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MALAWI INDIA BUSINESS MEET 2018

The Malawi-India Business Meet (MIBM) is an annual event that is hosted by the High Commission of India, Lilongwe in partnership with the Malawi Investment and Trade Centre. The event brings together Malawian and Indian companies based in Malawi for the purposes of exploring and enhancing business opportunities in both countries. Since 2017, the MIBM gave a platform to businesses from both countries to explore opportunities accorded by each country.

This year, the MIBM was held on 16 March 2018 and served as a precursor for the main event; the 13th CII (Confederation of Indian Industries)-Exim Bank Conclave on India Africa Project Partnership to be held from 25-27 March 2018 in New Delhi, India.

The CII-Exim Bank Conclave on India Africa Partnership is India's largest Africa focused business event. It maintains the primary objective of enhancing India and Africa's partnerships at various levels. Among others, the conclave seeks to achieve this objective by increasing the interaction between the Indian industry and Africa to explore specific opportunities, discussing possibilities for Indian participation in long-term projects and the initiation of programs related to capacity building, including resource mobilization for the same. The conclave's themes for 2018 are (i) Power and Energy (ii) Infrastructure (iii) Manufacturing (iv) Education & Skill Development and (v) Agriculture which are vital for Malawi's growth.

Each year, the CII-Exim Bank Conclave on India Africa Partnership focuses on select countries in Africa which take centre stage at the conclave. For the 13th edition, Malawi is privileged as one of two guest countries along with Uganda.

Rt. Honourable Dr. Saulos Klaus Chilima, Vice President of the Republic of Malawi will be the Guest of Honour at this event along with Honourable Edward Ssekandi, Vice President of the Republic of Uganda.

Rt. Honourable Dr. Saulos Klaus Chilima will lead a strong Malawi delegation accompanied by Hon. Henry Mussa, MP, Minister of Industry, Trade and Tourism and Hon. Dr. Emmanuel Fabiano, MP, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and private businesses.

Exim Bank of India, Regional Representative in Johannesburg Mr. Sanjay Lamba also attended the MIBM to exchange ideas of how EXIM can partner with Malawi in developing business with Indian companies, through Lines of Credit and Buyers Credit.

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