

## **IAICC AT A GLANCE**

### **Mission Statement:**

"Promote and foster economic development of the United States of America, Republic of India together with the rest of the world for the benefit of all."

#### **About IAICC:**

The Indian American International Chamber of Commerce (IAICC, formerly: USIACC/NIACC) is an umbrella organization that provides a sustainable platform and leadership forum for entrepreneurs, professionals, businesses and governments in the United States, and India to interact, exchange and promote economic development and improve relationship between U.S., India, and rest of the world.

Since its launch in Washington DC, in1990, IAICC has been serving Indian American owned and operated businesses. IAICC, through its chapters, affiliates and other organizations provides vital resources and support to educate, train and mentor its membership. It acts as a catalyst to establish strategic alliances between businesses in the United States, India and the rest of the world to strengthen US-India relations, business and economic engagement.

#### I. Notable Accomplishments of IAICC on U.S. India Relations:

IAICC is a strong advocate for small and medium sized businesses in the United States, India and the rest of the world. Through its partnerships and advocacy programs, IAICC supports stronger trade policies and relationship between U.S., India, and other countries.

- 1. IAICC through its advocacy programs, has strongly supported numerous initiatives by the U.S. and Indian Government agencies:
  - a. IAICC assisted "U.S. India Defense Pact," initiated under the Clinton administration, and continued its expansion under Presidents Bush, Obama and Trump administration.
  - b. IAICC assisted in the removal of U.S. sanctions against India.
  - c. IAICC assisted in passing of the "U.S. India Nuclear Treaty."
  - d. IAICC assisted in the approval process of "Strategic Trade Authorization (STA1)" between U.S. and India which puts India on par with NATO countries to trade between U.S. and India which was announced by Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross in July 2018.
  - e. IAICC assisted in passing the "U.S. Trade Pact with Canada and Mexico," from day one to approval by the U.S Congress.

- f. IAICC assisted in "U.S. India Trade and Commercial Agreements."
- g. IAICC strongly supported "Opportunity Zone," initiative through which over Five Trillion Dollars will be invested over the next 20 years.
- h. IAICC strongly supported "U.S. India Motorcycles for Mangoes," program.
- 2. IAICC assisted U.S. Small Business Administration to enter an MoU with the Government of India's Ministry on Small & Medium Enterprises in 2007 with the help of AMCHAM New Delhi Chapter.
- 3. Also, in concert with other national and international organizations, IAICC has made valuable contributions that benefit both U.S. and India and is still pursuing India's permanent membership at the U.N. Security Council. The IAICC together with local and national Jewish organizations supported Israel-India diplomatic relations.

#### **II. Notable Recent Activities:**

**February 13, 2023:** Hyderabad/Telangana Chapters of IAICC was inaugurated at the Marigold Hotel in Hyderabad, India. Mr. Jayesh Ranjan, Principal Secretary, ITE & C, Govt. of Telangana was the chief guest and keynote speaker. Mr. KV Kumar, Executive Chairman, IAICC and Mr. Vagish Dixit, Chairman of CII (Telangana) were the guests of honor. Mr. Suresh Rayudu Chitturi, VC & MD of Srinivasa Farms, Ltd., and Vice Chairman, IAICC India Chapter and Chairman of Hyderabad/Telangana Chapters welcomed and introduced the guests. TATA Aerospace, Boeing and other corporate executives participated in the inauguration.

December 2, 2022: IAICC inaugurated its South India Regional Chapter and Karnataka State Chapter at JW Marriott Hotel in Bengaluru, India. Mr. Kedarnath Mudda Senior Advisor to Chief Minister of Karnataka for Commerce and Industry, was the Chief Guest at the inauguration. Former Member of Parliament, Mr. K.C. Kondaiah IAICC and Mr. Jayadev Naidu, President of US India Foundation were special guests of honor. Executive Chairman, KV Kumar, Chairman, IAICC International Board and IAICC Executive Board Member, Malav Dani, Chairman, IAICC Karnataka State Chapter, Girish Krishnamurthy, Member, IAICC Executive Board and Chairman, IAICC South India Regional Chapter, Mr. Chirag Purushotham, CEO, Bengaluru Life Sciences Park and other industry leaders participated in the inauguration.

**October 20, 2022:** IAICC inaugurated its Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter at the Marion Barry Building in Washington DC. Executive Chairman, KV Kumar, IAICC Board Members, and DC City Officials from Mayor's office participated.

Here's the link to publications: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-launches-mid-atlantic-chapter/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-launches-mid-atlantic-chapter/</a>

Mid-Atlantic inauguration: http://epaper.newsindia-times.com/2022\_11\_04/12/

#### https://fb.watch/gkWCDaLOHm/

IAICC co-hosted Diwali Celebrations along with DC Mayor's Office: <a href="http://epaper.newsindiatimes.com/2022\_11\_04/8/">http://epaper.newsindiatimes.com/2022\_11\_04/8/</a>

**October 19, 2022:** The Governor of Mississippi Tate Reeves hosted a Diwali Celebration at the Governor's Mansion. LT. Governor, Delbert Hosemann, United States Senator, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Attorney General of Mississippi, Lynn Fitch, Indian American International Chamber of Commerce (IAICC) Executive Chairman, KV Kumar, State Auditor Shad White, Chief Economic Development Officer, Bill Cork and others attended the celebrations.

Governor Reeves and elected officials congratulated the Chairman of IAICC Mississippi Chapter, Jayantilal Patel and Vice-Chair Monica Harrigill who played a key role in organizing the Diwali celebrations. They also appreciated Mr. Kumar's leadership and lauded the good work of the entire IAICC team.

On the occasion, Governor Reeves and First Lady Elee Reeves presented a proclamation to Mr. Patel declaring October 2022 as the Mississippi Hindu Heritage Month.

August 21, 2022: The Simon Wiesenthal Center honored Executive Chairman of the Indian American International Chamber of Commerce (IAICC) KV Kumar, with the "2022 Hero for Tolerance Award," at its 7th Annual Heroes for Tolerance Award Ceremony on August 21st, at the Yankee Stadium in New York. The New York State Assembly, the State of New Jersey, Bergen County Clerk's office, Bergen County Board of County Commissioners, and the City Council of New York also issued citations and commendations on the occasion recognizing Mr. Kumar for being named a 2022 Hero for Tolerance.

March/April 2022: IAICC Executive Chairman & CEO, KV Kumar met with MD & CEO of Bombay Stock Exchange, and Chairman of the IAICC Corporate Advisory Board, Ashishkumar Chauhan, Chairman of the IAICC International Division, Malav Dani, Founding Chairman of Asian Paints, Ashwin Dani, Yoga Practitioner and Painter, Ina Dani, and Chairman of the World Trade Center, Vijay Kalantri in Mumbai; Chairman of External Affairs Committee P.P. Chaudhary, and IAICC Executive Board Director and India Chairman, Anil Agarwal in New Delhi; Executive Chairman & CEO of Biocon, Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Executive Board Member & the IAICC South India Chairman, Chirag Purushotham, and Managing Director & CEO of the Tata Medical & Diagnostics, Ltd, Girish Krishnamurthy, also the Chairman of the IAICC Karnataka State Chapter, in Bengaluru.

On April 6th, Kumar also participated at a panel discussion in Doordarshan, National News Channel of India, in New Delhi, where he discussed about opportunities and issues relating to the Small and Medium Enterprises.

In Singapore, Kumar met with the newly appointed Executive Director of the IAICC Singapore Chapter, Anandi Iyer and discussed plans to inaugurate the Chapter soon. As part of the mission, Kumar met with Rajeev Srivastav, head of an Investment Company, and Ashok Bajpai, in charge of mergers & acquisitions, at HH Healthcare. Both have agreed to serve on the Board of the IAICC Singapore Chapter.

**January/February 2022:** IAICC Executive Chairman & CEO, KV Kumar visited Guatemala at the invitation of Indian Ambassador Manoj Mohapatra to participate in India's Republic Day celebrations. Kumar also met with U.S. Ambassador William W. Popp, several cabinet members of Guatemala, and business leaders and discussed U.S., India, and Guatemala trade relations.

**January 14, 2022:** IAICC Executive Chairman & CEO, KV Kumar received the 2022 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Award for Community Service by MLK Advisory Council in Atlanta, GA, in the presence of Governor Brian Kemp of Georgia.

**January 5, 2022:** IAICC Executive Chairman & CEO, KV Kumar received the Albert Nelson Marquis's "2021 Lifetime Achievement Award."

**December 11, 2021:** IAICC Executive Chairman & CEO, KV Kumar was an invited guest speaker at the Consulate General of India in Atlanta, Georgia to celebrate Hanukkah with Consul General Dr. Swati Kulkarni, Congresswoman Nikemma Williams, Consul General of Israel, Anat Sultan Dadon and other dignitaries.

**November 12, 2021:** IAICC India Chairman, Anil Agarwal, and IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar met with Mr. Nagesh Singh, Chief Protocol Officer, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India to brief about IAICC's activities.

**November 11, 2021:** IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar was interviewed by Doordarshan India's senior anchor Mark Patrick Lynn on India – US relations. The interview was aired throughout India during prime time on November 17, 2021, and was telecasted again on November 23<sup>rd</sup> morning. Here's the link to the interview: https://youtu.be/H5zm1R0BQec

**November 11, 2021:** IAICC India Chairman, Anil Agarwal, and IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar met with the Minister of Road Transport & Highways, Nitin Gadkari, and discussed aspects of the development of transportation and highways sectors in the US and India.

**November 11, 2021:** IAICC India Chairman, Anil Agarwal, and IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar met with the Chairman, External Affairs Committee in the House, Hon. Shri. P.P.

Chaudhry and discussed strategies to enhance US-India relations in addition to working with other countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

**November 10, 2021:** IAICC India Chairman, Anil Agarwal, and IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar met with the Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Hon. Shri. Om Birla and discussed US-India relations.

**November 10, 2021:** IAICC President & CEO, KV Kumar met with Ms. Aileen Nandi, Minister/Counselor for Commercial Affairs, and Mr. Thomas Carnegie, Minister/Counselor, Economics, Trade & Information Technology Policy from U.S. Embassy in New Delhi and discussed US India trade and strategic relationships. They agreed to work together to enhance the relationship between the two countries.

**November 2, 2021:** IAICC President & CEO, Mr. KV Kumar toured the Biocon facility in Bangalore, India and described it as the one of the best maintained state-of-the-art-facility he had ever seen.

October 29, 2021: IAICC President & CEO, Mr. KV Kumar, and IAICC Executive Board Member, Mr. Chirag Purushotham met with Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, Executive Chair of Biocon at her office in Bangalore, India. The delegation briefed Dr. Mazumdar-Shaw about IAICC and its activities. Ms. Mazumdar-Shaw appreciated IAICC's work and discussed about her future plans for the US marketplace identifying areas where Biocon and its subsidiaries are working to make inroads in critical areas such as oncology. She also identified areas where IAICC may be able to help play a productive role.

October 28, 2021: IAICC President & CEO, Mr. KV Kumar, and IAICC Executive Board Member, Mr. Chirag Purushotham called on the Governor of Karnataka, Hon. Tawarchand Gehlot at the Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru, India to brief on IAICC's activities. The Governor appreciated IAICC's good work, pledged his support, and wished success for the Chamber's future activities.

October 26, 2021: The All India Association of Industries (AIAI) and The World Trade Center (WTC) of Mumbai invited IAICC President & CEO, Mr. KV Kumar to address the partner organizations. During the event, IAICC signed MoUs with WTC, Mumbai, and AIAI. Mr. Malav Dani, Chairman of IAICC Mumbai Chapter, and Ms. Sangeeta Jain, Senior Director of AIAI signed MoUs on behalf of their respective organizations.

October 22, 2021: IAICC Western Regional Headquarters was launched at the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) on October 22, 2021 in Mumbai, India. Mr. Ashishkumar Chauhan, MD & CEO of BSE & Chairman, IAICC Corporate Advisory Board inaugurated the headquarters and delivered the keynote speech at the launch. Mr. K V Kumar, IAICC President & CEO, Mr. Chirag Purushotham, IAICC Executive Board Member & Chairman, IAICC South India Chapter, Mr. Harold Brayman from the U.S Consulate, Mumbai, Mr. Saurabh Shah – President

of IACC, and Mr. Malav Dani, Chairman of the IAICC Western Regional Headquarters, were also present during the launch.

**June 24, 2021:** IAICC delegation met with Indian Ambassador to the United States, Hon. Taranjit Sandhu at the Embassy of India in Washington DC. The delegation headed by IAICC President & CEO KV Kumar discussed strategies with Ambassador Sandhu on ways to collaborate on matters important to the Embassy, and the Government of India. Here are the links:

News India Times: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-meets-indias-ambassador/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-meets-indias-ambassador/</a>

Desi Talk: <a href="http://epaper.desitalk.com/2021\_07\_02/9/">http://epaper.desitalk.com/2021\_07\_02/9/</a>

India West: <a href="https://www.indiawest.com/news/global\_indian/iaicc-delegation-meets-indian-ambassador-taranjit-sandhu-to-discuss-ways-to-boost-india-u-s/article\_b173e4a4-dc28-11eb-b10d-b3bcf2f20732.html#:~:text=Indian%20%7C%20indiawest.com-,IAICC%20Delegation%20Meets%20Indiam%20Ambassador%20Taranjit%20Sandhu%20to,to%20Boost%20India%2DU.S.%20Partnership&text=A%20delegation%20of%20board%20members,of%20India%20in%20Washington%2C%20D.C.</a>

Management News: <a href="https://managementtrainingnews.com/iaicc-delegation-meets-indian-ambassador-taranjit-sandhu-to-discuss-ways-to-boost-india-u-s-partnership-global-indian/">https://managementtrainingnews.com/iaicc-delegation-meets-indian-ambassador-taranjit-sandhu-to-discuss-ways-to-boost-india-u-s-partnership-global-indian/</a>

**June 4, 2021:** IAICC hosted a webinar with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) for small business owners to learn about the pandemic's impact on their taxes. John Kirk, Special Agent in Charge (TIGTA), Fraud and Schemes Division (IRS), was the Chief Guest, and Kristen Deazeley, Public Affairs Specialist, Tax Outreach, Partnership and Education office (IRS), was the Special Guest for the webinar.

May 21, 2021: IAICC established a special committee to coordinate with various organizations and initiatives, as well as with government and non-governmental entities, to help India overcome the devastating phase two of the Covid-19 crises. Here's the link: News India Times: http://epaper.newsindia-times.com/2021\_05\_21/8/

**April 29, 2021:** IAICC setup a White House petition page to send surplus vaccines to India. Here's the link: <a href="https://forms.gle/G6s3gQZiTWPxbcd17">https://forms.gle/G6s3gQZiTWPxbcd17</a>

**April 14-16, 2021:** A delegation of IAICC Executive Board Members, and the Consul General of India in Atlanta, Dr. Swati Kulkarni, met Governor of Mississippi, Tate Reeves in Mississippi, and offered to assist in the economic development of Mississippi. The delegation also met Mayor Dan Gibson of the City of Natchez, who presented the Key to Natchez City to KV Kumar, and Dr. Kulkarni. Mayor Gibson also hosted lunch and dinner in honor of the delegation. The delegation also met U.S. Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith, Mayor of the City of Brookhaven, John

Ernst and the local Chamber of Commerce hosted a brunch for the delegation. KV Kumar appreciated the support and invited Governor Reeves, Mayor Gibson, Mayor Ernst, and business leaders to join the IAICC delegation to India (when circumstances permit) and also invited them to join IAICC 30th Anniversary celebrations in May/June 2022. IAICC MS Chapter Chairman Jayanthilal (Jerry) Patel, Vice President of IAICC Forum on Women in Business & Leadership, Monica Harrigill, and Vice Chairman Sumesh Arora hosted a reception and dinner for U.S. Senator Roger Wicker, Dr. Kulkarni & Vijay Kulkarni, KV Kumar & Mrs. Vijaya Kumar, Vice Chairman & SE Regional Chair, Dr. N. Neelagaru & Mrs. Sumitra Neelagaru, Executive Board Member and Chair of Forum on Women in Business & Leadership Dr. Annapurna Bhat, and SE Regional Vice Chair, Dr. Subrahmanya Bhat and others attended. Here are the links:

India West: <a href="https://www.indiawest.com/news/business/iaicc-delegation-meet-mississippi-leaders-to-assist-economic-development/article\_481cf086-afc8-11eb-be3d-c7e116f3d1b5.html">https://www.indiawest.com/news/business/iaicc-delegation-meet-mississippi-leaders-to-assist-economic-development/article\_481cf086-afc8-11eb-be3d-c7e116f3d1b5.html</a>

Daily Leader: <a href="https://www.dailyleader.com/2021/04/16/indian-delegation-visits-city-of-brookhaven/">https://www.dailyleader.com/2021/04/16/indian-delegation-visits-city-of-brookhaven/</a>

March 24, 2021: IAICC South Carolina Chapter was inaugurated by Governor Henry McMaster at the Governor's Mansion in Columbia, South Carolina. Governor McMaster signed the proclamation declaring March 24, 2021 as the "IAICC-South Carolina Chapter Day." South Carolina Secretary of Commerce, Robert Hitt III, and IAICC Board Members signed an MoU on the occasion. After the inauguration, Governor McMaster hosted a reception for IAICC delegation at the Governor's Mansion where members of the Governor's Cabinet, Consul General of India in Atlanta, Chair of The Latino Coalition, President of The Latino Coalition, and other local business leaders attended the event. Here are the links:

The Universal News Network: <a href="https://theunn.com/iaicc-south-carolina-chapter-launched-to-foster-economic-development-of-us-india-rest-of-the-world/">https://theunn.com/iaicc-south-carolina-chapter-launched-to-foster-economic-development-of-us-india-rest-of-the-world/</a>

India West: <a href="https://www.indiawest.com/business/governor-henry-mcmaster-inaugurates-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-south-carolina-chapter/article\_9bcc0356-943f-11eb-b1db-d39a7cf4748e.html">https://www.indiawest.com/business/governor-henry-mcmaster-inaugurates-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-south-carolina-chapter/article\_9bcc0356-943f-11eb-b1db-d39a7cf4748e.html</a>

South Asian Times: <a href="https://thesouthasiantimes.info/south-carolina-chapter-of-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-inaugurated/">https://thesouthasiantimes.info/south-carolina-chapter-of-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-inaugurated/</a>

News India Times: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-chamber-of-commerce-launches-chapter-in-south-carolina/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/indian-american-chamber-of-commerce-launches-chapter-in-south-carolina/</a>

March 22, 2021: The Consul General of India in Atlanta, Dr. Swati Kulkarni hosted a dinner in honor of IAICC Executive Board Members.

**January 14, 2021:** IAICC hosted "A Conversation with The Honorable Francis Spampinato, Associate Administrator for The Office of Government Contracting and Business Development, SBA." AshishKumar Chauhan, Chairman, IAICC International Corporate Advisory Board; Managing Director & CEO, Bombay Stock Exchange was the Special Guest of Honor. IAICC's

Appen Menon, Glenn Falcao, Achyut Allady, Kinesh Doshi, and Nandini Selvam participated in the event.

**January 7, 2021:** IAICC hosted "A Conversation with The Honorable Allen Gutierrez Associate Administrator for The Office of Entrepreneurial Development, SBA." Swapna Das, New Country Head (USA), Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) was the Special Guest. IAICC's KV Kumar, Narasimhulu Neelagaru, Annapurna Bhat, Keth Ditthavong, and Chirag Purushotham participated in the event.

**December 17, 2020:** IAICC in partnership with Amity University had an NRI Symposium on "'Global Indians toward World's Growth Story." Panelists from IAICC included, KV Kumar, Narasimhulu Neelagaru, Samir Mitragotri, and Gurdeep Chawla. The Symposium was moderated by Gurinder Singh, Group Vice Chancellor of Amity University.

**December 11, 2020:** IAICC worked with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) on "FICCI Annual Expo 2020," that began on December 11. The expo which will last for a period of one year will focus on manufacturing and services sectors. Please visit <a href="http://www.ficci.in/">http://www.ficci.in/</a> for more details.

**November 27, 2020:** KV Kumar spoke about "Partner's Speech and Investors' Perspectives," and Kinesh Doshi, Member, Executive Board, spoke on the "Business Leaders' Forum – Tech for Good," section at the 11th Edition of Business IT Conclave. The virtual event was organized by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, which proudly announced IAICC as its outreach partner. Please visit <a href="https://iaicc.world/technology-for-humans.html">https://iaicc.world/technology-for-humans.html</a> for more details.

**November 12, 2020:** KV Kumar was featured as the "Member of the Month," in The Latino Coalition's New Partner Spotlight. Here's the link: <a href="https://iaicc.world/latino-coalition.html">https://iaicc.world/latino-coalition.html</a>

October 29 – November 7, 2020: Namaste Bharat organized its largest online exhibition for Indian products. IAICC is Namaste Bharat's media partner. Please visit <a href="https://namastebharat.world/">https://namastebharat.world/</a> for more details.

**November 7, 2020:** IAICC Education Committee and The ImagIndia Institute organized a live webinar on "Impact of Digital Technology on Higher Education." Padma Bhushan Awardee, Jagdish Sheth, Beheruz Sethna, Sanjay Sarma, and Robinder Sachdev participated in the webinar. Director, IAICC Executive Board, Gurdeep Chawla moderated the webinar. Here's the YouTube link: https://youtu.be/cdk3eokCaVQ

**October 31, 2020:** Mana TV International, interviewed KV Kumar for a special program "Insight with Praveen Puram," to learn more about IAICC. Here are the links: <a href="https://youtu.be/bhMD-ygRMfo">https://youtu.be/bhMD-ygRMfo</a>
https://mega.nz/file/OFtl3YCJ#1SF5olj1ZnGmkrVWyPyzNpzKkN Hndm7lUpNhJFrO6Y

**October 21, 2020:** IAICC Forum on Women in Business & Leadership organized a Fireside Chat on "The Impact of COVID-19 & the Path Forward." Hon. Swati Kulkarni, Chetan Desai, and Kusum Punjabi participated in the webinar. President of IAICC Forum on Women in

Business & Leadership, Nandini Selvam moderated the event. Here's the YouTube link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6VXwp5c4fIA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6VXwp5c4fIA</a>

**September 10, 2020:** The Consulate General of India, Atlanta, and the IAICC, SE Atlanta Regional Chapter jointly organized a Webinar on "Doing Business with India." Consul General of India in Atlanta, Hon. Swati Kulkarni, Kinesh Doshi, Kamal Dutta, Ratnagiri Polavarapu, and Mr. Kumar Allady spoke at the event. Chairman of SE Regional Chapter, Narashimulu Neelagaru moderated the event. Here's the YouTube link: <a href="https://youtube/liv-JBuIC10">https://youtube/liv-JBuIC10</a>

**August 15, 2020:** KV Kumar took part, as the Special Guest, in the 74th Independence Day Celebrations at the Consulate General of India in Atlanta, on August 15. Congressman Joe Wilson was the Chief Guest. The celebrations were followed by a dinner hosted by the Consul General of India in Atlanta, Hon. Swati Kulkarni, at the India House. Here's the link: <a href="https://iaicc.world/independenceday-2020.html">https://iaicc.world/independenceday-2020.html</a>

**August 4, 2020:** IAICC Offered Free Memberships for Businesses Facing Hardship during the Pandemic: Here are the links:

Biz Republic: http://bizrepublic.com/iaicc-free-memberships-for-businesses/

The Indian panorama: <a href="https://www.theindianpanorama.news/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/TIP-August-7-Dual-Edition.pdf">https://www.theindianpanorama.news/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/TIP-August-7-Dual-Edition.pdf</a>

**April 20, 2020:** KV Kumar, was interviewed by the Pharma Boardroom. Here's the link to the interview: <a href="https://pharmaboardroom.com/interviews/kv-kumar-president-ceo-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-iaicc/">https://pharmaboardroom.com/interviews/kv-kumar-president-ceo-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-iaicc/</a>

**January 9, 2020:** IAICC in association with US Representative, Joe Wilson, Founding Member of the India Caucus, hosted a farewell breakfast for Ambassador Hon. Harsh V. Shringla, at Capitol Hill in Washington DC. At the farewell, Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith, Representatives Ted Yoho, Michael Guest, and Neal Dunn along with the then Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India, Amit Kumar, and Consul General of India in Atlanta, Hon. Swati Kulkarni. Here are the links:

India West: <a href="https://www.indiawest.com/news/global\_indian/outgoing-indian-ambassador-harsh-shringla-thanks-trump-for-bolstering-india-u-s-relations/article\_5b32f670-398b-11ea-ae6c-f3e5e682406e.html">https://www.indiawest.com/news/global\_indian/outgoing-indian-ambassador-harsh-shringla-thanks-trump-for-bolstering-india-u-s-relations/article\_5b32f670-398b-11ea-ae6c-f3e5e682406e.html</a>

News India Times: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/ambassador-shringla-departs-for-india-after-a-flurry-of-meetings-receptions/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/ambassador-shringla-departs-for-india-after-a-flurry-of-meetings-receptions/</a>

**December 20, 2019:** IAICC partnered with the Consulate General of India in San Francisco and the Arizona State University (ASU) to launch its Arizona State Chapter in Phoenix. The Hon. Kate Gallego, Mayor of Phoenix, the then Consul General of India in San Francisco, Hon. Sanjay Panda and other prominent industry and government leaders inaugurated the event. Here's the link: https://iaicc.world/inauguration-arizona-state-chapter.html

**December 10, 2019:** IAICC launched its Western Regional and Northern California State Chapters in San Francisco. Lt. Governor Eleni Kounalakis was the Honored Guest and Robyn Denholm, Chairman Board of Tesla Inc., and the then Consul General of India, San Francisco, Hon. Sanjay Panda were the Special Guests of Honor at the event, which received a tremendous support from local business and government officials. Here's the link: <a href="https://www.indiapost.com/iaicc-launches-new-chapters/">https://www.indiapost.com/iaicc-launches-new-chapters/</a>

**December 6, 2019:** IAICC launched its New England States Chapter at the Northeastern University campus in Boston, Massachusetts. The then Indian Ambassador, Hon. Harsh V. Shringla, and the then Consul General of India in New York, Hon. Sandeep Chakravorty inaugurated the event in the presence of key industry and government leaders. Here are the links: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/iaicc-launches-new-chapter-in-massachusetts/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/iaicc-launches-new-chapter-in-massachusetts/</a>

**December 6, 2019:** IAICC supported a symposium, "Next Phase of India's Growth and Development," along with Boston Center of Excellence for Health and Human Development, Consulate General of India, New York, Mass India Initiatives, and Indo-US Health Initiatives. The symposium was organized by the India-Caucus at Harvard Kennedy School. Here's the link: <a href="https://www.indiapost.com/symposium-on-indias-growth-at-harvard-attracts-hundreds/">https://www.indiapost.com/symposium-on-indias-growth-at-harvard-attracts-hundreds/</a>

**November 6, 2019:** IAICC launched its New York Regional Chapter at the Consulate General of India in New York. Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Ajit Pai, Chief Guest at the event, inaugurated the Chapter with Minister (Commerce), Manoj Mohapatra, Indian Embassy, and Deputy Consul General of India, NY, Shatrughna Sinha. Here's the link: <a href="https://www.newsindiatimes.com/fcc-chair-ajit-pai-lauds-launch-of-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-ny-chapter/">https://www.newsindiatimes.com/fcc-chair-ajit-pai-lauds-launch-of-indian-american-international-chamber-of-commerce-ny-chapter/</a>

**September 21-22, 2019:** IAICC Co-hosted "Howdy Modi" Event in Houston and led a 12-member delegation. Members from national and regional chapters attended both the Indian PM and US President's rally, and the VIP luncheon. Here's link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HI-mbtJ3PLw

January 2019: IAICC launched its Mississippi State Chapter where the State of Mississippi honored the Consul General of India in Atlanta, Hon. Swati Kulkarni, and KV Kumar as special guests. Both Hon. Kulkarni and Mr. Kumar addressed the State Senate and met with the Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, President of the Senate, and House Speaker among other political, business and community leaders. Here's the link: <a href="https://iaicc.world/mississippi-state-chapter1.html">https://iaicc.world/mississippi-state-chapter1.html</a>

On November 25, 2018: IAICC launched its SE Regional Chapter in Atlanta, which was inaugurated by General V.K. Singh, the then Minister of State for External Affairs at the Consulate General of India, Atlanta, GA in the presence Consul General of India in Atlanta,

Hon. Swati Kulkarni, President & CEO, Executive Board, IAICC, KV Kumar and other dignitaries. Here's the link: <a href="https://iaicc.world/inauguration-se-regional-chapter.html">https://iaicc.world/inauguration-se-regional-chapter.html</a>

#### **III.IAICC** Initiatives which could Benefit its Membership:

- 1. High-Level Networking and Connectivity: IAICC events accompany its array of services throughout the year. IAICC hosts regular events at its HQ in Washington, DC and major cities in U.S., India and other countries.
- 2. Advocacy: The IAICC leads strategic efforts to maximize the growth potential of the U.S.-India bilateral economic and trade relationship; which enhances commercial and investment opportunities for U.S. companies in India and provides a platform for Indian businesses seeking enhanced access to the U.S. market.
- 3. Business Intelligence: The IAICC provides a myriad of executive information services on India including frequent summaries of the most relevant policy actions in the country and a series of briefings with the relevant officials in the U.S. and Indian governments.
- 4. Federal, State and Local Government & Corporate Contracting Opportunities.
- 5. Partnerships and Strategic Alliances.
- 6. Collaborations, Financing & Trading Opportunities.
- 7. Entrepreneurship Programs
- 8. Mentor-Protégé Programs.
- 9. Trade Missions between U.S. and India.
- 10. Innovative Challenge Platform TM (Under construction for Use of Membership).
- 11. "IAICC Forum for Women in Business and Leadership" which was established in October 2019 will promote women in business and leadership, and find solutions personal and professional empowerment for current and future generations of women leaders.
- 12. IAICC Young Entrepreneurs Board.

# IV. Memorandums of Understanding and Special Working Understanding with:

- U.S. Small Business Administration
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Department of Commerce
- U.S. Department of Transportation
- U.S. Environmental Agency
- US Agency for International Development
- U.S. Department of Interior
- U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- The Latino Coalition
- Hispanic 100
- Associated Chamber of Commerce

- American Chamber of Commerce
- Indo-American Chamber of Commerce
- Indian Association of Manufacturers
- Indian Merchants Association
- All India Association of Industries
- The World Trade Center, Mumbai, India

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