HAJ NEWS

LTAC
The Supreme Court appointed Long Term Accommodation Committee (LTAC) led by Shri Shahnawaz Hussain, Chairman, visited Jeddah and Makkah from February 14 - 22, 2016 to explore the possibility of hiring of buildings on long term basis for Indian Haj Pilgrims. He was accompanied by Sh. Abdul Rashid Ansari, Member, Sh. Qaiser Shamim, Member and Chairman, Haj Committee of India, Sh. Ataur Rahman, Member and CEO Haj committee of India and Sh. Harris Biran, Member. The delegation was also joined by Sh. B.S.Mubarak, Consul General and Sh. Mohd. Shahid Alam, Deputy Consul General & Consul (Haj). LTAC members met with representatives of several financial institutions and real estate developers in Saudi Arabia to explore the scope for hiring of long term accommodation to Indian Pilgrims.

Consul General Mr. B.S. Mubarak with the members of Long Term Accommodation committee (LTAC).

Signing of Agreement for Haj 2016
A composite High Level Delegation led by Gen. (Dr.) V.K.Singh, (Retd.), Hon’ble Minister of State for External Affairs, visited Saudi Arabia from March 9-11, 2016. The agreement was signed on March 10, 2016 by Hon’ble Minister on behalf of Government of India and His Excellency Dr. Bandar bin Mohammed Bin Hamzah Asac Hajjar, Minister of Haj, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The Hon’ble Minister was accompanied by Sh. Ahmad Javed, Ambassador of India to KSA, Sh. Rakesh Mohan, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs, Sh. Azeem R. Mahajan, OSD (Haj), Sh. B.S. Mubarak, Consul General of India, Ms. Puja Jindal, Director, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Sh. Anjani Kumar, Deputy Secretary, MOS Office, Sh. Md. Aftab Alam, Deputy Secretary (Haj) and Consul (Haj) Shri Mohd. Shahid Alam.

A quota of 136,020 pilgrims has been allotted to India for Haj this year. Out of this 100,020 pilgrims would be coming from the Haj Committee of India and remaining through Private Tour Operators. Haj Agreement covers almost all aspects connected with Haj including arrangements of Hajis’ accommodation in Makkah and Medinah, air travel, health care, transportation and other welfare measures.

MOS V.K. Singh with Ambassador, Ahmad Javed and Consul General, B.S. Mubarak meeting with Haj Minister Dr. Bandar Bin Hajjar.
MAKE IN INDIA

MAKE IN INDIA PROGRAM ON 9TH JANUARY, 2016

The Consulate General of India, Jeddah in association with Saudi Indian Business Network (SIBN) had organized an event to commemorate the 14th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) on 9th January, 2016 at the Consulate premises. The Theme of the Event was India: Emerging Economy with Emerging Opportunities. More than hundred Saudi and Indian professional attended the event. The programme was also attended by Mr. Rafiudin Fazulbhoy and Dr. M.S. Kamruddin, the two former recipients of the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award. They were felicitated by Consul General during the occasion.

In his inaugural address, the Consul General of India Mr. B.S. Mubarak highlighted the significant initiatives taken by the Government of India to strengthen the economic credentials of the country and to make it one of the strongest economies in the world. He also highlighted the significant growth in GDP by 7.5 per cent in FY 2015 as against 6.9 per cent in FY 2014. He also highlighted business friendly policy reforms being carried out by present government whereby many new business opportunities have emerged. This includes Freight Corridor, Smart Cities, Simplified Procedures for investment as well as Exit Route in real estate.

13 professional experts in various fields spoke on the occasion on the following topics:

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Consul General with the participants
Indian Food Festival at CGI, Jeddah

To celebrate the diversity and richness of Indian cuisine, a two-day food festival was inaugurated on Friday, January 22, 2016 at the Indian Consulate premises by Consul General of India Mr. B.S. Mubarak. The event was organized in association with the Saudi-Indian Business Network (SIBN).

The event showcased the varieties, tastes and flavours of each region of India. The guests not only tasted different flavours of India but also witnessed the style of cooking of certain delicacies.

The opening session witnessed a gathering of diplomats from different Asian countries and prominent Indian and Saudi community members. 14 Indian restaurants, snacks and sweet makers based in Jeddah participated in the festival including Shadab, Sea Gulls, The Village, Aryas, Spices, Khaana Khazana, Spice Garden, Daawat, Lazeez Chat Bhandar and Masala Indian Restaurant.

Indian Food Festival at Elaf Hotel

The Consulate General of India, Jeddah and Ministry of Tourism, India in association with Elaf Jeddah Hotel organized an “Indian Food Festival” on February 3-6, 2016.

Three celebrated chefs have been specially flown in from India to prepare well-known Indian delicacies to delight the palates and taste of food connoisseurs in Jeddah.

The festival was inaugurated by noted Saudi media personality, Khaled Al-Maeena who, speaking on the occasion, described the Saudi-India relationship as one that has been nurtured and strengthened over the years by businessmen on both sides. As the gentle breezes blew over the Red Sea, the Elaf Hotel poolside was alive with the aroma of Indian cooking against a background of Indian music.

Speaking on the occasion, Consul General Mr. B. S. Mubarak highlighted the diversity of Indian cuisine. He appreciated Elaf Travel & Tourism Company Vice President Mohammed M.S. Binnmahfouz as well as Elaf Hotel Vice President Abdullah Bakri for having taken the interest in organizing the Indian food festival. The Group has continuously been organizing the Indian food festival for the last three years.
Catalogue Show of Indian Companies at AlBaha Chamber, 10-11 February, 2016

The Commercial Section of the Consulate General of India, Jeddah in cooperation with Al Baha Chamber of Commerce & Industry organized a two-day “Catalogue Show of Indian Companies” at the Chamber premises on 10th & 11th February, 2016. The Catalogue Show was jointly inaugurated by H.E. Mr. Abdullah H. Al Zahrani, Chairman, Al Baha Chamber of Commerce & Industry and Mr. S R H Fahmi, Consul (Commerce & CW) on 10th February, 2016. The inauguration was attended by a number of Saudi Businessmen and prominent Indians. Mr. Mohammed Ali Al Zahrani, Assistant Secretary General along with Board Members of the Al Baha Chamber was also present during the inauguration.

On the sidelines of the Catalogue Show, meetings were also held with the Chairman and other officials of the Chamber. Mr. Fahmi, after explaining the objective of the Catalogue Show also highlighted the vast market potential of Indian products in the Kingdom and investment opportunities in India for Saudi businessmen. He also explained the flexible visa procedures for businessmen and highlighted the Medical Tourism facilities available in India.

Chairman of Al Baha and Executive Members were very enthusiastic to see the Indian products and were very eager to deal with India and appreciated Indian products.

The Catalogue Show was visited by a large number of Saudi businessmen. Representatives from various local companies also showed keen interest in knowing more about the various products and companies of India.

Indian Budget 2016

Offering benefits to NRIs and Foreign Investors

The Saudi Indian Business Network (SIBN) with the cooperation of Consulate General of India, Jeddah organized a session on “Indian Taxation and Budget 2016” at Indian Consulate Premises on Saturday, 5th March 2016. Mr. Mohd. Shahid Alam, DCG & Consul Haj chaired the session.

A fair presence of SIBN members along with Consuls Dr. Nurul Hasan (Consul Commerce), Dr. Irshad Ahmad, Consul (PIC), Mr. SRH Fahmi (Consul Community Welfare) and Mr. Anand Kumar, Consul (Consular) made the event a grand success.

There were in all four presentations; two by local experts and two from India through Skype. This was followed by a panel discussion headed by Mr. Shahid Alam. The participants included CA Sunil Daddya (ICAI, Bahrain), CA Abdulrehman Merchant (ICAI, Jeddah), Naveen Kumar (HR Consultant, ALJ), Raghavendra A (MD, ALJ), Rahul Goswami (Legal Consultant), Anindya (IIT, IIM). Mr. Vijay Soni moderated the session. The audience was also addressed by Mrs. Jyotsna Sitten, Joint Secretary - Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship through Skype.

A Big Delegation of 78 Companies Participated in the BIG5 Saudi Exhibition

The Big5 Saudi Exhibition was held at Jeddah Center for Forums & Events from 7-10 March, 2016. The exhibition was officially inaugurated by H.E. Mr. Hani Mohammad Aburas, Mayor of Jeddah on 7th March, 2016.

More than 80 Indian companies from the Construction sector, especially from Manufacturers of Construction Machinery, Heavy Equipment, Ceramic Tiles, Scaffolding, Granite, Wood Flooring etc. are participating in this exhibition.

An exclusive Indian pavilion has been setup at the exhibition. Consul General of India H.E. Mr. B.S. Mubarak inaugurated the India Pavilion. During his visit to Indian stalls, he met the representatives and wished them a big success. Consul General also welcomed Mayor of Jeddah at India Pavilion and accompanied him to the Indian stalls.
SIBN ANNOUNCES NEW PRESIDENT AND PRO

Convener of SIBN. The management committee includes Vice-President, Mohammed Alunag, General Secretary, Syed Majeedul Hassan, Executive Secretary, Mir Gazanfar Ali Zaki, Joint Secretary, Adnan Ahmad Zagzog, Treasurer, Vijay Soni, Event Coordinators Zakariya Ahmed Biladi & Asim Zeeshan. Mr. Sultan Fouad Masoom, Director, Economic Cities Authority has been named as Public Relation Officer.

Saudi Indian Business Network (SIBN) as the name implies, is a professional organization that groups together entrepreneurs, senior executives and professionals from Saudi Arabia and India. Formally launched on 13th March 2005 by the then acting chairman of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce & Industry (JCCI), under the patronage of HE the Ambassador of India, in the presence of many dignitaries from both countries. The Saudi-India Business Network aims to be the nodal point for high level interaction between the business communities of India and Saudi Arabia.

CONSULAR BEST PRACTICES INTERACTIVE SESSION FOR CGI AND OUT SOURCING AGENCY STAFF

The second day one Interactive session on “Consular Best Practices” for the officials of the Consular Section of the Indian Consulate and staffs of the Out Sourcing Agency (OSA), VFS Global, was organized on March 4, 2016 at the Indian Consulate, Jeddah. The Consul General, Shri B. S. Mubarak, in his inaugural speech explained the importance of integrity of officials while delivering services to applicants and implications of its absence. He also emphasized on priorities set by the Hon’ble Minister of External Affairs Smt. Shushma Swaraj.

The daylong session had also arranged speakers on latest rules relating to Visa, Passport and attestation. All the participants found the session very informative. It is hoped that it will help them in discharging their duties more efficiently.
ACGC FILM FESTIVAL 2016

The Consulate General of India, Jeddah organized an Indian movie night on 3rd March 2016 at the Consulate premises. The block buster Hindi feature film, Bajrangi Bhaijaan, was screened on the occasion. This special screening was arranged as part of the 9th Asian Consuls General Club (ACGC) Film Festival 2016. The film screening was attended by a large number of people including diplomats, Saudi nationals, media personalities and Indian community members with their families. It was highly enjoyed and appreciated by the audience.

9th Film & Food Festival of ACGC at Residence of the Indonesian Consul General

On March 11, 2016, a food festival was organized at the residence of the Indonesian Consul General to mark the end of 9th Film & Food festival of the ACGC. The Indian food stall was a hit among the food stalls of various participating countries. It was one of the most visited food stalls where freshly made barbeque kebabs and Rumaali Roti with Maraq (a special mutton preparation in liquid form) was served to the visitors. People were seen taking selfies and getting themselves photographed with the Nanbai while he was floating the Rumaalis in the air.
Farewell by SIBN, India Forum and IPWF to the outgoing Consul General Mr. Mubarak

The Saudi Indian Business Network (SIBN), India Forum and Indian Pilgrim Welfare Forum (IPWF), all working under the patronage of the Indian Consulate General, joined hands together in organizing a farewell party to the outgoing Consul General Mr. B.S. Mubarak.

Mubarak has spent six eventful and brilliant years of his diplomatic career in Jeddah, first as Deputy Consul General and Consul (Haj) and then as Consul General after a gap of two years. He has since left Jeddah for India to join the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.

Speaking on the occasion, Mubarak underscored his association with the Jeddah community as a synergy. He said community is an extended arm of the consulate or the embassy in carrying out its missions. “The one-million strong Indian community in the Kingdom’s western region has always remained as a big source of strength to the consulate. If we work together in this synergy, we can really serve the underprivileged members of the community,” the popular Consul General said.

Going down the memory lane to the beginning of his career in Jeddah as Haj consul, Mubarak said “Jeddah is very close to my heart, primarily because of Haj, and this great city is the only place where a diplomat gets more opportunities to serve Guests of God. This was the main motivation for me to come over here, fulfilling a long cherished dream to come to this holy land to serve the pilgrims and thus benefitting in this life and hereafter. He noted “before coming to Jeddah, I had no idea of what facilities were there for the pilgrims.”
An Interactive Session with MOS (VKS)

Hon'ble Minister addressing the interactive session at the Consulate.

Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs, Dr. Gen. (Retd) V. K. Singh visited Jeddah on March 9-10, 2016 in connection with signing of Haj agreement. Utilizing the visit, an interactive session was organized at the Consulate General of India, Jeddah on March 10, 2016 for the Indian Diaspora including office holders of Saudi Indian Business Network (SIBN), India Forum and Indian Pilgrims Welfare Forum (IPWF).

Consul General, Shri 3. S. Mubarak welcomed Hon'ble Minister and recalled his contributions during 'Operation Rahat' in which 4,700 Indians and 1000 foreign nationals were evacuated from Yemen.

New Consul Joins

Dr. Mohd. Nurul Hasan joined the Consulate General of India, Jeddah on 10th February, 2016 as Consul (Commerce). He has done MA & PhD in Persian Language and Literature from JNU, New Delhi. Mr. Hasan joined the Ministry of External Affairs in 1992. He has since served in the Embassy of India, Tehran and High Commission of India, Islamabad. Before joining the Consulate General of India, Jeddah he served as Under Secretary in Eurasia and Projects Divisions at Headquarters. He is married to Mrs. Khalida Hasan and has one son and three daughters.

COMMUNITY

20 Indian Workers Granted Exit

20 workers under the sponsorship of M/S International Recruitment Company approached this Consulate on 28.01.2016 seeking assistance in redressal of their grievances and their repatriation to India. The workers came to the Kingdom to work in various capacities in the middle of 2015. The workers informed that they have not been paid salaries for four months and were terminated from the work without due procedure. After Consulate’s intervention, the company management visited and discussed the issue with the officials of the Consulate. Shri S.L. Meena, Vice Consul (Labour) and Shri Najmuddeen, staff member followed up this case with the company and final exit was granted to all the workers. The workers left for India in the last week of February, 2016.

Shri S.L. Meena, Vice Consul with the workers of M/S International Recruitment Company

Shri Mohammad Nafees Ansari from Uttar Pradesh was imprisoned in Al Shohada Jail, Makkah since one year. The Consulate General of India took up the matter with the concerned authority and followed up his case. Due to the sustained efforts of the Consulate, Shri. Mohammad Nafees Ansari was released from the jail on 12.01.2016.

Shri Ansari with Consul (CW) Shri SRH Fahmi
معرض كتالوجات الشركات الهندية في غرفة منطقة الباحة
من 9 إلى 11 فبراير 13

نظم القسم التجاري بالاقتصادية العامة بالسعودية في جدة بالتعاون مع غرفة التجارة والصناعة بالباحة "معرض كتالوجات الشركات الهندية" والذي استمر لمدة يومين في مقر الغرفة في التجاري والحادي عشر من فبراير 13. وتم افتتاح معرض الكتالوجات بالشراكة مع سفارة الهند في الرياض، برعاية رئيس مجلس إدارة غرفة التجارة والصناعة بالباحة السيد أ. س. أ. نجم فهمي.

وعلى هامش أعمال معرض الكتالوجات عقدت اجتماعات أخرى مع رئيس مجلس الإدارة وغيره من موظفي الغرفة، وحضر عدد من معرض الكتالوجات سلط السيد فهمي أيضًا، الضوء على إمكانات السوق الهندية للمتطلبات الهندية في المملكة، وقررت الاقتراب من عدد قليل من الشركات الهندية، وأصبحت إمكانات المؤشرون للسعوديين، حيث أُزيد من عددهم.

وفي إطار معرض الكتالوجات عدد كبير من رجال الأعمال السعوديين، وأبدى مندوبو مختلف الشركات المحلية أيضًا اهتمامًا كبيرًا لمعرضة.

الميزانية الهندية 13.6

نظمت شركة المعرض السعودي للطعام (SBN) بالتعاون مع الغرفة التجارية العامة بالسعودية بعقد دورة عالمية لـ"المعرض السعودي للطعام (SBN)"، في فندق الفنيدق هندي، يوم السبت الموافق الخامس من مارس 13، وتم إرسال الدورة السيد محمد شاهان عالم، نائب القنصل العام، وتمت مشاركته.

وقد تم وجود دورة أخرى لمعرض SBN، وتم إعلانها عن إعدادية أخرى للمعرض، وتم الإعلان عن إعدادية أخرى للمعرض.

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مهرجان الطعام الهندي في القنصلية العامة للهند بجدة

تم افتتاح مهرجان الطعام يوم الجمعة الموافق 11 يناير 2016، للإحتفال بتنوع وثراء المطبخ الهندي. وُلد عام 2016 في مقر القنصلية العامة بواسطة القنصل العام للهند السيد بي إن ميرك. وتم تنظيم هذا الحدث بالتعاون مع شركة الأعمال السعودية الهندية (SHN).

وقد عرض المعرض الشكولاتة، الألذ، وورق الحطب من خلال أقيم من أقلياد الهند، ولم يُنقل المطبخ مفصلاً نغمات المخضوعة المختلفة من الهند، ولكنهم أيضاً شاهدوا أسلوب طبخ أشمع المأكولات.

وقد شهدت الجلسة الإفتتاحية اجتمعاً للدبلوماسيين من دول آسيوية مختلفة وأفراد بالقريب من المنتج المطحع الهندي، وشارك كالمعتمد الهندي، ونجل المطحع الهندي، ونجل المطحع الهندي ونجل المطحع الهندي ونجل المطحع الهندي ونجل المطحع الهندي.

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مهرجان الطعام الهندي في فندق إيفان

وقد نظمت القنصلية العامة للهند في جدة وزارة السياحة بالتعاون مع فندق إيفان جدة "مهرجان الطعام الهندى" في الفترة من 10 فبراير 2016.

وقد حضر ثلاثة من أنثر المطحع جواً ما من الهند، حضراً لإعداد أشمع المأكولات الهندية المشهورة لنفس مذاقات وأدوات مطحع الطاهي في جدة.

وافتتح المهرجان الشخصية الإعلامية السعودية الشهيرة دالاء المعينا الذي تحدث في هذه المناسبة. ووصف الاتحاد الهندي بالمظلة بانها واحدة ونجله جمعها وتعزية على مر السنين من قبل رؤساء الأعمال من كنابا الأردنيين، وبدأت هيئة توضيح للبحيرة الأردنية، كانت جواتب جواز السفارة بفندق إيفان تنكس بالعظام براجابة الطاهي الهندي على خلفية الموسيقية الهندية.

وعن الحديث في هذه المناسبة، سلط القنصل العام السيد بي إن ميرك الضوء على تنوع المطحع الهندي، وأعرب عن تقديره لعبادة رئيس شركة إيفان للسياحة، والقائد محمد أمير، من مصادره. وشاك رئيس فندق إيفان عبد الله، على إعدادهم لتنظيم مهرجان الطعام الهندي، حيث قالت المجموعة بالاعتراف بتنظيم مهرجان الطعام الهندي على مدى السنوات الثلاث الماضية.
شبكة الأعمال السعودية الهندية تنعى رئيس الجديد ومسئول العلاقات العامة

أمين شبكية الأعمال السعودية الهندية (SBAB) وتحت رعاية الهيئة العامة للنادي، تنعي رئيس جديد للمنظمة.

السيد محمد البغدادي هو البطل الخامس للشبكة، وهو روادي الأعمال، وهو CEO السابق رئيسي في البنية التجارية.

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وقد رأى الملك سلمان بن عبد العزيز واصله الملك فيصل بن عبد العزيز في القمة العالمية للمؤسسات الإسلامية في الرياض، توقيع إتفاقية حج عام 2022م بين المملكة العربية السعودية والهند، وذلك لتنظيم وmaktبة الحج للسياح من الهند.

وقد تم تخصيص مساحة من مساحات الدير للسياح من الهند، لاستقبالهم في مراكز الحج المختلفة في السعودية، وتمكينهم من الاستمتاع بمهام الحج في أسرى، وتمكنهم من الاستمتاع بالسياحة في السعودية.

وقد تم الانتهاء من إعداد الإتفاقية وإعلانها، وتم توقيعها بناءً على تفاهمات القطاعات ذات الصلة، وتمد ذلك برفاهية السياح من الهند في المملكة العربية السعودية.