



*from the desk of the*  
**PRESIDENT**

*Dear Member,*

30<sup>th</sup> January, 2019

At the outset may I wish you all and your loved ones a very Happy New Year! I hope that the New Year brings about optimism on the country's economic front as it is all set for the General Elections in the coming months.

The next edition of The Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS) 2019, is scheduled to be held in early February. We are happy to inform you that your Chamber has been entrusted with the responsibility of co-organising the Country Session for Japan and also the Sectoral session on MSME and Skills, apart from working on the IT sectoral session also.

As far as the Chamber's events calendar is concerned, it has been consistently catering to the focused segments often venturing into new and uncharted areas, creating and adding value for stakeholders in the process. As you would find from the narrations contained in this issue of the Newsletter, during the last couple of months, The Bengal Chamber has been able to present programmes of a most dynamic range, a few of which have been 'first-of-their-kind' activities. During the first week of the New Year, the Chamber's first ever 'Bangla Utsob' presented by Bandhan Bank, was a 3-day mega Indo-Bangladesh music festival at Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata which brought about a celebration of the rich musical heritage of the "Two Banglas". The Summit on "Cyber Terrorism and The Economy- A Gathering Storm", organised with CENERS-K (Centre for East and North East Regional

Studies); The India Economic Conclave deliberating on economics and the impact from the perspective of the common man in the country; Rural Connect 2018 held at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre witnessing participation of the farmers community and students of agriculture amongst others; Leadership lecture by a "born leader", Mr. Sourav Ganguly and the showcasing of The Bengal Fashion Heritage 2018 were the highlight programmes. The mix of such eclectic programmes brought personalities from so many different walks of life and so significantly enriched the portals of the Chamber.

The Chamber faces the dual challenge of sustaining as well as strengthening its current activities and also engaging deeply with its stakeholders to meet its long-term commitment towards growth and development of various sectors especially industry and agriculture. Towards this end, it is committed to its mission of driving growth through skills and knowledge enhancements. We therefore need to persistently work on breakthrough initiatives by putting our thoughts together and keeping our actions aligned with the broader objective of employment and income growth. We look forward to your continued goodwill and counsel as we move forward.

Sd/-  
**Indrajit Sen**  
President

## MEMBER'S NEWS CORNER



*Welcome to the Bengal Chamber family! That's what we would like to convey to Welkin Telecom Infra Private Ltd. and Calcutta Institute of Engineering and Management whose applications for membership were tabled and approved by the Managing Committee at its meeting on 4th December 2018.*

## NEWS FLASH

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I) had organized its first MSME visit to South 24 Parganas with the help of local industry representatives (including MSMEs) on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at **Neogi Technologies and Research Private Limited** (Formerly Moonlight Engineering Co).

The **objectives** of this visit were the following:

- **Introduction of “The Bengal Chamber Centre of Excellence (CoE) for the MSMEs** – an initiative jointly instituted by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) and Indo German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC) for the development of MSMEs (with a prime focus on West Bengal) in various aspects of their business operations.
- **To understand the needs/requirements of the Industrial units** (including the MSMEs) and what are their expectations from the Chamber so that, the Chamber could take it up at appropriate levels to provide solutions and benefits to the industrial fraternity in Durgapur.



## NEWS FLASH



Received Recognition from Smt. Roshni Sen, I.A.S, Principal Secretary, Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Government of West Bengal, for generating the maximum number of job demands for the job fair which was supposed to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 at Netaji Indoor Stadium. Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Ms. Sukanya Bose, Deputy Director, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry receiving the award on behalf of The Chamber

## NEWS FLASH



L-R: Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General, TERI (The Energy & Resources Institute), H E, Nils Ragnar Kamsvåg, Norwegian Ambassador in India, Ms. Erna Solberg, Hon'ble Prime Minister of Norway and Ms. Nayantara PalChoudhury, Honorary Consul of Norway in Kolkata and Member of the Managing Committee of BCC&I at a recent event in New Delhi.

## NEWS FLASH

On 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019, **TotalStart Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Developers**, a section 8 not for profit company ([www.totalstart.org](http://www.totalstart.org)) was bestowed with this rare honour for its mission driven work since 2010 of "**Fostering Entrepreneurship in Underdeveloped Regions and Underprivileged Communities**".

It was declared as the winner of the National Entrepreneurship Award for the year 2018 as the "Mentor Organization" in the "Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Builders Track" by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India under the National Entrepreneurship Awards Scheme 2018 ([www.neas.gov.in](http://www.neas.gov.in)).

The award was received by TotalStart's Chairman, **Dr. Suryanil Ghosh**, its Directors Mr. Jeeven Saini and Mrs. Cornelia Heinen and its two mentees Mr. Pradip Das, blind youth entrepreneur of Mushroomers Agritech Coochbehar ([www.mushroomers.in](http://www.mushroomers.in)) and Mr. Khelaram Murmu a Tribal Entrepreneur and the President of Tribal Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industries. TotalStart received this award for its uniquely impacting engagement through its National Flagship Program of "Incubating and Scaling Micro and Small Rural and District Level Entrepreneurs" across 25 Regional District Hubs in 12+ states in the country.

TotalStart is grateful to many organisations for its support in its impacting endeavour, but in particular to one for the year 2018, Tata Steel Processing and Distribution Ltd.

(Note: Dr. Suryanil Ghosh had earlier chaired Bengal Chamber's Entrepreneurship Development Cell for 2 years and presently is a member of its Managing Committee)



## PROGRAMME

**19th November 2018, The Bengal Lounge, The Bengal Chamber premises.**

**BCC&I 'THINK' LECTURE SERIES WITH R. RAMAKRISHNAN**

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organised yet another session of its Think Lecture Series on 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 at the Williamson Magor Hall in the Bengal Chamber premises. The session had three panellists - Mr. R. Ramakrishnan, Chief Executive of Polycab India Ltd; Joydeep Dutta Gupta, Partner, Deloitte Touche Tomahatsu LLP; Mr. Mayank Jalan, Chairman and Managing Director, Keventer Agro, to share their thoughts on "Leadership: A perspective" – and was moderated by Mr. Anoop Hoon, Chairperson, Marketing & Brand Committee of The Bengal Chamber.

Mr. R. Ramakrishnan, who delivered the keynote address, stated that leadership quality is intrinsic to an individual which translates into success by teamwork and sharing of vision and truth by the leader. The property of leadership must be within one to succeed and the goals should be high, he remarked. He cited the example of Mr. Dhirubai Ambani who had the high soaring aim of setting up a petrol company when he was working at a petrol pump.

He added that excellence can be attained through team work and that every challenge faced only strengthens a leader. A leader, he said, is transparent and delivers the truth, no matter how bad the news is. Mr. Ramakrishnan in his speech also mentioned the success stories of Bajaj Electrical and ITC. Bajaj Electrical was a Rs 300 crore company with a profit of 40 crore in 2000 which made a loss of 15 crore through increased

borrowings, but Shekhar Bajaj held out hope and they turned it around. By 2011-12 it became a 3000 crore company with an operating profit of 221 Crore. Talking about ITC he said that it started with Tobacco but has now made it big in FMG and hospitality.

Following Mr. Ramakrishnan's speech the session progressed towards a panel discussion with Mr. Mayank Jalan, Chairman & Managing Director, Keventer Agro Limited, Mr. Joydeep Dutta Gupta, Senior Partner, Deloitte & Managing Committee Member and Mr. Ramakrishnan, which was moderated by Mr. Anoop Hoon, Chairperson, Marketing & Brand Committee of The Bengal Chamber.

Mr. Dutta Gupta mentioned how the business model has changed over the course of time. Value previously was created by production, and the factors of production were land, labour and capital. In modern times technology-led disruption has changed the entire structure. Mr. Jalan contributed to the discussion by sharing his experience with Keventer Agro Limited. He highlighted various leadership points and shared how he built his team from ground zero and created a vision document for the company.

The Session ended with Mr. Deb A Mukherjee presenting mementoes to Mr. Mayank Jalan, Mr. R. Ramakrishnan and Mr. Joydeep Duttagupta.

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Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry delivering the formal welcome address



Mr. R. Ramakrishnan, Vice Chairman, Polycab during his address on Leadership - A Perspective



Mr. Joydeep Duttgupta, Managing Committee Member and Partner, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP during his address



Mr. Mayank Jalan, Chairman and Managing Director, Keventer Group, addressing the gathering



Mr. Anoop Hoon, Chairperson, Marketing and Brand Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry delivering the closing address



(L-R) Mr. Anoop Hoon, Chairperson, Marketing and Brand Committee, Mr. R. Ramakrishnan, Vice Chairman, Polycab, Mr. Mayank Jalan, Chairman and Managing Director, Keventer Group, Mr. Joydeep Duttgupta, Managing Committee Member and Partner, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP and Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

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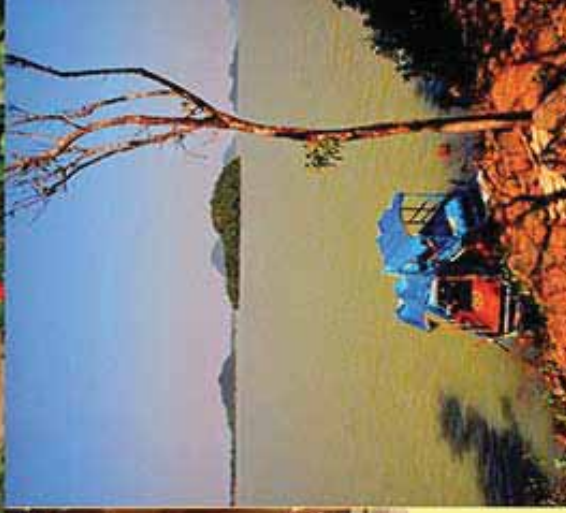
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## PROGRAMME

### DISCUSSION FORUM ON ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY IN THE INDUSTRIAL REGION

30th November 2018,  
The Golden Retreat, Haldia

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in association with West Bengal Pollution Control Board (WBPCB), organized the Fourth Edition of Discussion Forum on Ecological Sustainability in the Industrial Region, on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018 (Friday) at The Golden Retreat, Haldia. Two earlier editions were held in Durgapur and one in Haldia.

The objective of the Discussion Forum was to bring together the stakeholders of Haldia Industrial Belt, Policy Makers and Industry Leaders to brainstorm and share the best practices and cutting-edge technologies to take forward the industrial development of the State with adequate fortification towards vulnerability of ecology.

The forum focused on:

- Air Pollution
- Municipal Solid Waste Management
- Oil Spillage
- Critical Environmental Issues

Mohammed Saiful Islam, First Secretary (Commercial), Bangladesh Deputy High Commission, Kolkata graced the Inaugural Session and addressed on “Coast and River : The link of People and Prosperity”. The Inaugural Session included formal Welcome Address by Mr. Abraham Stephanos, Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Director, Tata Steel Processing and Distribution Limited and setting the agenda of the Forum by Mr. Alope

Mookherjea, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Mr. Sudipta Kumar Mukherjee, Vice President & Plant Head, Haldia Energy Ltd. also joined the inaugural session and gave the industry perspective.

There were two Discussion Forums on “Ecological Sustainability in the Industrial Region” and “Best Practices for Ecological Sustainability in Industrial Region”.

Mr. Dipti Ranjan Behra, Manager - CSR, Haldia Energy Limited; Capt Shri Prakash, Principal, Haldia Institute of Maritime Studies and Research and Ms. Mousam Choudhury, In-charge Training Department and Technical Officer, CIPET joined the first Discussion Forum which was chaired by Mr. Alope Mookherjea, Former President, The Bengal Chamber.

Mr. Saugata Mahindar, Chief Manager - Environment Services, Haldia Petrochemicals Ltd; Mr. T K Pan, Chief Operating Manager, Exide Industries Limited; Mr. P S Goswami, Deputy General Manager, Health Safety and Environment, Indian Oil Corporation Limited and Ms. Alimala Dutta Roy, Senior Manager – Improvement, Environment and CSR and Mr. Ratan Saha, Senior Manager - Mechanical, Tata Steel Limited graced the second Discussion Forum, which was chaired by Mr. Abraham Stephanos, Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Director, Tata Steel Processing and Distribution Limited.



Mr. Abraham Stephanos, Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Director, Tata Steel Processing and Distribution Limited



(L-R): Mr. Alope Mookherjea, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Chairman, Howden Solyvent (India) Private Limited; Mohammed Saiful Islam, First Secretary (Commercial), Bangladesh Deputy High Commission, Kolkata and Mr. Sudipta Kumar Mukherjee, Vice President & Plant Head Haldia Energy Ltd



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3rd & 4th December 2018,  
Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, Rajarhat

BCC&I RURAL CONNECT 2018

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry organized Rural Connect Conclave on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, Rajarhat. The objective of this conclave was to address various issues and development related to rural area of West Bengal. This initiative brought farmers, agri-entrepreneur, technologist and research scholar from various agriculture institution under one roof and provided a platform where farmers understood the challenges and updated themselves with new technology and innovative production processes.

Apart from that, representative of various departments of Government of West Bengal and National Bank of Agriculture & Rural Development shared schemes and information for agro and rural development fraternity including farmers.

The conclave was held to connect all stakeholders of rural development on a single platform. The Conclave was attended by farmers' producers' organizations (FPOs) of the State, bankers, agri-technologists, agri-business specialists, agri-scientists. The discussions of the conclave revolved around uplifting of farmers to agri-entrepreneurs. During the conclave some FPOs presented their journeys of transforming themselves from simple farmers to agri-entrepreneurs.

Some of the Speakers of the Rural Connect 2018 were:-

- Mr. Arup Roy, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge – Department of Cooperation, Government of West Bengal
- Shri Purnendu Bose, Hon'ble Minister-In-Charge, Department of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Government of West Bengal



Dr. Sanjeev Chopra, Additional Chief Secretary – Industry, Commerce & Enterprises and Director General – Administrative Training Institute, Government of West Bengal delivering his Visionary Address on the occasion of Rural Connect 2018



Key Note Address by Mr. Hemant Kanoria, Chairman & Managing Director – SREI Group

- Dr. Sanjeev Chopra, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Industry, Commerce & Enterprise, Government of West Bengal
- Mr. Hemant Kanoria, Chairman & Managing Director – SREI Group
- Mr. Subrata Mondal, Chief General Manager – NABARD
- Mr. S.K.Mishra, Chairman & Managing Director –SKM Group
- Mr. A.K.Banerjee, Vice Chairman & Managing Director – IFB Agro Limited
- Mr. Amit Sarogi, Managing Director – Anmol Feeds Private Limited
- Prof. (Dr.) Swapan Kumar Dutta, Former DDG (ICAR) and VC, Visva-Bharati University, Co-PI, DBT, Program support of COE, University of Calcutta, Kolkata
- Mr. Raj Ganguly, The World Bank
- Mr. Chandrapratap Singh, Business Head - Vindhyachal Agrofarm Pvt. Ltd.

Rural Connect Conclave was attended by more than 450 delegates. The Bengal Chamber of Commerce will continue organising Rural Connect conclaves amongst all stakeholders across the State.



Publishing Knowledge Paper - "Connecting Rural Dots - From Production to Consumption, Income to Markets" on the occasion of Rural Connect 2018



Inaugural Address by Mr. Arup Roy, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge – Department of Cooperation, Government of West Bengal



Special Address by Shri Subrata Mandal, Chief General Manager - NABARD on "Role of NABARD in Agriculture & Rural Development Model in West Bengal"



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BCC&I RURAL CONNECT 2018



CEO's Speak on Future Growth of Agriculture & Fisheries in West Bengal by Mr. A. K. Banerjee, Vice Chairman & Managing Director – IFB Agro Limited



CEO's Speak on Future Growth of Agriculture & Allied Sector in West Bengal by Mr. Amit Sarogi, Managing Director – Anmol Feeds Private Limited



Address on Increasing Income Opportunities of Smallholder Farmers: Overview on Structural Transformation Factors by Dr. Partha Dasgupta, Advisor – Syngenta Foundation



Address on "Agri-Entrepreneurship Scenario of West Bengal" by Mr. Raj Ganguly, The World Bank



Address on Role of Technology in Agriculture & Rural Development by Mr. Ranadeep Das, Director & CEO – Ingreens



Presentation on "Agriculture Value-Chain Finance" by Mr. Chandrapratap Singh, Business Head - Vindhyachal Agrofarms Pvt. Ltd

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FPO Success Story Sharing by Mr. Abdul Jabbar Khan, Bhangar Vegetable Company Producer Limited



Opening Address on "Awareness on Agri-Skills to promote Sustainable Alternative Agro Farming" by Shri Purnendu Basu, Hon'ble Minister In Charge, Department of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Government of West Bengal



Stalls by Department of MSMEs & Textiles, Government of West Bengal



Shri Purnendu Basu, Hon'ble Minister-In-Charge, Department of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Government of West Bengal interacting with stall owners



Address by Dr. Prasanta Kr. Sarkar, Director, West Bengal State Medicinal Plant Board, Government of West Bengal



Presentation on FPO Financing by representative from UCO BANK

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CEO's Speak by Shri S. K. Mishra, CMD – SKM Group



Section of Audience

December 4, 2018,  
Chamber Premises

**INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH DR. SANJEEV CHOPRA, IAS, ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, COMMERCE AND ENTERPRISES & DIRECTOR GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING INSTITUTE, GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**

The Chamber organized an interactive session with Dr. Sanjeev Chopra, IAS, with the Managing Committee on December 4, 2019. Dr. Sanjeev Chopra is an IAS officer of the 1985 batch, originally from Kapurthala, Punjab. He had served in multiple capacities with the Central and State Governments in India. Dr. Chopra had been Secretary, Industrial Development and IT with Government of Uttarakhand where he was instrumental in making the State a premier investment destination in the country. He is currently the Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, in charge of Industry, Commerce and Enterprises Department and Director General of ATI, Kolkata.

Dr. Sanjeev Chopra expressed his pleasure being at the oldest Chamber of Commerce where he felt the very foundation stone of India's industrial growth was laid. He said that although at that point of time distinction between Trade, Commerce and Industry had not really evolved, it was at the Bengal Chamber where businesses evolved. BCC&I and the building in which it is housed has found mention in the writings of authors who dealt with contemporary history.

Dr. Chopra said that Bengal had led the country for many years in industrial development and economic growth but the fact is that the progress of industry over the years slowed down. However, the positive side now is that resurrection is happening. The infrastructure growth that is happening across West Bengal today is definitely much better than any other State. While the infrastructure in Maharashtra or Karnataka is better than West Bengal, the rate of change, improvement and growth of infrastructure in West Bengal is far better than

other States. The State is charged with optimism and that is because the ecosystem of the State is changing.

Mentioning that having been in the State for a fairly long period, he could see that pace of work had gained momentum. Dr. Chopra had been the Industries Secretary in two States, Uttarakhand earlier and at West Bengal now. One common aspect he had noticed at both the States, in Uttarakhand at that point of time and at Bengal now, was the fast decision making process by political leadership. In our State today we live in a system where decision is very prompt and it is known exactly what needs to be done.

Today even for the country as a whole, the macro regime, the GST regime, the equalisation has made a lot of difference. The State today would score much better on the way the post-GST regime is turning out, the way the 'look-East' policy is turning out, the way the logistics planning which is going to be the greatest determinant is turning out, and on many other fronts.

Dr. Chopra mentioned that the East, especially the State of Bengal, is poised towards a phenomenal growth in agriculture. Bengal has 200 billion cubic meters of water resources and the State was using only about 60 to 65 billion cubic meters of water which meant that the State held about 135 billion cubic meters of water, which was fast becoming a scarce resource. Manufacturing is impossible without water, so is agriculture and many other activities. The State is endowed with river water resource in abundance. On the other hand Punjab, Harayana, Rajasthan etc. are States facing a major

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problem on account of scarcity of water. Expensive water resource of course proves a major hindrance for industrial growth. Dr. Chopra strongly felt that Bengal had all resources in abundance within the State for setting up a strong base for a vibrant economy.

BCC&I has to play a forward role. What is said and planned to be achieved has to be backed by fact, and right policy guidelines, as well as the ability to deliver the process. The Chamber has a role to play here. Dr. Chopra mentioned that it had been his observation during the last few years, when he had been with the Government of India and when he

returned from the Government of India to the State, there has been a marked change in the pace of constructive activities in the State and it was certainly at the crux of a resurrection.

Dr. Chopra concluded his talk by extending his gratitude to the Managing Committee Members of the Chamber for having invited him over for an interaction and complimented them for their entrepreneurship skills.

Dr. Chopra's talk was followed by an invigorating round of Q & A Session.



Dr. Sanjeev Chopra, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Industry, Commerce and Enterprises & Director General, Administrative Training Institute, Government of West Bengal; addressing the Chamber's Managing Committee Members



Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry presenting a token of appreciation to Dr. Sanjeev Chopra, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Industry, Commerce and Enterprises & Director General, Administrative Training Institute, Government of West Bengal

### BCC&I ANNUAL SHIPPING CONCLAVE ON "LOGISTICS IN INDIA - THE WAY AHEAD"

7th December 2018,  
Chamber Premises

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I) organized the seventh edition of its annual Shipping conclave with the help of senior representatives from the Government, Policymakers, Industry leaders, Researchers, etc. The focus of this year's conclave was on "Logistics in India – The Way Ahead".

The objective of this conclave was to highlight the Logistics scenario of India at present, particularly with respect to the movement of Exim Trade, as Shipping has always been a major part of the Supply Chain network of any country. The conclave had helped in formulating a 'Strategy' on 'The Way forward' for the Logistics Industry to ensure that it ultimately leads to a seamless movement of goods in the near future.

Capt S B Mazumder; Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I welcomed the inaugural speakers on the dais which comprised of Mr. Indrajit Sen; President, BCC&I (delivered the welcome speech at the Inaugural Session) Shri Pravir Pandey; IA&AS Chairman, Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), Ministry of Shipping; Shri Vinit Kumar; IRSEE Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust, Ministry of Shipping, Government of India and Shri Amitava Sengupta; WBCS (Exe), Jt Secretary, Department of Transport, Government of West Bengal and Additional Director, Kolkata Zone, Directorate of Transport, Government of West Bengal.

The other key speakers were Shri S A Rahman, IRTS, Group General Manager (GGM - C&O) - Eastern Region, Container Corporation of India Limited (CONCOR), Shri C V Prasad,

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**BCC&I ANNUAL SHIPPING CONCLAVE ON  
“LOGISTICS IN INDIA – THE WAY AHEAD”**

Member – Finance, Land Port Authority of India (LPAI), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, Shri Anil Kumar Gupta, Director – Works, Indian Port Rail Corporation Limited (IPRCL), A Government of India Enterprise, Shri Santosh K Mohapatra, Former Chairman, Paradip Port Trust and Former Chief Executive Officer, Dhamra Port, Ms. Vinita Venkatesh, Director, Krishnapatnam Port Container Terminal Private Limited (KPCT Pvt Ltd), Ms. Surekha Bihani, Managing Director, Jones Lang Lasalle (JLL) Property Consultant (India) Pvt Ltd, Kolkata and Shri Arup Das, Deputy General Manager (Institutional Business), WBSO and GST Co-ordinator - Institutional Business, Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), etc.

The Conclave brought together senior government officials, port users, trade representatives, industry representatives, policy makers, researchers and academicians and altogether the total no of delegates present at the conclave were 150 approx.

The conclave was an eye-opener for those in the EXIM trade, the Ship owners/charterers, the Shipping lines/agents, the CHA's, the Port users, the Freight forwarders, the logistics providers, etc as they had a clear understanding of the present Logistics scenario of India, particularly the maritime logistics and to what are the measures could be taken to improve the logistics sector of our country for seamless movement of goods in the near future.

Overall the Conclave provided the way forward on developments and investments in the Logistics Sector to enable smooth and regular flow of goods at very less Logistics Costs in the near future.



Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) delivering the Welcome Speech at the Inaugural Session of the seventh edition of BCC&I Annual Shipping Conclave on Logistics in India – The Way Ahead held on 7th December 2018 at the Chamber premises



Shri Amitava Sengupta, WBCS (Exe) addressing the session



Shri Vinit Kumar, IRSEE addressing the session



Shri Pravir Pandey, IA&AS addressing the session

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Mr. Indrajit Sen presenting a memento to Shri Amitava Sengupta, WBCS (Exe)



Mr. Indrajit Sen presenting a memento to Shri Vinit Kumar, IRSEE



Mr. Indrajit Sen presenting a memento to Shri Pravir Pandey, IA&AS



Shri C V Prasad addressing the session



A group photo of the Inaugural Speakers

L- R : Capt S B Mazumder, Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I, Shri Vinit Kumar, IRSEE, Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust, Ministry of Shipping, Government of India, Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, BCC&I, Shri Amitava Sengupta, WBCS (Exe), Jt Secretary, Department of Transport, Government of West Bengal and Additional Director, Kolkata Zone, Directorate of Transport, Government of West Bengal and Shri Pravir Pandey, IA&AS, Chairman, Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI), Ministry of Shipping, Government of India

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BCC&I ANNUAL SHIPPING CONCLAVE ON  
"LOGISTICS IN INDIA - THE WAY AHEAD"



Shri Anil Kumar Gupta addressing the session



Mr. Nandan Yalgi addressing the session



Ms. Surekha Bihani addressing the session



Ms. Vinita Venkatesh addressing the session



A group photo of the session speakers

L-R : Mr. Ashish Kumar Gupta, Managing Director, TM International Logistics Limited (TMILL) - (A JV of Tata Steel, NYK and Martrade), Rear Admiral Riazuddin Ahmed, Director, Summit Alliance Port East Gateway (India) Private Limited, Bangladesh and Former Chairman, Chittagong and Mongla Port, Capt S B Mazumder, Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I (as guest appearance for the group photo), Ms Surekha Bihani, Managing Director, Jones Lang Lasalle (JLL) Property Consultant (India) Pvt Ltd, Kolkata, Mr. Nandan Yalgi, Managing Director, Boxco Logistics India Pvt Limited (BLIP), Shri Anil Kumar Gupta, Director – Works, Indian Port Rail Corporation Limited (IPRCL), A Government of India Enterprise, Shri C V Prasad, Member – Finance, Land Port Authority of India (LPAI), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India and Shri S A Rahman, IRTS, Group General Manager (GGM - C&O) - Eastern Region, Container Corporation of India Limited (CONCOR)

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"LOGISTICS IN INDIA - THE WAY AHEAD"**

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Mr. Aviral Jain addressing the session



The audience present in the programme



Shri Santosh K Mohapatra addressing the session



The delegates interacting with the speakers



Shri Arup Das addressing the session



A group photo of the programme



**8th December 2018,  
Tollygunge Club, Kolkata**

**A MUSICAL EVENING BY PANDIT BICKRAM GHOSH AND SHRI AMAAN ALI BANGASH ON THE OCCASION OF CREATING AWARENESS ON "DECEASED DONOR PROGRAMME-CADAVER DAAN"**

The Health Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry organized a very unique programme on Cadaver Daan followed by A Musical Evening with Shri Amaan Ali Bangash and Pandit Bickram Ghosh on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2018 from 7.00 p.m onwards. at one of the oldest and elitist Clubs of Kolkata, Tollygunge Club. This was an unique initiative as we aimed to create awareness on the need of the hour issue "Cadaver Daan- Organ Donation from the deceased".

The evening started with the felicitation of Fortis Hospital, Apollo Gleneagles Hospitals, Dr. (Prof.) Plaban Mukherjee, Kolkata Police Force, West Bengal Police Force and the Donor's Family. Shri Abir Chatterjee was our brand ambassador and special guest for the evening. The star performers of the evening were Pandit Bickram Ghosh and Shri Amaan Ali Bangash who mesmerized the audience with their melodious performances.

The programme was supported by Apollo Gleneagles Hospitals, PowerGilt Treasuries Inc, JIS University, The Golden Mile ( A Saltee Group Initiative), Tata Steel Ltd., The Bengal Urology Trust, St Xavier's Collegiate School, 24 Ghanta and Tollygunge Club.



Mr. B. B. Chatterjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Director, ITC Limited, addressing the audience in his opening speech.



Ms. Sukanya Bose, Deputy Director, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry welcoming the audience



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Dr. Amit Ghose, Chairperson Emeritus - Health Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Consultant Urologist, Apollo Gleneagles Hospitals Kolkata, engaging the audience in his Introductory Speech



Felicitation of Fortis Hospital by Mr. B. B. Chatterjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Director, ITC Limited



Felicitation of Apollo Gleneagles Hospitals Kolkata by Mr. Deb A. Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited



Felicitation of Dr. (Prof.) Plaban Mukherjee by Mr. B. B. Chatterjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Director, ITC Limited



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Felicitation of West Bengal Police Force by Mr. B. B. Chatterjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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Felicitation of Donor's Family By Shri Abir Chatterjee, Eminent Actor



Felicitation of Shri Abir Chatterjee, Eminent Actor by Mr. Deb A. Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited



Shri Abir Chatterjee addressing the audience



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**AWARENESS GENERATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP ON BBIN - MVA**

**12th December 2018, Kalpana Inn,  
Durgapur, West Bengal**

CUTS International, with support from US Department of State, and in collaboration with BCC&I and PDP Group organised a half – day event on “Awareness Generation and Capacity Building Workshop” as a part of the project titled “Creating an Enabling and Inclusive policy and Political Economy Discourse for Trade, Transport and Transit Facilitation in and among Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal (BBIN) – Facilitating implementation and stakeholder buy-in in the BBIN Sub-region” on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018, Durgapur, West Bengal.

With the motive to generate momentum and promote deliberations towards an effective operationalisation of the Bangladesh-Bhutan-India-Nepal Motor Vehicles Agreement (BBIN-MVA), CUTS conducted a study that aims to create an enabling environment and inclusive policy discourse, to facilitate trade, transport and transit connectivity in and among the BBIN group of countries. In this regard, the capacity building workshop aimed to discuss the research findings, gather insights from various stakeholder groups and articulate specific and prioritised solutions to further enhance the regional connectivity and cooperation.

Pramod Srivastava, Director and CEO, PDP Group mentioned that at present India has about 76 ICDs and through a recent notification by CBIC, the containers are allowed to go to any destination in Bangladesh and Nepal. He mentioned that according to the exporters, who are exporting through the ICD (at Durgapur) to Bangladesh via Petrapole, their export volumes have increased by 30 – 35 percent and there has been a corresponding decrease in the time required to export. He highlighted that lack of insurance is the biggest issue in Indo-Bangladesh trade. If anything happens to the cargo or the driver in the other country, there is no mechanism to tackle the situation. A transit agreement between India-Bangladesh, similar to Indo-Nepal transit Treaty, was suggested

by him. He flagged that the Central Government have increased the axle weight so that the trucks can carry more cargo, but the West Bengal Government has not issued any notification to that end. He suggested, doing the same at the earliest so that trucks coming from states who have already implemented the policy do not face any problem while entering West Bengal.

Amit Roy, President, Durgapur Small Industries Association mentioned that not much export takes place from Durgapur but there lies number of products those are exportable. Even people from Kolkata or nearby states export their products from Durgapur. In this context, he emphasized the need for building capacities of the various SME units in the district and motivate them to export directly to Bangladesh through the ICD.

Debasish Chattopadhyay, SDDMO Durgapur, O/O SDM Durgapur, advocated organizing more such awareness generation meeting at different trade hubs and critical nodes involving all kind of stakeholders and government officials.



Mr. Pramod Srivastava, Director and CEO, PDP Group and Mr. Arnab Ganguly, Assistant Policy Analyst, CUTS International

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AWARENESS GENERATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING  
WORKSHOP ON BBIN - MVA



Ms. Bijaya Roy, Research Assistant, CUTS International giving Introduction to the Theme and Presentation on Key Findings of the project study from different BBIN Corridor

14th December 2018, Chamber Premises

BCC&I INDIA ECONOMIC CONCLAVE

Focusing on the current socio-political landscape in the wake of demonetisation and implementation of GST, the Bengal Chamber's initiative to stage an economic conclave aiming towards the interest of the common man got structured at the Williamson Magor Hall, Bengal Chamber premises on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

Mr. Deb A. Mukherjee Senior Vice President, BCC&I, Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited, delivered the welcome address asserting the need to address the common man in the economic panorama. He reasoned that the average living family wage of a worker in India has not significantly changed despite the progressive increment in the Indian economy.

Speaking about the agriculture sector Professor Nabinananda Sen, Dept. of Business Management, University of Calcutta, shared his concerns over declining productivity, and its consequence, migration. He said, "...yield-wise, that is, production per hectare-wise, we fall behind many other countries. We are doing so well globally in terms of total production, but in terms of productivity, we are falling back. Our performance has been gradually declining."

Dr. Partha R Dasgupta, Advisor Emeritus, Syngenta Foundation for Sustainable Agriculture, spoke about Structural Transformation. With development taking place, people move from agriculture and to more remunerative non-agriculture professions. That is how the United States had evolved in the past and also during the industrial revolution. He added that it bothers him that so many people in India have to remain in agriculture and have remained so due to lack of opportunities. He also pointed out that the average income of an agriculture labourer is about one-third of the average income of a non-agriculture labourer.

The following session was about commodity derivatives exchange and its impact on Indian Economy in which Mr. Vibhor Tandon, AVP-Business Development, MCX India had deliberated how commodity is the fundamental component of every economy; in his explanation he showed how everyone in the economy is exposed to commodities in some way or the other. He added that major contributors to an economy, besides agriculture, would be industry; and both cannot run without commodities. He went forward to present a few studies that demonstrated the benefits that the economy has faced from the commodities futures markets. A 2012 Deloitte study shows how the contribution of commodity futures market turnover to India's GDP is close to 0.23% to the services sector GDP. Another study by IIM Calcutta, concluded that mentha oil futures facilitated the rise of India as a major exporter of processed mentha crystals. The positive effect was pronounced in the case of SME manufacturers. One more preferred standpoint he said was being able to link various market aspirants. The entire ecosystem involves stakeholders from small stakeholders such as farmers to as large as big corporates or industries.

As the conclave moved to the Service Sector - Technology, Inclusion and Consumer Connect session, moderated by Mr. Subrata Bagchi, President, TCG Digital Solutions Private Limited, Mr. C. S. Ghosh, Former President, BCC&I and MD & CEO, Bandhan Bank shared his experiences of customer building and then taking it forward digitally. Regarding banking among the rural people, he said that technology has made it possible for carrying out transactions in such sectors but it still needs a friendlier interface that would benefit the consumer's usability. He however grieved that infrastructure is still an issue in our country and that the connectivity is very poor.

Mr. Tarun Chugh, MD & CEO, Bajaj Life Insurance Co. Ltd. mentioned that technology has to establish a standardized platform relevant to all service providers in order to diminish confusion for the consumer. “Technology has to keep pace and not overwhelm the customer” he included. Mr. Chugh and Mr. Ghosh shared the same views on the importance of cyber security in the technology sector.

Dr. Suman Mukerjee, Director General, The Bhawanipur Education Society College and Member, Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I in the conversation on infrastructure and manufacturing said that in the present regime there has been a phenomenal growth in the field of infrastructure but whether that has happened uniformly in every state has to be found out. He lamented about the delay in projects and ascribed it to be the principle issue that India faces today in infrastructure. Political issues and disparity between the states has also hindered growth.

Mr. Sumouleendra Ghosh, Director- Infrastructure Practice, KPMG Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd. said that money is being spent on infrastructure and that we are now talking about finally spending significant amounts on river cleaning, creating waste water and water infrastructure but what is still lacking is translating those benefits to the final user. Creating an infrastructure should not be the end result. The benefits and the services have to be conveyed and economic outputs must be achieved.

Following Mr. Ghosh’s and Mr. Mukherjee’s deliberation the conclave moved to the final session of the day, Policy, Implementation and the Common Man, which was moderated by Mr. Tamal Bandyopadhyay, Chairperson Emeritus, Finance and Banking Committee, BCC&I and Consulting Editor, Business Standard Pvt. Ltd.

Prof. Ajitava Ray Chaudhuri, Economist & Professor, Jadavpur University and Member, Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I commented that in agriculture, which has captured the majority of our population, mechanization is on the ascent. It’s displacing labour. So, it’s a huge task to create employment. Directed towards the common man’s woe he asserted that the common man has to bribe to get anything done. Regarding increased petroleum pricing and the subsidy, he suggested that a differential pricing mechanism may be initiated with digital intervention so that only the needy gets the subsidy.

Mr. Bandyopadhyay threw light on the sorry state of the common man. With examples such as the false claims of electrifying all villages and subsidising gas prices he showed their plight and how they are exploited for political interests.

The Chamber’s initiative finally ended with the conclusion of the session with lunch and networking at the Bengal Lounge.



Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, BCC&I, Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited delivering the formal Welcome Address



Dr. Partha R Dasgupta, during his speech



Prof. Nabinananda Sen, in conversation during the session



(R-L) Prof. Nabinananda Sen, Dept. of Business Management, University of Calcutta; Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, BCC&I, Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited and Dr. Partha R Dasgupta, Advisor Emeritus, Syngenta Foundation for Sustainable Agriculture during the first session on "Agriculture sector – Today and Beyond"



Mr. Satyabrata Mukherjee, Chairperson, Agriculture & Rural Development Committee of BCC&I, interacting with the panelists of the first session



Dr. Suman Mukherjee during his interaction



Mr. Sumouleendra Ghosh, during his speech.



Section of Audience at the seminar



(L-R) Mr. Sumouleendra Ghosh, Director- Infrastructure Practice, KPMG Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd. and Dr. Suman Mukherjee, Director General, The Bhawanipur Education Society College and Member, Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I in discussion during the session on “Infra and Manufacturing- Making Progress in India”



Mr. Tarun Chugh, addressing the audience



Mr. C S Ghosh, during his speech



Mr. Subrata Bagchi, Moderating the session on “Service Sector- Technology, Inclusion and Consumer Connect”



Mr. Tamal Bandyopadhyay, Chairperson Emeritus, Finance and Banking Committee, BCC&I and Consulting Editor, Business Standard Pvt. Ltd during his deliberation at the session on “Policy, Implementation and the Common Man”



**14th December 2018,  
Chamber Premises**

**BCC&I INDIA ECONOMIC CONCLAVE**



(L-R) Mr. Tarun Chugh, MD & CEO, Bajaj Life Insurance Co. Ltd. Mr. Subrata Bagchi, President, TCG Digital Solutions Private Limited and Mr. C S Ghosh, Former President, BCC&I and MD & CEO, Bandhan Bank in conversation during the session on “Service Sector- Technology, Inclusion and Consumer Connect”



Prof. Ajitava Ray Chaudhuri, Economist & Professor, Jadavpur University and Member, Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I addressing the audience during the session on “Policy, Implementation and the Common Man”



Mr. Deb A Mukherjee presenting memento to Prof. Ajitava Ray Chaudhuri

The former India captain and batsman, the President of the Cricket Association of Bengal and President of the Editorial Board with Wisden India, affectionately known as 'Dada', Mr. Sourav Ganguly graced the third edition of the Leadership Lecture Series, organised by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at the Williamson Magor Hall in the Bengal Chamber premises.

Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce, in this "rare" occasion, as he described, following an audio-visual containing the highlights of Mr. Sourav Ganguly's illustrious career, welcomed him along with Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Subrata Dutta, Chairperson, Sports Committee, BCC&I on the dias.

"The Leadership Lecture Series has the sole objective of enriching our stake holders by providing them the opportunity to hear the legends from different walks of life, speaking about their vision and perspective of their chosen fields of activity." Mr. Sen remarked in his Welcome Address. Subsequently Mr. Dutta, Chairperson, Sports Committee, also spoke about the rare privilege The Chamber had to have Mr. Ganguly, a true leader, to speak about leadership and team building.

Mr. Ganguly in his deliverance pointed out that in the journey of success there are little steps which takes a man forward and towards the top, and with those very steps a man evolves with experience and becomes a leader. He stressed that it is true for all scenarios, whether it is the cricket field or it is the corporate world. He added that team building has various aspects. When one is working in a team environment, the first thing is the identification of talent. Elaborating further and

citing his experiences as the Captain of the Indian Cricket Team, Mr. Ganguly spoke about identifying the right talent, persisting with them, and lastly, trusting in them. It was his belief that no one becomes a success overnight. Once the talent is found and picked, it is important to manage and nurture it well. Another aspect of Leadership that Mr. Ganguly touched upon was in instilling self belief. According to him, it is the fear of failure that acts as a huge obstacle in our path to success. A leader's job is to take the fear of failure away from them. He said with emphasis that it is also the leader's job to ensure that every team member when performing is in the best shape of mind.

Mr. Smarajit Purkayastha, Assistant Director General, BCC&I, then welcomed Mr. Avishek Dalmiya, Honorary Joint Secretary, Cricket Association of Bengal, and Mr. Goutam Bhattacharya, renowned Sports Journalist on the dias for a group discussion and to deliberate further on the speech delivered by Mr. Sourav Ganguly. Mr. Ganguly elaborated how he had to manage the different dynamics in the team; from someone like a serious Kumble to someone like a sporting Yuvraj Singh. He also added that a good leader knows how to incorporate the ideas and differences from the other members of a team and transform them into something productive. He expressed that he holds transparency among the team members as an important facet of communication.

The session concluded with Mr. Purkayastha welcoming Mr. Sandeep Sharma, General Manager – Branding, Indian Oil Corporation, on stage to handover the mementoes to Mr. Ganguly, Mr. Dalmiya and Mr. Bhattacharya. This was followed by cocktails and dinner.



Seated L-R Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Sourav Ganguly, Former Indian Cricket Team Captain and President of the Cricket Association of Bengal and President of the Editorial Board with Wisden India, Mr. Subrata Dutta, Chairperson, Sports Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

**14th December, 2018,  
Chamber Premises**

**BCC&I LEADERSHIP LECTURE SERIES WITH Mr. SOURAV GANGULY**



Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry delivering the formal welcome address



Audience at the venue



Mr. Subrata Dutta, Chairperson, Sports Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry during his special remarks



Mr. Sourav Ganguly, Former Indian Cricket Team Captain and President of the Cricket Association of Bengal and President of the Editorial Board with Wisden India during his address



Mr. Simarpreet Singh, Director, JIS Group and Mr. Taranjit Singh, Managing Director, JIS Group, handing over memento to Mr. Sourav Ganguly



Mr. Sourav Ganguly during the panel discussion



Mr. Gautam Bhattacharya, renowned sports journalist, Mr. Sourav Ganguly, Former Indian Cricket Team Captain and President of the Cricket Association of Bengal and Mr. Avishek Dalmiya, Co-Chairperson, Sports Committee at a panel discussion on "Leadership"



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14th – 25th December 2018,  
Science City Grounds, Kolkata

17TH INDIA INTERNATIONAL MEGA TRADE FAIR KOLKATA 2018

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce, along with GS Marketing Associates, organised the 17<sup>th</sup> edition of The India International Mega Trade Fair at Science City Grounds, Kolkata, between December 14 – 25, 2018.

Shri Amit Mitra, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Departments of Finance, Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, MSME & Textiles and Information Technology & Electronics, Govt of West Bengal was the Chief Guest at the Inauguration. Others who were present at the Inauguration included Mr. K. S. Nagnyal, ED-CC, LIC of India, Mr. D. Das, Addl. Director General, Income Tax Publicity Department, Mr. Saiful Islam, 1st Secretary (Commerce) of Bangladesh Dy. High Commission, Kolkata, Suresh Karmali, Zonal GM, NSIC Limited, Kolkata, Mr. Prakash Shah Chairman, Exhibition & Trade fair committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry and Chairman G. S. Marketing Associates and Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber, amongst others.

Trade fairs, conferences, business events, economic forums and exhibitions can be defined in a unified manner as sophisticated platform for conducting business on a national and international scale. These Trade fairs are a high-impact method to disclose new products, services and trends. Everywhere world trade fair is a great stage for head to head, business-to-business communication for exhibitors and visitors from any branch of the industry. It is more than just a marketing tool as the entire marketplace is at one's fingertips. As a source of market information they fulfill needs in a centralized way. They provide an excellent opportunity to assess opinions from

clients and determine market potential, conduct research and evaluate competition, develop commercial structures by identifying new agents and distributors, and initiating joint ventures and project partnerships.

The Chamber's main aim through this fair is to bring Bengal to the economic forefront of our country by helping to increase the business relations between West Bengal with other states and countries.

This year, this Mega Trade Fair had participation from 16 Foreign Countries like Nepal, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Egypt, Myanmar, Thailand, Bhutan, Turkey etc.

The Mega Trade Fair also had Thailand as the Focus Country and Afghanistan being the Partner Country, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu being Partner States with Assam & Jharkhand being the Focus States. We also saw participation from 21 Indian states - Uttarakhand, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Chhatisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh etc being some of the states that participated in this Fair in a large way.

Very interestingly, this year we had sizeable escalation of footfalls which may have had crossed over one million visitors. It is very interesting to note that despite warning of cyclonic whether, the flow of visitors continued. The visitors included industry leaders, high government officials, corporate decision-makers, manufacturers, traders, foreigners and a large number of buyers.



Dr. Amit Mitra, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Departments of Finance, Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, MSME & Textiles and Information Technology & Electronics, Govt. of West Bengal along with Mr Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber inaugurating the fair



Dignitaries on the Dias lighting the Ceremonial Lamp to declare the IIMTF 2018 open

## PROGRAMME

### 'FUTURE READY CITIES – AN EXPERIENCE SHARING WITH NORWAY'

17th December 2018,  
Hyatt Regency, Kolkata

Global Change Program, Jadavpur University in collaboration with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and University of Stavanger, Norway organized a seminar on 'Future Ready Cities – An Experience Sharing with Norway' on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at Hyatt Regency, Kolkata.

The programme aimed to create a forum of exchanging best practices on City Management towards Sustainability. Without an actionable urban strategy, cities face the prospect of increasing congestion and pollution, inadequate and unreliable energy, lack of basic public services and poor environmental management. Clear links between climate resilience and economic prosperity are prompting cities around the world to embed sustainable principles into their city strategies. Managing sustainability is now one of the most significant issues in present context. Global trends of urbanisation, digitisation and sustainability affect both business and individuals. Integrated city solutions together with emerging technology and innovative business models such as circular economy will bring about a transformational change.

Shri Debashis Sen, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Information Technology & Electronics, Government of West Bengal & Chairman and Managing Director, Housing Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited and Chairman, Nabadiganta Industrial Township Authority shared his vision on "Preparedness of New Town as a future ready city". The Inaugural Session also included "Future cities – Strategies and best practices" by Prof. Mohsen Assadi, University of Stavanger Norwegian Coordinator, Indo-Norwegian Cooperation and UTFORSK Program; "Brief overview of Indo-Norwegian Cooperation" by Prof. Sudipta De, Jadavpur University Indian Coordinator, Indo-Norwegian Cooperation and UTFORSK Program and "Fostering partnerships for a future ready city" by Mr. Ambarish Dasgupta, Former President The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

The following session included "Planning for future ready cities" by Dr. Arnab Jana, Assistant Professor, Centre of Urban Science and Engineering, (C-USE), IIT Bombay; "Energy for future ready cities" by Prof. Santanu Bandyopadhyay, Professor, Department of Energy Science and Engineering, IIT, Bombay; "The built environment for a future ready city" by Ar. Shakuntala Ghosh, Partner and Principal Architect, Ghosh, Bose and Associates Architects ; "Resource utilization for a future ready city" by Mr. Ajeya Bandyopadhyay, Partner, Infrastructure, Government and Healthcare, KPMG (India).

The concluding session included "E-Mobility" by Dr. Saptarshi Ghosh, Vice President – Technology (Li-Ion) Research & Development, Exide Industries Limited; Waste management for a future ready city by Mr. Jayabrata Mukherjee, Managing Director, GP Energy Systems Pvt. Ltd; "Role of ICT for future

cities" by Ms. Kasturi Bhattacharjee, Senior Director, Asia Sattelite Pre-sales, BTEB IoT DSM, Ericsson India Global Services Pvt. Ltd and "Behavioral response" by Mr. Amitava Shome, General Manager (Special Projects), CESC Limited.



Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, Chairperson, Energy and Environment Committee The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry



Shri Debashis Sen, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Information Technology & Electronics, Government of West Bengal & Chairman and Managing Director, Housing Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited and Chairman, Nabadiganta Industrial Township Authority



Prof. Mohsen Assadi, University of Stavanger, Norwegian Coordinator, Indo-Norwegian Cooperation and UTFORSK Program

17th December 2018,  
Hyatt Regency, Kolkata

'FUTURE READY CITIES – AN EXPERIENCE SHARING WITH NORWAY'



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## PROGRAMME

### WORKSHOP ON FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE 2018-2019 & NEW INITIATIVES

18th December 2018,  
Chamber Premises

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, with a special focus on Foreign Trade, has been organising workshops for the last few years to spread awareness and facilitate the EXIM community.

The International Trade Committee, under the leadership of Mr. Sourabha Dutta, Senior Vice President – Industrial Sales & Marketing organised a workshop on “Future of International Trade 2018-2019 & new initiatives” on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018 with the objective of updating exporters on the current World Trade Scenario, India’s engagement with the Global economy, various changes and for enabling an in depth knowledge on Future Progress and initiatives.

According to WTO press release on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 :

- World merchandise trade volume is forecast to grow 3.9% in 2018, accompanied by global GDP growth of 3.1% at market exchange rates.
- Trade volume growth should slow to 3.7% in 2019 as global GDP growth dips to 2.9%.
- Rising trade tensions pose the biggest risk to the forecast, but monetary policy tightening and associated financial volatility could also destabilize trade and output.
- Trade-related indicators show a loss of momentum, including global export orders and economic policy uncertainty.
- North America had the fastest export growth and Asia had the strongest import growth in the first half of 2018 while resource-based economies still struggled.

Under this scenario, to have an in depth discussion and to provide a futuristic vision to the exporters or the EXIM community, the curriculum of the workshop was:

- Future of International Trade 2018-2019’
- Donald Trump and Alleged subsidies of seven billions – Latest information on the current scenario with respect to WTO compulsions.

- An overview of non-tariff barriers & Indian National Strategy for standardization – Technical Standards, Conformity Assessments etc.
- Draft Agricultural Policy
- Some important changes with respect to shipping bill, bill of entry , Assessment & Trade Facilitation Agreement (Budget 2018-19)

#### Some of points for future progress - new initiatives for International Trade by India that were discussed in the workshop were:

- Indian industry has to rise to the challenge of higher standards in the area of both products and services, and the framework of rules.
- Government proposes to focus on improvement of trade infrastructure in the region.
- Future plans which include extensive use of social media channels and Google network to reach international audiences.
- Department of Commerce has launched a new Scheme TIES (Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme). TIES will seek to bridge the export infrastructure gap by providing assistance for setting up and up-gradation of infrastructure with strong export linkages.
- A new institution, namely, the Centre for Research on International Trade with three distinct centres for WTO Studies, Regional Trade and Trade Investment Law has been established for strengthening India’s research capabilities in the area of international trade and enabling better articulation of India’s views and concerns from a well-informed position of strength.
- The Department of Commerce has set up a new Division to promote integrated and streamlined logistics development in the country.



Participants and the faculty during the workshop



Participants involved in an interaction with the faculty during the workshop



**18th December 2018,  
Chamber Premises**

**WORKSHOP ON FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE  
2018-2019 & NEW INITIATIVES**

- With the signing of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) at the WTO, the resulting procedural simplification would also contribute to the lowering of transaction costs.

The faculty for the workshop was Mr. Sudhakar Kasture who is currently the Director of Helpline Impex Pvt. Ltd. and EXIM Institute (A Division of Helpline Impex Pvt. Ltd.), Mumbai and Partner of Generation Next Business Consulting. He is also a visiting faculty to various institutes like S. P. Jain Institute of Management Studies & Research, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Institute of Company Secretaries of India, Foreign Exchange Dealers' Association of India, Training colleges of various banks, ECGC of India Ltd., etc. He has also served as an expert on task force for "Exports Transaction Cost Reduction Project" constituted by Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI.



The workshop was attended by representatives from corporate like Tata Metaliks, Tata Steel, Exide Industries Limited, IVL Dhunseri Petrochem Industries Pvt. Limited, Vesuvius India Limited, DIC, Ambrosia, TSPDL and others.



Mr. Sudhakar Kasture ( Faculty) taking the session of "Future of International Trade"

Mr. Sudhakar Kasture showing a presentation during the workshop.

**19th December 2018,  
Chamber Premises**

**INAUGURATION OF THE BENGAL CHAMBER  
CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR MSMEs**

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry in collaboration with Indo-German Chamber of Commerce launched The Bengal Chamber Centre of Excellence for MSMEs on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2018 at The Bengal Chamber Premises. Shri Alapan Bandyopadhyay, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of MSME & Textiles and Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, Government of West Bengal inaugurated the web portal of the Centre of Excellence.

The objective of the "Centre of Excellence (CoE)" is helping MSME fraternity and providing various services for them. Services from Centre of Excellence for MSMEs will be offered through our special portal, which will provide services like:

- Up-scaling MSMEs through Senior Expert Services from Germany.
- Skills Training Programmes by Indian Experts.
- Technology tie-ups and collaboration (with Indian and Overseas companies).
- Identifying export opportunities for the MSMEs.

- Business advisory services like market research, defining strategy and operations, finance and GST consulting.
- Knowledge Exchange Sessions.

The inaugural session commenced with the addresses by Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry and Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry. Mr. Indrajit Sen spoke about this special initiative in bridging MSMEs, Government Departments and larger organization. His address included how this Centre of Excellence would be creating knowledge dissemination, business advisory services and skill development framework for MSMEs. Mr. Nari Kalwani, Chairman – Eastern Region spoke about international cooperation and how IGCC would help MSMEs for any German Collaboration and Technology Tie-ups.

The inauguration programme also featured a panel discussion on "Strategic Integration of Indian MSMEs". Mr. S. Radhakrishnan, Former President, The Bengal Chamber Commerce & Industry



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### INAUGURATION OF THE BENGAL CHAMBER CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR MSMEs

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moderated the session. The panelists included Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha, Former Air Chief Marshal, PVSM, AVSM, VM, ADC, Prof. Siddhartha Das, Professor - Metallurgical & Materials Engineering - Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur & Senior Member - Manufacturing & MSME Committee, The Bengal Chamber, Commodore Ratnakar Ghosh, IN (Retd), Former Director (Shipbuilding) - Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd.

The inauguration programme was attended by more than 100 MSMEs from different clusters of West Bengal.



Address on Skill Training Services for MSMEs by Indian Experts through The Bengal Chamber Centre of Excellence for MSMEs Mr. Debkumar Basu, Chairperson - Manufacturing & MSME Committee, The Bengal Chamber



Inaugural Address by Shri Alapan Bandyopadhyay, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of MSME & Textiles, Government of West Bengal and Inauguration of The Bengal Chamber Centre of Excellence for MSMEs



Presenting Memento to Shri Alapan Bandyopadhyay, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of MSME & Textiles, Government of West Bengal



Welcome Address by Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber



Panel Discussion on "Strategic Integration of Indian MSMEs"



Address by Mr. Nari Kalwani, Chairman - Eastern Region, Indo-German Chamber of Commerce



Section of Audience

22nd December 2018,  
ITC Sonar, Kolkata

The Bengal Fashion Heritage (TBFH) 2018



The Bengal Fashion Expo was a unique initiative of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry with the journey commencing in 2017 which blossomed as The Bengal Fashion Heritage (TBFH) held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 in ITC Sonar, Kolkata.

The inaugural edition showcased 'Walk the Winter in Cotton'. With great encouragement from all, the second edition, as TBFH, presented 'Walk the Winter in Silk' this year.

The Bengal Chamber, itself dating back to 1833, is synonymous to heritage. Bengal's Silk Industry has a rich history. Mulberry silk has a history of many centuries as an important rural industry and was a major item of international trade. Authentic history about it is available from the beginning of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century i.e. from the time of East India Co. who had considerable trading interest in Raw Silk. They started a Silk Reeling factory at Cossimbazar in the District of Murshidabad for the supply of Raw Silk and they used to supplement their requirements from the local reelers.

The Chamber always emphasizes on going beyond the boundaries of the conventional business and to add value to larger stakeholders.

TBFH unfolded signature creations of thirteen Designers including the first presentation on Taneira Sarees which were adorned with Tanishq Jewelleries. The ensembles were not only the testimony of the creative marvels of the gifted designers but also the creative heritage Bengal has among the weavers and artisans. The designers were Pranay Baidya, Abhishek Ray, Adarsh Ossa, Ekru, Ravi Manil for Taneira, Byloom, Shunyaa Sharbari Datta, Ayushman BOBO, Paromita Banerjee, Sayantan Sarkar, Meera Basu, Bonbibi, and Malika's Kantha Collection. The ensembles showcased batik, thread embroidery, kantha, block print, zardausi and weaves.

With this initiative, Chamber's constant effort is to preserve the heritage of Bengal in textiles and allied areas and support

the livelihood of the weavers and artisans who are engaged in this sector.

The Showstoppers included Mr. Arindam Sil, Filmmaker and Chairperson, Media, Music and Films of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Ms Sohini Sarkar, Actor, Ms Parno Mitra, Actor, Ms. Paoli Dam, Actor, Ms. Tanushree Shankar, Renowned Dancer, Ms. Karuna Ezara Parikh, Writer and Entrepreneur, Ms. Nayanika Chatterjee, Fashion Icon and the youngest Showstopper of the Show, Ekantika, daughter (14 months old) of Designer Ms Paromita Banerjee.

The event was choreographed by Ms. Pinky Kenworthy. The ambience was designed by Ms. Baisakhi Ghosh. The programme was compered by Mr. Biplab Ganguly. The event was curated by Dr. Rupali Basu, Chairperson, Women Empowerment Committee of The Bengal Chamber as the Founder Director of TBFH along with Ms. Pinky Kenworthy and Ms. Malika Varma as Deputy Directors of TBFH 2018.



(L-R): Ms. Pinky Kenworthy, Choreographer and Deputy Director, TBFH 2018, Ms. Mallika Verma, Deputy Directors of TBFH 2018 and Fashion Designer; Smt Gouri Basu, Director, EZCC, Ministry of Culture, Government of India; Dr. Rupali Basu, Chairperson, Women Empowerment Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Founder Director, TBFH; Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Ms. Baishakhi Ghosh; Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Ms. Rajeshwari Srinivasan, Associate Vice President & Regional Business Head, Titan Company Limited

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Dr. Rupali Basu, Chairperson, Women Empowerment Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Founder Director, TBFH during her address



Welcome and Theme Address by Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



In the event Ms. Bharti Roy, Former Pro Vice Chancellor, Calcutta University



In the event (L-R): Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry with Ms. Nayantara Pal Choudhury, Hony. Consul, Royal Norwegian Consulate



(L-R): Dr. Mousumi Ghosh, Founder Director, Team Future; Mr. Pratik Banerjee, Director, Protiviti India Member Private Limited along with Mrs. and Mr. Aninda Chatterjee, Managing Director, WEBEL seated at the audience



(L-R) : Mrs. Raha and Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha and Mr. Sandipan Chakravorty, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



(L-R): Mr. Arindam Sil, Filmmaker and Chairperson, Media, Music and Films of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Ms. Sarbari Dutt, Fashion Designer and Ms Sohini Sarkar, Actor

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The Bengal Fashion Heritage (TBFH) 2018



Designer Mr. Bappaditya Biswas with his Showstopper



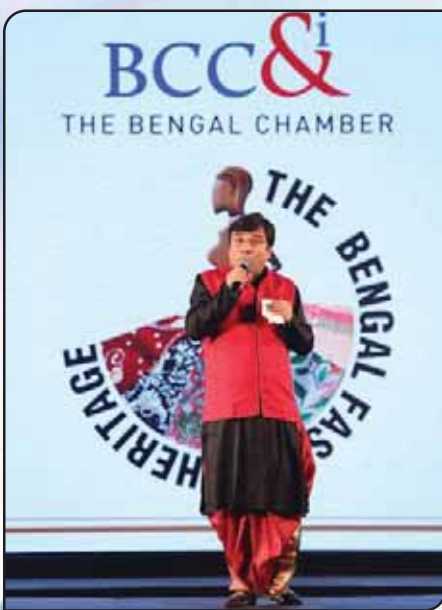
Designer Mr. Ayushman Mitra with Ms. Karuna Ezara Parikh, Writer and Entrepreneur



Designer Ms. Paromita Banerjee with the youngest showstopper of the show, her daughter Ekantika (14 months old)



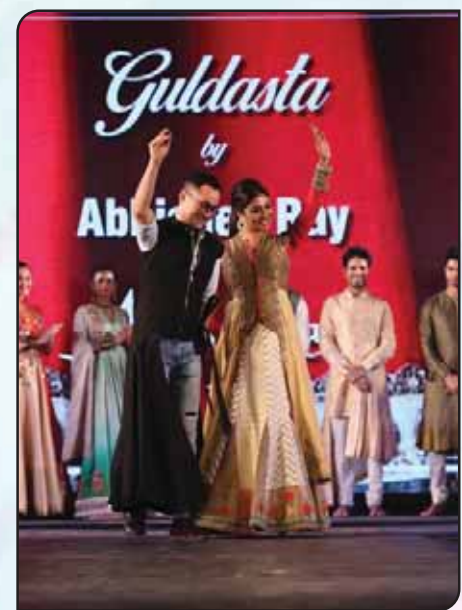
Designer Mr. Pranay Baidya with his showstopper



Mr. Biplab Ganguli Emceeing the show



Designers Ms. Kavita Banerjee and Mr. Aditya Mahnot from Bon Bibi with their showstopper



Designer Mr. Abhishek Ray with his showstopper Ms. Paoli Dam, Actor

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(L-R): Designers Ms. Ekta Jaipuria and Ms Ruchira Kandhari with their showstopper



Designer Mr. Ravi Manil from for Taneira with his showstopper



Designer Mr. Chinmoy Basu with his showstopper Ms. Tanushree Shankar, renowned Dancer and Choreographer



(L-R): Ms. Nayanika Chatterjee, Fashion Icon ; Legendary Designer Ms Shamlu Dudeja and Ms. Mallika Verma, Deputy Directors of TBFH 2018 and Fashion Designer



In picture (L-R): Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Dr. Rupali Basu, Chairperson, Women Empowerment Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Founder Director, TBFH and Mrs. and Mr. Arnab Basu, Chairperson, Information Technology, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Partner, Pricewaterhouse Coopers Pvt. Ltd.



Designer Mr. Adarsh Makharia with his Showstopper Ms. Parno Mitra, Actor

Designer Mr. Sayantan Sarkar with his Showstopper





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## PROGRAMME

### BANGLA UTSOB

4-6th January 2019,  
Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata

The Bandhan Bank and Bengal Foundation in association with Nothing Beyond Cinema and The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry for the first time ever organized a three days Indo- Bangladesh music festival at Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata from 4-6<sup>th</sup> January, 2019. The show started from 4 p.m onwards on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 12 p.m onwards on 5<sup>th</sup> January & 6<sup>th</sup> January.

**“Bangla Utsob”** is a celebration! **Of the Two Banglas, By the Two Banglas, For the Two Banglas.** Bangla Utsob is all about bringing people together. Bangla Utsob is an enabler, a catalyst, a platform and a medium of expression for the limitless creativity that the people from Epar and Opar Bangla have gifted to the world over centuries.

The three days of the Utsob witnessed a rich, eclectic and star-studded glitterati of musicians on a single stage. Thirty four renowned and awe-inspiring names from both

Banglas mesmerized us all, leaving us spellbound. The Programme started with the Mangal Sobha Yatra, followed By Inauguration ceremony. Lifetime Achievement Awards were presented to Smt. Arati Mukhopadhyay and Smt. Sabina Yasmin. Souvenir of Bangla Utsob was also released by eminent personalities.

The programme was supported by Medica Hospitals, International Institute of Hotel Management (IIHM), Wizertech Informatics Pvt Ltd, Sister Nivedita University and The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited. Our partners for the programme were Nakshi Creations, Selvel Advertising Pvt. Limited , Coca - Cola, Mukhorochock, Ei Somoy, 6 Ballygunge Place, Decalogue Communicatons, PSS Entertainments and Book My Show.



The entry gate of Bangla Utsob 2019 held at Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata



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Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited, Mr Deb A. Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited, Ms. Nilima Ghosh, Managing Director, Nakshi Creations Ms. Amrita Maitra, Working Committee Member, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry – Engaged in a light conversation at the Baithakkhana



Thank You Sponsors

4-6th January 2019,  
Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata

BANGLA UTSOB



Food stalls were set up by Wow Momo, Coca-Cola, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bengal Foundation and 6 Ballygunge Place



Mangal Sobha Yatra was led by Mr Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited, Mr Deb A. Mukherjee, Senior Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited, Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited, Mr. Ambarish Dasgupta, Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Arindam Sil, Chairman, Media, Music & Films Forum, Managing Director, Nothing Beyond Cinema, Ms. Nilima Ghosh, Managing Director, Nakshi Creations, Mr Abul Khair, Chairman, Bengal foundation, Ms. Tanushree Dutta, Eminent Actor & Shri Prabuddha Raha, Eminent Singer



Inauguration Ceremony followed by felicitation of Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited, Mr. Abul Khair, Chairman, Bengal foundation, Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited, Mr. Arindam Sil, Chairman, Media, Music & Films Forum; Managing Director, Nothing Beyond Cinema & Dr. Anisuzzaman, Bangladesh's National Professor

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BANGLA UTSOB

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Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata



Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Smt. Sabina Yasmin by Mr Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited



Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Smt. Arati Mukhopadhyay by Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited



A soulful performance by Smt. Lopamudra Mitra mesmerized the audience



Shri Prabuddha Raha filled the air with his melodious voice



The following performance by Smt. Subhamita was highly enjoyed by the audience

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Smt. Rezwana  
Chowdhury Banya  
engaged the audience  
with her soulful music



Shri Nachiketa made  
the audience dance to  
his tunes by his  
powerful voice



The Performance by Shri Bappa Mojumdar and Smt Fahmida Nabi was mesmerizing



The Closing performance of the day by Shri Anupam Roy was soulful and melodious



The hall was filled with audience who were enjoying and was spellbound by the wonderful programme



The day started with powerful performances by young talents Mr. Akash Bhattacharya, Ms. Ankita Basu, Mustafizur Rahman Turja & Dolly Mondol



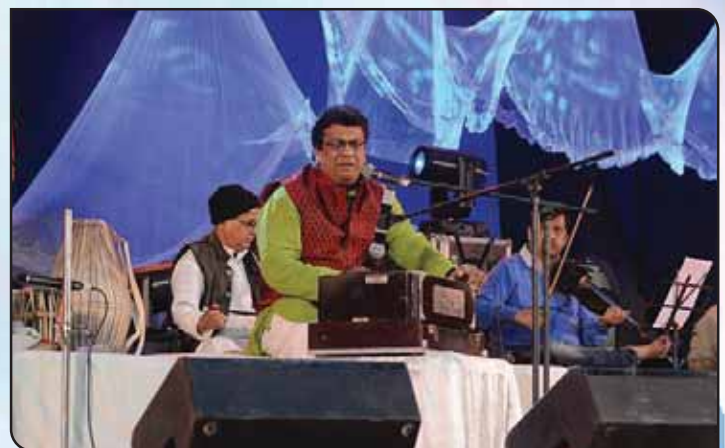
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The performance by Shri Gautam Das Baul mesmerized everyone



Smt. Jayati Chakraborty filled the air with her soulful performance



Shri Khairul Anam Shakilengaged the audience with his powerful music

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The performances by Smt Laisa Ahmed Lisa and Smt Iffat Ara Dewan were soulful and melodious



The audience was spellbound by the breathtaking performance of Smt Indrani Sen



The powerful performance by Smt Chandana Majumdar made the audience awestruck



The soulful performances by Smt Adity Mohsin & Shri Bulbul Islam were soothing



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Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata



Band Chirkutt made the audience dance to their tunes and was the star performer of the evening



The day started with the powerful performance by band Chandrabindoo who made the audience dance



The Following performance by Shri Rupankar Bagchi was soothing and soulful



Shri Durnibar Saha engaged the audience with his melodious Rabindrasangeet songs



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Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata

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The audience was spellbound by the powerful performance of Smt Iman Chakraborty



The performances by Smt Samina Chowdhury and Shri Andrew Kishor were mesmerizing and melodious



The performances by Smt Samina Chowdhury and Shri Andrew Kishor were mesmerizing and melodious



Mr. Arindam Sil, Chairman, Media, Music & Films Forum; Managing Director, Nothing Beyond Cinema addressing the audience



The hall was filled with audience who enjoyed the entire programme

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4-6th January 2019,  
Nazrul Mancha, Kolkata



The audience was awestruck and spellbound by the breathtaking performances by Pandit Bickram Ghosh, Gopal Burman, Abhisek Mallick, Satyajit Mukherjee, Moniruzzaman and Dasarath Dash



The Souvenir of Bangla Utsob 2019 was released on stage by Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Mr. Anindya Palit, Founder & Director, 6 Ballygunge Place, Ms. Nilima Ghosh, Managing Director, Nakshi Creations, Ms. Sukanya Bose, Deputy Director, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Ms. Luva Nahid Chowdhury, Director General, Bengal foundation, Mr. Suvojit Roy, COO, Bengal foundation, Ms. Amrita Maitra, Working Committee Member, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and by Shri Debasish Basu, Shri Madhumita Basu, Shri Kaushik Shankar Das and Smt Tropa Majumdar who were the EMCEE of the Programme



The soulful mesmerizing performance by Pandit Ajoy Chakraborty was the final performance of the evening

12th January 2019,  
IMERYS Steel Castings India Pvt Ltd (Formerly Stollberg India Pvt Ltd)

## INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO DURGAPUR

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I) had organized its second Industrial Visit to Durgapur with the help of local industry representatives (including MSMEs) on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at the factory premises of IMERYS Steel Castings India Pvt Ltd (Formerly Stollberg India Pvt Ltd).

The focus of this visit was to showcase to the industrial units about the various Manufacturing and MSME activities of the Chamber and to understand from them as to how, we as a Chamber, could become beneficial for them in bringing further developments and growth of their business entities and the Durgapur industrial zone as a whole.

The objectives of this visit were the following:

- Introduction of "The Bengal Chamber Centre of Excellence (CoE) for the MSMEs" – an initiative jointly instituted by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) and Indo German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC) for the development of MSMEs (with a prime focus on West Bengal) in various aspects of their business operations.
- To understand the needs/requirements of the Industrial units (including the MSMEs) and what are their expectations from the Chamber so that, the Chamber could take it up at appropriate levels to provide solutions and benefits to the industrial fraternity in Durgapur.

The visit was lead by Mr. Debkumar Basu, Chairperson, Manufacturing and MSME Committee, BCC&I along with other members of the committee.

The visit was attended by quite a number of local industries like Supreme & Co, Jai Balaji Industries, Shyam Steel, Allied ICD Services to name a few. The total number of delegates for the visit was 35 approx.

The visit was an eye opener for all of us (who attended the visit) as it gave a very clear understanding about the industrial scenario of Durgapur particularly with reference to the business scenario of the local MSMEs.

The Chamber has planned to organize similar visits to other parts of West Bengal in the near future for the benefit of industry, especially the MSMEs.



Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) (seated in the middle) attending the Industrial Visit to Durgapur organized by BCC&I on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at IMERYS Steel Castings India Pvt. Ltd. On his left seated is Mr. Bimal Kumar Sarkar, Member, Manufacturing and MSME Committee, BCC&I and Managing Director, IMERYS Steelcasting India Pvt. Ltd. (Formerly Stollberg India Pvt Ltd), On his right seated is Mr. Debkumar Basu, Chairperson, Manufacturing and MSME Committee, BCC&I and Director, ZETADEL Technologies Pvt. Ltd.



Mr. Debkumar Basu addressing the visit



Mr. Indrajit Sen addressing the visit

The delegates interacting with the speakers during the visit

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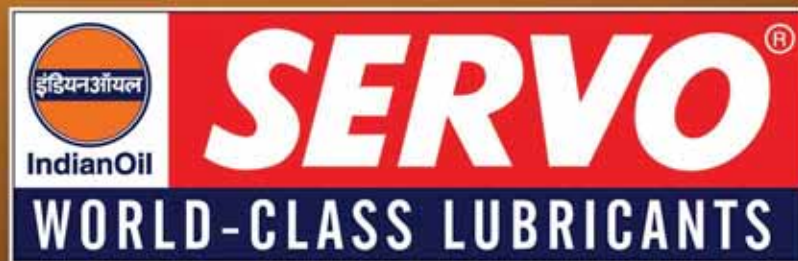
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The secretariat members from BCC&I presenting the Centre of Excellence (CoE) to the delegates present during the visit



The delegates during a Tree Plantation (organized during the visit to promote Green Environment) of the visit



The delegates during the plant visit at IMERYS Steel Castings India Pvt. Ltd.



A group photo of the delegates

  
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16th January 2019,  
The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata.

## CYBER TERRORISM AND THE ECONOMY - A GATHERING STORM



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and CENERS-K (Centre for East and North East Regional Studies, Kolkata) organized a one day Seminar on “Cyber Terrorism and The Economy - A Gathering Storm” on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata.

The conference theme was conceptualized to highlight the importance of protecting the national business interests representing both private and public sectors, from being subjected to the crippling effects of Cyber Terrorism whether directly targeted at the economy or as a spill over from the initial target to the economically linked entities.

**Mr. M. K. Narayanan**, Former Governor of West Bengal and National Security Adviser of India graced the occasion. The Summit commenced with the addresses by **Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha**, PVSM, AVSM, VM, (Retd), President, CENERS-K and Chairperson, Strategic Initiative Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and **Mr. Indrajit Sen**, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. **Mr. Shyamal Dutta**, Former Governor of Nagaland and Former Chief of Intelligence Bureau and **Mr. A. S. Dulat**, Former Special Director, Intelligence Bureau & Former Chief, Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) were also present in the programme. **Shri Suresh Prabhu**, Hon’ble Minister-of Commerce and Industry, Government of India delivered the video address. The Lamp Lighting Ceremony was made by **General Shankar Roychowdhury**, PVSM (Retd), Patron, CENERS-K along with other dignitaries on the dais. **Mr. Aniruddha Lahiri**, Vice President CENERS-K and Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry moderated the Inaugural Session.

The session on “**WHO are the Cyber Terrorists and their likely targets for Economic Disruption?**” was addressed by **Dr. Sundeep Oberoi**, Global Head of Cyber Security Delivery, Tata Consultancy Services; **Mr. C N Raghupathi**, Vice President & Head – India Business Unit, Infosys Ltd; **Mr. Subrata Bagchi**,

President, TCG Digital Solutions Private Limited and **Mrs. Manoshi Roy Chowdhury**, Co-Chairman-Techno India Group. **Dr. Gulshan Rai**, National Cyber Security Coordinator chaired the session.

The programme also featured a Panel Discussion on “**WHAT methods have been adopted, so far, by the Cyber Terrorists to target the Economy?**” **Lt. Gen. J R Mukherjee**, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Vice President (Operations), Centre for East and North East Regional Studies, Kolkata CENERS-K chaired the discussions. The Panelists included **Shri D P Tarenia**, DG-Crime and Records, Government of West Bengal; **Mr. Sandeep Sengupta**, Founder and Director, ISOAH Data Securities and **Mr. Kaustuv Basu**, Director - Security Practice, Cognizant Technology Solutions.

The session on “**WHICH sectors of the economy are most vulnerable to Cyber terrorist attack?**” was chaired by **Mr. Tamal Bandyopadhyay**, Consulting Editor, Business Standard. The Panelists included **Air Commodore D Vatsa**, VSM, AOC, Air Force Station, Basant Nagar; **Mr. Nabankur Sen**, Advisor-Infosec, Bandhan Bank Limited; **Mr. Yogesh Chiplunkar**, AVP, Chief Information Security Officer, ICICI Prudential; **Mr. P S Bhattacharyya**, Former Chairman, Coal India Ltd and **Shri Gopal Dutt**, Chief General Manager (BIS), GAIL (India) Limited .

The Panel Discussion on “**HOW to Safeguard the Economy?**” was addressed by **Prof. Saikat Maitra**, Vice Chancellor, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology of West Bengal and **Col. Pankaj Verma**, Senior Consultant, TCG Digital. **Vice Admiral Pradip Kumar Chatterjee**, PVSM, AVSM, NM (Retd) chaired the discussions.

**Brigadier Niladri Shankar Mukherjee**, SM, VSM (Retd.), Secretary and Treasurer, Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K) concluded the Session.

## PROGRAMME

### CYBER TERRORISM AND THE ECONOMY - A GATHERING STORM"

16th January 2019,  
The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata.



L-R: Mr. Shyamal Dutta, Former Governor of Nagaland and Former Chief of Intelligence Bureau; Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha, PVSM, AVSM, VM, (Retd), President, CENERS-K and Chairperson, Strategic Initiative Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. M. K. Narayanan, Former Governor of West Bengal and National Security Adviser of India; General Shankar Roychowdhury, PVSM (Retd), Patron, CENERS-K; Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. A. S. Dulat, Former Special Director, Intelligence Bureau & Former Chief, Research and Analysis Wing (RAW); Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Mr Aniruddha Lahiri, Vice President CENERS-K and Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the podium



Mr. M. K. Narayanan, Former Governor of West Bengal and National Security Adviser of India gracing the session



During Session 2: WHAT methods have been adopted, so far, by the Cyber Terrorists to target the Economy? (L-R) on the dais: Mr. Kaustuv Basu, Director- Security Practice, Cognizant Technology Solutions; Mr. Sandeep Sengupta, Founder and Director, ISOAH Data Securities; Lt. Gen. J R Mukherjee, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), Vice President (Operations), Centre for East and North East Regional Studies, Kolkata CENERS-K and Shri D P Tarenia, DG-Crime and Records, Government of West Bengal at the podium



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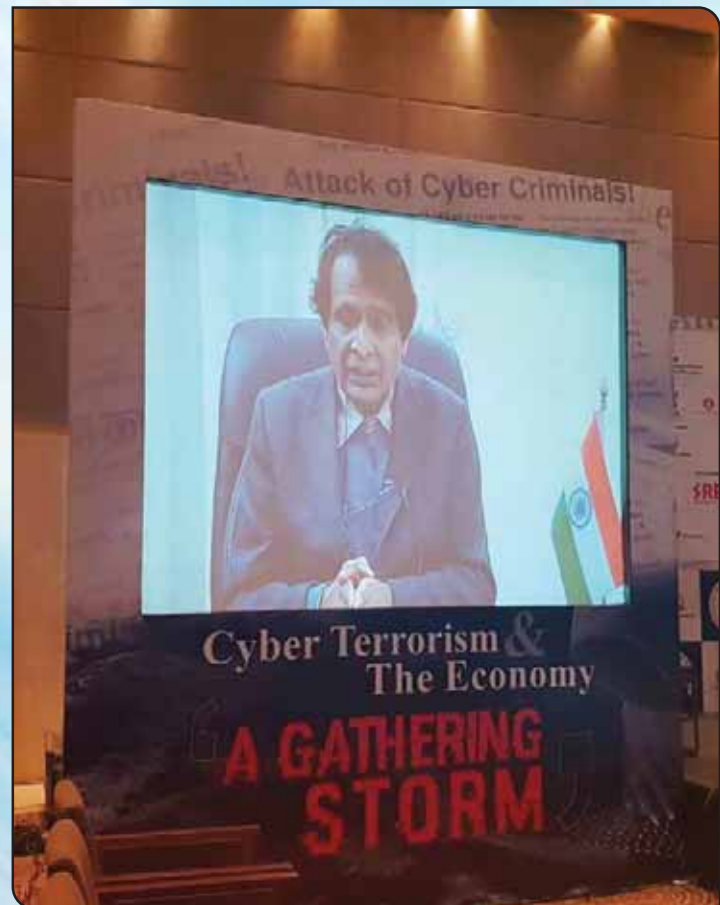
Lamp Lighting Ceremony by General Shankar Roychowdhury, PVSM (Retd), Patron, CENERS-K in presence of Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha, PVSM, AVSM, VM,(Retd), President, CENERS-K and Chairperson, Strategic Initiative Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. M. K. Narayanan, Former Governor of West Bengal and National Security Adviser of India; Mr. Indrajit Sen, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. A. S. Dulat, Former Special Director, Intelligence Bureau & Former Chief, Research and Analysis Wing (RAW)



During Session 1: "WHO are the Cyber Terrorists and their likely targets for Economic Disruption?"- (L-R) on the dais: Mr. Subrata Bagchi, President, TCG Digital Solutions Private Limited; Mrs Manoshi Roy Chowdhury, Co-Chairman-Techno India Group; Dr. Gulshan Rai, National Cyber Security Coordinator; Dr. Sundeep Oberoi, Global Head of Cyber Security Delivery, Tata Consultancy Services; Mr. C N Raghupathi, Vice President & Head – India Business Unit, Infosys Ltd.



Distinguished audience



Video Address by Shri Suresh Prabhu, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Government of India



During Session 3:"WHICH sectors of the economy are most vulnerable to Cyber terrorist attack?"- (L-R) on the dais: Air Commodore D Vatsa, VSM, AOC, Air Force Station, Basant Nagar; Mr. Nabankur Sen, Advisor- Infosec, Bandhan Bank Limited ; Mr. Tamal Bandyopadhyay, Consulting Editor, Business Standard; Mr. Yogesh Chiplunkar, AVP, Chief Information Security Officer,|CICI Prudential ; Mr. P S Bhattacharyya, Former Chairman, Coal India Ltd; Shri Gopal Dutt, Chief General Manager (BIS), GAIL (India) Limited

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During Session 4: HOW to Safeguard the Economy? (L-R) on the dais: Vice Admiral Pradip Kumar Chatterjee, PVSM, AVSM, NM (Retd); Col. Pankaj Verma, Senior Consultant, TCG Digital; Prof. Saikat Maitra, Vice Chancellor, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology of West Bengal; Brigadier Niladri Shankar Mukherjee, SM,VSM (Retd.), Secretary and Treasurer, Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K)



Distinguished audience

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- ◆ Mangrove forest walking
- ◆ Experiencing the village life
- ◆ Visit to the local fish market
- ◆ Folk theatre performance by the Villagers

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## PROGRAMME

### 'NEXT GEN EMPLOYABILITY INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA NETWORKING MEET'

19th January, 2019,  
Hotel The Citi Residenci, Durgapur

The People Management Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized '**Next Gen Employability Industry-Academia Networking Meet**' at Hotel The Citi Residenci, Durgapur, West Bengal on January 19, 2019. The objective of the Meet was to address the employability scenario of Eastern India and to understand and brainstorm today's requirements of the industries through an interface between representatives of Industry, Educational Institutes imparting Engineering and Management studies. The initiative brought the Industry and Academia representatives together under one roof and provided a platform where the Academia understood the challenges and measures needed to proceed for bridging the gap and make fresh graduates more industry ready. The Conclave was attended by Directors, Faculties and Administrative Officers of Engineering and Management Institutes and eminent HR Leaders involved in recruitment process.

Speakers at this event were:

- Mr. Somesh Dasgupta, Chairperson – The People Management Committee, **The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry** and Group President, **India Power Corporation Limited**
- Mr. Rahul Bose, Co – Chairperson - The People Management Committee, **The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry** and Global Manager Learning & Knowledge, **IBM Global Business Services**
- Mr. P.K. Sahu, Co - Chairperson – The People Management Committee, **The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry** and Sr. General Manager (HRM & Safety), **Tata Steel Processing And Distribution Limited**
- Mr. Vinay Ranjan, Director (Personnel), **Eastern Coalfields Ltd.**
- Mr. Gopal Krishna Sharan, Chief Mentor, **Super Smelters Ltd.**
- Mr. Ankur Chaturvedi, General Manager- Operations, **Emami Ltd**
- Mr. Supratik Bhattacharya, Associate Director – HR, **Cognizant Technology Solutions India Pvt. Ltd.**
- Mr. Jayanta K Mukherjee, Head – HR, **Quaker Chemical India Pvt. Ltd.**
- Mr. Jaidip Chatterjee, Head HR, **Srei Financial Services**
- Mr. Prakash Panda, Sr. Vice President – HR, **India Power Corporation Ltd.**
- Mr. Atanu Lahiri, Secretary, **Bengal Chess Association**

Eminent HR heads were of opinion that the present industrial society has opened up a multiplicity of occupations and professions and each one of them is associated with scientific knowledge and skills. It is a society of complex division of labour and requires people with specialized knowledge. The

modern education fulfils the needs of industrial economy. A vast range of subjects like medicine, health, engineering, management and law have become hot areas of professionalization and specialization today. Hence according to them education was the single most important instrument for social and economic transformation, a well educated population, adequately equipped with knowledge and skill was not only essential to support economic growth, but it was also a precondition for growth to be inclusive since it's the educated and skilled person who could stand to benefit most from the employment opportunities which growth will provide.

A Memorandum of Association was also signed between The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Haldia Institute of Technology on that day.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry will continue arranging Networking Meets between Industry and Academia across India.



Welcome Address by Mr. Somesh Dasgupta  
Chairperson – The People Management Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Group President, India Power Corporation Limited



Theme Address by Mr. Rahul Bose,  
Co – Chairperson - The People Management Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Global Manager Learning & Knowledge, IBM Global Business Services



Vote of Thanks by Mr. P.K. Sahu,  
Co - Chairperson – The People Management Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Sr. General Manager (HRM & Safety), Tata Steel Processing And Distribution Limited



Address by Mr. Vinay Ranjan, Director (Personnel), Eastern Coalfields Ltd.



Address by Mr. Gopal Krishna Sharan, Chief Mentor, Super Smelters Ltd.



Questions from the audience



Address by Mr. Atanu Lahiri, Secretary, Bengal Chess Association on topic, 'Sports as a Media for Industry-Academia Engagement'



Panel Discussion on Vision Sharing by The People Management Committee on Industry Needs and Employability Parameters moderated by Mr. P. K. Sahu, Co - Chairperson – The People Management Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Sr. General Manager (HRM & Safety), Tata Steel Processing And Distribution Limited. To his right were Mr. Jayanta K Mukherjee, Head – HR, Quaker Chemical India Pvt. Ltd., Mr Jaidip Chatterjee, Head HR, Srei Financial Services, and Mr Prakash Panda, Sr. Vice President – HR, India Power Corporation Ltd. To his left were Mr. Supratik Bhattacharya, Associate Director – HR, Cognizant Technology Solutions India Pvt. Ltd., and Mr Ankur Chaturvedi, General Manager - Operations, Emami Ltd.



Signing of Memorandum of Association between Haldia Institute of Technology and The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

UPCOMING PROGRAMME

- B2B Meeting with the Delegation of The Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Interim Union Budget 2019-20 Viewing Session, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- State Budget 2019-20 Viewing Session, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Strategic Vision For Emission Control In Kolkata, 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Talk to Celebrate 125<sup>th</sup> year of Birth Anniversary of Dr. Meghnad Saha, 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark
- Seminar on Contentious Issues related to GST, Recent Notifications & Circulars, 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- The Rising Foodpreneurs, 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Inaugural Edition of Agricultural Talk Series, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Annual Manufacturing & MSME Conclave on Long-term Approach towards Quality Manufacturing with MSME Focus & Annual MSME Awards 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- International Trade Conclave - India's International Trade Growth Story within the Emerging Markets, 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2019, Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises
- Ratnagarbha 2019, 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019, The Lalit Great Eastern

## NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



Ms Yekta Roy, 2018 Pass out student from EIE department, Narula Institute of Technology received Gold Medal in the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation, 2018 from MAKAUT for being the University Topper.



"Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan" was organized in Narula Institute of Technology on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2018. The programme was inaugurated by our honourable Principal Prof. (Dr.) M. R Kanjilal and Registrar Ms. Nidhi Singh. Students started the campaign and launched cleanliness drive throughout the college campus.

Secondly, the team of volunteers went to the areas surrounding the college and did the cleaning. The principal applauded the volunteers and encouraged them for doing such type of work. The students really felt a sense of satisfaction after doing a little towards making their country a little more cleaner.



Narula Institute of Technology has organised a seminar on "Blockchain in Educational Institutes" on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2018. The key speakers of the event were Mr. Santanu Mitra and Mr. Sudipto Chowdhury, Senior Architects, IBM India Pvt. Ltd.

The event was started by the welcome address by our honourable Principal, Prof.(Dr.) M.R Kanjilal followed by the

felicitation of guests. More than 220 students from NiT, GNIT, JIS University and JISCE attended the seminar along with our Registrar, HODs and faculty members.

It was a very interactive session where students were immensely benefited by the upcoming technologies and cleared their doubts related to blockchain and cyber security.



# NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



The NSS Committee of Narula Institute of Technology has organised a Pre Diwali Celebration on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2018 by visiting two Old Age Homes & Distributing sweets & crackers to the inmates. They all enjoyed a lot by sharing some good times together. A small celebration was organised by the Cultural Committee where our students made beautiful Rangoli and sang songs. Our Principal & Registrar also distributed sweets and crackers to the underprivileged children and their cheerful faces made the occasion more colourful to all of us.



## NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



A Training cum awareness program for Science Direct and Scopus was organised at Narula Institute of Technology on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2018. The main objective of the session was to make the faculties and students aware of the different aspects of journals and research articles from Elsevier as well as motivating them for research.

The session was taken by Ms. Garima Turan from Elsevier where faculties and students from NiT, JISCE, GNIT and DSCSDEC has attended the session and cleared their doubts.



Narula Institute of Technology has organized the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Computational Advancement in Communication circuit and System (ICCACCS-2018) on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2018. The conference aimed at bringing together national and international researchers, industrial experts and academicians to present papers and generate discussions on current research and development in state-of-the-art technologies in Modelling of Energy Systems, Computing and communication.

In this conference we have received eighty six contributory papers for consideration. Finally, after critical review by more than 100 esteemed reviewers from different corner of world, we accepted only forty two contributory papers for publishing in Springer Lecture Note Electrical Engineering. entitled "Computational Advancement in Communication Circuits and Systems" edited by: Koushik Maharatna, Prof. (Dr.) Maitreyi Ray Kanjilal, Dr. Sukumar Chandra Konar, Dr. Sumit Nandi and Dr. Kunal Das.

The eminent personalities from different reputed national and international universities were:

- Prof. Ajoy Kumar Ray, former Director IEST Shibpur and presently Professor at IIT Kharagpur
- Prof. Vijay Arora, Wilkes University from USA
- Prof. Bhargab B. Bhattacharya, ISI Kolkata
- Prof. LI-WEI KO, National Chiao Tung University from Taiwan
- Prof. I-Fang Chung, National Yang-Ming University from Taiwan
- Prof. Indranil Sengupta, IIT Khargapur
- Dr. Abhinandan De, IEST Shibpur
- Dr. Moumita Mukherjee, Adamas University
- Prof. Shib Shankar Saha, Kalyani Govt. Engineering College
- Prof. Debashis De, MAKAUT
- Prof. Satyen Biswas, Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Prof. Sanatan Chattopadhyay, University of Calcutta





## NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



ECE Department, NiT has opened IEEE Student Branch & IEEE CAS Student Branch Chapter. The Inauguration was held on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 at the Institute seminar hall.

The inaugural ceremony was opened with the welcome note addressed by Dr. Saradindu Panda, HOD-ECE & the Advisor of IEEE CAS Student Branch Chapter of NiT and Treasure of IEEE CASS Chapter Kolkata Section followed by the inauguration of the NiT IEEE Student Branch and IEEE CAS Student Branch Chapter by illumination of the auspicious lamp by all the honorable dignitaries.

Prof. Sujit Kumar Biswas, Chairman, IEEE Kolkata Section, who motivated the students to proceed with their participation in

more numbers in the student branch and keep it alive by conducting regular events.

Following this the much-awaited technical talk-session on "Evolution of Switching in Telecommunication Systems" by Professor Ashish Kumar Mukhopadhyay, Former Group Director, S.R Group of Institutions, Jhansi.

The valedictory session was conducted by Mr. Surajit Bari, Assistant Professor ECE Department, NiT and Branch Counselor, IEEE Student Branch, delivered the vote of thanks to all the active participants in the inaugural ceremony and all the honorable dignitaries and guests.



The NSS Committee of Narula Institute of Technology has organised a Health Awareness Camp in association with Narayana Hridayalaya Hospital and Currae Hospital today i.e 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 inside the college premises.

A Health awareness session was organised followed by a free Health Check up which includes Blood Sugar, Blood Pressure, ECG, Weight, Doctor Consultation and Eye Check up where more than 120 faculty and staff members participated in the camp.



# NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



Following the trail of clinical execution of ACM ICPC 2016 & 2017 Asia Region Kolkata-Kanpur Site programming contest GNIT conducted the ACM ICPC 2018 India Finals between 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 with NITTR, Kolkata and CSJM University, Kanpur, hosting the best computer programming talents across South-Asia. GNIT hosts teams from 14 IITs, 4IIITs, NITs and other prestigious institutions across India along with the GNIT Home Team named GNIT Blues.

The contestants underwent intensive practice session in a real time contest

environment impeccably delivered onsite, the contest environment meeting the global technical specification in terms of Software, Hardware and high bandwidth Internet facility.

Narula Institute of Technology has organized its 5<sup>th</sup> Alumni Meet Nostalgia 2K18 on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2018 at the college premises.

The gala event was started with a cake cutting ceremony by our Registrar madam, Ms. Nidhi Singh, Alumni Association President, Ms. Sagarika Chowdhury, Secretary, Mr. Abhijit Ghosh along with the Alumni, faculty members, office staff and student volunteers.



The India Finals were inaugurated jointly at GNIT and University Institute of Engineering and Technology, CSJM University, Kanpur through parallel sessions live via web casting where the VCs, Directors, Principal and senior Professors from both the sites addressed through web.



## NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



The event was glittered by cultural performances done by our alumni students along with DJ Night where the students danced and enjoyed. Student volunteers also entertained Alumni by playing small games and asking them to share their college life.

The alumni then had gala dinner where great bonhomie was observed everywhere with old students reliving their old memories with their batch mates, seniors and juniors. Many of the current students were also seen interacting with their pass out seniors and learning from their experiences. In all, the ambience was electric with people seen chatting and enjoying in groups.

The Alumni showed their willingness to help and partner in various ways. The Meet ended with a sweet hope of Meeting again with the Alumni next year.



The NSS Committee of Narula Institute of Technology organised an event "Spread the Warmth of Love" on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2018 at the college premises where they made a huge collection of warm clothes which was donated by our students, faculty and staff members.

A team comprising of students and the other faculty and staff members went to the nearby areas where they distributed the clothes to the underprivileged and downtrodden. The

members felt enormous joy and satisfaction by doing the noble work.

A small Christmas celebration was also held at the college ground where the underprivileged children gathered and enjoyed with us. Our honourable Principal & Registrar madam cut the Christmas cake and the students distributed it to all and the air was filled with carols and excitement. The delight was uncontained as we all enjoyed a lot.



## NEWS FROM THE JIS GROUP



Narula Institute of Technology had taken up an initiative to celebrate this Christmas in a different way. In this context Women Cell of our Institute organized two street plays - "Girls Dont Cry" & "Mohishasur O Mardini" on 28<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2018 at Ranuchaya Mancha, Nandan.

Our Theatre group "Sparsh" played the two plays and the highlight was child marriage, female foeticide, child abuse, corruption, molestation and many other social stigmas and

finally ultimate hope of courage, strength and the power of unity. Portraying this relatable drawbacks of our society, Sparsh won a lot of audiences heart. Common people to whom this whole event was dedicated and theatre personalities appreciated this play. Even a professional news reporter was bound to put his camera out to capture some of the extraordinary composition and unforgettable strong script.



NIT students' Theatre Group "Sparsh" represented Narula Institute of Technology at Carpe Diem (International cultural Fest by IIM Joka) on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 and stood 2<sup>nd</sup>.

SPARSH took part along with other 9 colleges from all over India including NIT Durgapur, IIT Kharagpur, Bhubaneswar

Institute of Technology, Jadavpur University, NSIT, Bhawanipur education society college and others where NSIT stood 1<sup>st</sup> and NIT Durgapur stood 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was a 50 min play each where our college presented a play based on William Shakespeare's Macbeth named "Takshak".



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WRITTEN BY - RAJDEEP CHAKRABARTY, SAMRAT NAG  
MUSIC - SOUMYAJIT DAS, KUNAL ROY, RAHUL SAHA  
CHOREOGRAPHY - TITASH ROY  
LIGHT - SAIKAT DUTTA, MANISH DAS SHARMA,  
TANMAY DAS, MAINAK SETH  
ART & DESIGN - SAIKAT DUTTA, SAPTARSHI BANDYOPADHYAY,  
SAMRAT NAG  
MAKE UP ARTIST - NANDITA GHOSH  
COSTUME & DESIGN - SEMANTI BHATTACHERJEE

SHRAYOSI DAS, TAPASREE KAIT, SHAYAN DAS, ROHIT CHATTERJEE, VISHAL GHOSH, BICHITRITA BHOWMICK, ANTARA DAS, PRATIK MUKHERJEE, ISHA BHATTACHARJEE