



INDIA-NAMIBIA TRADE FORUM

REPORT OF THE LAUNCH OF THE INDIA-NAMIBIA TRADE FORUM IN CHENNAI INDIA

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The Reception ceremony of the India Namibia Summit saw the presence of businessmen, diplomatic missions in Chennai and the local officials from the Tamilnadu Government and the Ministry of External Affairs, Head of Secretariat in Chennai.



Formal opening of the summit function by the High Commissioner of Namibia to India His Excellency Mr. Gabriel Sinimbo, Dr. Venkatachallam Murugun IFS, the branch of head of MEA Secretariat in Chennai, Dr. Asif Iqbal, President, Indian Economic Trade Organization and Mr. Radhakrishnan Perumal.



The felicitation of Dr. Venkatachallam Murugan IFS by Mr. Radhakrishnan Perumal from the India Namibia Trade Forum office in Chennai with the President of the IETO Dr. Asif Iqbal. Mr. Perumal had led the delegation of Chennai last year to Namibia.



Brief report



Special Address was given by the High Commissioner of India His Excellency **Prashant Agrawal IFS** explaining the various initiatives between the two countries especially during the COVID times.



Trade Counselor **Mr. Oscar Sikanda** was honored by Mr. Raddhakrishnan Perumal. Mr. Oscar has been very instrumental in supporting the trade initiatives and bridging these bilateral ties.



President of the Indian Economic Trade Organization (IETO) addressed the summit and explained the various MOU's signed during the delegation visit to Namibia.



Special Edition of “**Sun is Shining on Namibia**” by the **Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary Diplomatist** was launched during the event by the dignitaries. This special edition mentions the Three decades of solidarity enjoyed between the two countries. Special sector profiles in the field of Agriculture, Fisheries, Mining, Oil & Gas, Manufacturing, Electricity and Energy, Tourism, Transport Logistics, Telecommunications and Financial Services. The Foreward was written by the High Commissioners of both India and Namibia and Covering note by the President of the Indian Economic Trade Organization. Seen in the picture from left to right : Dr. Asif Iqbal, Mr. Gabriel Sinimbo, Mr. Radhakrishnan Perumal, Dr. Ramakrishnan, Dr. R.L. Kannan and Mr. Oscar Sikanda.

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"Namibia is an open economy where the investors are welcome to invest in areas of their choice. As the government, we have specific sectors that have been prioritized. The intention is not to limit the investors but just to highlight the opportunities that can be considered. I must say that we have very investor-friendly policies in Namibia".

His Excellency Mr. Gabriel Sinimbo is the High Commissioner of Namibia to India.



Felicitation of the High Commissioner of Namibia His Excellency Mr. Gabriel Sinimbo by Mr. Radhakrishnan Perumal of the India Namibia Trade Forum



Welcoming the Director of Corporate Relations in the India Africa Trade Council Mrs. Bandana Choudhary



Delegates listening to the special address of the High Commissioner of India to Namibia His Excellency Mr. Prashant Agrawal.



Address by the High Commissioner of Namibia highlighting the various measures being taken by the Namibian investment authority and forming of special mechanisms in the investment climate of Namibia. Direct export of Diamonds and precious stones was the highlight of the address.



Special Address by **Dr. Venkatachallam Murugan IFS**, the Head of MEA Secretariat office in Chennai.