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25 years

IMC
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CALLING
CONFERENCE

A Platform to Network
CELEBRATING TWENTY FIVE YEARS



PATH TO VIKSIT BHARAT 2047

Pioneering Prosperity for All

IMC Bharat Calling for Global Investors



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Lotus Ballrooms, Jio World Convention Centre,
Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra West, Mumbai, India



IMC BHARAT CALLING SILVER JUBILEE CONFERENCE

The Silver Jubilee of the IMC India Calling Conference marks a significant milestone, celebrating 25 years of fostering international collaboration and business opportunities between India and the global community. The conference, traditionally organized by the Indian Merchants' Chamber (IMC), brings together industry leaders, policymakers, and entrepreneurs to discuss and explore avenues for trade, investment, and partnership. This landmark event underscores a quarter-century of efforts in promoting India's economic interests and enhancing its global footprint.

ABOUT IMC INDIA CALLING CONFERENCE

Established in 1999, IMC India Calling Conference has since become one of the most important international business events for industry and businesses in India and around the world.

The IMC India Calling Conference provides platform for Indian and global players to come together and debate, share insights and explore potential investment opportunities and establish collaborations.

Indian and international experts from leading industry and Government share insights into development of markets in India, policy inputs and opportunities for companies to invest and collaborate in these areas.

Chairmen & Managing Directors, Directors, and Executives of Indian and overseas companies in diverse sectors, top bankers from private and public sector banks, MSMEs, exporters and importers, entrepreneurs, investors, Indian and foreign Ambassadors and High Commissioners, officials of diplomatic missions, government officials, academia, banks and financial institutions, think tanks and NGOs have been participating in IMC India Calling Conference every year. Many Union and State Ministers, and business leaders have addressed IMC India Calling Conferences in past as also ministers and business leaders from other countries.



The IMC India Calling Conference Cum business delegation explores potential investment and business opportunities. These conferences have helped in establishing trade partnerships, enhancing exports, investment into India, joint ventures and technological collaborations.

The India Calling Conference is organized in overseas destinations as well as in India. For the first few initial years, the Conference was organized in India for overseas Indians followed by the next few years in other countries. Now for the last few years, the IMC India Calling Conference is taking place in Mumbai, India.

The India Calling Conferences have been supported by the Ministry of Overseas Affairs, Ministry of External Affairs, Invest India and several state governments. It has facilitated investments into India, joint ventures, increase in exports and understanding of India as a culturally diverse, plural society and as a country offering great opportunities in a safe, secure and predictable environment.

IMC India Calling Conference since 1999 played a catalyst role in promoting India to the world and promoting bilateral trade between India and countries around the world:

Then India's GDP was around USD 460 billion; today it is USD 3.7 trillion

Then it ranked 13th; today it is the 5th largest economy in the world

Then FDI was around USD 2500 million; today it is around USD 900 billion

Then the total international trade stood around USD 87 billion; today it is around USD 800 billion



THE CHRONOLOGY OF IMC INDIA CALLING CONFERENCE

1st India Calling Conference – India

December 16-18, 1999 – Overseas Indian Conference - Hotel Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai

2nd India Calling Conference – India

January 5-7, 2001 - Role of Overseas Indians in the 21st Century Vision and Expectations - Hotel Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai

3rd India Calling Conference – India

January 8-9, 2002 – Indians in the Global Scenario - Hotel Oberoi, Mumbai

4th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

July 8-10, 2004 - Asia Pacific Business Summit- Harnessing Global Business Opportunities - Grand Hyatt, Singapore

5th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

September 13-21 – Improving India-Pakistan Economic Ties Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry - Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry

6th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

December 9-11, 2005 – India-Gulf Partnership Summit - Al Bustan Rotana Hotel, Dubai

7th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

October 1-3, 2006 – leveraging India-UK Business Relationship - Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London

8th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

August 1-3, 2007 – India-South Africa Business Conclave - Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg

9th India Calling Conference – India

January 10-12, 2008 – India Your Partner -Global Trade and Investment Conference - Hotel Hilton Towers, Mumbai

10th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

June 14-19, 2008 – India Canada Business Partnership Summit - Delta Chelsea Hotel, Toronto/Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver

11th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

September 30-October 3, 2009 – India Europe Business Partnership Summit - Hotel Conrad/Hotel Hilton, Brussels

12th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

November 23-December 3, 2010 – Israel and Jordan - Hotel Carlton, Tel Aviv/Hotel Mamilla, Jerusalem/Hotel Six Senses Spa, Jordan



13th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

April 12-15, 2011 – India Turkey Business Partnership Summit - Istanbul Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Istanbul

14th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

November 5-11, 2011 – India-Vietnam Business Summit - Hilton Hanoi Opera, Hanoi/Hotel Rex, Ho Chi Minh City

15th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

April 7-12, 2013 – India China Business Partnership Summit - Hotel Hyatt on Bund, Shanghai & Hotel Crown Plaza, Guangzhou

16th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

November 24-26, 2013 – India-Myanmar Partnership Summit - Chatrium Hotel Royal Lake, Yangon

17th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

April 14-18, 2015 – India-Germany Partnership Summit - Hotel Maritim, Stuttgart/Hotel Hilton, Munich

18th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

May 13-17, 2016 – India-Iran Partnership Summit - Espinas Hotels & Resorts, Tehran

19th India Calling Conference – Business Delegation

February 25-28, 2018 – India-Sri Lanka Business Summit - Hotel Taj Samudra, Colombo

20th India Calling Conference – India

March 25, 2019 – India- A land of opportunities - Hotel Lands End, Bandra, Mumbai

21st India Calling Conference – India

March 12, 2021 – India Opportunities Abound: Smart Infrastructure and Green Technology - Online on 3D Digital Platform

22nd India Calling Conference – India

May 6, 2022 – Unleashing opportunities – Why Invest in India? - Online on 3D Digital Platform

23rd India Calling Conference – India

April 29, 2023 – Rising India - Inviting Partnership for Growth - Hotel Taj Santacruz, Mumbai

**2024-25 IS SILVER JUBILEE YEAR OF
IMC INDIA CALLING CONFERENCE**



AGENDA FOR IMC BHARAT CALLING

10:00 A.M. to 12:00 NOON

Inaugural Session

Highlighting India's vision for global trade and supply chain resilience, reforms and initiatives undertaken by India to enhance the ease of doing business and attract foreign investments

12:15 P.M. to 01:00 P.M.

Plenary Session

01:00 P.M. to 01:45 P.M.

Renewable Energies

India's aim for 450 GW of renewable energy by 2030, alongside strong market demand and favorable policies, makes it a top choice for renewable energy investments.

02:30 P.M. to 03:15 P.M.

Manufacturing

Initiatives like "Make in India" aim to boost manufacturing across various sectors, including Defence, Drones automotive, electronics, Semiconductors and textiles.

03:15 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals

Rising middle-class and health awareness are driving opportunities in healthcare, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and biotechnology.

04:00 P.M. to 04:45 P.M.

Space Technology and Satellite Infrastructure

India's advancing space capabilities, strategic location, and cost-effective solutions make it a prime destination for FDI in space and satellite technologies.

04:45 P. M. to 05:30 P.M.

Valedictory Session

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

12:15 P.M. to 01:00 P.M.

Infrastructure

Government's infrastructure push creates significant investment opportunities in roads, ports, railways, and urban development.

01:00 P.M. to 01:45 P.M.

Tourism & Hospitality

India's rich cultural heritage, natural attractions, and extensive connectivity via airports, expressways, railways, and waterways provide excellent opportunities in tourism, hospitality, and related services.

02:30 P.M. to 03:15 P.M.

Agriculture & Food Processing

With a vast agricultural base, opportunities abound in modern farming techniques, agrochemicals, food processing, and supply chain improvements.

03:15 P.M. to 04:00 P.M.

Retail and E-commerce

Rapidly growing consumer base and rising internet penetration fuel growth in retail and e-commerce sectors.

04:00 P.M. to 04:45 P.M.

Education and Skill Development

Growing demand for quality education and vocational training creates investment opportunities in educational institutions and skill development programs.

These sectors are supported by favorable government policies, a large and young workforce, and a growing middle class, making India a promising destination for investors and businesses.



'EXPLORE BHARAT' EXHIBITION



Various products with Geographical Indications from across the country for exploring possibilities for collaboration.



LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION

Government

Indian government ministers and policymakers from key ministries.
State government representatives promoting regional investment opportunities

Global Investors and Business Leaders

CEOs and top executives from multinational corporations looking to expand or invest in India.

Heads of global private equity and venture capital firms interested in sectors like technology, manufacturing, infrastructure, and sustainability

Indian Industry Leaders

Chairpersons, Managing Directors, and CEOs of leading Indian companies from diverse sectors, including manufacturing, technology, renewable energy, and financial services.

Key figures from Indian conglomerates groups

International Trade Delegations

Trade representatives and business delegations from countries looking to explore opportunities in the Indian market

Financial Institutions

Representatives from global and Indian banks, financial services firms, and development finance institutions involved in funding projects in India.

ESG and impact investors focused on sustainable development and renewable energy

Diplomatic Corps

Ambassadors, Consul Generals and trade officials from countries that have strong bilateral economic ties with India or are looking to enhance trade and investment relations

Industry Associations and Chambers of Commerce

Representatives from international business associations and chambers of commerce fostering global partnerships as well as affiliated trade and industry associations in India

Thought Leaders and Economists

Prominent economists, think tank representatives, and academic experts and top consultancies discussing India's economic outlook, reforms, and growth prospects

Media Representatives

Media representatives covering business, economic, and investment topics, providing visibility to discussions and partnerships emerging from the event

MEMORABLE MOMENTS FROM PAST CONFERENCES





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India Calling 2021
Telecasted on ET Now



India Calling 2022
Telecasted on ET Now



India Calling 2022
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ABOUT IMC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry has a rich legacy of over a century of existence. It was founded on September 07, 1907 by few Indian Merchants, who came together to establish a Swadeshi institution to fight for the rights of the swadeshi businesses. The Chamber exclusively served the interests of Indian business community and also took part in several key political movement pre-independence. In recognition of the Chamber's contribution to nation building, Mahatma Gandhi accepted honorary membership in 1931, the only Chamber which has this distinction. After independence, IMC has played a significant role in consolidating Indian business interests and making the Indian economy self-reliant. At its 100th year, a postal stamp was issued by the government of India recognizing the services of the Chamber.

Over the years, a galaxy of leaders, both Indian and International, including Presidents and Prime Ministers, have adorned the Chambers by their visits. The foundation stone of the Chambers' building in Churchgate at Mumbai was laid by first Home Minister of India Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Headquartered in Mumbai, the Chamber has since evolved into an industry body that represents the voice of over 400,000 businesses and industry establishments across India from diverse sectors of industry with its membership base of over 5000 members and over 150 trade associations affiliated to it. The Chamber's core function is to provide policy inputs and to promote interests of industry and economic growth of the country.

Since its inception in 1907, the Chamber has evolved into an institution keeping pace with the time by adapting itself to contemporary trends, while at the same time continuing on the path of its proud legacy of over a century in the service of nation building and simultaneously fulfilling its responsibility towards the welfare and wellbeing of society. The Chamber is now a cradle for nurturing young talents and promoting emancipation of women through Young Leaders' Forum and Ladies' Wing which have become embodiment of youth enterprise, positivism, proactive thought leadership, and movement for women empowerment and entrepreneurship.

The Chamber's expansive global network with formal understanding with over 150 chambers and government agencies, the IMC platform offers its members benefit of this network opportunities to explore and expand their operations. The year round activities of dialogues and discussions with eminent business, political, societal and government leaders on a wide range of issues to create environment for sustainable economic and social development is uniquely enriching, knowledge sharing and relationship building experience.

The Chamber's state-of-the-art International ADR Centre offers institutional arbitration of disputes in international standard facilities and established rules and panel of arbitrators.

IMC's Library is equipped with rarest books and manuscripts, latest books on economics, politics, management, laws, banking, taxations, and other to enjoy in modern lounge seating atmosphere, a rarity today.

2009
IMC sets up **memorial** for victims of 26/11 and 11/7 terrorist attacks at Churchgate Railway Station and gave financial aid to families of victims of 26/11 and 11/7.

2015
Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister for Home Affairs and Shri Piyush Goyal, **Hon'ble Union Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal, New & Renewable Energy**, addressed the members of the Chamber.

2017
Prime Minister **Shri Narendra Modi** addressing the IMC Ladies Wing.

2018
Shri Suresh Prabhu, Hon'ble Union Minister for Commerce & Industry, addressed the members of the Chamber.

1993
Finance Minister **Dr. Manmohan Singh** visited the Chamber.

1998
IMC gets ISO 9002-2000 accreditation, the first Chamber to get this certification in the country which has since been upgraded to ISO 9001: 2008.

2005
IMC selected as Tier I Partner for the UNCTAD Project on Textile and Clothing, sub sector Handlooms, after competitive screening.

2006
President of India **Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam** graced the Chamber at the Inaugural Function of the Centenary celebrations. The Government of India released a **commemorative postal stamp**, in recognition of its service to the nation, on September 7 at the **100th Foundation-Day Celebrations**.

2008
Finance Minister **Shri P. Chidambaram**, presided over the valedictory function of the Centenary Celebrations.

1977
President of India **Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed** visited the Chamber.

1982
President of India **Shri Giani Zail Singh** inaugurated the Platinum Jubilee celebrations of the Chamber.

1988
Prime Minister of India **Shri Rajiv Gandhi** visited the Chamber.

1997
Prime Minister **Shri I. K. Gujral** visited the Chamber. Inauguration of IMC Branch office at Navi Mumbai

1967
Prime Minister **Mrs. Indira Gandhi** inaugurated Diamond Jubilee celebrations as also the F. E. Dinshaw Library of the Chamber.

1971
President of India **Shri V. V. Giri** visited the Chamber.

1974
Prime Minister **Mrs. Indira Gandhi** visited the Chamber. President of India **Shri V. V. Giri** visited the Chamber.

1957
Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Chamber launched by the Prime Minister **Shri Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru**. President of India **Dr. S. Radhakrishnan** visited IMC.

1964
Prime Minister **Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri** visited the Chamber.

1931
Chamber elected **Shri Mahatma Gandhi** as its **Honourary Member** at Special General Meeting held on April 25.

1939
Social leader of India Shri Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel inaugurated the Chamber's Building at Churchgate on May 19.

1946
Social leaders of India Shri Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Shri Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Shri Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad visited the Chamber.

1907
The Indian Merchants' Chamber (IMC) established (September 7) under leadership of Visionary businessman of the day, **Sir Manmohandas Ramji**.

1927
The IMC played key role in establishing the **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)** which functioned from IMC premises in Mumbai in its formative years (1927-30).

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For further details & registration to participate in IMC Bharat Calling Conference 2024

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