

Message from the Director General

Dear Members,

This calendar year is coming to an end! Hope you all had a thriving year.

"Though no one can go back and make a Brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending". Having quoted Carl Bard's words I would like to share with you the new initiatives taken by the Chamber in the current year such as My HR Clinic, MoU with CRISIL and ASCENT, Insurance Helpdesk, FemPower to name a few.

Chamber invites all the stakeholders for its flagship biennial Ports & Shipping Conference scheduled in February 2014 and Insurance Summit 2014. Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, 11th President of India will be the Chief Guest for Ports and Shipping Conference 2014.

Chamber has successfully established a good relationship with the various foreign missions in Mumbai and has signed MoU's with local associations and local chamber's from Finland, Dubai, Belgium, Spain, Austria, France, Poland, Korea, Karachi, Iran etc. and the latest being from Catalonia and Russia.

Chamber organized B2B meetings with the business delegation from Catalonia, Romania and Russia. These meetings were beneficial to the participants as it helped them to explore business opportunities abroad and meet their counterparts. I invite you to actively participate and explore these business opportunities.

To take Indian economy, society and polity towards the goal of human well-being sustainability is one of the major part of the fulcrum. To further explore this aspect the sustainability committee had organised several series of session on relevant topics like Product Sustainability and Integrated Reporting in Sustainability.

The Young Bombay Forum seeks to harness the energy and leadership potential of youth by encouraging participation in developmental and leadership activities. YBF invites the stalwarts and experts from the industry to learn from their experiences and get tips to become achievers. Mr. Godrej will share and address youth on the lines of his experiences also speak on the macro economic scenario. Mr. Beed will speak on the opportunities of working with USAID and corporate, industries for CSR.

Its time for a new year and as part of the Chamber exercise we are in process of designing Chamber Calendar the theme for which is Forts & Caves of Maharashtra. Therefore I seek your sponsorship and financial contribution for a magnificent calendar of the Chamber.


Vikas Gadre
Director General

Chamber Happenings

B2B Meeting with Business Delegation from Russia

The Bombay Chamber along with the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russia Federation organized a B2B Meeting session between the Russian Delegates from the Medical Equipment and Pharmaceutical Sectors and Indian Companies. The aim of the meeting was to develop mutually beneficial relations between the two countries. The Bombay Chamber also signed an MOU with the OMSK region of Russia.

Session on Product Sustainability

Sustainability Committee had organised a session on Product Sustainability by Mr. Anand Joshi, Associate Director, KPMG. The session highlighted on Sustainable products and the schemes available for different products under the National Voluntary Guidelines.

B2B Meeting with Romanian Trade Delegation

The Bombay Chamber hosted a Romanian Trade Delegation in partnership with the National Council for Small and Medium Enterprise from Romania and Romanian Ministry of Economy. The delegation was focussed on the construction, renewable energy, electrical equipments and bio-food sector.

Meeting with High Level Business Delegation from Catalonia

The Catalanian President, The R.H. Mr. Artur Mas, visited India in November as an initiative to develop the ties between India and Catalonia. The Bombay Chamber along with ACC10 organised B2B Meetings for the delegates and Indian companies. The visiting delegation represented the Bio-pharma, automation, IT and Tourism sectors. The Bombay Chamber also

renewed their MOU with the Barcelona Chamber.

Interactive Session on Telecom Solutions for SMEs

The Bombay Chamber of Commerce & Industry under the aegis of its ET & IT Committee had organized an Interactive session on 'Telecom Solutions for SMEs' by Mr. C.B. Inamdar, Dy. General Manager, FOI India, Tata Communications Limited. The session mainly focussed on addressing needs of different SMEs on the telecom products and solutions.

Workshop on Talent Acquisition and Retention Strategies

The HRM committees one day workshop was carefully designed to spread awareness among Entrepreneurs about Successful HR Strategies for Talent Acquisition and Retention that are suitable in the MSME sector. The workshop was divided into two parts Talent Acquisition Strategies and Talent Retention Strategies. Speakers were Mr. Uday Vaidya and Ms. Vrushali Patankar, HR Consultants and corporate trainers.

Session on Integrated Reporting

Sustainability Committee organised a session on Integrated Reporting by Mr. Santhosh Jayaram, Technical Director, KPMG. IR enables the capital markets to better understand a company's strategy, align their models with business performance, and make efficient and forward-looking investment and other key decisions. The training covered the prototype framework by International Integrated Reporting committee (IIRC) and also some of the good examples across the world.



Forthcoming Programmes

Networking with Delegation of Senior Executives from Japan

December 9, 2013

The Chamber is organizing a networking session with a delegation of senior executives from the Institute of Strategic Leadership, Tokyo, Japan. The delegation represents some of Japan's largest corporations including Fuji Xerox Co. Ltd., Toshiba Corporation, Mitsubishi Ltd., Japan Tobacco Inc, Asahi Breweries Ltd., Hitachi Ltd. among many others.

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A Master Class with Mr. Adi Godrej and a talk by Mr. John Beed

December 12, 2013

Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Young Bombay Forum (YBF) is organising a Masterclass with Mr. Adi Godrej, Chairman, Godrej Group & A talk by John A. Beed, Mission Director, USAID/India. Mr. Godrej will address the youth on the lines of his experiences, his values and his learning's on building the Godrej group. Mr. Beed will speak on the opportunities of working with USAID and corporate, industries for CSR.

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Small Business Congress 2013

December 16-17, 2013

Franchise India is coming up with the 4th annual edition of the Small Business Congress & Small Business Awards 2013 and Bombay Chamber is the Supporting Association at the Small Business Congress 2013. The aim is to share new sources of growth with a dual focus on where they are likely to be found and how businesses can identify them in a structured and methodical manner

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Interactive Session on Open Source

December 19, 2013

ET & IT Committee is organising an interactive session on Open Source. Speaker for the session is Mr. Amol Vidwans, President-IT, DIGHI Port.

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Session on Employee Misconduct and Appropriate Discipline Mechanism

December 21, 2013

Discipline Mechanism and processes of Domestic Enquiry are not taught in class as a result of which HR professionals end up making costly mistakes in employee administration with serious implications for the Company. Hence, this training session by Dr. Keshab Nandy, Director, (Legal, HR, IT, Industrial Relations, Vigilance & Safety), Tilaknagar Industries Ltd.

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Agrivision 2014 Conference at Advantage Maharashtra Expo-2014

January 4, 2014

Marathwada Association of Small Scale Industries and Agriculture (MASSIA) is organising Agrivision 2014 Conference and Bombay Chambers is the supporting Association to MASSIA. It is an exclusive exhibition which will provide new business opportunities for corporate, MSME's and traders.

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The Economic Times Manufacturing Summit

January 2014

Bombay Chamber in association with ET Edge, an Economic Times subsidiary is

hosting 'The Economic Times Manufacturing Summit'. It brings together the barons from various industries, ranging from Automobile to FMCG, to deliberate & discuss through multiple focussed panel discussions & interactions. Woven around the theme of 'Manufacturing: Gearing up for the next level'.

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Plant visit to Siemens

January 2014

The Manufacturing Committee of Bombay Chamber proposes to organize a plant visit in the 1st or 2nd week of January to Siemens Ltd, Kalwa plant for the benefit of member companies.

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Conference Room: Capacity upto 40



Meeting Room: Capacity upto 16



Seminar/Training Room: Capacity upto 35

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