RUSSIA’S PARTICIPATION AS “PARTNER COUNTRY” AT

with Video link
Russia is the first country to have agreed to take the initiative under the “Make in India” umbrella in two key strategic sectors — nuclear and defence. This year in 2017 - IESS - the largest Indian Engineering sourcing show which turned VI in 2017, in a new avatar—International Engineering Sourcing Show —for the first time in Chennai, scheduled for 16-18 March, 2017 with Russia as the Partner Country.

India and Russia have always shared a very stable diplomatic and political relationship from the time of the erstwhile USSR. However, the trade between the two countries has not reached its potential. During the fiscal year of 2014-15, India’s total trade with Russia stood at US$6.3 billion out of which India’s export to Russia was US$2.09 billion and import from Russia was to the tune of US$4.24 billion. The overall trade balance remained positive towards Russia.

During the same year engineering exports to Russia remained at US$0.7 billion accounting for almost 33% of the total export to Russia. Engineering exports between India and Russia grew at 18% between 2013-14 and 2014-15. Though India’s share in Russia’s total engineering import is still not substantial, there is tremendous scope to tap the existing potential.

Among the CIS nations, India has a strong economic relation with Russia and these two nations are now considering an India-Eurasian Economic Union Free Trade Agreement. Bilateral ties between Russia and India is a unique world phenomenon. Right from the dawn of India’s freedom our relations were on a steady uprise gradually evolving into what we now call special and privileged strategic partnership. A record 16 agreements/ Memorandum were signed by the two 2015 underscore the mutual to have a comprehensive Russia ties have acquired a with enhanced levels of of the bilateral relationship trade and economy, defense, culture. The joint Russian-Relations of Trust to New new ambitious goals for our of Understandings (MoUs) countries in December urge of both the nations bilateral cooperation. India-qualitatively new character cooperation in almost all areas including political, security, science and technology and Indian statement “Through Cooperation Horizons” set mutual cooperation.
The need of the hour is to involve Russian businesses into India’s import replacement programme “Make in India”. This as an additional opportunity for joint ventures, technology transfer and production of high-value-added goods. Strengthening of multifaceted cooperation between Russian regions and Indian states is viewed as a priority. Partnerships between Moscow and New Delhi, St.Petersburg and Mumbai, Kazan and Hyderabad, Astrakhan and Gujarat, Samara and Karnataka, just to name a few, constitute a solid basis for expanding economic cooperation.

Geographic distances are no longer a barrier when both partners are driven by mutual interest – the 7,200 km-long North-South International Transport Corridor will connect South and Central Asia, the Persian Gulf and Eastern Europe and help to increase the bilateral volume of trade. The importance of the corridor goes beyond the framework of goods movement as it has huge geo-strategic significance in the context of comprehensive regional connectivity assuring energy and economic security to entire Central Asia.

A big step forward has been made to facilitate B2B contacts via a more friendly visa regime. During the recent summit both the nations signed the protocol on simplifying travel requirements for certain categories of citizens of our two countries. Businessmen can now visit Russia and India on direct invitations from their partners.

Make in India is a major new national programme of the Government of India designed to facilitate investment, foster innovation, enhance skill development, protect intellectual property and build best in class manufacturing infrastructure in the country. India and Russia are working together on a “general agreement” on collaboration in science and technology, which will enable the countries to exchange ideas on technology, scientists and students. It’s a general agreement (between Russia and India) related to collaboration in science and technology. It is focused upon several technologies related to energy, green technologies, supercomputing in big data, etc. The two countries have entered into an agreement to set up the Russian-Indian Association of Universities.

The Russian Science Foundation (RSF) and the Indian Ministry of Science and Technology have announced that they would jointly sponsor an international team competition in the field of scientific research.

Participation of India Russia in IESSVI as Partner Country will definitely serve as a milestone in the bilateral relations between the two nations.
Regarding Industry 4.0 - the new industrial revolution - Russian enterprises are on top of the game. India can be part of this process. Industry 4.0, the merger of the real and the virtual world, provides further scope for Russian-Indian collaboration: Russia’s world-class manufacturing and India’s famous IT engineering expertise make a fabulous match. Industry 4.0 offers great potential for a win-win partnership.

IESS is a flagship event of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, which is organized by EEPC India annually. It is recognized as the biggest and truly global sourcing show for Indian engineering products and services. Apart from showcasing latest capabilities of Indian engineering enterprises, it also hosts series of value added seminars and conferences for the global audience.

EEPC India successfully concluded the 6th International Engineering Sourcing Show, with Russia as a "Partner Country" from 16th to 18th March 2017, showcasing leading Indian engineering products and services on a global platform. It invited leading overseas government agencies, leading chamber bodies, industry associations, business delegations and buyers from all over the world. The show was organized at Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai.

IESS has yet again proved that it has become a favored international platform for sourcing engineering goods from India. This year around 325 companies exhibited with their products and samples and more than 400 overseas delegates participated at the show. We have also organized different sector specific seminars (around 15 in number with more than 75 speakers during the three day event).
At IESS VI, Russia put its best foot forward with a large Russian Pavilion of 750 sqm, powered by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation and the leading companies that have long-standing contacts with industrial companies in India, as well as by small- and medium-sized businesses showcasing innovative products and development. The official Russian delegation, headed by Mr Denis Manturov, Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation, included the Deputy Governor and Heads of Ministries of the Sverdlovsk Region, Deputy Chairman of the Moscow Region Government, Head of the Investment Promotion Agency, Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade of the Republic of Tatarstan, Minister of Industry of the Krasnoyarsk Region, and heads of regional investment promotion agencies, industry associations and development corporations.

Industrial companies were present at the joint booths of the Russian regions – Moscow, Sverdlovsk, Tambov and Kaluga – and Krasnoyarsk Krai and the Republics of Tatarstan and Sakha (Yakutia). They were joined by the Association of Furniture and Woodworking Enterprises of Russia.

The Russian Pavilion saw an international debut of young engineers and inventors – participants of the International Festival of youth research and technical creativity ‘Otvinta!’ The festival aims to develop engineering talents of the new generation and is supported by the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade, and the Russian Engineering Union.

Individual expositions were presented by Rosatom State Atomic Energy Corporation; PJSC Power Machines; DOK Ltd, Scientific and Production Company; PLM Ural Group; Aerob Ltd; MIPAKT – Millennium Holding JSC; Nordavind JSC; Poliplast Ltd; Sintezator – NN Ltd; Precision Farming Systems Ltd; HimPromProekt Ltd; Victor Ltd.

EEPC India had signed MOU with Moscow Region Development Corporation (MRDC) in order to promote trade and investment and development of business relations between members of EEPC India and MRDC in the field of Engineering business and investment.

Honoured with Partner country status, Russia had prepared an extensive cultural programme for IESS delegates and visitors. The programme included performances by Russian musical and dance troupes, and culinary shows with national cuisine tasting.

On March 16 all visitors were able to enjoy the spectacular Russian Night; the Russian groups also performed at the award ceremony as well as in the Entertainment Area of the Russian Pavilion throughout 16–17 March. During the day, the Russian Pavilion screened national movies with English subtitles on a big screen in a special Cinema Zone.

Furthermore, exhibition participants were welcomed to learn more about Russia as a travel destination at the Visit Russia booth, where they received colourful information materials about various interesting sites of the biggest country of the world, watched promotional videos, and were given souvenirs to take home.
Russian troupe performing at Russian Night

MEA Lounge at 6th IESS, Chennai

On the advice of Ministry of External Affairs (Eurasia division), EEPC India had organized a special business lounge for the visiting delegates from the Eurasia region. The business lounge was dedicated to the 70 years of friendship and establishment of diplomatic relationship between India and Russia. The lounge had very special branding along with the logo of India and Russia specially designed for the 70 years of the diplomatic relations. The lounge highlighted splendid pictorial illustrations of Honorable Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi with Honorable President of Russia, Mr Vladimir Putin. The lounge was located at a very prominent location adjacent to the Russian Pavilion at the main entrance hall of the exhibition.

The 6th IESS show was jointly Inaugurated (biometric inauguration) by Ms Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of State for Commerce, GOI along with Mr Denis Manturov, Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation on 16th March 2017. After the inauguration both the ministers visited the MEA business lounge and also signed the visitors book. A brief introduction about the friendship lounge has been given by Ms T Ageline, Head of branch secretariat, MEA, Chennai.

Enclosed please find some pictures of both the ministers visiting MEA friendship lounge.
### Three Day Programme

**INAGURATION OF IESS VI**
16 March 2017
Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai, India

**DAV 1, 16 March 2017**

**Venue:** Main Convention Centre, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai  

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India-Russia Business Forum: New initiatives in Trade & Economic Cooperation  
Forum participants, including representatives of the authorities, industrial associations and major companies from both countries, will discuss prospects of Russian-Indian Business Cooperation.

**Inauguration Session**

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Vendor Development Seminar by Indian PSU
Date: 16 March 2017
Time: 1400 - 1600 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “B”, Hall 1, Chennai Trade Centre

Session on Global Investment Forum
Date: 16 March 2017
Time: 1400 - 1600 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “C”, Hall 2, Chennai Convention Centre

Russian Presentation
Date: 16 March 2017
Time: 1300-1400 hrs
Venue: Hall 2, Russian stand, presentation area, Chennai Trade Centre

DINING ROOM

DAY 2, 17 March 2017
Global Sourcing meet by SIEMENS Ltd.
Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1000-1030 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “K”, Hall 1, Chennai Trade Centre
Session II: The Industry Voice for the existing technology gaps and requirements to overcome technological challenges.
Focused deliberations by Leading Technology Experts from Industry, Trade Promotion Associations & R&D Labs.

Key areas of deliberations:
- Potential products and their global export markets
- Current technological status and their strengths
- Potential technologies which could enhance competitiveness of the engineering students to enhance their exports
- Potential benefits to the economy as a whole
- Other challenges & way forward

1100-1115 hrs: Mr. Lokesh Sethi, Head of Innovation, Autodesk India
1115-1130 hrs: Dr. D.V. Giri, Secretary General, Indian Turbo & Engine Manufacturers Association
1130-1145 hrs: Dr. J. Kant, Director, Vickers Collaborating Centre for Mico-Vitality Devices & Health Technology Policy

Session III: International Opportunities for Innovation and Technology Partnerships - Panel Discussion with “Innovation Birmingham”

Innovation Birmingham is working for international collaborations and partnerships to drive innovation-led regeneration across wide spectrum of engineering sectors.

1200-1300 hrs: Mr. D. G. Dally
Head of Business Development, Innovation Birmingham Campus – An experience area aiming to bring previously hidden sectors of big organisations such as the engineering and public sector into the spotlight. The aim is to create a dynamic business that provides an accountability and consultation basis for Wigan Stanley, UCL and Transport for London.

Mr. D. G. Dally

Founder, Rashadoline - He is the owner of a leading Software company that concentrates on great apps to avoid emails, remote diagnosis issues & broad company’s innovations in their ICT (Internet Technology). He would like to share importance of technology for delivering efficiencies, value additions, data protection.

Promising products or technologies are very few:

1. CISR – The vision aims to revitalize the Industry object using CISR schemes for technology adoption. The CISR is meant to help under the Ministry of Science and Technology with an objective of promoting industrial research and institutional technology collaborations in the country. The CISR will provide grants to industrial research institutions, universities, and other entities by technology implementation. The Ministry of Information, Electronics & Computer Technology.

2. MOU between IIT-Bombay and Birmingham University: MOU is signed to carry out joint research and development projects in the area of energy-efficient buildings and other technologies. The collaboration will focus on developing new technologies and solutions for sustainable energy systems.

3. MOU between IIT-Delhi and Birmingham University: MOU is signed to carry out joint research and development projects in the area of sustainable energy systems and energy-efficient buildings.

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International Equivalence of Accreditation & its Benefits to Industry

Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1000 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “C”, Hall 3, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

1000 hrs: Registration
1100 hrs: Inaugural Session
1200 hrs: Welcome Address by Mr. Arun Garg, Regional Chairman, UPI, CII
1230 hrs: Key Note address by Dr. Anil Khurana, CII, NABCB
1255 hrs: Special address by Mr. K. N. Garg, Vice Chairman, Samrat Group and former Chairman, NABCB
1305 hrs: Inaugural address by Mr. Shavyamurthy S.B., Chairman, NABCB and Executive Director, Jainlifeline Sciences
1315 hrs: Opening remarks by Mr. Shavyamurthy S.B., Chairman, NABCB

Session IV: Government of India Schemes for National and International Technology Collaboration and Technological Upgradation Session

Innovation Birmingham is working for international collaborations and partnerships to drive innovation-led regeneration across wide spectrum of engineering sectors.

1400-1500 hrs: Focused Deliberations on Schemes for R&D Technology Development, Transfer & Adoption etc. - Schemes for promoting Industrial R&D & International Collaborations - Schemes for enhancing Technological Skills, Opportunities and Challenges under the current Technological Upgradation schemes. Opportunities for International Technology Pioneers in promoting R&D and technological upgradation in Engineering Clusters. Key Technological Requirements of MSME export clusters for exports, Key potential industries having high export potential.

1500 hrs: Lunch

“India - Russia scope of Industrial Manufacturing Cooperation”

Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1030 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “D”, Hall 2, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

1000 hrs: Welcome Remarks by Mr. T. B. Bhandare, Chairman, EEPC India

To be chaired by
- Mr. G. Shanjee, Secretary, Department of Heavy Industry, Government of India
- Deputy Minister of Industry and Trade, Russian Federation
Global Sourcing Meet by Kubota Corporation

Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1430 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “A”, Hall-1, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

1430 hrs - Registration
1430-1435 hrs - Opening remarks by Mr. P.K. Shah, Former Chairman, EEPC India
1435-1440 hrs - Presentation on “Global Procurement by Kubota Corporation”

Speakers:
- Mr. Masahiko Koshiduka - General Manager, Division: Procurement Planning Dept/Procurement Dept
- Mr. Suresh Kohliwad - Sr. Manager - South, East Region & Dealer Development
- Mr. Junya Ueda - General Manager - Kubota Corporation

Session on ZED certification scheme - Roadmap to Global competitiveness

Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1630 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “C”, Hall-2, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

1630-1635 hrs - Registration
1635-1640 hrs - Opening remarks by Mr. Paramesh Badhe, Vice Chairman, EEPC India
1640-1645 hrs - A short talk on ZED
1645-1650 hrs - Key note address by Chieftain: B.D. S. Maliyadi, AS & DCASMME, SESSION CHAIR
- DCACD to explain the role & status of Government in improving the competitiveness of Indian MSE industries and the relevance of ZED scheme in achieving it

Indian School of Business – EEPC India Executive Knowledge Series

Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1000–1645 hrs (Full day)
Venue: ISB Conference Hall, Chennai Trade Centre

SESSION 1
“Better Negotiation, Faster Growth” by Prof. Dhan Kamdar, Deputy Dean and Professor of Organizational Behaviour
1030 hrs - Registration & Networking
1030 hrs - Welcome address by Mr. Awanish Sheth, Chairman, Committee on Trade with Western and Northern Africa, EEPC India
1130 hrs - Knowledge Session by Prof. Dhan Kamdar
1230 hrs - End of Session

SESSION II
“Rural Leadership Play” by Prof. S. Ramnarayan, Professor of Business Organizational Behaviour
1400 hrs - Registration & Networking
1400 hrs - Welcome address by Mr. Awanish Sheth, Chairman, Committee on Trade with Western and Northern Africa, EEPC India
1445 hrs - Session on “Rural Leadership Play” by Prof. S. Ramnarayan
1630 hrs - Vote of thanks by EEPC India
1645 hrs - End of Session
Making MSME’s Internationally Competitive
Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1400 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “D”, Hall 2, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai

1400-1430 hrs Registration
1430-1440 hrs Welcome address by Mr. R. Rajkumar, Former Chairman, EEPC India
1440-1450 hrs "SMO & its role in MSMEs Financing” by Mr. Ramesh Dhawan, Chief General Manager, SBI
1450-1510 hrs "Disha of GST - Way Forward by Mr. Suvijay Garg, Partner, EY and Regional Director, Price Waterhouse Co., LLP"
1510-1530 hrs "Energy: Discovery for greening competitiveness” by Mr. R. Karthikeyan, Managing Director, EESL
1530-1600 hrs C & A session
1600-1615 hrs Vote of thanks by Mr. M. C. D’Rozario, Working Committee Member, EEPC India

Conference “Russia – Forest Country: Presentation of Potential MDF and plywood Industry enterprises
Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1000-1030 hrs
Venue: Conference Area, Russian stand, presentation area, Hall 2, Chennai Trade Centre
Moderator: Mr. Olga Nemesiv, General Director of the Association of Furniture and Woodworking Industry of Russia

Russian Presentation - Culinary break with demonstration cooking dishes of national cuisine.
Accompanied by performance of Russian music bands
Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1300-1400 hrs
Venue: Hall-2, Russian stand, presentation area, Chennai Trade Centre

DAY 3, 18 March 2017
Global Sourcing Meet by Yammer (Japan)
Date: 18 March 2017
Time: 1000 – 1300 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “A”, Hall-1, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai
1000-1030 hrs Registration
1030-1045 hrs Welcome address by Mr. Harinsukha Raigowda, Regional Chairman (HR), EEPC India

Training Session on E-Procurement
Date: 18th March 2017
Time: 1000 – 1245 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “B”, Hall-1, Chennai Trade Centre
1000-1030 hrs Registration
1030-1045 hrs Welcome remarks by Mr. Raj K. Kalra, Working Committee Member, EEPC India
1045 hrs Training Session on E-Procurement
1200 hrs Q & A session
1230 hrs Closing remarks by Mr. B. R. Nagpal, Working Committee Member, EEPC India

Industrial Design Forum and Design Orientation programme
Date: 18th March 2017
Time: 1000 – 1200 hrs
Venue: Conference Room “C”, Hall-2, Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai
8000 - 1000 hrs Registration
1000 – 1010 hrs Welcome remarks & introduction to the session by Mr. Arun Gaddi, Regional Chairman (VR), EEPC India
1010 – 1025 hrs Special address by Mr. Pratap Vanaik, Managing Director, National Institute of Design
1025 – 1045 hrs Key note address by Mr. P. R. Pradeep, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner, MSME
1045 – 1055 hrs Role of Design in MSMEs: Role in Design from India & abroad
1055 – 1105 hrs Mr. Victor Phipps, CEO, Kreston Design and Innovation, Russia
1105 – 1120 hrs Mr. Atul Laxani, General Manager, Renuka Design India (Mumbai), INDIA
1120 – 1130 hrs Mr. Bezuch Roya, Head, MRSI Design Centre, UAE
1130 – 1135 hrs Mr. Shailaja Singla, Design Specialist, Oberoi, Design Director Pvt. Ltd.
1135 – 1150 hrs Mr. Prashant Naik, Head, Machine Design, Unimac Design Innovation Lab LLP
1150 – 1200 hrs Mr. Maneesh Varma, CEO – Control Design Pte Ltd, Chennai

Cinema - Russian Classic Movies Demonstration
Date: 17 March 2017
Time: 1730 hrs
Venue: Hall-2, Russian stand, cinema area

EEPC India 4th Annual Awards Night - Cultural Programme & Networking Dinner
Date: 17 March 2017
Venue: Convention Centre, Chennai Trade Centre

Programme schedule
1730 hrs Registration
1800 hrs Annual Dinner
1830 hrs National anthem
1915 hrs Welcome Address by Shri T.S. Domain, Chairman, EEPC India
1925 hrs Address by Russian VIPs
1945 hrs Address by Indian VIPs
2005 hrs Signing of MOU between EEPC India-ITMF Trade Fairs-BMG regarding India (Bihar) Participation at 58th edition of MIF Skn
2035 hrs Announcement of Czech Republic participation as Partner Country at IESS VII
2050 hrs Presentation of Awards
1930 hrs Cultural presentation by Partner Country, Russia
2100 hrs Networking Dinner

Cinema - Russian Classic Movies Demonstration
Date: 18th March 2017
Time: 1300 – 1400 hrs
Venue: Hall-2, Russian stand, cinema area

Russian Presentation - Culinary break with demonstration cooking dishes of national cuisine.
Date: 19th March 2017
Time: 1000 – 1300 hrs
Venue: Hall-2, Russian stand, presentation area, Chennai Trade Centre

The closing ceremony of the Russian national exhibition at the 6th International exhibition
Date: 19th March 2017
Time: 1600 – 1700 hrs
Venue: Hall-2, Russian stand, cinema area

Technical visit of members of the Russian delegation at the industrial enterprises in India
Date: 19th March 2017
Time: 1000-1430 hrs
Venue: Convention Centre, Chennai Trade Centre

REVERSE BUYER SELLER MEET
Date: 18th March 2017
Event: Overseas Buyer Seller Meet
Venue: Convention Centre, Chennai Trade Centre

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During Event Joint Press Meet was held on March 16th

Welcome address at the Press Conference was delivered by Mr. T S Bhasin, Chairman, EEPC India who gave a brief report on IESS VI. He said that 400 international delegates from 45 countries were attending the show, which organized global sourcing meeting, seminars, conferences and B2B meetings, making it the first of its kind in India for MSMEs. He compared the engineering exports during April 2016 - January 2017 at 587 million USD to 460 million USD for the same period last year, showing nearly 28% growth. He concluded by saying, “We are sure IESS VI will be able to reinvigorate our trade and investment relation with Russia and all other countries present here”.

Ms. Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, Government of India thanked the Government of Tamil Nadu for accepting to be the host state for IESS VI. She thanked Mr. Denis Manturov and welcomed the 120 delegates from various parts of Russia. She spoke about her discussion with Mr. Denis Manturov on the enormous potential to enhance bilateral trade which is presently at 6.62 billion USD. She said that the International North South Transport Corridor (INSTC) that would cut the time and cost for transportation was a priority as also was the proposed FTA between India and the Eurasian Economic Union. She also invited Russia to be the partner country in India International Jewellery Show 2017 and Advantage Healthcare India. She spoke about the need to bridge the gap between leading R&D labs and the industry. She said that for development of cutting edge export oriented technologies, important industrial clusters have been identified following interaction with stakeholders. Technology gaps could then be filled by research labs and academic institutions. “Indian engineering exports are likely to reach 60 billion USD this fiscal year of 2016-2017”, she said, adding that this was contributed by the revivals of demand in the USA and demand for select products like Iron. She said for the April-January of the current fiscal, engineering exports have reached 50.87 billion USD, exceeding that of the entire financial year 2015-2016 which was 49 billion USD. She said the estimate for exports for February 2017 are 24.5 billion USD as compared to 20.8 billion USD in February 2016, registering a positive growth of 17.5%.

Mr. Denis Manturov, Minister of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation said that Russia is actively pushing for the FTA between India and the Eurasian Economic Union. He spoke of the potential collaboration with Mahindra & Mahindra to work on manufacturing components and interiors for MC21 aircrafts. Ms. Sitharaman spoke of the Russia railways involvement in increasing the train speeds in the Secunderabad to Nagpur route, for which India had signed a MoU with Russia.
Glimpses of Post Event Media Coverage

Russia in talks with M&M to scale up aviation tie-up

India, Russia for early operationalisation of INSTC

Mahindra in race for airliner project: Russia

Engineering exports to cross $60 bn by this fiscal
India, Russia discuss free trade pact

India and Russia are discussing a free trade agreement, a joint statement said today. The talks were held in the run-up to the India-Russia Summit on Monday.
While exhibitors, delegates and visitors were kept busy with business affairs during the day, the evenings were given over to relaxation with cultural events – the Russian Night on day one and a combined display of Russian and Indian cultural renditions on the second day.

Mr B Sarkar, Executive Director and Secretary, EEPC India presenting a memento to the Russian Performers (left pic) and Indian Performers (right pic).
VIDEO LINKS

https://youtu.be/8o-uGJ5DENM
https://youtu.be/MvVuK5AlIiHg
Kul Sharif mosque in Kazan Kremlin at sunset. Kazan, Russia.