

CHAMBER IN-TOUCH **NOVEMBER 2023**



is receiving the MATRADE Appreciation Award 2023 on behalf of the Chamber.







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2nd November 2023

MATRADE Appreciation Award



MATRADE is a national trade promotion agency under the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI) to develop and promote Malaysia's export to the world. The was awarded the MATRADE Appreciation Award 2023 on 2nd November 2023 at Hotel Hyatt Regency, for the assistance rendered by the Chamber to MATRADE Chennai. The award was received by Mr J Krishnan, Chair of the International Cooperation Committee of the Madras Chamber. Ms. K.Saraswathi, Secretary General, Ms. Madhumathi.C, Deputy Secretary, Ms. Ashwin Vijayakumar, Co Chair, MCCI Logistics Committee, Mr. S.Padmanabhan, MCCI Governing Council Member attended the event.





3rd November 2023

Mediation Act 2023: Reimagining Dispute Resolution





The Chamber's Arbitration, Mediation and Conciliation Centre (MAMC) has been conducting webinars on varied topics for the benefit of the members. The Chamber scheduled the 15th virtual Session on "Mediation Act 2023: Reimagining Dispute Resolution" on 3rd November 2023.

Ms. Chitra Narayan, Accredited Mediator, Foundation for Comprehensive Dispute Resolution was in conversation with Ms Preethi Mohan, Founder Partner, J & M Legal to discuss the key features of the Mediation Act 2023. In a Q and A format, Ms. Preethi put forth questions that enable the expert Speaker Ms.Chitra Narayan to cover the entire ambit of the Mediation Act 2023. Ms. Chitra answered the queries of the participants which included questions from Hon'ble Judge Mr.Anand Venkatesh, Judge High Court. 65 participants took part in the program. Ms. K.Saraswathi proposed the formal vote of thanks.





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20th November 2023

Interactive Session on Partners in Progress





Under the Women Business Council, another series, namely "Partners in Progress" has been introduced from the month of November 2023. This would have a male ally address about the crucial role and contributions made to support initiatives that promote inclusivity, diversity, gender equality and empowerment.

The first virtual interactive session in this series was organised on 20th November 2023 to commemorate the International Men's Day celebrated on 19th November 2023.

Ms. Bhavani Balasubramanian, Chairperson, Women Business Council welcomed the members and introduced the speakers.

The guest speaker was Mr Ravi Raman, Global Delivery Head, State Street HCL Services Pvt. Ltd. in conversation with Ms Subhasri Sriram, Joint Managing Director, Shriram Capital Pvt Ltd.

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The session covered on topics of gender parity, wage parity, need to remove bias based on gender and orientation and about the approach to introducing a more inclusive environment in a workplace. The speaker gave actionable points that everyone can apply which are creating role models irrespective of gender and those which are based on skills and achievements. Grooming the idea of inclusion to work with all colleagues irrespective of their gender. Success should not be celebrated according to the gender but in tune with the work accomplished.

Ms Subhasri Sriram concluded the session noting, "The unconscious bias and barriers can only be crossed when everyone works together without the barriers of gender."

Ms Madhri Guruswamy, Co Chair, Women Business Council proposed the formal vote of thanks.

The program was attended by 80+ persons.

Governing Council Meeting

The Governing Council Meeting was held on 18th November 2023. (Virtual)





Expert Committee Meetings

Expert Committee on GST - 1st November 2023.





Expert Committee on IT / ITES - 7th November 2023.



Expert Committee on Direct Taxes - 10th November 2023. (Virtual)



Expert Committee on Company Law / Corporate Matters - 14th November 2023. (Virtual)



Expert Committee on Logistics - 17th November 2023. (Virtual)



Expert Committee on Energy - 23rd November 2023.



Expert Committee on HR & IR - 24th November 2023.





Other Meetings

Ms. K.Saraswathi, Secretary General of the Chamber and Mr.V.Sriram, Chairperson MCCI Economic Affairs Committee represented the Chamber in the sectoral meeting held by CMDA on the Preparation of Vision Document for the Third Master Plan for Chennai Metropolitan Area (2027-2046) held at Hotel Ramada Inn, Egmore on 3rd November 2023. Valuable inputs were shared by the Chamber during the workshop.

Ms. Saraswasthi attended the networking dinner "Connecting India to the World" hosted by the Adani Kattupalli Port and Adani Ennore Container terminal at Taj Coromandel on 16th November 2023

