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EDITORIAL

'SPECIAL ISSUE ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATING IN KERALA'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT'

Our colleagues and myself had the opportunity to attend the 2nd edition of Bio Connect 2.0 Kerala 2024 event on 27-28 September 2024 at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. The events were largely attended and was truly an eye-opener for a longtime pharma industry associate



and an observer of Kerala industrial climate for 5 to 6 decades. Under the vibrant industrial development regime led by Shri P. Rajeev, the Industry Minister and Mr. A.P. M. Mohammed Hanish, the Principal Secretary, Industries, Kerala Government, the state start-

up mission, Bio360 KSIDC, KLIP (Kerala Life Sciences Industries Park) and others are making their mark in taking Kerala to the forefront (sounds unbelievable? But true) of India's global growth and leadership as 5th largest economic power globally.



Kerala has become the first state in India to achieve Total e-governance as well as "Numero Uno" (No.1) in "Ease of Doing Business". It is a matter of pleasure for us to join this progress-march, in our own small way.

- Dr. Gopakumar G Nair

**Invitation to the Kerala Investment Roadshow,
Mumbai: Opening New Avenues for Sustainable
Growth and Investment in Kerala on 5th
December 2024 at Hotel Leela, Andheri (East),
Mumbai**

The Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. (KSIDC), in collaboration with FICCI, cordially invites you to the **Kerala Investment Roadshow**. This exclusive event is scheduled as follows:

- **Date:** Thursday, 5th December 2024
- **Time:** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- **Venue:** Hotel Leela, Andheri (East), Mumbai

The Hon'ble Minister for Industries, Law & Coir, Government of Kerala, will grace the event as the **Chief Guest**. The Minister will outline Kerala's vision for industrial growth, emphasizing the state's investor-friendly environment and commitment to sustainable development.

This roadshow is designed to position Kerala as a premier investment destination by showcasing:

- Its vibrant business ecosystem and forward-thinking policies.
- Sectoral investment opportunities in IT/ITeS, AI, Aerospace & Defence, Food Processing & Technology, Fintech, Logistics, Maritime, Tourism, Healthcare, Renewable Energy, and Infrastructure Development.
- Insights into sector-specific incentives, Kerala's sustainable growth model, and success stories.

The event will also provide unparalleled

networking opportunities, enabling you to engage with industry leaders, investors, policymakers, and senior government officials from Kerala.

We invite you to register your interest and be part of this unique platform to explore avenues for mutual growth and collaboration.

Please register using the following link:
<https://forms.office.com/r/SL7Kbdum56>.

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**The Government of Kerala has integrated
job-oriented training and internships into
engineering programs**

ASAP Kerala, a government-owned entity established in 2012, specializes in providing skilled human resources through industry-relevant skill development. Over 250000 students have been trained by ASAP Kerala since its founding in 2012. We are a CSR Implementation Agency with 12A, 80G and MOA (CSR-1) registrations. ASAP Kerala has executed state sponsored training programmes and CSR funded initiatives through CSL, Federal Bank, WASH Institute for the skilling of women, Fishermen and SC/ ST communities.

Over the years, we have successfully partnered with leading companies such as EY, Nissan Digital, L&T, Amazon, MG Motors, Hero Electric, Hykon, Avench, HTL India, dSpace, Volvo, and more. We are also a recognized dual-

certification body under NCVET since 2020 and ISO 21001:2018 certified, focusing on talent acquisition, training, establishment of Centres of Excellence, curriculum development, assessment, and certification. Further details about our initiatives can be found at <https://asapkerala.gov.in/>.

Starting this academic year, the Government of Kerala has integrated job-oriented training and internships into engineering programs.

ASAP Kerala can facilitate student placements across various engineering disciplines from colleges across Kerala, based on employers' criteria. We can arrange students for 6 months to a year-long internships, provided a minimum stipend is ensured by the industry. You can register as an employer through this link: <https://careerlink.asapkerala.gov.in/>

Gnanlex Associates - Premier Intellectual Property (IP) Advisory Firm, Showcases Expertise at Bengaluru Tech Summit (BTS) 2024



The Bengaluru Technological Summit, Nov 19-21, 2024 (BTS), held at the Palace Ground to showcase the prowess of Karnataka in

IT and BT was almost a completely IT oriented show. Practically most stalls and almost all



Start-Ups who were participating in the exhibition were related to IT, with focus on AI. The Exhibition space was large, with over 150

exhibitors, and the dedicated pavilion for start-ups had almost 200 exhibitors. As nick-named the Silicon Valley of India, Bengaluru stood up to its reputation, with the product exhibiting a range of products and services from Office management, human resource management, event management, learning and evaluation experiences, waste management, leveraging artificial intelligence for various applications-mundane and routine to hi-tech and deep-tech.

The Exhibition was always buzzing with visitors including students, researchers, businessmen, corporate personnel and government officials.



Gnanlex had a stall where the team welcomed a huge number of visitors and interacted with several of them, holding in-depth discussions and meetings. The pavilion also had some academic and government research institutions displaying their products. There were several stalls with aero products, bots and other

products on display, enthusing students and young visitors.

The highlight of the exhibition included alive demonstration of the flying skills of the Jetman, using compressed air to fly a distance of about 100meters. Also, the Exhibition had stalls from several states and nations globally such as Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Israel, New Jersey and soo, bringing an additional flavor to the event.

The three-day show accomplished the objectives of networking with IT industry, MSMEs and start-ups as well as industry leaders, policy makers and government officials, marking a milestone in bringing together several luminaries under one roof.

IPA - Dr. Deshbandhu Gupta AAiPS Distinguished Young Educator and Researcher Scholarship (2025)

The Dr. Deshbandhu Gupta AAiPS Distinguished Young Educator and Researcher Scholarship recognizes and supports exceptional young educators and researchers in the field of

pharmaceutical sciences. This prestigious scholarship aims to celebrate outstanding contributions to teaching and research while fostering continued excellence within the pharmaceutical sciences community.

The criteria and the guidelines are attached for your kind perusal and information. You may also find the guidelines

at <https://ipapharma.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/AAiPS-Young-Educator-Award-2025-announcement-and-guidelines.pdf>

The last date for submitting application with supporting documents is **Tuesday, 30th April 2025.**

For any additional information, you may please contact the undersigned at ipacentre@ipapharma.org

Regards,

Dr. Subhash C. Mandal
National Hon. Gen. Secretary
Indian Pharmaceutical Association

