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Goodbye 2009, Hello 2010!

Another year comes to a glorious conclusion and for your Chamber it, indeed, has been a year of solid achievements.

The year saw a new direction to Canada-India relations following Prime Minister Stephen Harper's visit to India. Your chamber jointly organized a reception for Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty's trade delegation to India in December.

Your chamber is holding an Open House event Wednesday, December 9, 2009, to augment its membership in the Peel region of GTA. I am sure you have your own networks of friends, business contacts and community members. Please join us and bring your networks of friends, business contacts and community members. Help "Your" chamber grow.

As usual, in January 2010 your chamber will be leading a delegation to the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas in New Delhi. This time, a roundtable conference Fostering Canada - India Trade: Role of Small and Medium Industries in collaboration with the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) is planned.

On behalf of the board members, the advisory board members, members of the different committees and on my personal behalf, I wish you happy holidays and a prosperous 2010. Let our guiding motto remain Grow, Engage, Prosper.



Asha Luthra
President

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Canada-India bilateral ties

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's India visit



*Prime Ministers Stephen Harper & Manmohan Singh
issuing a joint statement*

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's India visit in November 2009 is a positive step in strengthening Canada-India ties. In the Joint Statement issued after visit of Prime Minister Harper, the two leaders have announced:

- Joint Study Group to explore the possibility of a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement
- Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation in energy
- Agreement on civil nuclear cooperation paving the way for supply of Canadian atomic technology, equipment and uranium to New Delhi

Premier Dalton McGuinty's India visit

As you read this, Premier Dalton McGuinty is in India leading a delegation of companies engaged in green technology. Your Chamber had jointly hosted a reception for the delegation on November 30 that was a huge success. The Ontario Premier will be visiting New Delhi, Mumbai and Hyderabad. Tremendous opportunities exist in India for Ontario's clean tech companies and institutions. This mission will build on the Premier's successful mission to India in January 2007.



*Premier Dalton McGuinty with ICCC President
Asha Luthra at the reception*



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Upcoming events:

In December 2009

Event: Open House

Date: 09-12-09 *Time:* 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM *Ticket:* Free

Venue: Hilton Garden INN 1870 Matheson Blvd (Dixie and Eglinton) Mississauga ON L4W 0B3

Agenda:

- Know more about Canada-India business ties
- Get involved and take pride in your community
- Learn more about ICCC and how it can help you
- Meet Board of Directors, Advisory Board Members & Award recipients
- Expand your network & make new friends
- Enter a Lucky Draw and win one of two attractive prizes
- Become a member of the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce

Don't miss this great opportunity to network.

For registration please call 416-224-0090 or email at mbhatt@iccc.org

Getting involved

We encourage all members to get involved in ICCC and their community. Here are just a few of the ways you can get involved:

- Committee Membership – Please check our website for more detail on ICCC's various committees and contact the Chamber's secretariat if you wish to get involved
- Advertising – Members interested in advertising at competitive rates in this E-Bulletin should contact Mayank Bhatt at 416-224-0090
- Volunteering – People interested in volunteering as event coordinators, please check our website to keep yourself updated about any upcoming events



Past Events 1:

Event: Holiday Dinner & Dance

Date: 20-11-09 *Time:* 7:00 PM onwards

Venue: Grand Victorian Convention Centre Radisson Hotel Mississauga ON



Minister Kenney being welcomed

Admiring the opulent décor at the venue especially created to match the theme of An Evening of Royal Indian Celebration and Extravaganza, Minister for Citizenship, Immigration & Multiculturalism Jason Kenny remarked, "I've been to many events but none that can match this grandeur."

Minister Kenny's sentiments were echoed by over 400 honoured guests including more than 20 VVIPs who graced occasion with their presence.



VIPs including Mayor McCallion with Kundan Joshi

The invitees were all Royal Guests at the Maharaja's Palace, and the Chamber didn't spare any effort in pampering them to a royal treatment of their senses. The guests were a witness a spectacle of majestic sights and entertainment, they experienced the regal sounds of the era and indulged their taste buds with the splendid foods and embraced the opulence and luxury all evening long.



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Past Events 2:

Event: Eat. Live. Succeed

Date: 24-11-09 *Time:* 6:30 AM – 8:30 PM *Ticket:* \$10

Venue: 315 Front Street West Toronto ON

Jointly hosted by the Indo Canada Chamber of Commerce - Young Professionals and SAPNA (South Asian Professional Network for Health Awareness), Dr. Colin Saldanha, Sunit Mohan and Rabiya Lallani explained why South Asians are at an elevated risk of contracting heart disease and other coronary conditions than that of their peers.



Sunita Mohan, Rabiya Lallani & Dr. Colin Saldanha answering audience's questions

Past events 3:

Event: Charest at Montreal Diwali function

Date: 02-11-09




Venue: Delta Centre-Ville hotel Montreal Quebec

The Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce participated in Diwali Soiree organized by the Quebec-India Business Council. The Government of Quebec was a co-participant. Premier Jean Charest acknowledged the presence of Asha Luthra at the head table in his keynote address. He will lead a trade & business delegation to India in January 2010.



Premier Jean Charest with Asha Luthra



Trade Delegation	
<p>Event: Pravasi Bharatiya Divas</p> <p><i>Date:</i> 07 to 09 January 2010</p> <p><i>Venue:</i> Vigyan Bhawan New Delhi</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>The ICCC will be leading a delegation to the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas convention scheduled between January 07 and 09 2010. The 8th edition of this flagship event of the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs has been differently structured this time around with a view to provide the delegates with an opportunity to interact with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Cabinet Ministers from India on matters of interest and concern to them. (ii) PIO Ministers/dignitaries from other countries on the expectations and aspirations of the overseas Indian community (iii) Chief Ministers on issues their States need to attend on priority and facilities and incentives available in their states for the overseas Indian community 	<p>Event: Ed-Mission 2010</p> <p><i>Date:</i> 23 to 30 January 2010</p> <p><i>Cities:</i> Mumbai, Bangalore, New Delhi, Ahmedabad</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>A high level executive delegation - 'Ed-Mission 2010' (January 23 - 30, 2010). This will include strategic stakeholders and engage key influencers on both sides of the India-Canada education corridor through a series of coordinated meetings</p> <p>Event: 'un-FAIR' 2010</p> <p><i>Date:</i> 02 to 11 February 2010</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>'unFAIR', a unique HS Guidance counselor & student focused penetrative initiative, with targeted school visits for recruiters (February 2 - 11, 2010).</p>



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Welcome to new members November

Member	Type	Location
Archie David	Regular	Toronto
Cyrene Benerjee	Regular	Calgary
Deepak Sethi	Regular	Toronto
Harsh Sharma	Regular	Toronto
Ishaq Shaik	Regular	Toronto
Osbert D'Souza	Regular	Toronto
Puroo Maheshwari	Regular	Toronto
Raj Dhanjal	Regular	Toronto
Rajeev Anand	Regular	Toronto
Ravi Kakar	Regular	Toronto
Sanjay Khanna	Regular	Toronto
Sharmila Dorairaj	Regular	Ottawa
Zac Santosh Koshy	Regular	Toronto

Committee Activity

Supporting Commonwealth Games Canada

The Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) has committed its support to Canadian athletes competing in the October 2010 Delhi Commonwealth Games.

Over the next 10 months, the ICCC will host several events to fundraise for Commonwealth Games Canada's national "Dream it in Delhi" campaign – an initiative that will help send approximately 250 Canadian athletes to compete against more than 70 other nations and territories at the XIX Commonwealth Games in Delhi, India, October 3 to 14, 2010.

The ICCC's donations will contribute to the CGC's Adopt-an-Athlete program, which covers expenses related to travel and accommodation, medical services, team uniform, and media operations, among other costs. The ICCC joins several companies and organizations that have already made a donation to the program.



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Indo-Canada Business News - 1:

Hungama partners with Jigsee

Toronto-based Jigsee Inc. and Hungama Digital Media Entertainment Pvt. of Mumbai have entered into a multi-year content distribution agreement allowing mobile subscribers in India to download or stream full length music through the Jigsee Video-On-Demand Platform. Jigsee's VOD Platform is a mobile media delivery solution designed to address the technology challenges which face mobile service providers in emerging markets.

Matrikon Inc. buys out Indian JV

Edmonton-based Matrikon Inc. has purchased the remaining 51% of Matrikon-SoftDEL India Private Limited from joint venture partner SoftDEL Systems Pvt. Ltd. for C\$575,000. The company, will be operated as Matrikon India. Matrikon is an international provider of industrial intelligence technology and solutions. The company provides plant level IT consulting services and software solutions to industrial clients across a number of industries.

This newsletter is a way for ICCC members to stay in touch with each other and with the broader community. It should be engaging and relevant to each of you, so tell us what you'd like to hear about! Feel free to send in articles of interest or other suggestions about what you'd like to see in the next issue. Comments may be directed to the Chamber at mbhatt@iccc.org

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