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American Chamber Of Commerce in India (Amcham – India)

ROLE AND MISSION

The American Chamber of Commerce in India (AMCHAM - India) is an association of American business organizations operating in India. AMCHAM - India is accredited to the Chamber of Commerce of USA, Washington DC, U.S.A. (COCUSA). It is also a full member of the Asia Pacific Council of American Chambers of Commerce (APCAC).

Established in 1992, AMCHAM has around 500 members. Companies of US origin make up about 95 percent of membership, the remaining being individual or honorary members.

The incumbent U.S. Ambassador to India is the Honorary President of AMCHAM. AMCHAM enjoys a very close relationship with the US Embassy officials and receives tremendous support in fulfilling its objectives.

AMCHAM’s principle objective is to:

a) Promote activities that would encourage and stimulate investment by US companies in India

b) To support ongoing business operations of its members.

c) Encourage bilateral trade between India and USA.

d) AMCHAM fulfills these objectives in a variety of ways, such as:
Providing a forum on an organized basis in which American business organizations in India can discuss and identify common issues and interests regarding their economic and commercial interests in India and / or the United States.

• Providing opportunities to members to represent and express their views and opinions, especially regarding trade, commerce, finance, services, industry, agriculture and related issues and to seek to understand and give effect to such opinions to the extent considered desirable and possible.

• Maintaining Sectoral Committees to implement the primary objectives of these committees

• Undertake advocacy on policies and procedures affecting AMCHAM members’ operations in specific sectors as well as affecting the growth of foreign direct investment in India.

Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry was set up in 1853. However, the Chamber's origins date back to 1833 when its founding forefathers came together to form the first association of its kind in the country, which was later formalized as the Bengal Chamber. For the last one and a half centuries, the Chamber has played a pioneering role as a helmsman, steering the evolution of Commerce and Industry in India.

Our vision

The Chamber's vision is to be the most valued Partner of Commerce, Industry, Academia, Professionals and Governments for achieving responsible economic growth as well as accomplishing their societal and environmental needs.

The oldest 'national' organization of its kind in India and popularly known as BNCCI, started off on the long road to further the cause of industry, trade and commerce, particularly in the eastern region of India. Its primary focus is to provide assistance to Industry and Trade. BNCCI activates its umbrella network to provide support services to entrepreneurs and investors in carrying on industrial and business activity in West Bengal.
Our Mission

In its role as a facilitator, BNCCI activates its umbrella network to provide support services to entrepreneurs & investors in carrying on industrial and business activity in West Bengal. The state & central governments are briefed appropriately so that in the interest of industry and trade, policy anomalies are either modified or changed.

Mysore Chamber of Commerce & Industry story of Mysore

Mysore is the second biggest city in the State of Karnataka. It lies 130 kms from the State Headquarters, Bangalore. It is the erstwhile capital of the Mysore Maharajas, who ruled Mysore State from this royal city. It is now the headquarters of Mysore District with a population of over seven lakhs. The chief language of the people, as in the State of Karnataka, is Kannada and original Kannada is spoken in this part of the area. It covers an area of more than 40 sq.km. and is administered by the Mysore City Corporation. Situated 763 meters above sea level surrounded by hill ranges from north to south, it is known as the 'Garden City' and the 'City of Palaces'. The famous Chamundi Hill, which is mythologically associated with the name of the city, is to its southeast.

Mysore is associated with the Pouranic story that is found in the Devi Bhagavatha. According to this story in the mythological Devi Purana, Mysore was ruled by the demon-king Mahishasura. He was called Mahishasura, because he was a buffalo-headed monster. Hearing to the prayers of Gods and Goddess to save them from the monster, Goddess Parvathi, wife of Lord Siva, took birth as Chamundi or Chamundeswari and killed the monster. Hence, this place came to be known as Mahishuru, the city of demon Mahisha. After killing the demon, the Goddess resided atop the Chamundi Hills where she is worshipped with reverence and devotion even today. However, the original name of the hills is 'Mahabaladri Hills' and it derived the name Chamundi Hills at a later period, after 17th century.

The earliest mention of Mysore or Mahishur historically is referred to the time of King Ashoka in 245 B.C. On the conclusion of the third Buddhist convocation, Ashoka is said to have despatched a monk to Mahishamandala for the purpose of spreading Buddhism. However, some historians have viewed that this Mahishamandala does not relate to Mysore or Mahishur. Some edicts of Ashoka have been found in the northern parts of the present Karnataka State. Similar
reference is also found in the epic work, Mahabharata. According to this legend, King Yudhishtira is said to have sent an expedition and Sahadeva made an attack on Mahishmati. However, experts are of the opinion that the reference made in this epic, one of the oldest legends of an historical character, is not related to Mysore.

Till the rise of Gangas in 10th century we find very little or no evidence at all relating to Mysore. The Ganga dynasty established its reign in the 2nd century and the Ganga kings ruled over the greater part of Mysore till about 1004. They established their capital in the 3rd century at Talakad, on the bank of the Cauvery river in T.Narasipur Taluk. One of their inscriptions has been traced in the Chamundi Hills. The inspection of 950 A.D. is the earliest inscription found in Mysore. After Gangas, Cholas rose to power and ruled for over a century. The Chalukyas followed them. Mysore was a part of Chalukya Prince Narasinga's kingdom in the 10th century. The Cholas built a few temples in Mysore. Hoysalas drove out the Cholas from Mysore region in the 12th century. Hoysalas, who are known for their famous temples, built or expanded the existing temples in Mysore and on the Chamundi Hills. Their 11th and 12th century inscriptions are found in Mysore.

The Mysore Yadu dynasty came to power in 1399 A.D. They were feudatories to the Vijayanagar kings, who followed the Hoysalas. They also contributed to the development of temples in Mysore. Bettada Chamaraja Wadiyar, the raja of Mysore, rebuilt the small fort of Mysore in 1584 A.D. He made Mysore his headquarters and called the place as 'Mahishura Nagara' or the city of Mahishur. Several inscriptions of 17th century and later period make reference to Mysore as 'Mahishuru'. Raja Waidyar shifted the capital of his kingdom from Mysore to Srirangapatna in 1610 A.D. However, after the fall of Srirangapatna and death of Tipu Sultan in 1799, Mysore became the capital of the Wadiyars again. The transformation of Mysore from a small town confined to the limits of the Fort to a modern township began at the period of Krishnaraja Wadiyar III. It was Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV who developed Mysore into a handsome city with excellent planning. He brought fame to Mysore as a city of wide roads, imposing building and fairy parks.

Several Kannada works make reference to Mysore. But it is the famous Kannada work, "Kantirava Narasaraja Vijaya", written in 1648, which gives a beautiful description of Mysore.
Poet Govinda Vaidya, author of the work, describes King Kantirava Narasaraja Wadiyar as "Maisoora Narasarajendra". He exhorts the beauty of "Maisooru", the "Sriman Mahabalachala" (Sri Mahabaladri Hills), "Bettada Chamundi" (Goddess Chamundi atop the hills), the Palace, the fort, the streets, the parks and the people in the town of Mysore. The very first chapter is dedicated to this beautiful description, the landmarks of which are to be found even today. Similar references to Mysore are also found in Kannada classics like "Chikka Devendra Vamshavali" (1680 A.D.), "Soundara Kavya" of Noorondayya (1740 A.D.) and "Krishnaraja Vilasa" (1815 A.D.).

**Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture (MACCIA)**

Mahratta Chamber of Commerce and Industries (MCCI) was founded by Late Mr A. R. Bhat in 1934 to accelerate the industrial growth in and around Pune. Mr Bhat was a journalist and an economist and was the General Manager of the famous Marathi newspaper 'Kesari'. Thus the first office of the MCCI was established in 'Kesari' premises.

In 1947 the Chamber moved to their own premises on Tilak Road, Pune. In 1998 agricultural activities were also included in the scope of the Chamber's activities and MCCI became MCCIA. In July 2006 most of the offices shifted to the modern office at the MCCIA trade Tower on Senapati Bapat Road, Pune.

**Vision, Mission & Objectives**

**Vision Statement**

As an apex Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of the State we will facilitate progress in all sectors for sustainable prosperity through collaborative efforts, knowledge based skills, modern technology and ethical means.

**Chamber's Objectives**

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1 -[www.mysorechamber.com](http://www.mysorechamber.com)
• To understand the problems of traders, farmers and small scale industries and work out effective solutions with help of State Government.

• To promote, develop and enhance trade, commerce, industry and agriculture in Maharashtra.

• To establish relations with the business community and various Chambers of Commerce at State, National and International Level.

**Delhi chamber of commerce**

Delhi Chamber of Commerce is 65 years old and recognised organization of commercial opinion and is consulted by the Government of India, and state Governments on all vital and important commercial matters and is truely equipped to serve the interest that it stands for

**Mission & Vision**

**Mission:**

1. Represent and advocate the common interests of trade and industry for its members.

2. Create a competitive, transparent, free and fair environment for trade and industry in NCT of Delhi.

3. Promote constructive trade and industrial relationship at national and international level.

4. Facilitate information sharing networking among members and others.

**Vision:**

In order to accomplish its mission, ACCI of NCT Delhi endeavors to be:

1. The leading representative of trade and industry of NCT of Delhi.
2. An effective advocate and advisor of the issues of the trade and industry.
3. A respected and sought-after information conduit.
4. An effective forum for networking and information-sharing.
Aims and objects

- To promote and protect, the trade, commerce manufacturers, exporters, traders and professionals of Delhi in particular and other states of India in general.

- To watch and protect the general commercial interests in Delhi or any part thereof and the interests of persons engaged in trade, commerce or industry in the adjoining areas/states.

- To consider all questions Connected with trade, commerce and relating to the manufacturers.

- To collect and circulate statistics and other information relating to trade, commerce and industry.

- To establish a Commercial, Economic and Statistical Library and to help for the development of commercial education by starting educational institution or otherwise.

- To consider legislative and other Governmental measures affecting trade, commerce or industry and make representations to Government and make suggestions on grievances, if any.

- To adjudicate controversies between members of the Chambers.

- To arbitrate in the settlement of disputes arising out of commercial transactions between parties willing or agreeing to abide by the judgment and decision of the Committee of Chamber.

- To form a code or codes or practice to simplify and facilitate transaction of business and
maintain uniformity in rules, reputations and usages of trade.

- To communicate with mercantile and public bodies and concerns and promote measures for the protection of trade and commerce and manufacturers and persons engaged therein.

**Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCCI)**

Goa covers an area of 3,702 sqm2 on the west coast of India and comprises two major districts - North Goa and South Goa. It is the 25th State in the Union of States of India. It was liberated from Portuguese rule in 1961. It was part of Union territory of Goa, Daman & Diu till 30 May 1987 when it was formed into a separate State. This section highlights general information on Goa including its political history. It will give you a glimpse into the culture of this vibrant state which is fast becoming one of the most favored tourist destinations in the world.

Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry (GCCI) is Goa's premier non-profit business, support-services and networking organization. We represent and liaison with SME's, Corporate Organizations and Government bodies.

**Membership** with the chamber opens up a rich-resource of free essential business information advice, a busy events calendar and discounted conference facilities, plus more in the heart of Panaji - Goa's Capital.

**Vision and Mission Statement**

At GCCI we have a vision of a sustainable Goa - a Goa where economy is strong and sustainable. At the Chamber we need to evolve a strong mission to focus our efforts to work towards our vision of a sustainable and prosperous Goa. We have a vision of developing Goa's business to enable the building of a sustainable Goa. For this we will put a thrust on our programs and activities so as to achieve the following:

- To act as a catalyst in developing economy, trade, industry, commerce and the socio-economic conditions of Goa and the nation as a whole.
• As a pro-active organization of business, GCCI is committed to spearhead the promotion of a conducive environment for Trade, Industry and Commerce.

• Committed to build opinions and suggest pro-active options for enhancing competitiveness of business and industry by interacting with policy makers and experts.

• Era 2000 is a millennium that defines change. In a fast changing world, it is essential to upgrade skills on a continuous basis and keep forging ahead. GCCI will provide training and education to corporate executives, entrepreneurs and those interested in business and industry in a variety of areas.

• Committed to facilitate the unorganized sector of trade & industry as the unorganized sector contributes a major share in the industrial growth.

Committed to help the Government in providing a transparent administrative and tax system. In order to be successful in our endeavor we will have to work very closely with the Government, professionals, experts, intellectuals and eminent personalities. Similarly, the Chamber shall have close interaction with people from industry, trade, businessmen and workers.

**Aims and Objectives**

• To encourage and promote a friendly feeling and unanimity among businessmen and industrialists on all subjects involving their common good and in general, interests of the state and the country.

• To promote and protect interests of trade, commerce, and industry.

• To collect and circulate information and statistics on various matters of general, commercial and industrial interest.

• To obtain the removal of all acknowledged grievances affecting mercantile and industrial interests, as far as possible.

• To deal suitably with legislative and other measures affecting the business and industry.

• To communicate with government and other public authorities, with similar associations in other places and with individuals on all subjects of general mercantile and industrial interests.

• To arbitrate in the settlement of disputes arising out of commercial transactions.
• To co-operate with any other association with similar objectives and exchange relevant information.

**Highlands Chamber Of Commerce**

Mission statement

• The mission of the Highlands Area Chamber of Commerce is to provide leadership that supports the existing business community while promoting favorable economic growth.

Vision statement

• To work together as a community of businesses (profit and non-profit) and residents whose goal is to serve as the stewards of positive future growth while maintaining the great traditions and personality unique to Highlands.

**Bombay Chamber Of Commerce & Industry**

Established in 1836, to promote and protect mercantile interest, the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry is one of the oldest Chambers in the Country with completed 177 illustrious years. The Chamber has played a significant role in the development of Mumbai and currently has over 4500 members ranging across large, medium and small sectors. The Chamber provides visa facilitation services and issue of non-preferential certificates of origin to its members. In addition to that, the Chamber provides a forum for interaction of its members and formation of considered industry opinions and viewpoints. The Chamber provides services to its members through dissemination of information, publications, special studies and through activities like organizing business delegations, seminars and training programmes. The Chamber contributes effectively towards overall development of its member...
companies by addressing core issues and remaining responsive to the needs of business.

The Chamber has always believed in encouraging and promoting foreign direct investment. Chamber actively promotes Bombay as a Gateway to Investments in India and Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry as a platform for it. In line with Chamber’s theme of “Corporate as Citizens

**Mission & Vision**

**Mission Statement**

- We help people and communities of all cultures to regain health and peace of mind following natural or man-made disasters.
- Our team serves with the highest quality of care, dignity, compassion and respect.

**Vision Statement**

- IMM will become the premier standard of excellence in professional care for people in need of disaster relief assistance.

**Vision Statement**

- FICCI - HEN is perceived as network of quality institutions creating brand value for members by being the benchmark of good practices in the sector that has facilitated India becoming a Global Hub for higher education.
- Mission Statement
- FICCI-HEN to become an effective hub of higher education institutions and provide value added services to its members by
- Being Knowledge X-change of good practices for quality delivery of services
• Being nodal point for facilitating collaborative ventures in academic activities/ industry oriented research/ consultancy and value added services

• Providing linkages with national and international world-class institutions and corporate.
PHD Chamber Of Commerce & Industry

Established in 1905, this non-profit organization based in New Delhi is a multi-state set up having strong national and international linkages. It also has its regional offices in 6 cities and is globally connected with 60 important Chambers of Commerce. Satish Bagrodia is the president and Mr. S K Sarkar is the chairman of this body. It targets towards being proactive and providing its members with quality services. It also motivates rapid economic development by promoting trade, industry and services. Besides, it gives business advice to Indian companies on various related aspects. In keeping with its goals, every year it organizes 200 events comprising of seminars, workshops, conferences and social networking events. It has hosted events like - Seminar on 'Issues related to Excise and Service tax' and has a few events lined up.

PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry, established in 1905, is a proactive and dynamic multi-State apex organisation working at the grass-root level and with strong national and international linkages.

The Chamber acts as a catalyst in the promotion of industry, trade and entrepreneurship. PHD Chamber, through its research-based policy advocacy role, positively impacts the economic growth and development of the nation.

- PHD Chamber is more than an organisation of the business community, as it lives by the chosen motto ‘In Community's Life & Part of It’ and contributes significantly to socio-economic development and capacity building in several fields

Vision

- “To facilitate the transformation of Pune as the Premier Destination Globally
- for Industry, Trade, Commerce and Agriculture”.
OBJECTIVES

- To help formulate policy decisions for creating a healthy environment for the growth of trade and industry of India.
- To assist trade and industry in becoming competitive in national and international markets.
- To provide a forum to its members for interaction with government, international agencies and intellectuals on issues of interest to industry.

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry

FICCI or the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry was established in the year 1927, and is India's oldest and largest premier association of business organization. The headquarters of FICCI is situated in New Delhi; it is non-governmental and non-profit in nature and is the voice of India's business and Industry. The founder of the association was Mr. GD Birla and Purushottam Thakur and they set up this organization on the advice of Mahatma Gandhi. It serves as a platform for sector specific consensus building and networking and is the first port of call for Indian industry and the international business community. It sees the vision of becoming the thought leader for industry, the voice for policy change and the guardian for effective implementation.

Vision

- Empower Indian enterprise by inculcating knowledge that will be the catalyst of growth in the barrier less technology driven global market and help them upscale, align and emerge as formidable player in respective business segments.

Mission

- As a representative organ of Corporate India, ASSOCHAM articulates the genuine, legitimate needs and interests of its members. Its mission is to impact the policy and legislative environment so as to foster balanced economic, industrial and social development. We believe education, IT, BT, Health, Corporate Social responsibility and environment to be the critical success factors.
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- To communicate with mercantile and public bodies and concerns and promote measures for the protection of trade and commerce and manufacturers and persons engaged therein.
- To acquire by purchase, take on lease or otherwise, lands and buildings and all other property movable and immovable which the Chamber may from time to time think proper to acquire.
- To improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease or sublet, mortgage, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the chamber.
- To construct upon any premises acquired for purpose of the Chamber or any building or
buildings, or add to, or remove any building upon such premises.

- To incur expenses for the business of the Chamber and grant pensions or bonuses to staff or amenities etc.
- To subscribe to become a member of, and co-operate with any other association, whether incorporated or not whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Chamber and to procure from and communicate to any such association such information as may be likely to promote the objects of this Association and
- To do all such other things as may be conducive to the extension of trade, commerce and industry or incidental to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

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Maharashtra chamber of commerce and industry

MACCIA Mission

1. To Promote Trade and Industry in Maharashtra Nationally & Internationally
   - To be the leader in initiating Policy Direction for Development Commerce, Industry & Agriculture of the State in Particular and Country in General.
   - For which Chamber will regularly interact with the authorities, conduct Lecture Series, seminars, Workshops & conferences.

2. To take pioneering & innovating initiatives in Capability building
   - To Strengthen Members in every respect
   - To Effectively develop and manage human resources by supporting initiatives for Research, Knowledge Dissemination, Learning & Training for skill enhancement and creating Talent Pool

3. To promote Leadership and to initiate Entrepreneur seeding with practicing high values including Law Compliance, Excellence, high quality, for earning the public’s trust & confidence, holding to the highest moral, ethical, professional standards, respect for co-workers for their dedication, skills, diversity, and responsible actions

4. Recognise the services of individuals and organisations, including Members & Statutory Authorities for their outstanding contribution to social and economic development in Maharashtra

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