



Three-day event 'India Chem-2026' concludes in Mumbai today

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The three-day event 'India Chem-2026' which was inaugurated on 22nd October concluded in Mumbai today.

The 14th edition of India Chem 2026 held under the theme "Advantage Bharat : An Emerging Global Chemicals Hub" strengthened global partnerships, paved the way to attract investments and promote sustainable growth in the chemicals and petrochemicals sector.

During the event brainstorming sessions, business parleys and fruitful discussions were held during CEO Forum, India Japan, India-USA and India-EU Forum and roundtable talks on different challenges pertaining to Chemicals and Petrochemicals Sector.

Japan, with whom India shares a robust trade relationship, particularly in the chemical and petrochemical sector, was the partner country for the event.

While inaugurating the India Chem 2026 Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, the Union Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers and Health and Family Welfare in the august presence of the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha and Union Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilizers and Health and Family Welfare Smt. Anupriya Patel urged industry leaders, investors, innovators and policymakers of Chemicals Sector to work hand in hand to achieve the goal of ViksitBharat@2047.



Shri Nadda said Chemical and Petrochemical industry is a sunrise sector and it has huge potential to grow and contribute towards economic development.

The Union Minister said for the country to achieve the ambition of Viksit Bharat by 2047, this sector has to play an indispensable role. The sector needs to grow from its current market size of about USD 220 billion to about USD 1 trillion by 2040 and further to around USD 1.6 trillion by 2047.

The CEOs Forum presided by Shri JP Nadda focused on strengthening industry, competitiveness and advancing India's ambition to emerge as a globally competitive chemicals and petrochemical hub.



Industry leaders from across the globe discussed the opportunities and challenges of the Indian chemical industry.

During the brainstorming sessions under India-Japan, India-US and India-EU Chemicals and Petrochemicals Forum at India Chem 2026 , representatives and industry leaders explored opportunities for deeper collaboration in trade, investment and technology related to sector.

The event held under the theme “Advantage Bharat : An Emerging Global Chemicals Hub” witnessed several roundtables like Specialty Chemicals, Infrastructure for Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Agrochemicals, Environment Issues, Plant Machinery, Pumps and Valves which are contemporary challenges for the rapid growth of the sector.

India Chem 2026 in its 14th edition witnessed a new feature “India Chem Youth Innovation Challenge” which was aligned to connect Young Innovators to the India’s Chemicals and Petrochemicals sector. It consisted of young students working on problem statements of the chemical industry and their solutions being judged by a jury of the industry. The First Prize was clinched by Soumya Bhole and Sarthak Kale, students of ICT, Mumbai. Suman Batwe and Saloni Mhadesar of VNIT, Nagpur and Jash Prasad and Smit Bambhorliya of IIT, Gandhinagar clinched second and third prizes respectively.



This event, organized jointly by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals and FICCI, provided a platform for brainstorming discussions amongst industry leaders and Government representatives on specific topics of relevance to the sector, facilitating dialogue on investment prospects, regulatory frameworks, and strategic challenges.

The world class exhibition consisted of pavilions from leading Indian and global companies in the sector, several Indian States including partner states Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Bihar.



The event witnessed international participation from number of countries including Japan, the USA, Canada, UK, countries across the European Union, Latin America, Republic of Korea and ASEAN nations, with a footfall over more than 5000 visitors across 3 days.

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