

Emerging business opportunities in Gujarat in Chemical Sector

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Introduction

- We congratulate Government of Gujarat and FICCI for organizing 2nd Indiachem 2011.
- We wish to address key factors favourable for sustainable industrial growth of chemical industries in Gujarat
- Gujarat is India's leading State in production of Chemicals – with over 30 % production of Dyes Intermediates, over 30 % of Bulk Drugs, over 25 % of Agrochemicals and 25 % of Specialty Chemicals
- This leadership in manufacturing has been achieved with the co-operation and active support of the State



What are the favourable factors?

- Good governance of Paramount Importance
- Peaceful industrial atmosphere – no labour problems
- Industrial symbiosis – one's product is RM to another industry
- Excellent infrastructure facilities – roads, industrial estates, water supply, electricity supply, natural gas availability, environmental infrastructure for addressing effluent & hazardous waste disposal
- Low conversion costs with high value addition



What are the favourable factors?

- The growth scenario already demonstrated by old industrial estates like Vapi, Ankleshwar and Vatva – is carried forward by new-age estates like Dahej
- Proactive Government – less time and few procedures to start business
- Formation of SEZs and SIRs
- Business oriented culture of the State – Gujaratis are exceptional industrial entrepreneurs
- Availability of manpower – Seamless acceptance of skilled manpower from other States & communal harmony



What are the favourable factors?

- Land availability – Gujarat have identified various areas as Chemical Zones, and provided
- Government incentives – subsidies for the industries, subsidies for the common infrastructure facilities like CETPs / TSDFs etc
- Industry-academia interaction helps in improvement of process and development of cleaner technologies
- Nearby ports – for import and export



Areas needing attention

- I have identified 4 areas for attention for our continued sustainable growth
 - Safety
 - Environment
 - Quality
 - Community acceptance
- By addressing the above areas with collective efforts, our industrial sector will continue to achieve double-digit growth



Conclusion

- The chemical industrial sector has facilitated growth and status of the country and the State
- With the favourable factors of Gujarat, the future is bright for chemical industries in Gujarat
- Government of Gujarat policy framework support the chemical sector
- Converting the favourable conditions to accelerated growth is in our hand