

# Newsletter

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### Message from the Director General

At the outset allow us at the Chamber to wish you a very Happy Navratri and Dassra Jestival. May Lord Rama give all of us the Strength to overcome all the evils and bring prosperity.

The Chamber celebrated its 178° Foundation Day on 26° September 2013 where Mr. Harsh Mariwala, Chairman and Managing Director, Marico Ltd. was Chief Guest and Dr. Abhay Bang, Senior Social Activist and Director, SEARCH was Guest of Honor. Mr. Mariwala's speech focused on Culture, Innovation and its importance for every business. Dr. Abhay Bang spoke very passionately about the infant mortality. His outstanding work is based on simple principle of "Go to the people. Live amongst them, Love them, Listen to them, Learn from them, Begin with what they know and Build upon what they have". In alianment with the Vision of our President, Ms. Neera Sagai the Chamber launched FEMPower, ladies wing of Bombay Chamber for empowerment of female entrepreneurs. The chamber also signed an AOC with ASCENT to identify entrepreneurs with potential and enable in their growth

One of the thrust areas for the Chamber is working for the SME's. To augment this we organized the NASSCOM -Bombay Chamber Business Connect, creating a platform for the Buyers - Sellers to exchange their ideas, products and services. It is an attempt to make some innovative 'Made in India' products available directly to the buyers. To further disseminate information related to Exports a small workshop was organized for the benefit of SME.

To further enhance the trade links between Iran we have entered into a MoU with Tabriz Chamber of Commerce. Chamber has also taken up issues related to Power Supply with the Hon'ble Principal Secretary (Industries). I request you to actively participate and help the Chamber take up your issues, so please write to us.

Chamber's flagship event AgriCorp 2013 will be held on 24th and 25th October, I am happy to invite you for the Conference. You can utilize this opportunity to be associated with this flagship event and increase your visibility amongst the Agri community. The Chamber looks forward to your support and active participation on the conference.

To promote international business we have organized BZB meetings with delegations from Finland and Hungary. I invite you to actively participate and explore these business opportunities. We plan to take a business delegation to Colombo on 11th November, where a business exhibition will be held on the sidelines of CHOGM. This will be a great opportunity for our members to interact and to do business with their counterparts from commonwealth countries . I urge the members to get in touch with us for

With more and more Governance issues arising in the present business scenario we had organized a workshop on Fraud Risk management to educate members on various aspects of fraud and its impact on the organizations.

I would like to thank the members for providing their contact details and helping the Chamber in its Green initiative. Look forward for support from the remaining members.

Villa Gradie Vikas Gadre Director General

### **Chamber Happenings**

### Bombay Chamber - NASSCOM Meeting with the Delegation from **Business Connect**

Electronics, Telecommunications & Information Technology Committee had organized Business Connect with NASSCOM. First time, NASSCOM and Bombay Chamber had come together to create a close-door, informal format market connect event where 14 -15 CIOs witnessed elevator pitch of 14-15 specialist SME software companies from different verticals. The same was followed by free-wheeling networking session.

### Interactive Session on Doing **Business with Belgium**

Bombay Chamber organized its 10th FDI Event -Interactive Session on Doing Business with Belgium in collaboration with the Consulate General of Belgium. Mr. Eduard van Kleunen, Consul (Economic & Political Affairs), Mr. Tom Vermeulen, Trade Commissioner FIT (Flanders Region of Belgium) and Mr. Jean-Guy Schattens, Trade Commissioner AWEX (Walloon Region of Belgium) made a presentation on investment opportunities, current and future developments.

The discussion focused on Belgium as an attractive destination for investments because of its open economy, high productivity, highly qualified & multilingual workforce, favourable fiscal regime, quality of life, location and infrastructure.

### MoU with Tabriz Chamber of Commerce

Bombay Chamber and Tabriz Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines & Agriculture signed MoU during the meeting with Delegation from Iran in the presence of H.E. Mr. Masood Ebrahimi Khalegi, Consul General, The Consulate General of The Islamic Republic of Iran (Mumbai). The objective of the MoU is to encourage, promote and facilitate economic cooperation among their business communities to the mutual interest of both sides and in accordance with the laws and regulations of the two countries.

### Student Visit from Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)

IIFT as a part of the field visit for the students of MBA in International Business visited Bombay Chamber. The faculty coordinator Prof. Harkirat Singh was accompanied by 41 Students from IIFT. Mr. Pran Daniell, Joint Director, Bombay Chamber made a presentation to the students on the role of the Chamber in development of International Business and the procedure to issue Certificate of Origin along with other facilities being provided to

### Meeting with the Delegation from Iran

The Delegation from the East Azerbaijan Province of the Islamic Republic of Iran visited Bombay Chamber. It was led by Mr. Rahim Sadeghian. President, Tabriz Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines & Agriculture it comprised of senior officials of the office of the Governorate General and also Managing Directors of large companies dealing in tiles, glasses, mines, medical apparatus and general trades.

### Managing Consulting as a Business

Young Bombay Forum organised a Session on "Managing Consulting as a Business" by Mr. Ateet Sanghavi at Welingkar Institute of Management.

### South Africa

The Department of Trade & Industry, South Africa organized a high power delegation from Agro processing, Confectionary, Construction along with Investment promotion boards to Mumbai. The Chamber in collaboration with the Consulate General of the Republic of South Africa, Mumbai arranged for seminar and meetings of member companies with delegates.

### Conference on SME Business Insights

A conference was organised by Standard Chartered Bank & India Magazine (9.9 Media) in association with Bombay Chamber. The program was an evening round-table conference for 60-70 CEOs the agenda was to discuss topics of critical interests to the CEOs. and dwell upon the different needs of SMEs.

### Workshop on Fraud Risk Management

Governance Committee conducted a workshop on Fraud Risk Management. The speaker for the session was Mr. Amit Bansal, Senior Director, Deloitte

The workshop focused on: Fraud -- Background and statistics. Types of fraud and its impact on organizations. Who are the perpetrators, Impact on an Organisation, Managing fraud risks, Case Studies, etc.

In case you want the Chamber to conduct this workshop again, kindly write to ankit@bombaychamber.com

### Meeting with Hon'ble Principal Secretary (Industries)

Bombay Chamber was invited for a Meeting with Hon'ble Principal Secretary (Industries) to discuss the power supply related issues and other issues of industries located in Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR) & to discuss about revision/ amendment in Industrial Location Policy for MMR. Various concerns sent by members were discussed & addressed. Hence forth we request our members to forward their issues to us so that they can be addressed in future meetings.

### Sustainability Series of Sessions

- Responsible Supply Chain by Mr. Yasir Ahmed Technical Director, KPMG.
- Responsible Investment and Sustainability Indexes by Mr. Prathmesh Raichura, Associate Director, KPMG.
- Human Rights in Business by Mr. Prathmesh Raichura, Associate Director, KPMG.

### Workshop on Exports

Bombay Chamber organised a workshop on Exports, specially designed for small businesses. Mr. Deepak Pathare, Head Exports, Sigmens Ltd. was the speaker. This workshop focussed on some prerequisites of taking business global.



## **Forthcoming Programmes**

### Interactive Session on The Legal & Economic perspective of the Land Acquisition Bill 2013 - October 9, 2013

Banking, Finance & Economics Committee with the Legal Affairs & IPR Committee is jointly organising an interactive session by Mr. K. Selvaraj, Director-Legal IDFC Ltd. & Ms. Benaifer F. Jehani, Director-Research CRISILLtd.

For details contact: Neelkamal Saxena on 61200248, neelkamal@bombaychamber.com

### Workshop on "PAT (Perform, Achieve and Trade) Mechanism: Road Ahead" - October 10, 2013

Participation Fee:

Members - Rs. 1,500/- each +Taxes Non-members - Rs. 1,800/- each + Taxes

For details contact: Mani Nair on 61200223, nairma@bombaychamber.com

### Meeting with the Delegation from Finland - October 17, 2013

Bombay Chamber along with FINPRO will be organizing seminar and Business to Business meetings with delegates from Finland for the member companies. The business delegation is led by Mr. Alexander Stubb, Minister for European Affairs

and Foreign Trade, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. The delegation consists of the delegates from following business sectors: Environmental Technologies (Cleantech), ICT, Life science & Funding agencies of Finland.

For details contact : Harshit Thakker

### Meeting with the Delegation from Hungary-October 18, 2013

Bombay Chamber along with Hungarian Embassy, New Delhi will be organizing seminar and Business to Business meetings with delegates from Hungary for the member companies. This Business delegation will be accompanied by the PM of Hungary, more than 75 Hungarian companies will be participating in the delegation visit and will comprise of the following sectors: ICT, Electronics, Machinery, Food Industry, Construction Industry, Textile Industry, Biotech/Pharma Industry, Chemical Industry, Automotive Industry, Tourism & Water Industry.

For details contact: Harshit Thakker

### Interactive Session on Doing Business with Korea - October 25, 2013

Bombay Chamber will be organizing an interactive session on 'Doing Business with Korea' in collaboration with KOTRA (Korea Trade-Investment Promotion Agency). The presentation will focus on business environment, investment climate and bilateral trade & investment opportunities.

For details contact: Harshit Thakker on 61200247, harshit@bombaychamber.com

### Sustainability Series of Sessions

The Sustainability Committee will be conducting following series of sessions in collaboration with KPMG:

- Carbon Post 2012 by Mr. Manpreet Singh, Associate Director, KPMG - October 17, 2013
- Integrated Reporting by Mr. Santhosh Jayaram, Technical Director, KPMG -October 31, 2013

Participation Fee:

Members - Rs.700/- each + Taxes Non-Members - Rs. 800/- each + Taxes

Discount: (1) 10% discount will be offered for nomination of more than 3 participants from one organization (2) 10% discount for nomination of 3 topics from one organisation.

For details contact: Mani Nair on 61200223, nairma@bombaychamber.com

#### Insurance Summit 2013

Chambers' FIRST INSURANCE SUMMIT 2013 is scheduled in the 2nd week of December with our knowledge partner Accenture Management Consulting Ltd. in Mumbai.

For Sponsorship and Branding Opportunities, Contact: Lysha Lewis on 61200234; lewisly@bombaychamber.com / Pravin Rane on 61200219; pr@bombaychamber.com

### AgriCorp2013: Making Agriculture Remunerative October 24 - 25, 2013, ITC Grand Central, Mumbai

Agriculture Committee of Bombay Chamber is organizing its flagship Biennial Conference 'AgriCorp 2013'. Keynote Address: Dr. Ashok Gulati, Chairman, Commission for Agriculture Cost & Prices. Guest of Honor: Dr. Sudhir Goel, Principal Secretary, Agriculture and Mr. Siraj Hussain, Secretary, Ministry of Food Processisng Industries.

Delegate Fees: Members: Rs. 5,000/person | Non Members: Rs. 6,000/person | Student: Rs.1,000/person | 20% discount will be offered for 2 participants & 25% discount for 3 participants or more from same organization.

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Members: Rs. 15,000 | Non Members: Rs. 17,000

For details Contact: Jayshree Patil on 022 61200231; patilja@bombaychamber.com Manasi Kadne on 022 61200236; manasi@bombaychamber.com

Note: The rates mentioned above are inclusive of taxes.

### Bombay Chamber's Conference/Seminar/Meeting Room facility available



Conference Room: Copacity upto 40



Meeting Room: Capacity upto 16

Seminar/Training Room: Capacity upto 35

For bookings, contact: C.B. Juvekar 61200200 (B), 9869314614 (M), cbj@bombaychamber.com

### Shipping Conference February 13-14, 2014, Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai

Bombay Chamber is organizing its 8° Flagship Biennial Shipping Conference which will focus on major growth and regulatory issues pertaining to ports, shipping and coastal waterways. Chief Guest: Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Past President of India

Sponsorship opportunities:

Platinum Sponsor: INR 15 Lakhs Gold Sponsor: INR 10 Lakhs Silver Sponsor: INR 7 Lakhs Bronze Sponsor: INR 5 Lakh

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### Online Discussion Forum

Bombay Chamber invites you to participate in discussing important topics on our Online Discussion Forums. Please click on the link provided on our website's home page to be directed to our Discussion forums.

For technical support, please contact akshat.surve@bombaychamber.com