Kazakhstan–India Business, Trade & Investment Forum 2026

8 September 2026 | The Leela Palace, Chennai

The **Kazakhstan–India Business, Trade & Investment Forum 2026** was organized on **8 September 2026** at **Hotel Leela Palace, Chennai**, with **FICCI as a partner**. The forum brought together government representatives, business leaders, investment promotion agencies, financial institutions, and industry stakeholders from India and Kazakhstan to explore opportunities for strengthening bilateral trade, investment, market access, and business partnerships. The programme focused on key sectors including agriculture, food, technology, textiles, energy, infrastructure, healthcare, and mining.

The inaugural session commenced with the **Welcome Address and Felicitation of Guests by Mr. Nandakumar, Director – India, Kazakh Invest**, followed by the **Opening Address by Ms. Pallavi Verma, IAS, Executive Director, Guidance**.

Dr. GSK Velu, Chair, FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council and CMD, Trivitron Healthcare & Neuberg Diagnostics Group of Companies, delivered the Industry Address. His address highlighted the importance of strengthening business and economic engagement between India and Kazakhstan and the need for greater industry-to-industry interaction to identify opportunities for trade, investment, technology collaboration, and long-term partnerships.

Mr. K. Vivekanandan, IAS, Special Secretary, Industries and Investment Promotion and Commerce, Government of Tamil Nadu, addressed the gathering, highlighting the opportunities for enhancing investment and business cooperation.

H.E. Mr. Y.K. Sailas Thangal, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of India to the Republic of Kazakhstan, also addressed the forum. The inaugural session included the **exchange of MoUs/LoIs**, followed by a keynote address by **Mr. Abildabekov Aidar, Hon'ble Vice-Minister of Trade and Integration, Republic of Kazakhstan**.

The first business session, **"Investment & Trade Opportunities between India and Kazakhstan,"** examined opportunities to expand bilateral trade, investment, and market access. The session highlighted Kazakhstan's position as an important economic partner for India in Central Asia and a gateway to wider Eurasian markets. Discussions covered opportunities in pharmaceuticals, engineering goods, machinery, food products, energy, and mineral resources, while also examining financial connectivity and trade facilitation required to deepen commercial engagement between the two countries.

The forum concluded with **G2B and B2B meetings**, providing participating businesses and stakeholders from India and Kazakhstan with an opportunity to engage in direct discussions, explore potential partnerships, and identify avenues for trade and investment cooperation. The programme concluded with a **networking dinner**, providing participants with an additional platform to build business relationships and explore future opportunities for collaboration.

The **India–Kazakhstan Business Forum** served as a valuable platform for strengthening bilateral business engagement and facilitating meaningful interaction between Indian and Kazakh stakeholders. Through focused business sessions, regional presentations, sectoral discussions, and G2B/B2B meetings, the forum provided opportunities to identify new avenues for trade, investment, partnerships, and long-term economic cooperation between the two countries.

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