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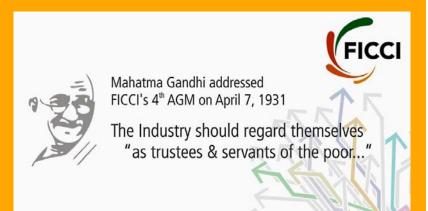






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## Hi <<First Name>>, this is the new FICCI monthly newsletter for March 2014



#### Dear <<First Name>>,

We're starting something new at the FICCI UK office. This monthly newsletter will tell you about what we are up to, and to share our latest news and successes with you.

We look forwarding to working with you in the coming months. If you have any feedback for us, please do get in touch.



## FRAMES: India's media and entertainment platform

FICCI FRAMES is India's largest media and entertainment platform. A contingent from the UK, including Manchester's development agency MIDAS, as well as 600 other foreign delegates, attended.

# Why are you receiving this newsletter?

To give you the opportunity to get to know about FICCI in the UK.

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#### **About FICCI**

A non-government, not-for-profit organisation, FICCI is the voice of India's business and industry. FICCI draws its membership frrom the corporate sector, both private and public, including SMEs and MNCs; FICCI enjoys an indirect membership of over 250,000 companies from various regional chambers of commerce.

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#### FICCI in the news

FICCI to seek clarity on independent directors (Business Line, 23 Feb)

FICCI to urge government to grant industry status to publishing



India has potential to become world's largest aviation market by 2030; \$4.4bn "biggest deal ever" signed

The comment on market potential is according to a FICCI-KPMG report released at India Aviation 2014, and the second refers to the biggest ever deal in India's aviation history signed between Spice Jet and Boeing for the \$4.4bn sale of 42 747s.

# FICCI's Agenda for Economic Growth 'Enablers for Enterprise and Employment'

# FICCI unveils economic agenda for long term growth

What is holding India back? The Agenda speaks about proactive and inclusive economic reforms, addressing social gaps in a fiscally sound manner, liberalising product markets and creating capacity through infrastructure, agricultural production and skilled manpower.



## Rt Hon Sailesh Vara MP honoured at Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2014

The Parliamentary Under-Secretary (Ministry of Justice) was honoured at PBD by Indian President Sh. Pranab Mukherjee for public service and promoting ties between India and the people of the UK.

sector (Economic Times, 16 Feb)

<u>India welcomes U.K. Visa Bond U-</u> Turn (The Wall Street Journal, 5 Nov)

<u>Delegation leaves for Pakistan to hold</u>
<u>'India Show'</u> (Times of India, 15 Feb)

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Pravasi Bhartiya Divas, organised by the Ministry of Overseas India Affairs and coordinated and managed by FICCI is to honour individuals for their outstanding and illustrious contribution in the country of their residence as well as to India in different spheres of their activity.



### <u>UK to be Partner Country for FICCI</u> Higher Education Summit in Nov 2014

Richard Everitt, Director Education, British Council India, announced this at a British Council conference just a few weeks ago.



# Most of FICCI's recommendations find place in new CSR rules

The notification of the much awaited CSR Rules by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs is a positive step for the implementation of the Companies Act 2013.



## FICCI hosts major India Gaming seminar in London

FICCI launched the debate on regulating spots bettering in India in 2012 after frequent incidents of sports betting fraud. We hosted a major international seminar on 4th Feb 2014 discussing the potential US\$60bn market.



# India's interim budget is balanced and on expected lines

Mr Siddarth Birla, President, FICCI, said India's Vote on Account on 17 Feb was "balanced and largely on expected lines." Measures accounted will assist in "efficient availability and utilisation of risk capital."



# Government allows NRIs and FIIs to invest in insurance sector

Earlier, only FDI was allowed. Insurance sector includes insurance companies, insurance brokers, third party administrators and surveyors, and loss assessors.

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