

Theme: Evolution of Cold Chains – Staying ahead of the curve

From innovative packaging solutions to real time monitoring, the future of cold chain logistics holds immense potential for growth. The upward graph suggests the future of India as the Cold Chain Champion. Driven purely by evolving consumer awareness and rapid technological advancements, cold chain has set the pace for pharma and food transportation evolution. As one of the fastest-growing economies, India has a pivotal role in shaping global cold chain trends. With its vast manufacturing capabilities, strong digital infrastructure, and evolving policy landscape, India is positioning itself as a trusted and stable partner for the world. This is a platform for businesses, policymakers, and industry leaders to brainstorm and discuss the strategies that will future-proof cold chains solutions and unpredictable market dynamics.

Time	Topic
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Conference Registration and Inauguration of Exhibition and Conference
10:40 am – 10:50 am	Keynote - Dr. P. Anbalagan, I.A.S., Hon. Secretary, Department of Industries, Government of Maharashtra
10:50 am – 11:00 am	PPT by SOTI Mustafa Ebadi
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Inaugural Panel Discussion – India as a Global Cold Chain Cargo Leader - Exercising Resilience to cope with Changing Demands and ongoing Disruptions The global cold chain logistics market was valued at “USD 293.58 billion in 2023 and the market is projected to grow from USD 324.85 billion in 2024 to USD 862.33 billion by 2032, exhibiting a CAGR of 13% during the forecast period”. Let's explore the paths the govt has paved for the Indian cold storage logistics to excel and reach new highs in the global scenario • Exploring the landscape in terms of govt regulations and guidelines • Discussing the key building blocks in the cold chain sector from a policy perspective • What to expect in the next five years in terms of India's position in the cold chain logistics industry • Investing in cold chain services – explore the boundaries of FDI Moderator - Mohit Kapoor, Chairperson – Projects and Events Committee, Warehousing Association of India Speakers – • Prashant Khare, Director Proton Accelerator Group, Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology, Department for Atomic Research, Govt of India • Ajay Singh, Chief Supply Chain Officer, Hindustan Platinum Ltd. • Ajay Zadoo, Group General Manager, Central Warehousing Corporation • Gopal Mor, Director, Musaddilal Projects Pvt Ltd, Hyderabad • Mradul Jharkharia, Head of Supply Chain Management, Nature's Basket Ltd.
12:00 pm – 12:45 pm	Panel Discussion – Combating food loss – Chasing the optimal Cold Chain Processes Food waste is a pressing issue globally, but India has made remarkable strides in tackling this challenge. By implementing cold chain logistics, the country has successfully reduced food waste by 40%. In India, the cold chain infrastructure has evolved significantly over the years, driven by technological advancements and an increasing demand for fresh produce. • Refrigerated Transportation: The introduction of refrigerated trucks and vans has transformed the way perishable goods are transported. These vehicles maintain optimal temperatures, ensuring that fruits and vegetables remain fresh during transit. • Cold Storage Facilities: The establishment of modern cold storage warehouses across the country has provided farmers and suppliers with the means to store their produce longer. These facilities use advanced refrigeration technology to preserve food quality. • Temperature Monitoring: Innovative temperature monitoring systems enable real-time tracking of conditions during transportation and storage. This data helps stakeholders make informed decisions, reducing the likelihood of spoilage. • Collaborative Networks: Partnerships among farmers, suppliers, and logistics companies have fostered a collaborative approach to cold chain logistics. Sharing resources and expertise enhances efficiency and reduces food waste. Moderator – Deepanshu Manchanda, Founder and CEO, ZappFresh Speakers - • Vijay Nagariya, VP – Supply Chain & Organised Retail, Drums Food International Pvt Ltd (Epigamia) • Keyur Doshi, General Manager, Vadilal Industries Ltd. • Shri Abhishek Kumar, Joint Director, Ministry of Defence

	• Mansi Mahansaria, CEO & Founder, JustDeliveries • Varun Chopra, Executive Chairman – GEAR
12:45 pm – 13:15 pm	Talk Show - Rethinking who moves the world: Building inclusive logistics The cold chain, transport and logistics industry is evolving rapidly — and its future depends on building a more diverse workforce: women in leadership, youth in operational roles, and men stepping in as allies. This session explores real experiences, mindset shifts, and what truly makes workplaces inclusive, efficient, and future-ready. • Women and youth as catalysts for innovation and fresh problem-solving in logistics. • Practical support systems for women in field & leadership roles (beyond just policy statements). • How to attract young talent: making logistics aspirational, tech-driven, and growth-focused. • Men as allies: shifting old cultural norms to shared leadership and equal opportunities. Moderator - Arif Siddiqui, Founder and Managing Director, Coign Consulting Speakers – • Reema Kothari, Director, Reema Transport Pvt. Ltd. • Pallavi Nigam, Digital and Projects Head Supply Chain, Mondelēz International • Anil Athri, Managing Director, Dhanvanthri Engineers Pvt. Ltd. • Chaitaly Mehta, Director, EKF Global Logistics Pvt. Ltd.
13:15 pm – 14:15 pm - Networking Lunch 	
14:15 pm – 15:00 pm	Panel Discussion – Revolutionising Food Transportation through cold chain - Fleet of refrigerated transportation for all perishable food products - Food safety to ensure bacteria and foodborne diseases are kept at bay - Technology integration in cold chain logistics to ensure optimum processes - Acting in time to reduce wastage and loss of resources - Facilities designed solely for perishable eatables Moderator – Kr. Udyan Kohli, Operations and Business Head, Stortics Bharat Speakers – • Yogesh Agrawal, Senior Program Manager, Zomato – Hyperpure • Rohan Bellikatti, Managing Director, India, Middle East & Srilanka, LAMILUX INDIA Pvt. Ltd. • V. P. Vargheese, Managing Director, Surakhsha Transport Systems India (P) Ltd • Ankit Agarwal, Founder & Director, Path Insulation Pvt. Ltd. • Siddhartha Roy, CSCO, Sugar Cosmetics
15:00 pm – 15:40 pm	Talk Show - Implementing agile logistics through AI and IoT The critical management of returning products from the end consumer to the seller for purposes of returns or recalls is one of the biggest points that tends to be overlooked – resulting in the product going to waste due to compromised quality. • Managing temperature-controlled return transportation • Making sure all transportation regulations are followed to ensure optimum quality of returned goods • Cost management • Mitigating the risk of unregulated transport or disposal • Resource optimisation so the goods don't go to waste Moderator – Umesh Madhyan, COO, LEAP Speakers – • Zaiba Sarang, Chief Commercial Officer, iThink Logistics • Subramaniam Thiruppathi, Director Sales- India and Subcontinent, Zebra Technologies • Biswajit Bhattacharya, Partner and Automotive Industry Leader, India SA, Lead Client Partner, IBM
End of Conference	