Mr. Sanjay Bhatia, Chairman, PHDRDF and Dr. Kadambari, Chief Executive, PHDRDF along with the PHDRDF team were present on the occasion. The project entails construction of ‘Sushil check dam’ having water holding capacity of 138,752 cu. mts. and installation of a de-fluoride plant to enable access to safe drinking water impacting lives of 2,200 rural people.



Ground breaking ceremony of ‘Sushil wala’ check dam held at Sikar, Rajasthan



Tripartite MoU signing between IREDA, Rotary Club of Delhi Central and PHDRDF

## B. Rotary Club of Delhi Megapolis (RCDM)

RCDM has partnered with PHDRDF for the construction of 'Kali Deh Wala' check dam in Paidwala ki dhani village, Jamwah Ramgarh block of Jaipur District, Rajasthan having water holding capacity of 88,755 cu. mts benefitting 1,600 people with increase in groundwater leading to improvement in access to water for drinking and irrigation. The project will also train the local people in areas of sanitation and hygiene, water conservation & efficient agri-based water technologies. The dam was inaugurated on February 5, 2019 by Rtn Sanjiv Saran, Project Manager; Rtn Elias Thomas, Project leader, USA; Dr. Kadambari, Chief Executive, PHDRDF along with national and foreign Rotarians.



Inauguration ceremony of 'Kali Deh Wala' check dam held at Jaipur, Rajasthan



"Gwal Baba Wala" check dam in Hoshangabad, MP

## D. PHDRDF – HEG Ltd.

Out of the partnership of PHDRDF and HEG Ltd, construction of "Bainada Wala" check dam in Alwar, Rajasthan has been completed in January 2019 having an impact on 850 acres of land. The check dam will benefit around 2835 people in 350 households. The dam's water holding capacity is 50,000 cubic mts.



"Bainada Wala" check dam in Alwar, Rajasthan

## F. PHDRDF – Hero Future Energies Ltd.

PHDRDF and Clean Wind Power, Group company of Hero Future Energies Ltd. have come together to construct two water harvesting structures in the vicinity of their manufacturing unit in district Pratapgarh, Rajasthan. The ground breaking ceremony of "Do Amba Wala" check dam was held on February 11, 2019 and the inauguration of "Dojda Wala" check dam was held on February 12, 2019 by Mr. Ravi Pahuja, CEO and Ms. Archana Sumbly, Senior Manager, Hero Future Energies Ltd, along with village Sarpanch, Panchayat members and the local people of the village.



Inauguration ceremony of 'Dojda Wala' check dam held in Pratapgarh, Rajasthan

## C. PHDRDF-Coca Cola Foundation

PHDRDF and Coca Cola Foundation, Atlanta partnered to promote sustainable solutions for water resource management with surface water conservation and ground water recharge through construction of six check dams at Indore, Dhar and Hoshangabad districts of Madhya Pradesh. The construction work of "Gwal Baba Wala" check dam has been completed. The villagers are very happy with the amount of water being contained in the dams and have been appreciative of Coca Cola Foundation for supporting the project. These check dams will collectively hold 457,950 cu mts of water and will impact lives of 7800 people.

## E. PHDRDF- SS Kothari Mehta & Co.

Partnership of SS Kothari Mehta & Co. and PHDRDF has continued for more than a decade and has been continuously contributing towards water harvesting projects. A new check dam – "Dantodi Wala" in Alwar has been constructed having water holding capacity of 1,68,000 cubic mts and will benefit 4,500 people. The construction work of the check dam has been completed.



"Dantodi Wala" check dam in Alwar, Rajasthan

## G. PHDRDF - Rotary Club of Delhi South-Central

Rotary club of Delhi, South Central and PHDRDF have come together for construction of three check dams in Jaipur, Rajasthan namely "Pagthoda Wala", "Garh Wala" and "Bajrangbali Wala" dams benefitting 12,360 people. The construction work of all the three dams is in progress.



Work under progress of 'Bajrang Bali' check dam in Jaipur, Rajasthan



Work under progress of 'Pagthoda Wala' check dam in Jaipur, Rajasthan



## International

| S No. | Name of the MoU  | Date of Signing    |
|-------|--|--------------------|
| 1     | Dubai Exports (DE)   | January 29, 2017   |
| 2     | Confederation of Nepalese Industries (CNI)   | August 10, 2017    |
| 3     | Management Association of Nepal  | August 10, 2017    |
| 4     | CAB International  | August 21, 2017    |
| 5     | BALKAN Indian Business Association, Indian Chapter, New Delhi                            | October 16, 2017   |
| 6     | Kuwait Chamber of Commerce & Industry  | October 23, 2017   |
| 7     | Indian Chamber of Commerce in Slovak Republic  | November 10, 2017  |
| 8     | Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry   | November 20, 2017  |
| 9     | AL HILAL Publishing and Marketing Group, Bahrain   | November 21, 2017  |
| 10    | FICCI (Phil) Inc.  | January 26, 2018   |
| 11    | Eurasian Peoples' Assembly, Moscow, Russia   | February 28, 2018  |
| 12    | Alborz Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture (ACCIMA)                   | March 8, 2018      |
| 13    | Tehran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture (TCCIMA)                   | March 8, 2018      |
| 14    | Private Sector Foundation Uganda (PSFU)  | March 8, 2018      |
| 15    | PHD Chamber & Ghana National Chamber of Commerce & Industry                              | March 12, 2018     |
| 16    | National Confederation of Entrepreneurs (Employers) Organizations of Azerbaijan Republic | March 13, 2018     |
| 17    | Azerbaijan Export & Investment Promotion Foundation Baku, Azerbaijan                     | March 13, 2018     |
| 18    | The Azerbaijan Republic Chamber of Commerce and Industry BAKU, Azerbaijan                | March 14, 2018     |
| 19    | TAIPEI World Trade Centre  | April 17, 2018     |
| 20    | The Chamber of Commerce & Industry of the Republic of Moldova                            | May 7, 2018        |
| 21    | The Netherlands India Chamber of Commerce and Trade                                      | May 24, 2018       |
| 22    | Government of Andijan City, Republic of Uzbekistan                                       | May 26, 2018       |
| 23    | F6S Network Limited  | June 5, 2018       |
| 24    | Kenya National Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Nairobi, Kenya (KNCCI)                    | June 11, 2018      |
| 25    | Private Sector Federation, Rwanda  | July 24, 2018      |
| 26    | Confederation of Nepalese Industries(CNI)  | August 1, 2018     |
| 27    | India – New Zealand Business Council (INBC)  | September 5, 2018  |
| 28    | Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bulgaria                                     | September 5, 2018  |
| 29    | Global CEO Club, SEOUL, South Korea  | September 7, 2018  |
| 30    | Association of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises and Crafts of the Czech Republic       | September 7, 2018  |
| 31    | Bucharest Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Romania                                      | September 19, 2018 |
| 32    | Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Cote D'ivoire  | September 21, 2018 |
| 33    | Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Antananarivo, Madagascar                             | September 28, 2018 |
| 34    | Chamber of Commerce & Industry Anosy, Madagascar   | September 28, 2018 |



## Domestic

| S No. | Name of the MoU  | Date of Signing    |
|-------|--|--------------------|
| 1     | Gujarat Chamber of Commerce  | July 20, 2017      |
| 2     | Sky Innovation Tech Labs Pvt. Ltd (Signcatch)                                    | July 26, 2017      |
| 3     | Pawan Hans Limited   | October 11, 2017   |
| 4     | The Federation of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry | November 20, 2017  |
| 5     | Kalinga International Foundation (KIF)   | December 15, 2017  |
| 6     | Indian Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE) | December 21, 2017  |
| 7     | Indian Printing, Packaging and Allied Machinery Manufacturers' Association       | January 10, 2018   |
| 8     | Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce & Industry                           | February 3, 2018   |
| 9     | SMERA Rating Limited   | February 5, 2018   |
| 10    | Oriental Bank of Commerce  | March 26, 2018     |
| 11    | Travel Agents Association of India   | March 28, 2018     |
| 12    | Rajasthan State Chapter and Kashmir State Chapter                                | March 29, 2018     |
| 13    | Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar Punjab  | April 6, 2018      |
| 14    | Government E- Marketplace  | April 18, 2018     |
| 15    | Technology Development Board (TDB)   | April 25, 2018     |
| 16    | Punjabi University, Patiala  | April 25, 2018     |
| 17    | Indian Yoga Association  | April 29, 2018     |
| 18    | BioNEST at Panjab University   | May 10, 2018       |
| 19    | iSTART, IT Department of the State Govt. of Rajasthan                            | May 11, 2018       |
| 20    | Federation of Industry and Commerce of North Eastern Region(FINER)               | May 15, 2018       |
| 21    | Engineering Council of India   | May 31, 2018       |
| 22    | International Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology (iCreate)               | June 5, 2018       |
| 23    | Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak (Madhya Pradesh)            | June 29, 2018      |
| 24    | The EBG Federation, New Delhi, India   | July 12, 2018      |
| 25    | Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)  | July 20, 2018      |
| 26    | Global Compact Network India   | July 20, 2018      |
| 27    | OFB TECH Pvt. Ltd  | July 30, 2018      |
| 28    | Energy Efficiency Services Ltd   | July 31, 2018      |
| 29    | Southern India Chamber of Commerce And Industry (SICCI)                          | August 20, 2018    |
| 30    | Uttar Pradesh Braj Teerth Vikas Parishad (UPBTVP)                                | August 31, 2018    |
| 31    | BIOAYURVEDA  | September 10, 2018 |
| 32    | Bundelkhand University, Jhansi   | September 13, 2018 |
| 33    | Department of Management Studies, Kashmir University                             | September 24, 2018 |
| 34    | Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FKCCI)                  | December 15, 2018  |





# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS / MEETINGS OF PHDCCI

| S. No. | Programme Title  | Date                | Time                | Venue   |
|--------|--|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| 1      | Women Innovator 2019- Virtual Incubator for Women Entrepreneurs  | 8 March 2019        | 10.00 am            | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 2      | Skill Development Programme (Cook-Gen)   | 10 to 25 March 2019 |                     | Kaza, H.P.  |
| 3      | PharmaMed HD 2019  | 12 March 2019       | 9.45 am             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 4      | Contours of Marketing in Industry 4.0  | 13 March 2019       | 9.30 am             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 5      | Seminar on "Industrial Waste and Wastewater Management"  | 13 March 2019       | 10.00 am            | Hotel PIlazio, Gurugram                                 |
| 6      | Interactive Session with CPFC  | 13 March 2019       | 3.00 pm             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 7      | Introduction of New GST Return Format - Understanding Issues & Compliances there of  | 14 March 2019       | 10.00 am to 5.00 pm | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 8      | South Asian Consumer Fair & Trade Show- 2019   | 14 to 18 March 2019 | 10.00 am to 5.00 pm | Jalandhar   |
| 9      | Second Edition of Textile Exhibition cum Buyer-Seller Meet at Varanasi   | 15 to 17 March 2019 | 10.00 am            | Varanasi, U.P.  |
| 10     | 35th Edition of AMBASSADORS' MEET: Fostering International Economic Cooperation  | 15 March 2019       | 6.30 pm             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 11     | Employee Relations and Industrial Competitiveness  | 16 March 2019       | 10.00 am            | PHD House, Lucknow, U.P.                                |
| 12     | Importance of Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights  | 16 March 2019       | 10.00 am            | Police Headquarters Uttarakhand, Dehradun, Uttarakhand  |
| 13     | Workshop on Homestay Management  | 16 to 30 March 2019 |                     | Tabo H.P.   |
| 14     | Importance of Intellectual Property Rights   | 20 March 2019       | 10.00 am            | Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab             |
| 15     | Meeting of Managing Committee  | 20 March 2019       | 4.00 pm             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 16     | Cross Cultural Hurdles in International Business   | 23 March 2019       | 9.30 am             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 17     | Natural Gas Conclave-2019  | 26 March 2019       | 9.30 am             | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |
| 18     | 39th Gift, Premium & House ware Show   | 26 to 28 March 2019 | 10.00 am            | Beijing, China  |
| 19     | 8th India Heritage Tourism Conclave  | 27 March 2019       | 2.00 pm             | WelcomHotel The Savoy, Mussoorie, Dehradun, Uttarakhand |
| 20     | Driver's Briefing and Scrutiny of the Cars - 2nd Edition of PHD Chamber Women Car Rally 2019   | 28 March 2019       | 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm  | PHD House, New Delhi to Chandigarh                      |
| 21     | Ceremonial Flag Off- 2nd Edition of PHD Chamber Women Car Rally 2019   | 29 March 2019       | 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm  | PHD House, New Delhi to Chandigarh                      |
| 22     | 2nd Edition of PHD Chamber Women Car Rally 2019  | 30 to 31 March 2019 | 7.00 am onwards     | PHD House, New Delhi to Chandigarh                      |
| 23     | Burning and open issues in GST – Open House on Chargeability, Registration, Input Tax Credit, Output Tax liability, Legal & Procedures | 12 April 2019       | 10.00 am to 5.00 pm | PHD House, New Delhi                                    |







## Global Film Tourism Conclave held



PHD Chamber of Commerce organised Global Film Tourism Conclave in Mumbai. According to a report released at the function, Indian Film Tourism Industry has potential to generate 3 billion dollars by 2022. Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Union Minister, inaugurated the Conclave. Noted Bollywood personalities like Ramesh Sippy, Satish Kaushik, Ganesh Jain, Deepak Tijori, Rahul Mitra, Raju Mavani, Anupam Shyam, Rajat Rawail, Vinod Bachchan, Pooja Bisht and Rajesh Puri were honoured for their valuable contribution to Indian cinema. Distinguished personalities present at the conclave included D. K. Aggarwal, Senior Vice President; Mukesh Gupta, Chairman-Entertainment & Media Committee; Kishore Kaya and Rajan Sehgal, Co-Chairman-Tourism Committee, PHDCCI; Vinod Zutshi (IAS) Retd.; Satyaajet Rajan (IAS), Director General, Ministry of Tourism; Yogesh Srivastav, Principal Director, PHDCCI. Representatives from countries like Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Egypt, Fiji, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, Norway, Romania and Spain participated in the Conclave.

The Times of India, New Delhi,  
January 29, 2019



## हार्तिकल्चर मार्केट में प्रदेश की चौथी एग्री लीडरशिप समिट का आयोजन एग्री लीडरशिप समिट में पीएचडी चैम्बर ऑफ कामर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री में अहम भूमिका

भास्कर न्यूज़ | गानौर

गानौर सिविल इंडिया इंटरनेशनल हार्तिकल्चर मार्केट में होने वाले चौथे एग्री लीडरशिप समिट - 2019 में संस्थागत सदस्य एग्री लीडरशिप समिट ऑफ कामर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री हरियाणा सरकार के बैनर तले सम्मेलन के लिए खासकर सरकार तैयार करने में अहम भूमिका निभाएगा। तीन दिन के सम्मेलन की शुरुआत 15 फरवरी को आईआईएचएम गानौर में होगी। इसमें राज्य के मुख्य-मन्त्री उद्योग का प्रतिनिधित्व करने वाले कई प्रमुख लोग होंगे। जो सम्मेलन और इसके भीषण उद्देश्यों को पूरी तरह कामयाब बनाएंगे।

इसमें पीएचडी चैम्बर ऑफ कामर्स एंड इंडस्ट्री का प्रतिनिधित्व मोटे तौर पर इसके पर्यटकीय करेंगे। इनमें प्रिंसिपल, सॉल्यूशंस प्रिंसिपल और खास प्रिंसिपल के साथ सेक्रेटरी जनरल डॉ. मोहन यादव शामिल हैं। सम्मेलन का उद्देश्य बड़ी संख्या में राज्य के प्रतिनिधित्व विमानों, एग्रीजो, एग्री इनोवेट और एग्री प्रोड्यूस प्रोमोशन उद्योग को देश भर में एक मंच प्रदान करना है। जहां वे नीति निर्माताओं, वैज्ञानिकों और टेक्नोलॉजिस्ट्स के साथ चर्चा कर सकें। इसका संपूर्ण उद्देश्य किसानों

## कार्यक्रम • तीन दिन के सम्मेलन की शुरुआत 15 फरवरी को आईआईएचएम गानौर से होगी



गानौर, 3 दिवसीय कार्यक्रम को लेकर उपस्थित विभिन्न विभागों के अधिकारी-कर्मचारी।

कनरा है तथा राज्य के कृषि से संबंधित उद्योग के लिए निवेश आकर्षित करना है। पीएचडी चैम्बर के प्रिंसिपल राजीव तलवार ने एक बयान में यह बात कही है।

पीएचडी चैम्बर के सेक्रेटरी जनरल डॉ. मोहन यादव ने कहा चैम्बर ने हरियाणा के पहले एग्री

और बाद में इसके संबंध हरियाणा सरकार के साथ बढ़ रहे हैं इसलिए संभावना है कि यह राज्य को सलाह दे और साथ ही स्थान सलाह परिवेश से उद्योग को प्रमुख संस्थाओं को और टेक्नोलॉजी स्वयंसेवकों को कृषि, बागवानी और पशुओं के क्षेत्र के संबंध में जानकारी दे जिससे ऐसे सम्मेलन के

The Dainik Bhaskar, Ganaur, February 10, 2019

## 4TH AGRI LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

# PHDCCI to play pivotal role

DP CORRESPONDENT  
Sonapat

The PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry which will be the "Institutional Partner" in the 4th Agri Leadership Summit-2019 under aegis of state government will play a critical role in creating a comprehensive infrastructure for the Summit.

Additionally, it will facilitate revolutionary transformation in the entire agriculture, horticulture and livestock sector in the state by bringing in innovative and novel technologies to ensure higher agri and horti produce and growth for the state including its livestock yield.

The 3-day Summit which will commence on February 15 at IHM, Ganaur, Sonapat, will have key functionaries, representing the State as well industry leaders and experts from the relevant sectors to make the Summit absolutely conclusive in its intended objectives in which the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry would be largely represented by its Office Bearers such as its President, Sr. Vice President and Vice President including Secretary General, Dr Mahesh Y Reddy. The objective of the Summit is



to provide a platform to a large number of progressive farmers, FPOs, agri input and agri-produce processing industry, from the state and across the country for interaction with policymakers, scientists and technologists with overall objectives of increasing the income and quality of life of farmers and attract investment in agro-related industry in the State.

The Theme of the Summit is "Entrepreneurship & Agri Business; Agri Allied - A Promising Sector and Agri Service - Direct Marketing" in which the PHDCCI's role would be to provide for knowledge and intellectual inputs for meaningful deliberations which would result in enhanced growth of the sector and rural economy,

## HIGHLIGHTS

- The objective of the summit is to provide a platform to a large number of progressive farmers, FPOs, agri input and agri-produce processing industry, from the state
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said the President of the PHD Chamber, Rajeev Talwar in a statement.

Secretary General, PHD Chamber, Dr Mahesh Y Reddy in his observations pointed out that the Chamber since has already partnered in Haryana's first Agri Leadership Summit-2015 and subsequently with its growing relationship with Government of Haryana is likely to suggest the State by way of intensive consultations the key industry players as well owners of technologies and up-skill in agri, horti and livestock sector so that the intended objectives of such Summit are achieved.

"Not only the productivity and yield of the identified sectors would increase and enhance through such institutional arrangements between Haryana and PHD Chamber but also lead to

creation of additional employment as well fuel growth of agriculture and its allied sectors since these initiatives would inspire entrepreneurship and attract Agri Start-Ups in the State", added Dr Reddy.

It is also explained that since state has already taken a lead in the agriculture sector and is one of the significant contributors to feed the nation as well also contribute to its agri and horti exports significantly. Summit such as this would help Haryana upgrade and retain its leading position in the sector.

As the same time, it would also motivate the women participation in emerging agri landscape as women in the state are equally enterprising and the government would want their participation to multiply manifold.

The Daily Post, Ganaur, February 10, 2019



# PHDCCI facilitates largest number of centres for VC

Central Chronicle News

**Raipur, Feb 18:** In a unique interaction with representatives of commerce and industry including that of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) here on Monday through video conferencing with Union Minister for Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation, Mr Suresh Prabhu, the Chamber provided for 14 different locations across the country to enable the Minister share his reflections on current trends which are shaping the macro policies of the government for higher internal and external trade including enhanced FDIs and growth in general.

These locations consist of sites of PHDCCI's offices in Delhi, Chandigarh, Jaipur, Lucknow, Ranchi, Raipur, Bhopal, Guwahati, Cochin, Hyderabad, Patna, Dehradun, Baddi and Srinagar in J&K. The Senior



Vice President and Vice President, PHDCCI, Mr D K Aggarwal and Mr Sanjay Aggarwal along with its several prominent members and Past Presidents were also present on the occasion, said the Secretary General, PHDCCI, Dr Mahesh Y Reddy in a statement issued here today.

The Minister appreciated the issues raised by the Chamber on different verticals of industry including Micro, Small & Medium Industries (MSMEs) well in advance and assured solutions and policy direction for addressing these since the Chamber has larger representation of MSMEs segment. Significantly, in the times when the trade terms

are increasing privy to conservatism in unprecedented way the global integration of businesses is facing hurdles at the governments and regulators ends. The Indian economy, being one of the fastest growing in the world, is particularly facing the challenges with the shift of pattern in globalisation. The Minister addressed on crucial matters and concerns and assured the Indian industry, trade and businesses about ensuring a level playing field for business in all sizes and keeping them globally competitive through the policy provisions and required administrative measures. PHDCCI, National Apex Chamber, has been a leading voice of industry

since 1905. PHDCCI serves the National Interest through Policy Advocacy, Industry Representation at crucial Government Forums, Research & Advisory Services, Networking & Handholding Services, Conferences & Industry Exhibitions, Impact Assessment, Certificate of Origins etc.

PHDCCI, through its 58 Sectoral Committees, 2 Foundations working in Social Sectors, Membership Base of 1,30,000, National & International Linkages (17 offices across India and global presence through institutional collaborations) is uniquely positioned to carry forward the "India Growth Story". Across the world, PHDCCI is flag-bearer of Progress, Harmony and Development and hand holding partners with Ministry of Commerce and Industry, particularly in enhancing export share of the country to different parts of the world.

The Central Chronicle, Raipur, February 19, 2019



## PHD Chamber interacts with Union Minister Dr Suresh Prabhu on pending issues

By OUR STAFF REPORTER

**DEHRADUN, 18 Feb:** An industry interactive session for one hour with Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Dr Suresh Prabhu was organised by PHD Chamber and other industry bodies across the country through Video Conferencing, today.

The session focused on discussing the issues concerning manufacturers, exporters and importers with the Commerce Minister. The minister spoke about the focus of the ministry on involving industry more to influence the process of planning and policy making to strengthen the Government's facilitating role.

He also mentioned various initiatives taken by the government to support industry growth and innovation, including the 'Make in India' campaign and the 'Digital India' initiative. He also talked about the ministry's determination to ensure ease of doing business.

Yashpal Kalia, Chairman, Uttarakhand State Chapter of PHD Chamber, said it was a unique initiative and the efforts were appreciated. Such initiatives needed to be regularly held at least once in a year.

And, Dr. Suresh Prabhu, Union Minister, PHDCCI, said that the problems brought out in such programmes would come



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The Garhwal Post

## व्यापारिक मुद्दों पर बातचीत



सोमवार को वीडियो कांफ्रेंसिंग के जरिए पीएचडी चेम्बर ऑफ कॉमर्स के प्रतिनिधि मंडल ने केंद्रीय उद्योग मंत्री सुरेश प्रभु से एफडीआई और अन्य मुद्दों को लेकर बातचीत की। इस प्रकार बातचीत की व्यवस्था देशभर में 14 स्थानों पर की गई थी।

The Nai Dunia





# PHD CHAMBER International Exhibitions

NATIONAL APEX CHAMBER

**APRIL - 2019  
to  
MARCH - 2020**



## Gift & Deco Show

Warsaw, Poland

24th - 26th  
May, 2019



## 17TH GLOBAL INDIAN FESTIVAL

Kuala Lumpur  
Malaysia

1st - 9th  
June, 2019



## PROPAK ASIA 2019

Bangkok, Thailand

12th - 15th  
June, 2019



## PRINT PACK KENYA

Kenya

25th - 27th  
June, 2019



## BEST OF INDIA SHOW

Tbilisi, Georgia

June, 2019



## SOURCE DIRECT @ ASD LAS VEGAS

Las Vegas, USA

28th - 31st  
July, 2019



## BEST OF INDIA SHOW

Yekaterinburg, Russia

August, 2019



## 21ST LANKA PACK

Colombo, Sri Lanka

11th - 13th  
September, 2019



## BEST OF INDIA SHOW

Ulanbataar, Mongolia

September, 2019



## PRINTTECH 2019

Dhaka, Bangladesh

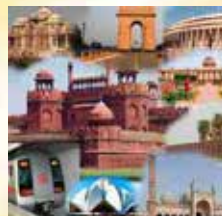
10th - 12th  
October, 2019



## RAC INDIA EXCON 2019 - RBSM

New Delhi, India

17th - 19th  
October, 2019



## CHINA INTERNATIONAL IMPORT EXPO

Shanghai, China

5th - 10th  
November, 2019



## 26TH IRAN PRINT & PACK

Tehran, Iran

13th - 16th  
December, 2019



## BAZAR BERLIN

Berlin, Germany

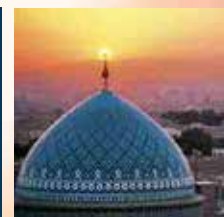
6th - 10th  
November, 2019



## FESTIVAL DE LA INDIA

Santiago, Chile

November, 2019



## NY NOW

New York, USA

2nd - 5th  
February, 2020



## WINTER FAIR

Dammam, Saudi Arabia

27th December, 2019  
- 02nd January, 2020



## CHRISTMASWORLD & PAPERWORLD

Frankfurt, Germany

24th - 28th  
January, 2020



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## Agro Industries Fair at Lucknow

The Chamber's UP Committee through the Lucknow office organized an Agro Industries Fair from November 9-11, 1997 at Lucknow. The Fair was inaugurated by Mr. Lalji Tandon, Minister of Housing and Urban Development, UP, Mr. S K Tripathi, Agricultural Production Commissioner, Mr. V N Channa, Chairman, UP Sugar Corporation, Ms. Surjeet Kaur Sandhu, Secretary, Horticulture were present.

In his address, Mr. Lalji Tandon observed that due to the political instability in the State, the growth in agriculture as well as industry sector had remained stagnant but now the State Government is very keen to take steps to establish closer linkages between agriculture and industry. He appreciated the Chamber's efforts for



organizing the Fair which, he said, would certainly help the farmers to know about the latest farming techniques and the technology.

Mr. I K Khaitan, Chairman, UP Committee informed that the main objective of the Fair was to focus attention of the farmers, entrepreneurs, agricultural scientists and Government agencies, for increasing farm yields through the latest technologies, producing quality raw materials for agro industries and for domestic and export marketing of products.

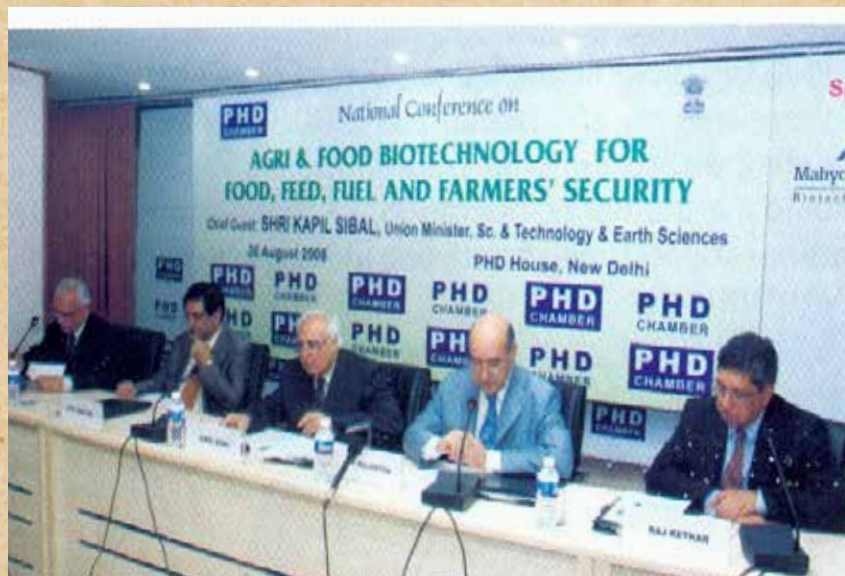


## National Conference on Agri and Food Biotechnology for Food, Feed, Fuel and Farmers' Security

PHD Chamber organized a National Conference on Agri and Food Biotechnology for Food, Feed, Fuel and Farmers' Security on August 26, 2008 at New Delhi.

While inaugurating the Conference, Mr. Kapil Sibal, Union Minister for Science, Technology & Earth Sciences, said that crop conversion for energy purposes should be justified in terms of food security, energy capture of the product, sustainability and its impact on the ecology. Enumerating the government's initiatives, he talked of Godavari Pilot Projects, proposal for 30 Universities and setting up of Biotech Regulatory Authority.

Dr. L. K. Malhotra, President, PHD Chamber, in his welcome address, underscored the need for switching over to high yielding seeds to increase the yield. Mr. Ajay Bector, Chairman, Agribusiness



Committee, PHD Chamber, in his introductory remarks, informed delegates about the latest product development and achievements in this field. Mr. Raj Ketkar, Joint Managing Director, Mahyco Monsanto Biotech said that biotechnology could be the key factor in increasing crop production.

The discussions focused on the need for agri-biotechnology, the lacunae in the system and the recommendations to address the same. The issues under discussion were adoption of PPP model, single window regulatory system and usage of feed crops for fuel instead of food crops.





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## *The RE Walker & JC Chandiook Library*

**Objective:** To provide facilities to members of the Chamber for Business Development in an exclusive environment which is elegant and cost effective having a professional ambience, the Library can be used for:

- Knowledge centre as it has all modern communication & information tools, including wi-fi.
- Holding business meetings and discussions with guests, officials, collaborators, diplomats etc
- Tranquil place to read, think and strategize
- Hospitality to members

### **FACILITIES**

- Separate sitting areas
- Physical & electronic Communication / Information facilities
- Separate dining area
- Paid service for Food and Beverage, etc.

**MEMBERSHIP:** All members of the Chamber are exclusively eligible for the membership of The Library. Other details are as under :

- Concessional annual membership for Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) inclusive of Taxes per person. This includes Rs.15,000/- as one time admission fee and Rs. 10,000/- annual membership subscription. This is being offered to first 250 members.
- Free Issuance of Ad-on Card to the Spouse of Member of the Library so that she / he can also avail the services of the Library. A copy of the spouse Membership form is enclosed.
- A member-company can recommend their executive(s) to be a member of The Library subject to five memberships.
- Rs.25,000/- shall include Rs.2500/- pre-loaded value in the membership card which can be used for availing the food and drinks in the Library;
- A member can accompany 5 guests and there would be "No Guest Charges".
- Membership would be from 1st day of the month in which membership charges have been paid and will be for one year from that date.
- The Food & Bar Services of The RE Walker & JC Chandiook Library – Cafe Lounge and the Radico Khaitan Bar are being handled by the renowned gourmet caterers "MOETS" at a very reasonable price. **The services are available from 11 AM to 11 PM except Sunday.**
- After one year of membership, the renewal of membership will be @ Rs. 10,000/- plus GST @ 18% (Total: Rs. 11,800.00)

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## CONFERENCE FACILITIES

### PHD HOUSE, NEW DELHI

PHD House is a prestigious, most conveniently, approachable, as located in the heart of South Delhi and suitably equipped venue for corporate and business events. It provides facilities to suit specific requirements, backed-up by excellent infrastructure with 100% power back up such as latest public address system, audio-visual facilities, etc. Our meeting rooms provide a bespoke setting and serene atmosphere that are ideal for exclusive business networking events, conferences, Seminars, Board Meetings, Interviews, Annual General Meetings, Academic Discussions, exhibitions, panel discussions, cultural programmes, training programmes, Audio – Video presentations etc. Our meeting rooms tend to make a difference in the way you do your business.

- **LakshmiPat Singhania Auditorium: (Capacity : 300)**

A newly designed, aesthetically architected fully air-conditioned Auditorium with well-designed soothing interiors, excellent acoustics and modern & professional audio visual facilities has a seating capacity of more than 300 people. The Auditorium is ideal for conducting large meetings, seminars, conferences, exhibitions and cultural & social programmes.

- **Modi Exhibition Hall (Capacity : 60 to 90)**

Well designed especially for Exhibitions / display of products and for conducting Training Programmes / Workshops / Audio-visual presentations.

- **Raunaq Room (Capacity : 70)**

A well designed Conference Room for Seminars, Panel Discussions and High Profile Corporate Meetings.

- **Shriram Hall (Capacity : 90)**

Well designed for conducting Training Programmes / workshops / Audio-Visual Presentations.

- **Mohta Room (Capacity : 25)**

Ideal for Board Meetings and Small Meetings.

- **Arbitration Hall (Capacity : 12-15)**

Arbitration Hall which will enable the members to hold small Conferences, Arbitration hearings for max 12-15 pax at competitive rates.

- **The RE Walker & JC Chandiok Library**

The Library' Lounge & Café shall provide an exclusive and elegant ambience with gourmet catering and a well-stocked bar at reasonable prices for our members to conduct their business meetings, for hospitality or simply as a tranquil place to relax.

**The Chamber's approved Caterers at the rates/menus approved by the Chamber provide catering facilities in PHD House.**

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