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Georgia – India Connection

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GOVERNMENT & COMMERCE

In fall 2008, the Foreign Minister of the Republic of India announced that his government will open a new Consulate General in Atlanta.

The Consulate General of India in Houston currently represents Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas. The Honorary Consulate of the Republic of India is located in Atlanta. Mr. Kenneth A. Cutshaw serves as Honorary Consulate.



The Georgia Indo-American Chamber of Commerce in Atlanta (GIACC), incorporated on June 14, 2000, is a non-profit corporation organized to develop and promote trade, business, commercial and professional relations between India and the United States, specifically Georgia.

The Asian American Chamber of Commerce, a volunteer organization, works with the Asian community (including the Indian community) to build strong relationships between AACC members, local business leaders, and communities. The AACC encourages foreign development and investment in Atlanta and throughout Georgia.

The Asian Indian Chamber of Commerce, a newly started organization, focuses on small businesses, while promoting Indian entrepreneurship in Atlanta.



TRADE

In 2008, Georgia exports to India totaled approximately \$310 million, an 18% increase from 2007. Georgia's top exports to India include machinery, chemical products, paper, wood pulp, and textile floor coverings. Commodities that are experiencing an increase in exporting are iron & steel, vehicles, and railway equipment. Georgia ranked 6th among U.S. states in edible fruits and nuts exports to India, in 2008.

The Savannah district ports ranked 6th among U.S. states importing to India, in 2008. Imports received in the Savannah Customs District in 2008 reached \$1 billion, a 33% increase from 2007. Top imports from India into the Savannah Customs District include machinery, textile articles, knit apparel, and iron & steel.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

Georgia firms with operations in India:

Coca-Cola Company
Delta Air Lines Inc.
Ebix Inc.

JBoss, Inc.
Recall Corporation
S1 Corporation

Internet Security Systems Inc.



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Indian firms with operations in Georgia:

Allsec Technologies Ltd.
Hexaware Technologies Inc
Infosys Technologies Ltd.
Mahindra USA
NIIT (USA), Inc.

Prabhat Industries
Reddy US Therapeutics, Inc.
Satyam Computer Services
Sonata
Tata Consultancy Services

Patni Computer Systems Ltd.

Atlanta based food chain, Church's, plans to open 300 stores in India over the next decade. The first store opened in 2008.

In 2008, Wipro Technologies, one of the largest product engineering and support service providers in the world chose Atlanta to locate their U.S. office.

General Electric will supply Cairn, India with 32 Jenbacher gas engines that will provide electricity for India's heated crude oil pipeline. This is General Electric's largest order from India.

TRANSPORTATION

In November 2008, Delta will offer non-stop direct flights from Atlanta to Mumbai, India.

There are six ocean carriers including Hanjin, Yang Ming, and K-line that sail from India to/from Savannah ports.

The increase in exports to India contributed to The Port of Savannah's unprecedented growth in the 2008 fiscal year; India received 18,335 containers from Georgia, a 251% increase from the previous fiscal year.

COMMUNITY AND EDUCATION

Georgia Tech will open a campus in Hyderabad, India within the next year. They plan to offer degrees recognized by the United States and identical to certain degrees offered by Georgia Tech in Atlanta.

In 2007, the Education for Innovation in India, China, and America Conference was held at Emory University. The conference focused on Georgia's strategies in education and technology to attract science and business leaders around the world.

The University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, Georgia State, and Emory University all have Indian student organizations.

The India America Cultural Association (IACA) located in Atlanta has served the Indian community for 37 years to promote the heritage and culture of India.

Indian Classical Music Society (ICMS) of Greater Atlanta is a non-profit organization dedicated to the appreciation and promotion of Indian Classical Music. Since 1992, the mission of the ICMS is to offer classical music enthusiasts a unique opportunity to participate in Indian classical music activities.

