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**Building a Globally Competitive
Manufacturing and Export Powerhouse**

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Taj Lands End, Bandra
West, Mumbai



ABOUT IMC INDIA CALLING CONFERENCE

The IMC Bharat Calling Conference is the flagship annual event of the IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry that focuses on India's position in global manufacturing and trade. Since its inception in 1999 as India Calling Conference, it has consistently served as a platform for policy dialogue, investment promotion, and showcasing India's capabilities in diverse sectors. It provides a high-level forum for business leaders, policymakers, diplomats, and global stakeholders to engage in strategic discussions on India's economic and industrial priorities.

On February 27, 2025, the Conference celebrated Silver Jubilee when it was relaunched as **IMC Bharat Calling Conference**.

CONFERENCE CONCEPT

India's decade of economic transformation is poised to culminate into a manufacturing and export renaissance. As global supply chains diversify and friend-shoring gains traction, India is emerging as a preferred partner for production, innovation, and trade. With the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes maturing and key FTAs being signed, the focus must now shift to scaling high-value manufacturing, leveraging digital technologies, fostering MSME integration, and building sustainable supply chains.

India's rapid strides in indigenising defence manufacturing—under the Strategic Partnership Model, Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX), and Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP)—present an unparalleled opportunity to become a trusted defence production and export partner globally.

The **26th Edition of IMC Bharat Calling Conference** will bring together policymakers, global companies, exporters, supply chain leaders, technology providers, and trade economists to explore how India can further its vision to become a globally competitive manufacturing and export hub by 2030.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVE

- Showcase India's manufacturing strengths and export ecosystem.
- Promote MSME integration into global value chains.
- Explore trade opportunities through FTAs and strategic corridors.
- Facilitate discussions on digital, smart, and green manufacturing.
- Encourage collaboration across stakeholders for India@2030 vision.
- Promote India's capabilities in indigenous defence manufacturing and exports under Aatmanirbhar Bharat.



AGENDA FOR **IMC BHARAT CALLING**

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	REGISTRATION & NETWORKING REFRESHMENT
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Inaugural Session (Policy Vision 2030) Title: “India’s Roadmap to a \$2 Trillion Manufacturing Economy” Focus: • Government vision for manufacturing • India’s position in global value chains • Role of FTAs, logistics infrastructure, and PLI 2.0 • Institutional reforms for ease of doing business
11:05 AM – 11:45 AM	Inaugural Plenary CEO Panel: Title: “Why India the Manufacturing Destination for the Next Decade?” Focus: • Decision drivers for locating manufacturing in India • Supply chain diversification • Comparing India vs China, Vietnam, Mexico, etc. • Expectations from Indian policy and infrastructure
11:45 AM – 12:00 PM	TEA Break
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM	Technology & Industry 4.0 Title: Make Mittlestand in India - Industry 4.0 Focus: • Digital twins, AI, IoT in manufacturing • Skill development for future factories • Role of public-private partnerships in digital adoption
12:50 PM – 1:30 PM	Enabling India’s Export Surge Title: “From Factory to World: Doubling India’s Exports through Trade Corridors & FTAs” Focus: • Making FTAs work for exporters • Building trade facilitation infrastructure (ports, SEZ 2.0, PM Gati Shakti) • Tapping global demand for India-made goods • Policy measures



1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Creative & Content Industry Title: “India Creates: Building the World’s Next Creative Powerhouse” Focus: • Showcase India’s creative sector — from film, TV, VFX, animation, gaming, design, OTT, and digital content — as an economic growth engine • Position India as a global outsourcing and co- production partner for the world’s media and entertainment industries • Explore policy enablers (e.g. AVGC Task Force, incentives for film shooting, IP protection, virtual production) • Promote FDI, joint ventures, and export of Indian content and storytelling IP • Spotlight India’s talent, tech infrastructure, cost- efficiency, and track record in global media supply chains
3:35 PM – 5:15 PM	Valedictory Driving India towards 2047 Goal Fireside Chat: • India’s Defence and Space Manufacturing & Export Keynote Address by Chief Guest
5:15 PM – 5:30 PM	Vote of Thanks
4:50 PM– 5:00 PM	Networking Hi-Tea

*Invited
Program subject to change



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ABOUT ORGANISER

IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry has a rich legacy of over a century of existence. It was founded on September 07, 1907 by few Indian Merchants, who came together to establish a Swadeshi institution to fight for the rights of the swadeshi businesses. The Chamber exclusively served the interests of Indian business community and also took part in several key political movement pre-independence. In recognition of the Chamber's contribution to nation building, Mahatma Gandhi accepted honorary membership in 1931, the only Chamber which has this distinction. After independence, IMC has played a significant role in consolidating Indian business interests and making the Indian economy self-reliant. At its 100th year, a postal stamp was issued by the government of India recognizing the services of the Chamber.

Over the years, a galaxy of leaders, both Indian and International, including Presidents and Prime Ministers, have adorned the Chambers by their visits. The foundation stone of the Chambers' building in Churchgate at Mumbai was laid by first Home Minister of India Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Headquartered in Mumbai, the Chamber has since evolved into an industry body that represents the voice of over 400,000 businesses and industry establishments across India from diverse sectors of industry with its membership base of over 5000 members and over 150 trade associations affiliated to it. The Chamber's core function is to provide policy inputs and to promote interests of industry and economic growth of the country.

Since its inception in 1907, the Chamber has evolved into an institution keeping pace with the time by adapting itself to contemporary trends, while at the same time continuing on the path of its proud legacy of over a century in the service of nation building and simultaneously fulfilling its responsibility towards the welfare and wellbeing of society. The Chamber is now a cradle for nurturing young talents and promoting emancipation of women through Young Leaders' Forum and Ladies' Wing which have become embodiment of youth enterprise, positivism, proactive thought leadership, and movement for women empowerment and entrepreneurship.

The Chamber's expansive global network with formal understanding with over 150 chambers and government agencies, the IMC platform offers its members benefit of this network opportunities to explore and expand their operations. The year round activities of dialogues and discussions with eminent business, political, societal and government leaders on a wide range of issues to create environment for sustainable economic and social development is uniquely enriching, knowledge sharing and relationship building experience.

The Chamber's state-of-the-art International ADR Centre offers institutional arbitration of disputes in international standard facilities and established rules and panel of arbitrators.

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