

## India Pavilion Inaugurated at Cannes Film Festival 2018

The inaugural session of the Indian Pavilion at the Cannes Film Festival 2018 was held at Cannes, France. Hosted by noted actor Shri Sharad Kelkar, the Indian delegation present consisted of H.E. Vinay Mohan Kwatra, Ambassador of India to France, Shri Ashok Kumar Parmar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of I&B, Govt. Of India, Shri Prasoos Joshi, Writer, Poet and Chairman, Central Board of Film Certification India, Ms Vani Tripathi Tikoo Member, Central Board of Film Certification, Producer and Director, Shri Jerome Paillard, Executive Director, Marche Du Film Festival, Cannes Film Market, Ms. Huma Qureshi, Film Actress, Shri Shaji Karun, Film maker, Shri Jahnur Barua, Film maker and Shri Bharat Bala, Film maker. The agenda of the delegation from India this year is to showcase diversity in films of our country while furthering collaborations with various other countries. Speaking about the growth of the nation being well reflected through our cinema H.E Vinay Mohan Kwatra, said that what is happening in our country currently is the unprecedented transformation in technology and the economy and that these growing externalities are reflected in Indian Cinema. Shri Jerome Paillard stated that Indian Pavilion is a very important tool to help connecting the worldwide European and worldwide community of films.

Speaking about Indo-French Cinema collaboration Ms Vani Tripathi Tikoo, said

that India has a fantastic relationship with both Cannes film festival and the French film industry. She further added that in recent times films like Tamasha and Befikre were shot extensively in this part of the world and found great resonance with the narrative story telling between the two countries.

During the Inaugural address, Shri Prasoos Joshi said that we should also reach out to young filmmakers who might not have access to a festival like Cannes and should organize many mini Cannes film festivals all around the world to help more and more filmmakers.

A meeting between the Indian delegation and Ms. Isabelle Giordano, Director General, Unifrance, M. Loic Wong, Director of International Department, CNC, France along with Ms. Valérie L'Epine-Karnik, CEO, Film France was held to explore co-production opportunities between India and France.

A round table discussion was also held to explore collaborations with countries like Brazil, Philippines, Austria, Norway, Sweden, Taiwan, Canada and New Zealand where the film commissioners from these countries discussed the opportunities and challenges for co production with India. Discussions were also held with the heads and management of various Indian studios and production houses to see how films in different languages could become more viable and what the government could do to help filmmakers in the country.



The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi offering prayers at Janaki Mandir, in Janakpur, Nepal on May 11, 2018.

## Address by the Hon'ble President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind on the Occasion of National Technology Day Celebrations

I am happy to be here for the 20th National Technology Day, which is the anniversary of a landmark moment for our country. It was on this day two decades ago that the Pokhran nuclear tests took place and demonstrated India's capacity as a nuclear weapons state as well as a mature and responsible technology power, capable of harnessing sensitive knowledge.

The Pokhran tests of May 1998 were a demonstration of both scientific capacity and political will. India's nuclear programme was built brick by brick in a period of technology denial. Yet, our scientists and our technologists persevered and took our country to greater heights. In 1998, the government of the day took the bold decision to go ahead with the tests – and

reposition India on the global stage. Those tests had a far-reaching impact on how the world came to see India – and on our foreign policy, our strategic relations and eventually our international technological collaborations.

That is why today we remember my predecessor as President of India, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, who led the dedicated scientific team that made preparations for the Pokhran tests. We also remember the leadership and courage of our then Prime Minister, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

National Technology Day is much more than the anniversary of a historical event. Like technology itself, it is a pathway to the future. Today we celebrate the achievements of some of our best

scientists and innovators, and their success in shaping technology into usable, commercial products and processes that change the lives of people. My congratulations to all those present here, and particularly to the Award winners!

The achievements that we have applauded today range from a vaccine that will help defeat rotavirus, which is a leading cause of diarrhoeal deaths among children, to a low-cost but high-performing diagnostic machine for kidney and other non-communicable illnesses. Among those who have won technology start-up awards, there are companies that have demonstrated advance in wireless communication, in drug delivery for cancer patients, and in medical tests that help fight the growing problem of antimicrobial resistance. We have also seen the launch of a charger for lithium ion batteries, and been introduced to a host of other technological innovations.

These new technologies have three attributes in common. First, they offer solutions that are necessary in the Indian context, and contribute to the social and economic needs of our people. Second, they achieve all this at competitive price points. Third, and this to my mind is the most critical, they don't compromise on quality.

This emphasis on quality in our innovation and technology endeavours is non-negotiable. There was a time when we tended to confuse frugal and low-cost innovation with jugaad – small, incremental change or essentially a cut-and-paste approach to technology. As a society, we have and we must continue to overcome that mindset. Today's award winners are examples of how we are moving ahead with this daring, with risk-taking abil-

ity and with ingenuity – how we are making genuine leaps of imagination and of innovation. Beyond the products and processes, it is this new energy among our technology incubators that is refreshing.

After Independence, India began to climb the value chain in technology production in the areas of space and, as I mentioned earlier, atomic energy. Today, we have expanded to best-in-class capacities in communication technology, IT, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology. This has changed perceptions about our country and helped both our people and our economy. In the past year itself, we have had stand-out achievements such as the launch of the Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System - 1L. We are also making preparations for the Chandrayaan-2 mission to the moon. India has a formidable reputation in the drugs and vaccines value chain. And in the manufacture of medical devices and diagnostic machines, I am optimistic we will replicate our success in generic drugs.

Now we have to explore new frontiers. The government has proposed to establish Centres of Excellence to train young technologists in robotics, artificial intelligence, digital manufacture, Big Data Analytics, quantum communication, and in the Internet of Things. The government is also pursuing demonstration and deployment of successful technology solutions for clean energy options and for meeting the challenge of water availability. These are 21st century challenges – and they require 21st century answers. Such answers will be provided by our young technologists in this audience.

## President of India Addresses the National Technology Day Celebrations

The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, graced and addressed the National Technology Day Celebrations in New Delhi today (May 11, 2018). Speaking on the occasion, the President said that after Independence, India began to climb the value chain in technology and knowledge production in the areas of space and atomic energy. Today, we have expanded to best-in-class capacities in communication technology, IT, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology. This has changed perceptions about our country and helped both our people and our economy. In the past year itself, we have had stand-out achievements such as the launch of the Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System - 1L. We are also making

preparations for the Chandrayaan-2 mission to the moon. India has a formidable reputation in drugs and vaccines. Congratulating the award winners at the event, the President said the emphasis on quality in our innovation and technology endeavours is non-negotiable. There was a time when we tended to confuse frugal and low-cost innovation with jugaad – small, incremental change or essentially a cut-and-paste approach to technology. As a society, we have and we must continue to overcome that mindset. Today's award winners are examples of how we are moving ahead with daring, with risk-taking ability and with ingenuity – how we are making genuine leaps of imagination and of innovation.

## Promotion and Progress of meritorious youths from Minority communities is the priority of the Government

Union Minister for Minority Affairs Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said that the Ministry of Minority Affairs has been putting effective efforts for "promotion and progress" of meritorious youth from Minority communities.

Shri Naqvi felicitated the youth belonging to the Minority communities who have cleared civil services 2017 with the help of Minority Affairs Ministry's free-coaching programmes in New Delhi today. Stating that the Ministry of Minority Affairs, in collaboration with reputed institutions/organisations of the country, is running free-coaching programmes for civil services, medical, engineering, other administrative services and banking exams for meritorious youths from Minority communities, he said this is to ensure that not even a single deserving youth from these weaker sections is deprived of best coaching and a chance to get a better job.

Shri Naqvi said the youth, successful in the UPSC, are a "role model" for youth from Minority and other weaker sections of the society. He said that there is immense talent in minority communities, especially Muslim youths and efforts have been undertaken to create such an environment which would give them confidence. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's Government has given an atmosphere to protect and promote talent of youths from Minority communities which has resulted in such a large number of youths of the Minority community being selected in the top administrative services.

Shri Naqvi said that the Central Government's policy of "Development with Dignity", without any discrimination, has ensured that this year, for the first time after the Independence, record 131 minority communities' youth including 51 Muslims have been selected in Civil Services. Shri Naqvi said that last year also, 126 youths belonging to minority communities, including 52 Muslims, had been selected in the prestigious civil services. He said that last year, 1099 people were selected in the Civil Services which include 52 Muslim youths, it was 4.5 per cent of the total selected. In percentage terms, 5.15 per cent of the total 990 successful candidates are Muslims this year. This year, there are 6 Muslims including 3 women, who have secured ranks in top 100. The Minister said that the Ministry of Minority Affairs has been running a large scale free-coaching programme for meritorious youths belonging to notified minority communities preparing for UPSC examinations. Through various institutions and organisations, the Ministry has been running coaching programmes such as "Nai Udaan", "Naya Saver" for minority youths preparing for Civil Services, other UPSC examinations, medical, engineering and administrative examinations. During 2017-18, 105 youths from the notified minority communities who qualified prelims of Civil Services Exams, have been provided financial support under the "Nai Udaan" scheme.

## "Technology Is Destiny, but Technology must Also be Equity", says President Kovind

Emphasising that technology is destiny, the President, Shri Ram Nath Kovind has said that technology must also be equity and its fruits must be accessible to all. Addressing the 20th National Technology Day celebrations at Vigyan Bhawan here today, the President said that finances and resources must be available to all technologists who wish to turn entrepreneurs and to migrate from the lab room to the shop floor. The President pointed out that gender equity must be integrated with technology production. Shri Kovind highlighted that the new technologies have three common attributes – (i) they offer solutions that are necessary in the Indian context and contribute to the social and economic needs of our people, (ii) they achieve all this at competitive price points and (iii) they do not compromise on quality.

"The Government has proposed to establish Centres of Excellence to train young technologists in robotics, artificial intelligence, digital manufacture, big data analytics, quantum communication and Internet of Things. The Government is also pursuing demonstration and deployment of successful technology solutions for clean energy options", President Kovind said. Speaking on the occasion, Union Minister for Science & Technology, Earth Sciences and Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Dr. Harsh Vardhan gave a call to renew the pledge to empower the citizens through rapid growth of inclusive technology. "National Technology Day is an occasion to remind ourselves of the transformative power of science & technology for the nation and society", Dr. Harsh Vardhan said.

## Kingston Technology Strengthens Its Service In India



Mumbai, Kingston, a world leader in memory products, announced that it has strengthened its Service in India for customers, partners and other stakeholders. Kingston maintained a consistent national Turn Around Time (TAT) of 80% to service customers on the same day, which is a sharp increase of 20% over the last year. This achievement was possible as the company makes conscious efforts to improve the overall customer satisfaction. Kingston has taken effective measures to enhance its serv-

ice to customers purchasing from the right sources in India.

Kingston provides one of the best sales support through a single national service partner as a one-stop solution for all its product lines. Customers buying from the right source can visit more than 50 service centers in India with most of them offering functional screening facility on the spot. To make the service delivery effective and prompt, select centers have a dedicated counter for Kingston products. For customers unable to reach the service centers, Kingston adds value with its limited courier facility. The company even provides free Android App based updates to customers about service and products. The company also continues to provide free technical support to even the non-customers. These benefits lead to a faster response time and faster problem redressals. (1-7)

## Mother's Day: The Timeless Gift

Seiko Ladies' collection celebrates time as the most treasured possession.

Express your love and gratitude this Mother's day on 13th of May with Seiko's elegant series of wrist watches for ladies.

The stainless steel case and the water resistant quality of these watches make them a timeless gift for a woman who has devoted her lifetime for you.

Details  
Case: Stainless Steel  
Case Size: 28mm  
Water Resistance: 5 bar  
Glass Type: Hardlex  
Price: INR 17,500 to 22,500

Kindly accommodate this with your gifting list edition for the Mother's Day. (19-10)



## Hardik Pandya and Shikhar Dhawan decide to Break the Beard



Changing the game on and off the field this IPL season, cricketers are taking #BreakTheBeard to a new level. This season has witnessed a lot of close finishes on the field and Indian cricketers have not shied away from making some close shaves off the field by changing their beard styles. Known to be the trendsetters in the country, the #BreakTheBeard boys have their grooming game on point with their sharp, well stylised facial hair dedicat-

ing the new looks to their fans.

For India's most stylish all-rounder, Hardik Pandya, #BreakTheBeard is an integral part of his routine before he takes to the field "So many people watch IPL, hence it is important to look good on screen and have a strong grooming game. This is why, I travel with a Gillette ProGlideStyler and the Mach 3 razor to help maintain a sharp stylised look always."

Taking the trend forward, Shikhar Dhawan revealed his Gabbar look when he met with one of his biggest fan. His new look instantly grabbed attention of fans across the country. Following on from Shikhar Dhawan: Ravindra Jadeja, Rishabh Pant, Manish Pandey, Kane Williamson and the Pandya brothers Hardik Pandya and Krunal Pandya made fashion statements by sporting unique beard styles. (19-10)

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**NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby Given pursuant to Regulation 47(1)(a) that in terms of Regulation No. 29(1)(A) read with Regulation No. 33(3)(d) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure) Regulations 2015, that a Meeting of the Board of Directors of ASHISH POLYPLAST LIMITED is scheduled to be held on the Thursday the 24th May, 2018 at 05.30 P.M. (IST) at the Registered Office of the Company to consider, review and taken on record the Audited Financial Results of the Company for the Fourth Quarter and year ended on 31st March 2018.

The Trading windows on the exchange will remain closed for all the Directors, Key Managerial Persons and their Relatives, Promoters and their Relatives from 19th May, 2018 to 26th May 2018 (Both days inclusive) as per SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations.

for ASHISH POLYPLAST LIMITED,  
Ashish D Panchal  
Managing Director  
Din No: 00598209  
Date: 11th May,2018  
Place: AHMEDABAD

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### NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING & CLOSURE OF TRADING WINDOW

NOTICE is hereby given that the Audited Financial Result for the quarter and year ended on 31st March, 2018 shall be approved and taken on record by the Board of Directors of the Company at its Meeting scheduled to be held on Friday, 25th May, 2018 at A-503, Ganesh Plaza, Opp. Navrangpura Bus-Stop, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad -380009 after these results are reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board, pursuant to Regulation 33 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

Further details with this respect can be accessed on the Company's website at <http://www.parkeragrochem.com> and may also be accessed on the Stock Exchange website at <http://www.bseindia.com>.

For the aforesaid purpose the Trading Window for dealing in the shares of Parker Agro-Chem Exports Limited shall remain closed from 14th May, 2018 to 27th May, 2018 (Both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board,  
For PARKER AGROCHEM EXPORTS LIMITED  
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JAGDISH R. ACHARYA  
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Date : 11th May, 2018

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