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Dear Members, Partners and Stakeholders,

We are excited to share with you the latest edition of the NCI Newsletter!

In this issue, we highlight the impactful initiatives, key developments, and success stories that define our journey toward growth and progress. You'll also find updates on recent events, insights into ongoing programs, and a preview of upcoming activities designed to support and empower our members.

At NCI, we are committed to fostering collaboration, driving innovation, and strengthening our community. Your continued support and involvement are the foundation of our success. Thank you for being a valued part of NCI's journey. We look forward to achieving even greater milestones together!

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Delegation Visit to India



The Northern Chamber of Industries (NCI) and Women Chamber of Commerce & Industries and Commerce (WCIC) jointly organized an Industrial Exposure Visit to Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India, for a selected group of SME entrepreneurs from the food processing sector in the Northern Province of Sri Lanka.

The visit aimed to expose participants to modern technologies, machinery, packaging practices, and business collaboration opportunities with Indian counterparts.

This visit was under the part of the Business Membership Organization (BMO) project- Phase I, implemented by the Asia Pacific Business Association (OAV) under the financial support of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Corporation and Development (BMZ).

The delegation comprised Board Members of NCI, the CEO of NCI, WCIC Manager - Northern Chapter and SME business owners engaged in food-related manufacturing sectors such as snacks, pickles, palmyrah products, spices, and grains

Agenda

July 1 TTravel from Jaffna Chennai Coimbatore Orientation at Gokulam Park Hote

July 2 Visited to CODISSIA Trade Fair ; walkthrough and sector-focused group visits.

July 3 Thematic booth visits, observation of tech, B2B interest mapping.

July 4 B2B meetings with Indian businesses; factory visits and live demos

July 5 Multiple industry visits; networking dinner with Indian counterparts

July 6 Return travel to Sri Lanka

Follow up meeting with Consul General -India

A meeting was held with the Indian Consul General on 14th July 2025 at the Indian Consulate Office in Jaffna. The NCI Chairman, CEO, and NCI members who had visited India and are interested in purchasing machinery participated in the meeting..

The objective of the meeting was to facilitate with the participants with Indian Companies to buy machineries and to import to Sri Lanka.

The details of the visit and Business to business meeting, Factory visits was discussed with the CG and requested by NCI to make necessary arrangements to find a reliable supplier for machineries.



Rotary Means Business



The Northern Chamber of Industries (NCI) successfully hosted its Entrepreneur Evening Gathering on 9th August 2025 at the NCI office premises. The event brought together entrepreneurs, industry stakeholders and distinguished guests for an evening of networking, knowledge-sharing and collaboration.

Three distinguished guests from India Mr. We were honored to welcome three distinguished special guests from Tamil Nadu, India: Mr. Sampathkumar – Past Rotary District Governor
Dr. Saiprasanna – Rotary Past Assistant Zonal Ambassador for Empowering Women
Mr. Thanasekar – Past President of Rotary Club, Tamil Nadu participated.

The gathering was also attended by NCI Chairman Mr. Naguleswaran, Board of Directors, NCI members, representatives from the Jaffna Rotary Club and a number of local entrepreneurs.

Business Idea Exhibition & Mini Market



NCI at the Business Idea Exhibition & Mini Market (BIEM) – University of Vavuniya

NCI Chairperson, Mr. Naguleswaran, was invited as the Chief Guest at the BIEM organized by the University of Vavuniya on 15th August 2025. The event began with the ceremonial inauguration, followed by the opening of the Entrepreneurial Space, a special hut constructed by NCI with the sponsorship of our Directors and Members. This space will serve as a platform to showcase the products of NCI members during university events.

The program also featured the evaluation of innovative business ideas and the mini market stalls. Our Vice Chairperson, Ms. Jesmin Jeyamalar, proudly served as a panel member of the evaluation committee to select the best students and their creative ideas.

We were delighted to join hands with the University Vice Chancellor, Professor and Senior Lecturer Mr. Atputharajah; Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies, Mr. Y. Nanthagopan; Dr. A. Rukshan, Senior Treasurer and Advisor of the Entrepreneurship Club; along with lecturers, stakeholders, and students who made this event a great success.



Business Matchmaking with Indian Delegates



The Matchmaking Programme was held at the Northern Chamber of Industries (NCI) office on 15th September 2025. Five delegates from India, representing the state of Tamil Nadu, participated in the event.

The programme provided an opportunity for NCI members to engage directly with the Indian delegates, explore potential business collaborations, and discuss opportunities related to trade, investment, and technology exchange. The event aimed to strengthen cross-border business linkages and promote mutually beneficial partnerships between enterprises in the Northern Province of Sri Lanka and Tamil Nadu, India.



Discussion with Kotte Kingdom Representatives

The meeting on tourism development held yesterday, 21.08.2025, at the NCI office with members of the Kingdom of Kotte was very productive. It is noteworthy that NCI has agreed to work with this group on various future activities related to the development of tourism in the Northern Province.



Showcasing Magnetic North to the World



We were proud to present the Magnetic North Presentation at the Sri Lankan-German Tourism Conference, in collaboration with the German Asia Pacific Business Association (OAV). The conference organized by the AHK (Delegation of German Industry & Commerce in Sri Lanka).

The event opened new doors for sustainable tourism, partnerships, and global networking—highlighting the unique potential of the Northern Province as a key tourism destination.