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FROM CHAIRMAN'S DESK



I take immense pride and pleasure in reaching out to you through FICCI Rajasthan Annual Review 2016, providing a glimpse of our activities in 2016.

The State under the dynamic leadership of Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan has transformed itself from once a constituent of BIMARU states to a vibrant place to invest, travel, work and live in. The progressive policy and procedural reforms have moved the state up on the competitive and comparative advantage curve. We at FICCI are committed to work in close coordination with Government of Rajasthan to realise our shared vision and pursuit of creating a developed society.

Global Rajasthan Agritech Meet (GRAM) was the biggest success story of 2016. GRAM was the largest event, ever organised in the state, with farmers at the centre-stage of the programme. The three day event witnessed international exposition, conferences, jalam baithaks and participation from over 50,000 farmers from all across the state.

Rajasthan is already moving fast towards realising the vision of Digital Rajasthan and Digital India as a whole. Digital Rajasthan Conclave was organised with an aim to leverage the benefits of digitalisation for promoting entrepreneurship and improving efficacy of service delivery.

The inclusion of Jaipur, Udaipur, Ajmer and Kota among the cities under the Smart City initiative was an achievement for the state. FICCI has signed MoU with Udaipur and Kota Municipal Corporations with an aim to work towards the success of the initiative. The Udaipur Smart City Conclave was a successful initiative which brought all the stakeholders on one platform to identify avenues for partnerships for the Udaipur Smart City Project.

The Great Indian Travel Bazaar and Vastra continued to grow bigger and better focussing on development of two critical sectors viz tourism and textiles, for the economy of Rajasthan. HR Summit 2016 was an initiative that focussed on matching the mismatch between industry and institutes and sharing of best HR practices.

Shilpangan and Colours of Rajasthan were organised at New Delhi and Hyderabad respectively with an aim to provide market access to artisans from Rajasthan and promote craftsmanship.

We laid a lot of emphasis on organising learning sessions for industry members in sync with our focus on competitiveness. Session on Start-up India, Stand-up India; Session on Union Budget Analysis; Seminar on GST Laws & Their Implications; Seminar on Export Documentation; Workshop on Emotional Intelligence; Session on Income Declaration Scheme and Manufacturing Excellence Mission to Bengaluru were some of our initiatives in this regard.

Rajasthan is poised to emerge as a leader in economic development with distributive justice and we all have to act as change agents driving this transformation.

Ashok Kajaria

Chairman

FICCI Rajasthan State Council

SPOTLIGHT

Global Rajasthan Agritech Meet (GRAM)

9 – 11 November 2016, Jaipur



Lamp lighting by Shri Kalyan Singh, Hon'ble Governor of Rajasthan; Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan; Shri Parshottam Rupala, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Shri Prabhu Lal Saini, Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Rajasthan

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Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan was the driving force behind the grand event and was present during all three days of the event interacting with all the stakeholders especially the farmers.

Shri Kalyan Singh, Hon'ble Governor of Rajasthan was the Chief Guest during the Inaugural Session. Shri Parshottam Rupala, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Agriculture, Farmers Welfare and Panchayati Raj, Government of India; Yog Guru, Baba Ramdev; Mr Harshavardhan Neotia, President, FICCI; Shri Prabhu Lal Saini, Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Rajasthan; His Excellency Mr Daniel Carmon, Ambassador of Israel; Mr O P Meena, Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan; Mr Ashok Kajaria, Chairman, FICCI Rajasthan State Council and many more dignitaries were also present on the occasion.



Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan addressing during the Inaugural Session

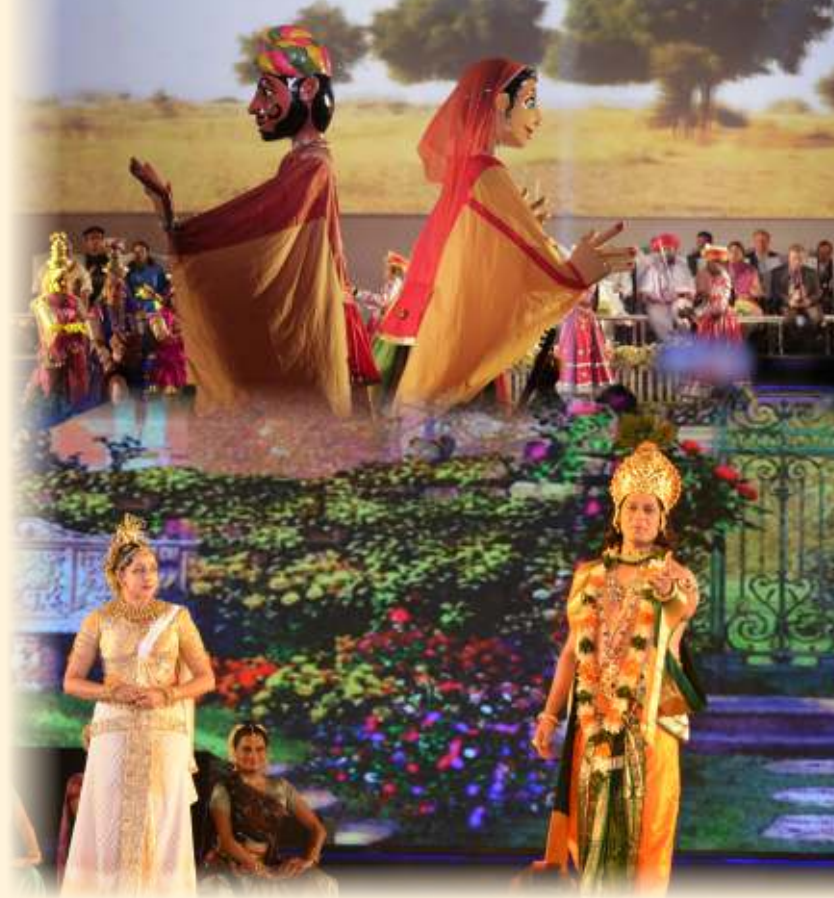


Yog Guru, Baba Ramdev addressing during the Inaugural Session





- More than 150 exhibitors with agri products and services ranging from agri inputs to high quality seeds, dairy testing instruments and latest technology, agri implements, etc.
- Smart farms to demonstrate the use of protected cultivation and new age agri innovations such as hydroponics, low tunnels, etc
- Animal farms showcased the local indigenous breeds of cattle, sheep, camel and poultry in Rajasthan
- "Jajam Baithaks" were held where not only farmers' concerns were addressed but also knowledge on benefits of new age agricultural practices were communicated
- A total of 38 MoUs were signed during the event, with an estimated investment of INR 4,400 crore and employment generation of over 47,000 people
- More than 50,000 farmers from all across the state visited GRAM



Shri Radha Mohan Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare awarding woman farmer

Shri Radha Mohan Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India was the Chief Guest during the Valedictory Session. Shri P P Chaudhary, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Law and Justice; Shri C R Chaudhary, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Col Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting; Shri O P Meena, Chief Secretary, Government of Rajasthan and Ms Neelkamal Darbari, Principal Secretary – Agriculture & Horticulture, Government of Rajasthan, etc were also present during the valedictory session.

In presence of Shri Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Union Minister for Urban Development & Housing, Urban Poverty Alleviation & Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India, 38 MoUs with a total value of Rs 4400.89 crore were signed for investments in agri and allied sectors which will provide 19293 direct and 27379 indirect employment in the state. 13 people who have performed extraordinarily in the agriculture and allied sectors were awarded by the dignitaries during the MoU signing ceremony.



Shri Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Union Minister for Urban Development Housing addressing at MoU signing ceremony during GRAM



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Technology to transform Raj agri landscape: Raj

MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Technology to transform Raj agri landscape: Raj

State signs ₹4,400-crore MoUs in agriculture sectors

GRAM-2016 The MoUs are expected to provide ₹19,290 direct and ₹27,370 indirect employments

Govt to give Japanese

FICCI National Executive Committee Meeting
9 November 2016, Jaipur

In conjunction with Global Rajasthan Agritech Meet (GRAM), FICCI National Executive Committee Meeting was also organised which was addressed by Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Rajasthan. Hon'ble Chief Minister discussed the developmental agenda of Rajasthan and some latest initiatives taken by Rajasthan Government with National Executive Committee members.



Hon'ble Chief Minister interacting with FICCI NECM members



Vastra 2016

20 – 23 October 2016, Jaipur

The 5th edition of VASTRA was held at Jaipur. It was jointly organised by Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation Ltd (RIICO) and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) with the support of Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. The Governments of Karnataka and Odisha supported the event while Jharkhand participated as Partner State.

It was inaugurated by Shri Gajendra Singh Khimsar, Hon'ble Minister for Industry, Government of Rajasthan.

Shri Rudrappa M Lamani, Hon'ble Minister for Textile, Government of Karnataka; Shri Ramcharan Bohra, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Jaipur; Mr Umesh Kumar, Addl Chief Secretary – Industries & Chairman, RIICO Ltd; Mr Vaibhav Galariya, Managing Director, RIICO Ltd were also present during the Inaugural Session.

The event witnessed participation from 179 exhibitors, 70 foreign buyers from 22 countries, 117 representatives from 92 Indian buying houses. The Design Wall display featured more than 20 kiosks displaying various textile products in an innovative and creative manner by the aspiring entrepreneurs.



Vastra Fair directory being unveiled during the Inaugural Session



Inauguration of exhibition by Shri Gajendra Singh, Hon'ble Industry Minister, Govt of Rajasthan; Shri Rudrappa Manappa Lamani, Hon'ble Textile Minister, Govt of Karnataka and Shri Ramcharan Bohra, Hon'ble Member of Parliament from Jaipur



Award Ceremony



Foreign buyers interacting with exhibitors at the Vastra Fair 2016



Fashion show during the fair



8th Edition of the Great Indian Travel Bazaar

17 – 19 April 2016, Jaipur



Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan during 8th edition of GITB



Release of FICCI – MRSS Knowledge Paper on "Indian Inbound – Tapping the Power Packed Growth Engine"

The 8th edition of The Great Indian Travel Bazaar was held from 17 – 19 April 2016 at Jaipur. This international mart was organized by the Department of Tourism, Government of Rajasthan; Ministry of Tourism, Government of India and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).

It was supported by Hotels & Restaurants Association of Rajasthan (HRAR), Indian Heritage Hotels Association (IHHA) and Rajasthan Association of Tour Operators (RATO).

Smt Vasundhara Raje, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan was the Chief Guest during the inaugural session of the programme. Hon'ble Chief Minister made a fervent appeal to the trade and industry members for taking the story of 'Rajasthan Tourism' to all nooks and corners of India and abroad. In this context, she informed that the State has launched a multi modal and multi lingual tourism campaign. The campaign aims at bringing more domestic and foreign tourists to Rajasthan. New circuits and new events are being added to add value to the experience of the tourists. Pilgrims, she said, is an important component of domestic travellers. The temple circuits were being further improved in terms of tourist amenities, cleanliness and connectivity.



Mr Vinod Zutshi, Secretary – Tourism, Government of India during the inaugural session



B2B meetings in progress with FTOs

Smart City Conclave

21 May 2016, Udaipur

FICCI Rajasthan State Council in association with Department of Local Self Government, Government of Rajasthan; Udaipur Municipal Corporation and Udaipur Smart City Ltd organised Smart City Conclave on 21st May 2016 at Udaipur.

Shri Rajpal Singh Shekhawat, Hon'ble Minister for UDH & LSG, Government of Rajasthan was the Chief Guest for the programme. Shri Gulab Chand Kataria, Hon'ble Minister for Home, Government of Rajasthan delivered the Presidential Address during the Inaugural Session of the programme.

H E Mr Peter Taksoe Jensen, Ambassador, The Royal Danish Embassy and Shri Chandra Singh Kothari, Mayor, Udaipur Municipal Corporation were Guest of Honour for the



Shri Rajpal Singh Shekhawat, Hon'ble Minister for UDH & LSG, Government of Rajasthan



Dr Manjit Singh, Principal Secretary – LSG, Government of Rajasthan



conclave. Shriji Arvind Singh Mewar, Chairman and Managing Trustee, Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation delivered the Inaugural Address and Prof Jagan Shah, Director, National Institute of Urban Affairs delivered the Theme Address.

Dr Manjit Singh, Principal Secretary – LSG, Government of Rajasthan and Mr Sameer Sinha, Chief Sales & Marketing Officer, Indus Towers Ltd were other speakers during the inaugural session. Theme Paper prepared by IICD Ltd was also released during the inaugural session.



Release of Theme Paper of Smart City Conclave

Digital Rajasthan Conclave

5 October 2016, Jaipur

Digital Rajasthan Conclave was jointly organised by FICCI and STPI at Jaipur. Shri Gajendra Singh Khimsar, Hon'ble Minister for Industry, Government of Rajasthan was the Chief Guest for the programme. A theme paper on 'Transforming Lives through Technology', prepared by Price water house Coopers (PwC), was also released by the Hon'ble Minister during the inaugural session.

Mr Omkar Rai, Director General, STPI said that in Rajasthan, the growth in software industry is 15% which is more than the national growth (10% -12%) in the sector. The Government has also launched India BPO scheme which will help in creating employment in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities in Rajasthan.



Shri Gajendra Singh Khimsar, Hon'ble Minister for Industry, Government of Rajasthan addressing



Dr Omkar Rai, Director General, Software Technology Parks of India addressing

In the conference, sessions on Digital Rajasthan; Innovation & Emerging Trends and IT Start-up – Future Companies were organised. The programme witnessed the presence of senior industry leaders including Mr P Rajendran, Joint Managing Director and Co-founder, NIIT Ltd and Mr Prashant Shukla, National Technology Officer, Microsoft India.



Release of Theme Paper on Transforming Lives through Technology



HR Summit 2016

20 January 2016, Jaipur

With an aim to dwell upon emergent HR challenges, share best HR practices and evolve ways to position Rajasthan as the talent / skill factory of the country, FICCI Rajasthan State Council organised HR Summit at Jaipur.

Some of the prominent speakers of the HR Summit 2016 included Mr Rajeev Dubey, Group President - HR & Corporate Services, CEO - Aftermarket Sector, Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd; Mr Ganesh Chandan, Chief Human Resource Officer, Suzlon Energy Ltd; Mr Prashant Srivastava, President - Human Capital & People Excellence, Reliance ADA Group; Mr Nanjappa B S, Head – Employee Relations, Infosys Ltd; Mr Sushil Baveja, President & Head – Corporate HR, DCM Shriram Ltd; Mr Irfan Abdulla, Director – Talent Solutions, LinkedIn India; Dr Prashant Deshpande, Vice President – HR Strategy & Planning (Emerging Consumer Businesses), Reliance Industries Ltd.



Mr Rajeev Dubey, Group President - HR & Corporate Services, CEO - Aftermarket Sector, Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd



Mr Ganesh Chandan, CHRO, Suzlon Energy Ltd

The programme featured Sessions on:

- HR – A Business Driver
- Building Talent Pools, Transforming Organizations
- Industry – Institute Interface: Matching the Mismatch through access, quality and skills

The programme witnessed participation from over 15 Speakers and 125 delegates.



Participants during the HR Summit

SECTORAL

Launch of National Campaign on Medicinal Plants

20 – 21 August 2016, Jaipur

National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India in association with FICCI organised the Launch of National Campaign on Medicinal Plants at Jaipur.

Shri Prabhu Lal Saini, Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Rajasthan was the Chief Guest for the programme which was attended by over 500 farmers.

During the event, an Interactive Meet cum Seminar was also organized on Medicinal Plants involving farmers, experts, traders, industries and other stakeholders of medicinal plants sector.



Shri Prabhu Lal Saini, Hon'ble Agriculture Minister, Government of Rajasthan addressing during the Inaugural Session



BUSINESS PROMOTION

Shilpangan 2016

18 – 22 February 2016, New Delhi

Rural Non-Farm Development Agency (RUDA) along with FICCI Rajasthan State Council organized Shilpangan 2016: an exclusive exhibition of Rajasthani handicraft products at New Delhi.

Mr K Gopal, Development Commissioner – Handicraft, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India; Mr Rajeeva Swarup, Principal Secretary – MSME, Government of Rajasthan and Ms Nilima Jauhari, Chairperson, Rajasthan Civil Services Appellate Tribunal visited the exhibition.

Rajasthani handicraft products like Bagru Hand Block Print, Lac Bangles, Leather Products, Barmer Embroidery, Mojaris, Gold work on Marble, Kota Doria Sarees, Thewa Art, Blue Pottery, Jahota Kantha, Lahariya, Phad Paintings, Sanagneri Print, Bandhej, Meenakari, Miniature Paintings, etc were displayed during the exhibition.



Mr Rajeeva Swarup, Principal Secretary – MSME, Government of Rajasthan visiting the exhibition



Mr K Gopal, Development Commissioner – Handicraft, Ministry of Textile, Government of India admiring the fine work of Artisans

Colours of Rajasthan

21 – 25 September 2016, Hyderabad

Rajasthan State Handloom Development Corporation (RHDC) with support from Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Government of India and in association with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) organised Colors of Rajasthan – an exclusive exhibition of handloom products from Rajasthan at Hyderabad.

Shri Mohammad Mahmood Ali, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Telangana was the Chief Guest for the programme and inaugurated the exhibition. Ms Shuchi Sharma, Managing Director, RHDC was the Guest of Honour during the inauguration ceremony.



Shri Mohammad Mahmood Ali, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Telangana while inaugurating the exhibition



Shri Mohammad Mahmood Ali, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Telangan admiring the fine work of Artisans





COMPETITIVENESS AND LEARNING

Session on Analysis of Union Budget 2016 - 17

4 March 2016, Jaipur

FICCI Rajasthan State Council in association with Malaviya National Institute of Technology organized Session on Analysis of Union Budget 2016 – 17. Dr Sanjiv Agarwal, Partner, Agarwal Sanjiv & Company and CA Rajeev Sogani, Partner, R Sogani & Associates were the resource persons for the session. Mr Sunil Mathur, Commissioner – Income Tax, Government of India was the Special Guest at the session. The session was also addressed by Senior Economists, Prof L L Nathuramka and Dr Ashok Bapna. Mr Rajneesh Singhvi, Member, FICCI – CMSME moderated the session.



Mr Sunil Mathur, Commissioner - Income Tax and other speakers interacting with participants

Seminar on Importance of Documents in Foreign Trade

11 March 2016, Jaipur

To sensitize all stakeholders on the latest developments in the important trade facilitation rules, ICC India, in association with FICCI organised a Seminar on "Importance of Documents in Foreign Trade" at Jaipur. Mr K Parameswaran, Corporate Advisor and a leading trade expert in International Trade and Finance was the faculty of the seminar.



Speaker during the Seminar

Manufacturing Excellence Mission

16 May 2016, Bengaluru

Under its MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE MISSION to promote learning by sharing, FICCI Rajasthan State Council organized a Study Mission to Toyota Kirloskar Motors Pvt Ltd, Bangalore. The Mission focused on improving the competitiveness of manufacturing units through learning on latest technology, innovation, service delivery, lean manufacturing and defect free products for Zero Defect and Zero Effect (ZED), skill development, training, etc.



Official from Toyota Kirloskar making the presentation on Best Manufacturing Practices

Lakshmi Kumari Chundawat Memorial Lecture

19 August 2016, Jaipur

FICCI in association with Prabha Khaitan Foundation organised an interactive session with Ms Usha Uthup, Famous Singer & Socialist.



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Workshop on Emotional Intelligence

22 July 2016, Jaipur

With an objective to develop Emotional Intelligence and the five EQ domains, Workshop on Emotional Intelligence was organized at Jaipur. Workshop content included unlocking the World of Emotional Intelligence; Self-awareness & Self-regulation; Motivation and Empathy; and Social Skills.

Mr Vijay M Batra was the faculty of the workshop. Around 50 participants from different sectors participated at the workshop.



Speaker conducting the workshop

RSC Meeting & Session on Income Declaration Scheme

27 July 2016, Jaipur



Mr Sunil Mathur, Commissioner - Income Tax and other speakers interacting with participants

In conjunction with FICCI Rajasthan State Council Meeting, a Session on Income Declaration Scheme (IDS) was organised at Jaipur. Mr Sunil Mathur, Commissioner – Income Tax, Government of India and Mr Sanjay Jhanwar, Managing Partner, Chir Amrit Law Chamber were the speakers for the session.

Mr Sanjay Jhanwar explained nuances of the IDS and Gold Monetisation Scheme. He addressed the queries of members and urged on taking benefit of both the schemes, if applicable. Mr Sunil Mathur detailed about the Department's perspective and preparedness about the scheme and allayed apprehensions related

to the scheme. During the session Mr Pankaj Ghiya, Tax Advocate also addressed the members about the Goods and Service Tax (GST) regime, benefits and transition challenges.

Seminar on GST Laws and Their Implications

22 December 2016, Jaipur

FICCI, in association with KPMG, organised Seminar on GST Laws and Their Implications at Jaipur. This Seminar was part of FICCI-KPMG series of GST seminars, which were organised across India in major cities with an objective to provide a platform for industry to get clarity on various provisions of Model GST law through expert panellists.

Mr Deepankar Aron, Addl Commissioner – Central Excise & Service Tax, Government of India; Mr Namit Mehta, Addl Commissioner – Commercial Taxes, Government of Rajasthan addressed the participants on GST matters with Central and State Government perspective.



Mr Deepankar Aron, Addl Commissioner – Excise & Service Tax Jaipur addressing during the inaugural session

The programme was also addressed by Mr Pankaj Ghiya, Senior Tax Advocate; Mr Ajay Singha, Advisor, FICCI Rajasthan Council and senior Partners & Directors from KPMG. The programme also featured a question – answer session. Mr Deepankar Aron, Addl Commissioner – Central Excise; Ms Ruchita Vij, Jt Commissioner – Central Excise; CA Ashish Koolwal, Joint Commissioner – Commercial Taxes; Mr Dinesh Chandra Rakhecha, Asst Commissioner – Commercial Taxes were present during the Question and Answer Session and addressed the queries of the industry members. Over 80 delegates from all across the state attended the seminar.



SPECIAL PROJECT

FICCI – Kota Municipal Corporation (KMC) MoU Signed for Smart City Project

3 February 2016, Kota

With objective to provide support in meeting urban challenges and developing Kota as a smart city through mobilization of the industry expertise and resources, FICCI and Kota Municipal Corporation (KMC) signed a MoU of this purpose.

Mr Mahesh Vijay, Mayor, Kota Municipal Corporation; Dr Manjit Singh, Principal Secretary - Local Self Government, Government of Rajasthan; Ms Sunita Vyas, Deputy Mayor, KMC and Mr Shivprasad M Nakate, Commissioner, KMC were present during the MoU signing.



Kota Smart City Project - MoU Signing

Session on Start-up India, Stand-up India

16 January 2016, Jaipur

In conjunction with the launch of Stand-up India action plan by Hon'ble Prime Minister in New Delhi, a Session on Start-up India, Stand-up India was organised in Jaipur by FICCI Rajasthan State Council.

Shri Ramcharan Bohra, Hon'ble Member of Parliament – Jaipur was the Chief Guest for the programme. Other speakers included Mr Girish Gupta, Chief Executive Officer, Rajasthan Venture Capital Fund; Mr Chintan Bakshi, Chief Operating Officer, Startup Oasis and Mr Rajesh Mundra, President, TiE Rajasthan.



Mr Ramcharan Bohra, Hon'ble Member of Parliament from Jaipur addressing at the Session

WATSAN Financing Opportunities for a Swachh Rajasthan

22 August 2016, Jaipur

A high-level meeting chaired by Mr Saraswati Prasad, Additional Secretary – Drinking Water and Sanitation, Government of India, on the theme “WATSAN financing opportunities for a Swachh Rajasthan” was co-organised by FICCI and Water.org at Jaipur. The event brought together various stakeholders to discuss



Dr Aarushi Malik, Director, Swachh Bharat Mission, Government of Rajasthan addressing during the session

how financial institutions can contribute to the Swachh Bharat Mission by lending towards water and sanitation, a new priority sector classified last year by the Reserve Bank of India.

India Sanitation Coalition's (ISC) Engagement in Rajasthan - Journey So far

The India Sanitation Coalition (ISC) was launched at FICCI on 25th June 2015 by Shri Birendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Government of India with support of 45 partners ranging from corporate sector, bilaterals and multilaterals, foundations, trusts, NGOs, financial institutions, and media partners. FICCI is a founding partner of ISC and functions as its secretariat.

Rajasthan has been identified as one of the first states by the Coalition to engage with. ISC initiated its engagement in Rajasthan with the formation of five working groups, viz. Schools, Rural, Urban, Skill Development and Sawai Madhopur. Under the strong support of the state administration, ISC's partners have been able to initiate work in each of these thematic areas.



Startups can help solve public issues

State government will be able to solve public issues more easily if it encourages startups to create solutions for the state, says Chief Minister Kanubhai Dadasaheb Patil in a speech on Wednesday.

The Chief Minister said that the state government is planning to encourage startups to create solutions for the state. He said that the state government is planning to encourage startups to create solutions for the state.

Role of tech in making city smart discussed

A day-long Digital Rajasthan Conference was organized by the Rajasthan State Information Commission (RSIC) on Wednesday. The conference was held at the RSIC building in Jaipur.

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जीएसटी कानून और उनके प्रभाव पर संगोष्ठी

TELEBOARD का 2 करोड़ और...
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Develop smart villages to stop migration: Guv

NEED OF THE HOUR Ways have to be found out to bring back farmers who have migrated to cities, says governor Kalyan Singh



CM Vasudeva Raju touches the feet of Baba Ramdev at the inauguration of GRAM in Jaipur on Tuesday.

No universal formula for smart city: Min

Udaipur: The minister for urban development and local self-government (L&S) Rajpal Singh Shekhawat said that each city has its own strength in terms of heritage, geographical location and environment. There is no specific technique or universal formula for developing smart cities.

Conclave to focus on smart city challenges in Udaipur

The conclave will witness two plenary sessions. The first session will be focused on 'Greener and Healthier Cities'. The second session will be on 'Smart & Vibrant Cities'.

FICCI plans two-tier structure for SPV

Udaipur: Industry body FICCI has proposed a two-tier structure for special purpose vehicles (SPV) for the implementation of the Smart City project in Udaipur where one will be a master SPV (as a holding or investment company) with subsidiary implementing vehicle for Walled City and Pan-City initiatives.

GRAM investment plans: Govt links MoUs worth ₹4,400 crore

Need To Focus On Growth Of Farmers & Agriculture: Naidu

The Union Agriculture Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu said that the government is planning to invest ₹4,400 crore in the Gram Aardram Mission (GRAM) to improve the lives of farmers and the rural economy.

सफलता के लिए डिजिटलाइजेशन जरूरी

डिजिटल लेवेल...
 सफलता के लिए डिजिटलाइजेशन जरूरी है। डिजिटल लेवेल को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सरकार ने कई योजनाएं शुरू की हैं।

'Rajasthan needs to tap Centre's BPO scheme'

Despite Fin Sops, No Bidder For 2900 Seats

Rajasthan government is doing good work to improve the economic condition of farmers. However, it needs to tap the Centre's BPO scheme to create more jobs.

Govt plans agri meet at div HQs

Udaipur: Viewing success of the ongoing GRAM, the government is planning to hold a series of meetings at the divisional headquarters to discuss the progress and challenges of the mission.

उद्यमियों ने शुरु की जीएसटी की तैयारी

बस्तु एवं सेवाकर (जीएसटी) आजादी के बाद की सबसे बड़ी अप्रत्याश कर सुधार प्रक्रिया है और विनिर्माण क्षेत्र को प्रोत्साहित करेगी। इससे लगभग 2 करोड़ रोजगार के अवसर पैदा होंगे।

'ग्राम' में निवेशकों को आकर्षित करने के लिये डोमेस्टिक रोड शो का होगा आयोजन

Udaipur smart city project expected to cost ₹1526 cr

The state government is planning to hold a domestic road show to attract investors to the GRAM mission. The road show will be held in Jaipur.

Raj feels the heat as Gujarat tax on ceramic industry to 5%

Jaipur: In a bid to retain its leadership position and thwart competition emerging from Rajasthan, Gujarat government has reduced VAT on ceramic products from 15% to 5% in the Budget 2017-18. The move could undercut the recent efforts of Rajasthan aimed at building a vibrant ceramic industry as the tax rates in the state still remain high at 34.5%.

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ग्रीलोथ आंखें मोड़ें

Morbi and Himmat Nagar in Gujarat which has become synonymous with ceramic industry heavily depend on Rajasthan for raw materials like clay, silica sand, feldspar, gypsum, limestone, dolomite, wollastonite, etc. But Rajasthan has now realized that if it can attract investments in the sector and utilize its own mineral resources, the benefits in terms of job creation, revenue generation and overall industrial development will be significant.



Established in 1927, FICCI is the largest and oldest apex business organisation in India. Its history is closely interwoven with India's struggle for independence, its industrialization, and its emergence as one of the most rapidly growing global economies.

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