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Viewpoint

Mr Kiron Chopra- Convener, Skills Panel



KIRON CHOPRA

We have been constantly evaluating the huge potential of our Demographic Dividend as we transform into a global economic powerhouse. But, we are at crossroads in terms of employability. The ambitious plan of the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to create a skilled workforce of 150 million by 2020 is perhaps crucial to catapult us into the league of developed nations and our faltering here could be disastrous.

The huge potential workforce, predominantly from the rural areas, has to be the focus of Industry since chaotic migration of unemployable youth would only lead to social unrest. The millions of graduates that are churned out every year by the universities need to be directed and armed with relevant skills, be it vocational or soft and this is where the Private sector and Industry in particular will have to play a stellar role. The viability of skilling and the creation of a huge pool of trainers is crucial to the success of this initiative which receives special concern from the Prime Minister himself.

The top down approach from Urban to Rural would work faster since both the employable human resource and the trainer would be more ready than their rural counterparts. The subsidies in the economically challenged rural sector would have to be integral to these facilities. ITI adoption, using University and Technical Institutes for incubation of trainers and for specific vocational skills are some of the options in hand.

I would like to specifically express my concern about the viability and sustainability of skill development initiatives, despite the subsidies and Government support. The increase in momentum must have the requisite support infrastructure, proportionately. A mechanism that is workable for financing the growth in numbers will have to be in place. Some banks are already coming forward with options.

The Skill development panel must therefore address all the doable areas and prioritize direction besides, of course, maintaining its focus. The State Government which has huge resources of infrastructure and existing schemes would have a significant role to play.

Warm Regards

KIRON CHOPRA

INDUSTRY UPDATE

- ◆ The arrival of agricultural produce in agricultural marketing committees of Uttar Pradesh has registered increase during the current agricultural marketing year (July-June 2010-11). The primary arrival of agricultural produce in all the state mandis so far has increased by over 7 per cent to 31.63 million tonnes (MT) compared to corresponding period last year. Besides, the total arrival in all mandis has increased by 8 per cent at 40.59 MT. Agra, Jhansi and Aligarh divisions have posted maximum primary arrival of agricultural produce compared to last year.
- ◆ As per Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA), the sugar output of India could rise by about 10% to 26.5 million tonnes in 2011-12 sugar year starting October on higher cane area. ISMA has pegged the production at 24.2 million tonnes in the current sugar year as against 19 million tonnes in the 2009-10 (Oct-Sept). The annual domestic demand stands at 22-22.5 million tonnes. ISMA has demanded that the government should allow further export of 1.5 million tonnes of sugar under Open General License (OGL). In April, the government had allowed 5,00,000 tonnes sugar exports under OGL.
- ◆ Andhra Bank is targeting UP for financing agricultural infrastructure projects. It would be looking at lending in rice mills, sugar mills, cold storage and warehousing projects. The bank is looking at strengthening the agricultural sector in the state with its expertise in funding such projects. They are looking at doubling the number of branches in UP by the end of the fiscal year. They would be focusing primarily on rural and semi-urban areas.

INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

- ◆ To improve surface transport connectivity across Uttar Pradesh, the state government has pegged the outlay at Rs 7,100 crore on construction of roads in the current financial year. Meanwhile, financial approvals to the tune of Rs 5,000 crore had been issued till last month for new roads. Rs 2,000 crore would be incurred on the widening and up-gradation of existing roads. The Bridge Corporation is constructing 242 bridges in Uttar Pradesh, which would entail a total investment of Rs 245 crore. The state is following the public-private partnership model in upgradation and maintenance of State Highways and has taken up the project entailing a cost of Rs 12,625 crore.
- ◆ The World Bank has approved about Rs 4500 crore loan for the 343 kilometer stretch on the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor Project. This Project, which comes under the Dedicated Freight Corridor Program of the Government of India, will help finance the 343 km Khurja to Kanpur section and the funding would be provided in three phases. The corridor would result in an increased load carrying capacity of these freight-only lines and allow enhanced speeds of up to 100 km/hr. The Eastern Corridor would help in the movement of coal from the northern to eastern part of the country.

- ◆ Government of India and the World Bank signed three agreements to for cleaning Ganga River and to Strengthen Rural Livelihoods and Biodiversity Conservation in India. The River cleaning project is to the tune of US \$ 1 billion (approximately Rs 4,600 crore) loan and credit that will form part of the Bank's long-term support for cleaning the Ganga River. Two Biodiversity Conservation agreements are for a credit of US\$15.6 million and US\$8.14 million grant.
- ◆ Indian Railways has agreed to adhere to the Uttar Pradesh government's new land acquisition cum resettlement and rehabilitation (R&R) policy while acquiring almost 3,257 hectare of land in the state. The land is for the 1,002-km stretch of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor that passes through the state. This came within days of the World Bank approving a \$975-million loan for the 342-km stretch from Khurja to Kanpur section of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor Project. The corridor is to run from Dankuni in West Bengal to Ludhiana in Punjab, covering a total length of 1,835 km. The total cost of the project is expected to be Rs. 24,457 crore.

OTHER NEWS

- ◆ The annual plan outlay of Uttar Pradesh for 2011-12 has jumped almost 15 per cent to Rs 47,000 crore. This substantial hike would allow UP greater maneuverability in piloting its various social sector infrastructure schemes, including health and education.
- ◆ The total disbursement of education loan under the education scheme announced in Union Budget 2001-02 in Uttar Pradesh has been in excess of Rs 3,300 crore. The nine lead banks in Uttar Pradesh have extended education loans worth Rs 2,300 crore since the inception of the education loan scheme benefiting almost 100,000 students. Non-lead public sector banks had provided about Rs 850 crore education loans to 30,000 odd students. Meanwhile, 11 private sector banks had a miniscule share of providing about Rs 10 crore education loan to roughly 400 students. The purpose of this scheme was to provide financial support from banking system to meritorious students for pursuing higher education in India and abroad.
- ◆ As a part of the efforts towards reducing industrial pollution of the Ganges, Environment Minister Jairam Ramesh launched a new green technology for leather preservation, which reduces the quantity of salt used in the process. The new technology, developed and patented by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) enables salt-free preservation of hides. It also brings down the amount of water used in the process.
- ◆ The troubled British India Corporation (BIC)—better known as Lal-Imlī Mill in Kanpur and Punjab-based Dhariwal woolen mill would once again see the light of the day, with the approval of Rs. 338 crore revival package to the sick company by the Central Government. Of the total funding, the government is likely to provide Rs 84 crore as grant. The remaining amount will have to be repaid by the company to the government over a period of five years through sale of its surplus land. The company has over 160 acres of surplus land. The lease hold land of the company has got permission from the State Government to be converted into freehold land. The historic mill was the third one to be set up in Kanpur in 1876 after the Elgin and Myor cotton mill. The mill witnessed various phases of privatisation before being nationalised under union textile ministry in 1981.

International Trade Opportunities

LATIN AMERICA

India's trade with Latin America increased to 23 billion dollars in 2010 from 2.6 billion in 2001..

- Indian companies should target Brazil for projects and supply of materials for the 200 billion dollars infrastructure projects for the World Cup 2014 and the Olympics 2016.
- The Minister of Mines and Energy, Brazil has announced on 8 February 2011 that Brazil would invest 270 billion dollars in the next two decades in the mining sector and triple the production of gold, iron and copper by 2030. This offers opportunity for investment as well as exports of mining machinery and materials.
- Indian companies may invest in commercial forestry and paper pulp in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay and Chile and take back timber and paper pulp.
- Indian companies should acquire farmland in the region to grow soy, sunflower, pulses and sugarcane to source edible oil, pulses, sugar and biofuels.
- Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay and Paraguay are expanding the area of agriculture. This is good news for Indian exporters of agrochemicals and equipments and machinery.

New Manufacturing Policy

Govt of India seeks to create 100m jobs by 2025

The Government of India, recently, gave an in-principle nod to a draft policy to significantly enhance the share of manufacturing in GDP and generate substantial employment in the country, while reducing the compliance burden on industry.

The policy aims to raise the share of manufacturing in GDP to 25 per cent by 2025 from 15-16 per cent at present. The objective of the policy is also to generate 100 million jobs in manufacturing by 2025.

The creation of National Manufacturing and Investment Zones as mega investment regions, equipped with world-class infrastructure, has been proposed as a major policy instrument. These zones will offer capital gains tax breaks for units that re-invest the income from disposal of their assets in the zone.

The policy also lays emphasis on creating a Manufacturing Industry Promotion Board, to ensure coordination between Central and State Government. Besides, it encourages access by Indian companies to foreign know-how and indigenous technology through fiscal incentives and subsidies.

The policy will be placed before the cabinet once environment and labour concerns are resolved through inter-ministerial discussions. The draft policy has been prepared by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion in consultation with the National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council and the Planning Commission.

Currently, manufacturing provides employment to 12% of the workforce. The share of manufacturing in GDP is about 32% in China, 35% in Thailand, 30% in Malaysia and around 25% in South Korea while in India it stands at 15-16%.

CII INITIATIVES

Interaction with Chairman (NR)



State Council Meeting being addressed by Mr. Vijay Thadani, Chairman- CII Northern Region (2nd from right)

Mr Vijay Thadani, Chairman, CII (Northern Region) visited Lucknow on 6th June. During the visit of the Chairman, a CII delegation consisting of Mr Ved Krishna, Chairman, UP State Council, Mr Mayank Ajay Gupta, Chairman, Western UP Zonal Council and Pikender Pal Singh, Regional Director, CII (NR) called on Mr Anoop Mishra, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh and briefed him on the agenda of CII (Northern Region) with a special focus on initiatives planned for UP.

Mr Thadani interacted with Media. Following the media interaction the second State Council Meeting for CII's Uttar Pradesh State Council was organised.

The State Council Meeting was followed by the Members Meet. Mr. Thadani presented the roadmap for CII in Uttar Pradesh this year and invited the members to actively participate in all initiatives taken by the CII in the State. Mr. Thadani emphasized on the role of technology in improving membership services. He made a presentation on mycii and requested members to use the mycii platform. He urged all members to create an account on My CII as it would be a comprehensive guide on all kinds of membership services.



(L to R)- Mr. Pikendar Pal Singh, Regional Director- CII NR; Mr. Vijay Thadani, Chairman- CII NR; Mr. Ved Krishna- Chairman- CII UP; Mr. Mavank Aiyav Gupta- Chairman- CII UP West

CII INITIATIVES

Field Visit to Sitapur

Mr Balasubramaniam, Head – CSR, Aditya Birla Group and Mr Sougata Roy Choudhary, Director –Skills along with a CII delegation, visited Sitapur on 8th June 2011, for a field study and to set in motion the ground level work of the project titled 'Vocational Education and Training for Vulnerable and Marginalized Group in India'. The two year project would provide vocational training in **Auto, Agri, Hospitality & Tourism to 1500 BPL candidates** in the region.

The project is funded by European Union with CII as the lead partner and British Council, City & Guilds & Aditya Birla Group as the other implementing partners.



Mr Balasubramaniam interacting with students at ITI – Sitapur

CII INITIATIVES

Workshop- How to be a Star Performer

In the endeavor to enhance industrial competitiveness, CII is focusing on untapping the potential of professionals. An important step in this direction is to strengthen individual performances through effective training sessions conducted by experts. In this regard, CII- UP organised a full day workshop titled "**How to be a Star Performer**" on **24 June, 2011**. The session guided individuals to discover ways in which they can sharpen their abilities to achieve desired results. The purpose of the session was to bring about a behavioral change in managing professional matters which in turn lead to a significant increase in performance and productivity.

The session was conducted by Mr. Tapas Mohapatra of THINK INC, New Delhi. It was well received by professionals with over twenty five delegates from ten different organizations attending the session. Mr. Mohapatra's interactive approach and lively presentations established an excellent connect with the audience. The workshop was built upon nine breakthrough ideas which enable a person to deliver extraordinary performance in his profession.

All the attendees of the workshop were awarded with a Certificate of Participation along with the delegate kit. The feedback for this workshop was positive with suggestions to organise such trainings on a larger scale. Companies who sent their delegates to the workshop included ACC Cements, Antal International Network, Base Corporation, Dayal Fertilisers, Motor and General Sales, Sunny Toyota, Superhouse Ltd, Tata Motors, Technical Associates and Yash Papers Ltd.



Participants getting clicked with the trainer Mr. Tapas Mohapatra (sitting 4th from left) after the workshop

CII INITIATIVES

First Panel Meeting- ENVIRONMENT

The Environment Core Group met on 24th June 2011 at CII Office to set up the agenda for the year. The core group is led by Mr. R.N. Bhargava of Ecomen Laboratories.

In the first meeting it was decided to take up and address the issues/concerns/inputs of concerned industries and other stakeholders through interactions and joint forums with government and through key events, awareness sessions –

The areas identified are:-

- ◆ Awareness about Environment Laws
- ◆ Water Management & Quality
- ◆ Energy Conservation/Alternate Energy Sources
- ◆ Climate Change Initiatives
- ◆ Hazardous & Waste Management

List of Govt ITIs proposed for upgradation under PPP model

Keeping in line with the commitment of Skill Development in Uttar Pradesh and support to the Upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) through Public-Private-Partnership (PPP), CII invites industry members to join hands with the government for the **Upgradation of the newly proposed 80 Govt. ITIs under PPP scheme in U.P. during FY 2011-12** (list of proposed ITIs appended):

Selection of ITIs under PPP for 2011-12				
S. No	Division	ITI	District	
1	Lucknow-Faizabad-Devipatan	1	Mohanlalganj	Lucknow
		2	Atrauli	Hardoi
		3	Pihani	Hardoi
		4	Chandan Chauki	Kheri
		5	Mohammdi	Kheri
		6	Godlamau	Sitapur
		7	Hasanganj	Unnao
		8	Sohawal	Faizabad
		9	Alapur	Ambedkarnagar
		10	Jahangirganj	Ambedkarnagar
		11	Akbarpur	Ambedkarnagar
		12	Tanda	Ambedkarnagar
		13	Nawabganj	Barabanki
		14	Fatehpur	Barabanki
		15	Colonelganj	Gonda
		16	Vishunpur Vishram	Balrampur
		17	Jamunha	Shrawasti
		18	Rehwa Mansur	Bahraich
		19	Nanpara	Bahraich
2	Kanpur-Allahabad-Jhansi	1	Kalyanpur	Kanpur
		2	Bhognipur	Ramabainagar
		3	Lakhna	Eatawah
		4	Ajitmal	Auraiyya
		5	Kannauj	Kannauj
		6	Mauranipur	Jhansi
		7	Uldan	Jhansi
		8	Mehrauni	Lalitpur
		9	Kalpi	Jalaun
		10	Madhogarh	Jalaun
		11	Manda	Allahabad
		12	C.Lines Fatehpur	Fatehpur
		13	Jehanabad	Fatehpur
		14	Bindki	Fatehpur
		15	Bihar	Pratapgarh
		16	Manikpur	Chitrakoot
		17	Chitrakoot	Chitrakoot
		18	Sarila	Hamirpur
		19	Maudha Kasba	Hamirpur
		20	Rath	Hamirpur
		21	Baansi	Banda
		22	Bilhour	Kanpur
		23	Motiyari	Banda

Selection of ITIs under PPP for 2011-12

Sl. No	Division	ITI	District	
3	Meerut-Saharanpur	1	Hastinapur	Meerut
		2	Sardhana	Meerut
		3	Khekra	Baghpat
		4	Garhmukteshwar	Ghaziabad
		5	Anoopshahar	Bulandshahar
		6	Hapur	Ghaziabad
		7	Sikandarabad	Bulandshahar
		8	Lisadh	Muzaffarnagar
		9	Kairana	Muzaffarnagar
		10	Dadri	G.B.Nagar
4	Bareilly-Agra-Moradabad	1	Bilsi	Budaun
		2	Puwayan	Shahjahanpur
		3	Bah	Agra
		4	Eitmadpur	Agra
		5	Kol	Aligarh
		6	Kisni	Mainpuri
		7	Jalesar	Etah
		8	Anandpur Jarkhi	Firozabad
		9	Bilari	Moradabad
		10	Hasanpur	Jyotiba Phule Nagar
		11	Dhampur	Bijnor
		12	Najibabad	Bijnor
		13	Goverdhan	Mathura
		14	Gangeswari	Moradabad
		15	Nandgaon	Mathura
5	Varanasi-Gorakhpur-Azamgarh	1	Barhalganj	Gorakhpur
		2	Salempur	Deoria
		3	Leelapur Block Betalpur	Deoria
		4	Gauribazar	Deoria
		5	Navanagar	Ballia
		6	Duddhi	Sonbhadra
		7	Robertsganj	Sonbhadra
		8	Harraiya	Basti
		9	Haisarbazar	Sant Kabir Nagar
		10	Gyanpur	Sant Ravidas Nagar
		11	Naugarh	Siddharth Nagar
		12	Mehdaval	Sant Kabir Nagar
		13	Bhadohi	Sant Ravidas Nagar

Salient features of the scheme are available at: <http://dget.gov.in/ItiUpgradePPP/welcome.html>

This endeavor will go a long way to improve the quality of vocational education in the country and make it demand driven so as to ensure better employability of the graduates and also provide appropriately skilled manpower for industry.

Interested members are requested to revert at kirti.karamchandani@cii.in at the earliest.

MEMBERS SECTION

Crane-Bel Group

Crane-Bel Group, a member of CII in Uttar Pradesh, have taken an initiative of promoting “**Pro-Active Maintenance**” as a system or a life style of keeping the plants, machines and systems healthy. Pro-Active Maintenance is a Life Extension System which supplants the philosophy of ‘Failure reactive’ with the ‘Failure Pro-Active’ by avoiding the conditions that lead to machine faults and degradation. Crane-Bel has taken this ambitious challenge of promoting the Pro-Active Technology through Seminars, Workshops, Presentations and Practical Training to achieve the following important and significant results:

1. Conservation of Oil: Resulting up to 90% saving on oil Procurement and Environmental Protection.
2. Conservation of Energy: Resulting saving on the Power Bills and also saving the Environment.
3. Minimising the Breakdowns: No Breakdown Maintenance and No loss of production.
4. Improvement in the Efficiency of Plant, Machinery and Systems resulting in Higher Productivity, Higher Profits, Competitiveness and subsequently Growth of business.
5. Protection and Retention of Additives of the Hydraulic & Lubrication oils to save it against any deterioration, degradation and loss of properties of oil.
6. Increase in the Operational Life and Performance of systems and components.
7. No undue wear and tear of parts and components hence huge saving on Maintenance cost.
8. Manifold times increase in the life of systems including hydraulic pumps etc., resulting in a big saving on procurement of costly hydraulic pumps, controls and systems.
9. Maintaining Clean & Healthy Environment, Ecological Balance, Protection of Lakes, Rivers & Underground water and subsequently the Planet Earth

CHAIRPERSON'S DESK



My dear friends!

There is clear energy in the CII UP office. We see a bright team raring to go. It is also wonderful to see much initiative by the membership. We have had some great interactions within the membership and also with the government and beyond.

Our NR Chairman Mr Vijay Thadani graced us with his presence and organised a membership interaction and council meet while he was in Lucknow. We also initiated dialogue with the government by interacting with the Chief Secretary and Udyog Bandhu. Mr Thadani provided us with the national perspective and requested all membership to register and take advantage of mycii.com. He requested membership to pay heed towards affirmative action.

VED KRISHNA

The panels have taken off with tremendous spirit. My congratulations to the members and to the conveners. We have set up clear deliverables for the year. We are keen to see action on the ground and hence have taken up an agenda that would make a difference. The agri panel has undertaken the organising of an Agri Conclave as its main target. Skilling panel is already moving ahead with the agenda of training the trainers and also plans on organising a conclave to bring industry and academia closer. The environment panel shall be looking to facilitate PPP's in the area of municipal solid waste disposal and shall also organise seminars for renewable energy.

We have also sent to the membership the sessions planned during the year for increasing awareness and competency. We request members to advice changes or improvements. I thank all the members for their interest and contribution. A special appreciation to the council for agreeing to monetary contribution towards organising monthly networking dinners.

I shall be missing a few events in July owing to my travel schedule but I am sure the members shall enable the office to take the events forward. We look forward to more ideas and contribution towards making CII UP the kind of organisation we wish it to be.

Warm regards,

VED KRISHNA

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

July, 2011: Lucknow

- ◆ Conference on Climate Change and Environment (Tentative)

IN THE MEDIA

Glimpse of Media Coverage appearing in June

CII to help in building Brand UP

Times News Network

Lucknow: Industry in Uttar Pradesh is all set to get a helping hand from the Confederation of Indian Industry in the current fiscal. Apart from the state government's own initiatives to build Brand UP, even the industry body will offer support to build an industry friendly environment. Saying that nearly 86% of CII's membership lies in the micro, small and medium enterprises



CII for Larger Share of Investments in Uttar Pradesh

OUR BUREAU LUCKNOW

While observing that UP as a state has not received its proportionate share of investments, CII Northern region chairman Vijay Thadani said that the body would

UP but some other states. He said the agriculture MSME's could bring maximum investment and the state. He said in economy, availability of people was investments.

चार सेंटर ऑफ एक्सीलेंस स्थापित करेगी सीआईआई : थडानी

लखनऊ (एसाएनबी)। भारतीय उद्योग कॉन्फेडरेशन (सीआईआई) निरन्तरतः उत्तर प्रदेश के लिए उच्च स्तर में 'ब्रांड' सेटअप में एक एक्सीलेंस सेंटर की स्थापना करेगी, जो कि राज्य की MSME के विकास को प्रोत्साहित करने में मदद करेगी। यह कामगारों को सीआईआई के जहाँ पर वे काम कर रहे हैं, वहाँ पर निवेश करने में मदद करेगी। सीआईआई के सीआईआई के जहाँ पर वे काम कर रहे हैं, वहाँ पर निवेश करने में मदद करेगी।



उत्तरा भारत में उद्योग को अपार सम्भावनाएं - सीआईआई

विशेष साक्षात्कार

लखनऊ, 28-जून। उत्तरा-भारत के सीआईआई के उत्तर विभागाध्यक्ष विजय थडानी ने सीआईआई के लिए उत्तरा-भारत में उद्योग को अपार सम्भावनाएं हैं, जो कि राज्य की MSME के विकास को प्रोत्साहित करने में मदद करेगी।



‘Agriculture, MSME sectors of good investment’

PIIONEER NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW

Highlighting the theme Building Sustainable North for Tomorrow, Chairman, CII, Northern Region and CEO, NIFT, Vijay Thadani, presented CII's multi-pronged strategy for the year to build a sustainable, futuristic and inclusive North.

Thadani interacted with the media persons at CII office, Gomti Nagar, on Monday.

"In Uttar Pradesh, CII will be working closely with the government to promote industry friendly policies so that the state can receive a larger share of investments. Agriculture and MSMEs are the areas which can attract a good amount of investment," he said.

Claiming that the region had not received proportionate investments, Thadani elaborated that in a knowledge economy, availability of skilled people was a prerequisite for attracting investments.

He announced that CII would be setting up four centres of excellence in the Northern region and five universities, including one in Uttar Pradesh.

"Affirmative action in the state rests upon four pillars, namely, education, employment, employability and entrepreneurship. CII will also undertake some project-based initiatives for underprivileged youths under this mandate," said Thadani.

CII would set up a MSME Help Desk at CII Northern Region headquarters to provide expert advice to MSMEs on

उत्तर ब्रांड को चमकाएगी सीआईआई

लखनऊ, 28 जून। उत्तरा-भारत के सीआईआई के उत्तर विभागाध्यक्ष विजय थडानी ने सीआईआई के लिए उत्तरा-भारत में उद्योग को अपार सम्भावनाएं हैं, जो कि राज्य की MSME के विकास को प्रोत्साहित करने में मदद करेगी।



BRAND UP TO GET IMAGE MAKEOVER WITH CII HELP

VIRENDRA SINGH RAWAT Lucknow, 6 June

Brand Uttar Pradesh, which is still to catch the fancy of investors and business community, is in for a positive makeover.

Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) will offer its services to the government for propping up 'Brand UP' among India Inc and attracting investment in the state.

CII will invite its member and non-member industrialists to Lucknow for an interaction with top state government officials to explore investment options in Uttar Pradesh.

The event would be held in the first half of September. Besides, the state would be encouraged to participate in CII road shows and other national events on sustained basis for greater visibility and marketability of the state's investment opportunities.

"The state has immense industrial and business opportunities in the agricultural and allied sectors. Besides, the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) segment has numerous investment avenues, which CII will explore for attracting investments in the region," CII Northern Region Chairman and NIFT CEO Vijay Thadani said here.

He said CII focus in Uttar Pradesh centred around education, environment, employment, employability and entrepreneurship. "It wants to increase the employability of trained youth according to industry requirements and take up programmes that boost up entrepreneurship, real in MSME sector," he underscored.

Expressing that Uttar Pradesh had not received proportionate share of investment, Thadani noted in a knowledge economy, availability of skilled people was prerequisite in attracting investment. CII is setting up four Centres of Excellence on Skills in northern region and five University Partnerships in Uttar Pradesh.

Meanwhile, a skill development programme is now being launched in Uttar Pradesh in which 1,500 training institutes would be trained.

In another project, 16 districts in UP has taken steps to increase investment, Thadani noted in a knowledge economy, availability of skilled people was prerequisite in attracting investment. CII is setting up four Centres of Excellence on Skills in northern region and five University Partnerships in Uttar Pradesh.

उत्तरा-भारत में उद्योग को अपार सम्भावनाएं - सीआईआई

विशेष साक्षात्कार

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