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HIGHLIGHTS FROM INDIA

Visit of Secretary of State of the United States of America to India - October 24 - 26



Prime Minister Modi welcomed US Secretary of State, Mr. Rex Tillerson. Prime Minister shared the resolve expressed by Secretary Tillerson on taking further steps in the direction of accelerating and strengthening the content, pace and scope

of the bilateral engagement. In the context of President Trump's new South Asia Policy, Prime Minister noted the commonality in the objectives of eradicating terrorism, terrorist infrastructure, safe havens, and support, while bringing peace and stability to Afghanistan.

State Visit of Prime Minister of Italy to India (October 30, 2017)



PM of the Republic of Italy, HE Mr. Paolo Gentiloni was on a State Visit to India on Monday, 30th October 2017 at the invitation of PM Narendra Modi. Coming after a gap of more than a decade, the visit was aimed at strengthening the bilateral political and economic relations between the two countries. In the EU, Italy has the third largest presence of Indian community (estimated at 180,000) after the UK and the Netherlands.

India-only country in South Asia & BRICS economies to feature among most improved economies of the DB Report 2018



The World Bank, released the Doing Business (DB) Report, 2018. The DB Report is an assessment of 190 economies and covers 10 indicators which span the lifecycle of a business. India ranks 100 among 190 countries assessed by the Doing Business Team. India has leapt 30 ranks over its rank of 130 in the Doing Business Report 2017.

Paryatan Parv celebrations 5th -25th October



The Ministry of Tourism, in collaboration with other Central Ministries, State Governments and Stakeholders organized a "Paryatan Parv" across the country from the 5th to 25th October 2017. The programme was being organized with the objective of drawing focus on the benefits of tourism, showcasing the cultural diversity of the country, reinforcing the principle of "Tourism for All"

and to encourage Indians to visit their own country.

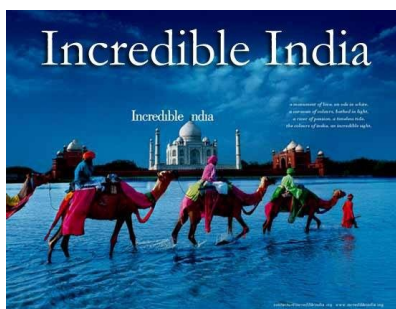
EVENTS REPORT

The International Engineering Fair 2017 in Brno, Czech Republic - October 9-13



The International Engineering Fair 2017 in the city of Brno, Czech Republic, was held on October 9 - 13, 2017. India participated as a Partner Country! Minister of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic Jiri Havlicek and State Minister of Commerce and Industry of India along with key businesses from Czechia and India attended the Business Forum. H.E. Shri Krishan Kumar, Ambassador of India to the Czech Republic spoke about the opportunities available in Jharkhand.. In presence of the Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Mr Bohuslav Sobotka the Indian Engineering Export Promotion Council (EEPC) got the Commemorative Award for the Partner Country participation.

Celebration of 'Paryatan Parv' by screening movie - October 25



Embassy of India, Prague screened a documentary "Timeless India" on October 25, 2017. This documentary screening was a part of celebrations of 'Paryatan Parv', the programme organised by Ministry of Tourism in association with other Ministries, Government of India, from October 5-25, 2017 to showcase the cultural diversity of India and reinforces the principle of "Tourism for All".the cultural diversity of India and reinforces the principle of "Tourism for All".

Celebration of 142nd Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel - October 31



The Embassy of India, Prague celebrated the 142nd Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31st October 2017. Popularly known as the Iron Man of India, S. V. Patel was one of the founding fathers of the Republic of India. He played a quintessential role in helping India garner independence from the British rule. It was his sheer sense of wisdom, practical acumen, sharp mind, great organizational skills and political insight that helped Patel become one amongst the greatest leaders of India. He was posthumously awarded Bharat Ratan, a highest civilian award of the nation in 1991 for his achievements. A documentary film titled „Life of Sardar Vallabhai Patel was screened during the celebrations. Prizes for the winners for Essay Competition and Quiz were distributed during the commemorative event. A photo exhibition also was organised at the embassy from October 30-31, 2017 to commemorate his achievements.

TOURISM SITES IN INDIA

DELHI



History

Delhi, the capital of India has a strong historical background. It was ruled by some of the most powerful emperors in Indian history. The early Mughal emperors favoured Agra as their capital, and Delhi became their permanent seat only after Shah Jahan built (1638) the walls of Old Delhi. In the year 1803, the city came under the British rule. In 1911, British shifted their capital from Calcutta to Delhi. After independence in 1947, New Delhi was officially declared as the Capital of India.

Tourist places - Glimpse into the past in Old Delhi - three World Heritage monuments:

Qutab Minar

The 73 m-high tower of victory, built in 1193 by Qutab-ud-din Aibak immediately after the defeat of Delhi's last Hindu kingdom.



Humayun's Tomb



The magnificent garden tomb is the first substantial example of Mughal architecture in India. There are several graves of Mughal rulers.

Red Fort



The Red sandstone walls of the massive Red Fort rise 33-m above the clamour of Old Delhi as a reminder of the magnificent power and pomp of the Mughal emperors. The walls, built in 1638, were designed to keep out invaders, now they mainly keep out the noise and confusion of the city.

Modern Delhi, popularly known as Lutyens' Delhi. Besides the usual tourist attractions of Modern Delhi - India Gate, Rashtrapati Bhavan (home to the President), Parliament House, you can also visit the various museums, temples and memorials.



India Gate



Rashtrapati Bhavan



Parliament House

INDIAN ECONOMY

TOURISM

Tourism in India is the 3rd largest foreign exchange earner for the country. The tourism and hospitality sector's direct contribution to GDP in 2016, was US\$ 71.53 billion. During 2006–17E, direct contribution of tourism and hospitality to GDP is expected to register a CAGR of 14.05 per cent. The direct contribution of travel and tourism to GDP is expected to reach US\$ 147.96 billion by 2027



Market Size

Domestic Tourist Visits to the States/Union Territories grew by 15.5 per cent y-o-y to 1.65 billion (provisional) during 2016 with the top 10 States contributing about 84.2 per cent to the total number of DTVs, as per Ministry of Tourism.

Foreign tourist arrivals in India increased 18 per cent year-on-year to reach 723,000 in September 2017. E-Tourist Visa in India increased 71 per cent year-on-year to 118,000 in September 2017.

Investments

The tourism and hospitality sector is among the top 10 sectors in India to attract the highest Foreign Direct Investment (FDI). During the period April 2000-June 2017, the hotel and tourism sector attracted around US\$ 10.48 billion of FDI, according to the data released by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).



Government Initiatives

The Indian government has realised the country's potential in the tourism industry and has taken several steps to make India a global tourism hub. In the Union Budget 2017-18, the Government of India announced some initiatives to give a boost to the tourism and hospitality sector such as setting up of five special tourism zones, special pilgrimage or tourism trains and worldwide launch of Incredible India campaign among others.

Road Ahead

The tourism industry is also looking forward to the expansion of E-visa scheme which is expected to double the tourist inflow to India. For example JW Marriott plans to have 175-200 hotels in India over the next four years.

Trade Fairs & Business Exhibitions in India in November 2017 - January 2018

SN	Event	Organizer	Product Profile
1	Paperex New Delhi November 1-4, 2017	International Trade and Exhibitions India Pvt. Ltd. www.paperex-expo.com	International trade fair of office and paper products
2	Acetech November 2-5, 2017	Asian Business Exhibitions & Conferences Ltd. www.etacetech.com	International exhibition and symposium on architecture, construction and engineering
3	Automotive Engineering Show Chennai November 9-11, 2017	Messe Frankfurt Trade Fairs India Pvt. Ltd. www.aes-show.com	International trade fair for automotive and industrial modernization
4	Biofach India November 9-11, 2017	NurnbergMesse India Pvt. Ltd. www.biofach-india.com	International trade fair for organic products
5	World Tea & Coffee Expo November 16-18, 2017	Sentinel Exhibitions Asia Pvt. Ltd. www.worldteacoffeexpo.com	International trade fair for coffee and tea
6	Bengaluru India Bio November 16-18, 2017	MM Activ www.bengaluruindiabio.in	International trade fair and conference for biotechnology
7	IIFJAS Chennai November 17-19, 2017	Radiaant Expositions Ltd. www.iifjs.com	South India's Authentic trade exhibition for imitation & gold covering jewellery
8	OSH India November 23-24, 2017	UBM plc www.oshindia.com	International trade fair and conference for occupational safety and health
9	Yarn, Fabric & Accessories Trade Show YFA November 24-27, 2017	Vision Communications www.yfatradeshow.com	International trade fair of Yarn, Fabric and Accessories
10	P-MEC India November 28-30, 2017	UBM plc www.cphi.com	International trade fair for pharmaceuticals, medical devices and accessories
11	Intersolar India Mumbai December 5-7, 2017	Messe Muenchen India Pvt. Ltd. www.intersolar.in	International trade fair for solar technology and energy
12	IFSEC India New Delhi December 6-8, 2017	UBM plc www.ifsec.events/india/	International trade fair for security and fire protection
13	Glass Technology	Zak Trade Fairs & Exhibitions Pvt. Ltd.	International trade fair

	Expo December 7-10, 2017	www.zakglasstech.com	for glass and glass technology
14	Bio Pharma Hyderabad December 13-15, 2017	Chemtech Foundation www.chemtech-online.com	International trade fair for biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries
15	Kisan Pune December 13-17, 2017	Kisan Forum Pvt. Ltd. www.kisan.in	International trade fair for Agriculture in Pune
16	Smart Industry Solutions India December 13-15, 2017	Messe Frankfurt Trade Fairs India Pvt. Ltd. www.smartindustrysolutions-india.com	International trade fair for showcasing concept of future factory, automation systems technology and solutions and hydraulics and pneumatics.
17	Motek India December 13-15, 2017	Messe Frankfurt Trade Fairs India Pvt. Ltd. www.motek-india.in	International trade fair in the fields of automation in production and assembly, feed technology and material flow, streamlining through handling technology and industrial handling
18	Acetech New Delhi December 14-17, 2017	Asian Business Exhibitions & Conferences Ltd. www.etatech.com	International trade fair on architecture, construction, engineering, building materials and allied sectors
19	Pamex Mumbai December 18-21, 2017	Print-Packaging.com Pvt. Ltd. www.pamex.in	International exhibition on printing and allied machineries
20	Energy Storage India January 11-12, 2018	Messe Düsseldorf India Pvt. Ltd. www.eslexpo.in	International trade fair and congress for production and storage or renewable energy
21	INDUS FOOD 2018 January 18-19, 2018	Trade Promotion Council of India www.indusfood.co.in	International trade fair for food & beverages
22	Garment Technology Expo 2018 January 19-22, 2018	Garment Technology Expo www.garmenttechnologyexpo.com	International exhibition on apparel and knitting technology.
23	Tooltech Bangalore January 25-30, 2018	Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers Association www.imtex.in	International exhibition for cutting tools, tooling systems, machine tool accessories, metrology and CAD/CAM.
24	India International Seafood Show Panaji January 27-29, 2018	Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) www.indianseafoodexpo.com	International exhibition of complete range of fish production and processing – from fresh and frozen fish products and fish dishes to

ITPO's Fairs in Pragati Maidan , New Delhi

Sl. No.	Name of the Event	Dates	Products	Contact Information
1	India International Trade Fair, Delhi	14-27 November 2017	Multi-Products	Mr. J. Gunasekaran General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371829 Fax: 91-11-23371916 E-mail: sekaran@itpo.gov.in
2	East Himalayan Expo, Gangtok (Sikkim)	December 2017	Multi-Products	Mr. S.R. Sahoo General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371965 Fax: 91-11-23370257 E-mail: companysecretary@itpo.gov.in
3	New Delhi World Book Fair	Jan/ Feb. 2018	Books, Periodicals, Journals, Publications etc.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929 /9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
4	Nakshatra Delhi	Jan./Feb. 2018	Holistic products, Astrology, Numerology, Yoga	Mr. S.R. Sahoo General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371965 Fax: 91-11-23370257 E-mail: companysecretary@itpo.gov.in

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7	5 India International Leather Fair, Chennai	01-03 February, 2018	Leather & Products, Chemicals Machinery & Accessories.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/981018 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
6	Tex-Styles India, Delhi	Feb/March 2018	Textile items, Cotton yarns, fabrics, Home Furnishings	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
7	India International Leather Fair, Kolkata	Feb./ March 2018	Leather Products, Chemicals Machinery & Accessories.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
8	Tex-Styles India, Kolkata	Feb/March 2018	textile items-Cotton yarns, fabrics & Home Furnishings	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
9	Aahar-The International Food & Hospitality Fair, Delhi	March 2018	Food , Beverages Hotel & Restaurant Equipment & Supplies etc.	Mr. J. Gunasekaran General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371829 F E-mail:sekaran@itp.gov.in

More information available at:

www.indiatradefair.com

www.cii.in/CII_Events.aspx

www.ficci.com/ficci-exhibitions.asp

www.assochem.org/events/index.php

www.fieo.org/view_detail.php?lang=0&id=0,22&evetype=0

www.biztradeshows.com/india/

Useful Links

The National Portal of India <http://india.gov.in>

The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India <http://mea.gov.in/>

India Public Diplomacy www.indiadiplomacy.in

Invest India www.investindia.gov.in

India In Business <http://indiainbusiness.nic.in>

Incredible India www.incredibleindia.org

India Brand Equity Foundation www.ibef.org

India Trade Promotion Organization www.indiatradefair.com

EXIM Bank <http://eximbankindia.com>

The Confederation of Indian Industry www.cii.in

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry www.ficci.com

Associated Chambers of Commerce & Industry of India www.assochem.org

The Federation of Indian Export Organizations www.fieo.org

PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry www.phdcci.in