

THE GANDHIDHAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

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Sub: Cordial Invitation to visit Gandhidham Chamber of Commerce to interact and to explore Japanese Investment in Kachchh Region

Dear Sir,

We, The Gandhidham Chamber of Commerce & Industry is a pioneer organisation of Kandla – Gandhidham complex in Kachchh-Gujarat since 1953 with the main objective to serve as a bridge between local trade and industry fraternity and State / Central Govt. for the resolution of problems and also to endeavour for the welfare of citizens and township in public interest.

We would like to suggest you to explore the possibilities of Japanese investment in Kachchh District of Gujarat State. In this connection, we cordially invite you to visit Gandhidham Chamber to interact with local businessmen to tap tremendous industrial & business potential of Kachchh region for prospective Japanese Investors and business organisation.

We highlight as under the brief positive points of Kachchh District to tap its industrial and commercial potential.

- 1) Historically, Kachchh District was major supplier of salt to Japan.
- 2) There is abundant availability of land for industrial activity in Kachchh District.
- 3) 90% of the industrial investment which has happened in Kutch since 2001, estimated at INR 50,000 crores, is mainly in and around Kandla Gandhidham Complex.
- 4) There are three major ports available in the Kachchh District, One is Kandla Port and another at Tuna & Mundra in private sector being hub of commercial shipping activities.
- 5) This year Kandla Port handled 110+ million MT cargo mainly from & for its hinterland i.e. North India.

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- 6) Kachchh District is flourishing with operation of Kandla & Mundra Port, Two SEZs i.e. Kandla Special Economic Zone & Mundra Special Economic Zone, IFFCO, Edible Oil Industries, Timber Industries, Government Oil Companies.
- 7) Globally now, Kachchh has emerged as tourism hub also.
- 8) Deendayal Port Trust has accepted the proposal of Govt. of India to develop Kandla Gandhidham complex as India's first "Industrial Smart Port City" with investment of more than Rs.5,000 corers consisting of industrial and residential areas.
- 9) Kachchh is a raw salt production hub of India, produces about 70% of the total salt production in India and also timber processing hub of Asia, having more than 500 saw mills and 100 plywood manufacturing units.
- 10) Kachchh is having rich mineral deposits surrounded by sea from three sides.
- 11) Kachchh is having potential to tap renewable energy and presently thousands of wind turbines are producing electric power.
- 12) There is immense potential to develop business for India's domestic market as well as export to African countries.

We hope you would accept our cordial invitation and confirm date and timings as per your convenience at the earliest.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Murlidhar Jagani Hon. Secretary