



Seminar on
Impact of WTO and FTAs on Gujarat

Program

1st Day (6 August 2012)	
0900 – 1000 hrs	Registration
1000 – 1100 hrs	Inauguration Chief Guest: Mr. R.S. Sodhi, Chairman, GCMMF Guest of Honour: Mr. Rajeev Kher, Additional Secretary, Department of Commerce, Government of India
1100 – 1155 hrs	Introduction to WTO & FTAs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is WTO?• What are FTAs?• Overview of WTO & FTAs, and their impact on the country and on states. Chairperson: Mr. Mahendra Patel, CMD, Mamata Machinery Speakers: Mr. Abhijit Das, Head & Professor, Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT Prof. Sajal Mathur, Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT
1155 – 1215 hrs	Tea Break
1215 – 1345 hrs	Panel Discussion on "Issues of Interest to Gujarat in the International Trade Context" Chairperson: Prof. Vijay Paul Sharma, IIMA Panel Members: Mr. Sunil Parekh, Corporate Advisor, Zydus Cadila Healthcare Ltd. Mr. Yatindra Sharma, President, KHS Machineries Prof. Rajasi Clerk, Dean & Head, School of Social Sciences, Gujarat University Mr. Padmin Buch, MD, GITCO
1345 – 1445 hrs	Lunch



1445 – 1545 hrs	<p>Case Studies on Experiences of Relevance to Gujarat in the WTO Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Success of GSFC in using Anti-Dumping measures to protect Domestic Industry; Ms. Farhat Daymakumar, Additional General Manager, GSFC and Mr. M.G. Jobanputra, Sr. Marketing Officer • Infrastructural Services: Case Study on Experience of the Adani Group; Mr. Snehal Desai, Associate General Manager, Adani Group
1545 – 1700 hrs	<p>“Stakeholders’ Consultations & Private Sector Participation in Trade Policy Making: The Experience of FICCI” - Mr. Manab Majumdar, Asst. Secretary General, FICCI</p>
1700 hrs	Tea Break
2000 hrs	Dinner at Hotel Courtyard Marriott, Ramdevnagar Cross Roads, Satellite Road, Ahmedabad

2nd Day (7 August 2012)	
0930 – 1030 hrs	<p>“Impact of International Trade on Handicrafts in Gujarat” - Ms. Uma Swaminathan, SEWA</p>
1030 – 1130 hrs	<p>Relevance of GI to Economy & Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GI registration of Surat Jari - Dr. P. Nayak, Member Secretary, Textile Committee, GoI • Importance of GI to Economy & Business - Mr. R M Sankar, Principal Scientific Officer, ATIRA
1130 – 1145 hrs	Tea Break
1145 – 1245 hrs	<p>Import-Export & Foreign Trade Policy - Mr. Anup K Pujari, IAS, Director General of Foreign Trade</p>
1245 – 1345 hrs	<p>Valedictory Session</p> <p>Chief Guest: Mr. Anup K Pujari, IAS, Director General of Foreign Trade</p>
1400 hrs	Lunch
Seminar Concludes	