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Message from the Director General

Dear Members,

At the outset I would take the privilege to wish you a very Happy Holi !!!

We are very thankful to our members for making Chamber's flagship 8th Biennial Ports & Shipping Conference a tremendous success. On behalf of our members and staff, I would like to express our gratitude to Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam for being the chief guest and gracing the event. He also emphasized on the current need of our country to consider entering into important business of shipbuilding on a large scale for creating additional vibrancy to our economic growth. Other areas discussed during the conference were Making India Flag State of Preference, Evolving Role of Ports in the Nations' Economy, Promoting Coastal Shipping & Inland Waterways.

The Chamber had organized B2B meetings with the business delegation from the Chamber of Commerce an Industry Le Havre, France and Chamber of Commerce and Industry Normandy, France. These meetings were beneficial to the participants as it helped them to explore business opportunities in France. The Chamber also signed a MOU with The Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Le Havre, France to further strengthen the ties between the two countries.

Taking further steps towards our thrust area we organized for an interactive session on Managed Services & IT Out Sourcing for SME's; we have also launched MSME IT Innovation Excellence Awards which is one of its kind.

The Chamber had organized a Mediation Orientation Programmed by an internationally renowned Mediator and Trainer. He has already imparted 42hours Mediators' training to 15 members of the Bombay Chamber who have been empanelled on the panel of Bombay High Court, City Civil Court, Small Causes Court and Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court.

Taxation and Accountancy Committee is organizing the seminar on 'Contemporary issues in Indirect Tax' to better understand the dynamic world of indirect taxes and to discuss on some of the latest developments.

I am really thankful to our members for the active participation in the events and sessions organized by Chamber. Look forward for same enthusiasm in forthcoming months.

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Chamber Happenings

India Trade & Export Finance Conference

The Bombay Chamber was an Institutional Partner for this conference organized by Global Trade Review (GTR) which brought together decision makers from some of the country's biggest corporate players, including Reliance Industries, Essar Group, ABB India and Konecranes, to give their unique insights into today's market. The event also attracted many local and international delegates from the banking and financial sectors to discuss liquidity challenges, corporate demand for capital, the impact of changing global trade flows and specific industry case studies.

Indo - French Business Summit: B2B Meeting and Networking Session with Delegation from France

The chamber in collaboration with The Chamber of Commerce and Industry Le Havre, France and Chamber of Commerce and Industry Normandy, France organized B2B meetings & networking session with the delegation from France with an objective to identify local partners and business opportunities in the Automotive, Aeronautics, Chemicals and Food Processing & Packaging sectors. The Chamber also signed a MOU with The Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Le Havre, France to further strengthen the ties between the two countries.

Interactive Session on Managed Services & IT Outsourcing for SME's

ET&IT Committee organised fourth Interactive Session on 'Managed Services & IT Outsourcing for SME's' by Mr. Vinay Patkar.

Commercial Arbitration: Its Future in India

Legal & IPR Committee organised a lecture which was conducted by Mr. Rajendra Barot, Partner, AZB & Partners.

Mediation Orientation Programme

Dr. Sheo K. Sharma, Internationally renowned Mediator and Trainer enlightened our members on the benefits of Mediation. In past he has imparted 42-hours Mediators' training to 15 members of the Bombay Chamber who have been empanelled on the panel of Bombay High Court,City Civil Court,Small Causes Court and Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court.

Three Day Auditor Conversion Training Program on Energy Management System- IRCA 5002 Based on ISO 50001:2011

Bombay Chamber in association with Bureau Veritas Certification (India) Pvt. Ltd. had organised a 3-day Auditor Conversion Training Program on Energy Management System- IRCA 5002 Based on ISO 50001:2011.

An Interactive Session on Trade & Investment Opportunity, South Africa

The Chamber associated with the Department of Trade and Industry, South Africa who organized a delegation of companies comprising of the Agro Processing, Automotive, ICT, Chemicals, Mining & Jewellary sectors. The delegation was led by H.E. Ms. Elizabeth Thabethe, Deputy Minister for Trade & Industry, Republic of South Africa.

Visit of Young Entrepreneurs of Slovenia (YES)

Bombay Chamber in association with The Council of EU Chambers of Commerce in India is organized an interactive meeting with 17-member Young Entrepreneurs of Slovenia. This delegation represents sectors such as Information Technology, Logistics Hospitality, Retail, Banking & Finance, Renewable Energy/Power, Medical & Pharma, Automobile, Insurance, Electrical, Textile, Food, E-Commerce, etc.

Dasra Philanthropy Week 2014

Bombay Chamber in collaboration with Dasra organised 'Dasra Philanthropy Week 2014', which was hosted by the Bombay Stock Exchange. The objectives of the event were: to understand the right NGO to partner with; to maximize the social impact & goodwill for the company and how to design a best-in-class Employee Engagement program.

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Chamber Happenings (contd....)

Health on Nutrition

This seminar conducted by Ms. Grace Agarwal was aimed at clearing peoples myth regarding health and nutrition. The session was not only aimed at providing the participants with a diet plan but also a workout and fitness plan .The speaker also briefed the audience with ways to maintain a healthy work-life balance.





Meeting Room: Capacity upto 16



Seminar/Training Room: Capacity upto 35



Lounge : Capacity upto 8 For bookings, contact: C.B. Juvekar 61200200 (B), 9869314614 (M), cbj@bombaychamber.com Manasi Kadane (61200236, manasi@bombaychamber.com Ankit Agrawal (61200249, ankit@bombaychamber.com





Forthcoming Programmes

Profitability Enhancement Through Lean Management

Bombay Chamber in collaboration with SSA Business Solutions is organising this workshop with focus on Growth & Profitability, Cost Reduction, Productivity Improvement, Optimum resource utilization, Customer Loyalty, Process Standardization & Reduce cost per transaction. The workshop will consist of learning approach through chalk & talk approach, case studies and group discussions.

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The Protection of Women against Sexual Harassment at workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal)Act, 2013 - March 8, 2014

Chamber organised a seminar to assist members to understand the intricacies of the working of the Committee for investigation of complaints of sexual harassment of women at the workplace. Speaker -Justice R. J. Kochar, former Judge, Bombay High Court.Ms. Zia Mody, Partner, AZB and Partners & Mr. Lancy Dsouza, Advocate High Court & Advisor- Legal, Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

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Contemporary issues in Indirect Tax - March 12, 2014

Taxation and Accountancy Committee is organizing this seminar to understand the dynamic world of indirect taxes and to discuss on some of the latest developments. Some of the important topics to be covered are based on:

- VAT and Service Tax on real estate transaction
- CENVAT credit
- Excise Valuation under Section 4
- Taxation of Intangibles, Indirect tax litigation
- 'Place of Provision of Service Rules' and 'Point of Taxation Rules' under service tax

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Interactive Sessions

- March 22, 2014

- Changing Trends in Judicial Criteria Excluding Executives/Managers from Purview of Industrial Disputes Act.
- 2. Termination Simpliciter for Low Performance.

HRM Committee is organising these sessions by Mr. Lancy D'Souza, Advocate High Court & Advisor – Legal, Bombay Chamber and Mr. P.G. Murthy, Advisor – Labour & IR, Bombay Chamber.

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Case Study Competition on Employee Engagement 2014

Bombay Chamber in association with SRF -NMIMS organised a Case Study Competition on Employee Engagement 2014. It is a prestigious competition built around employee related challenges faced by businesses and innovative solutions to the same. Awards will be declared soon.

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Delegation to Karlsruhe, Germany to participate in India Days

- 1st to 4th April 2014

The Bombay Chamber in collaboration with the EU Chamber is planning a delegation to Karlsruhe, Germany to participate in the India-Days Conference. The Conference aims to emphasize the interest of German Medium Sized companies to invest in India, as a Hub for R&D, execution models for Indo-German partnership for Indian companies.

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MSME IT Innovation Excellence Awards - 2014

Bombay Chamber under the aegis of its ET&ITCommittee is pleased to announce the first of its kind awards for 'IT Innovation Excellence in MSMEs'. For further details, please visit www.bombaychamber.com

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