

Visit of CII Business Delegation to Belgium (27 – 29 May 2015)

A delegation of Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) led by Dr Rupali Basu, President and CEO (Eastern Region), Apollo Hospitals Group visited Belgium during 27-29 May 2015. The delegation comprised of:

Mr. Chirag Piyushbhai Trivedi, Director, Ethnic Culture Enhancers Ltd; Mr. Alok Roy, Associate Vice President and Head (France & Benelux), HCL Technologies Ltd; Mr. Virendra Nathu Zope, Managing Director, Satyam Mechatronics Pvt Ltd; Mr. Simon Meehan, European Affairs Director, Tata Limited; Mr. Abhinav Mayank, Vice President (Procurement), Welspun Energy Pvt Ltd; Mr. Raghunath Mahapatra, Vice President (Strategy), Welspun Energy Pvt Ltd; Mr. Tijmen Fine, Regional Manager (Benelux), Wipro Ltd; and Mr. Mohsin Khan, Deputy Director (Europe), CII.

Flanders Investment and Trade (FIT) organised meetings and site visits of the delegation on 27th May. Wallonia Export & Invest Agency (AWEX) and Brussels Invest and Export organised various programmes for the delegation on 28th May.

The Embassy organised a “Meet the Businessmen and Investors” programme for the CII delegation on 29th May in collaboration with Belgo-Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (BICCI). Before the commencement of the B2B networking session, the delegation met with Ambassador of India to Belgium, Luxembourg and the EU, H.E. Mr. Manjeev Singh Puri. Ambassador presented an overview of the Belgian economy, its strengths in various sectors and scope for enhancement of Belgian investment in India.

Over fifty representatives from various Belgian associations/federations participated in the B2B networking session with CII delegates. The B2B Session commenced with a welcome address by Mr. Stefan Hollands, General Manager (Benelux), Jet Airways and Director BICC&I. This was followed by address by Ambassador who highlighted bilateral trade and investment opportunities between the two countries particularly in the context of the ‘Make in India’ initiative. Dr Rupali Basu, leader of the CII Delegation, also addressed the potential Belgian investors in India. The event gave ample opportunity to delegates and local participants to interact for exploring business and investment opportunities in India.