

## भारत सरकार को कोलम्बिया में भारत-गुलैक व्यापार सम्मेलन का आयोजन करना चाहिए: डब्ल्यूटीसी मेडेलिन और कैली प्रमुख



नई दिल्ली, 27 अगस्त (केएनएन) भारत सरकार को कोलम्बिया में India-GRULAC व्यापार सम्मेलन आयोजित करना चाहिए, गुइलेर्मो एसेवेडो, कार्यकारी निदेशक, वर्ल्ड ट्रेड सेंटर (डब्ल्यूटीसी) मेडेलिन और डब्ल्यूटीसी कैली ने लैटिन अमेरिकी और कैरिबियन (LAC) देश के बढ़ते महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला जो भारत के लिए महत्वपूर्ण आर्थिक भागीदार के रूप में उभरे हैं।

GRULAC लैटिन अमेरिका और कैरिबियन देशों का एक समूह है।

“अनिश्चित और चुनौतीपूर्ण वैश्विक व्यापार परिदृश्य में, भारत सक्रिय रूप से अपने व्यापार भागीदारों में विविधता लाने पर विचार कर रहा है। LAC देश भारत के लिए महत्वपूर्ण आर्थिक भागीदार के रूप में उभरे हैं। डब्ल्यूटीसी मुंबई द्वारा आयोजित एक संवादात्मक चर्चा में, गुलैक देशों के बीच, कोलम्बिया अपने अंतर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार को बढ़ाने के लिए महत्वपूर्ण है।

Acevedo ने भारत सरकार से द्विपक्षीय व्यापार को बढ़ावा देने के लिए एक वार्षिक / द्विवार्षिक भारत-GRULAC सम्मेलन आयोजित करने का आग्रह किया।

उन्होंने कहा कि फैशन, परिधान, वेलनेस और हेल्थकेयर, बीपीओ और प्रौद्योगिकी भारतीय कंपनियों के लिए फोकस के कुछ क्षेत्र हैं।

एसेवेडो एक कपड़ा कार्यक्रम में भाग लेने के लिए भारत सरकार के वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के निमंत्रण पर मुंबई में है।

डब्ल्यूटीसी मुंबई, और डब्ल्यूटीसी मेडेलिन और डब्ल्यूटीसी कैली के बीच क्रमशः दो एमओयू कार्यक्रम के दौरान हस्ताक्षर किए गए थे।

तीनों डब्ल्यूटीसी द्विपक्षीय व्यापार को बढ़ावा देने के लिए विभिन्न गतिविधियों को शुरू करने के अलावा, भारत और कोलंबिया में विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी पार्क स्थापित करने की दिशा में काम करेंगे।

कोलम्बियाई अर्थव्यवस्था के महत्व पर प्रकाश डालते हुए, एसेवेडो ने कहा, “कोलंबिया दुनिया की 31 वीं सबसे बड़ी अर्थव्यवस्था है और लैटिन अमेरिका में चौथी है। इसकी बढ़ती हुई मध्यम श्रेणी है और यह ‘ड्रइंग बिजनेस 2017’ की रिपोर्ट के अनुसार व्यापार करने के लिए लैटिन अमेरिका का सबसे आदर्श देश है। इसमें लैटिन अमेरिकी और कैरेबियन क्षेत्र में सबसे कम FDI बाधाएं हैं।”

दक्षिण-पश्चिम कोलंबिया के एक विभाग, वेले डेल काका से बात करते हुए उन्होंने कहा, “2017 में कोलंबिया के सकल घरेलू उत्पाद का 10% हिस्सा था और 2018 में 3.5% की वृद्धि दर देखी गई। यह प्रशांत महासागर पर कोलंबिया का मुख्य बंदरगाह है और कोलंबिया के निकट है। आंतरिक बाजार, इस प्रकार सकल घरेलू उत्पाद का 65% और 61% आबादी को संबोधित करता है अर्थात मुख्य शहरों की खपत का 2/3। इसमें देश की सबसे विविधतापूर्ण निर्यात टोकरी है, जो कृषि, दवा, बीपीओ, पैकिंग, फैशन आदि वाणिज्य, विनिर्माण उद्योगों और आवास और खाद्य सेवाओं जैसे उद्योगों का प्रतिनिधित्व करती है जो कैली के 60% व्यवसायों का प्रतिनिधित्व करती हैं।”

प्रशांत गठबंधन, चिली, कोलंबिया, मैक्सिको और पेरू द्वारा गठित लैटिन अमेरिकी व्यापार ब्लॉक का समर्थन करने में डब्ल्यूटीसी मेडेलिन और डब्ल्यूटीसी कैली की भूमिका पर जोर देते हुए उन्होंने कहा, “हम प्रशांत गठबंधन की रणनीति और शामिल सरकारों, अन्य के साथ समर्थन कर रहे हैं लैटिन अमेरिका में WTC जो कि गठबंधन का हिस्सा है।”

डब्ल्यूटीसी मुंबई की वरिष्ठ निदेशक, रूपा नाइक ने भारत और कोलंबिया के बीच द्विपक्षीय संबंधों को बढ़ाने के महत्व पर जोर दिया और सुझाव दिया कि कोलंबिया लैटिन अमेरिका के लिए भारत के प्रवेश द्वार के रूप में काम कर सकता है। उन्होंने एसडीजी के महत्व पर जोर दिया, विशेष रूप से व्यापार, निवेश और निर्यात में और कहा कि सभी डब्ल्यूटीसी मुंबई कार्यक्रमों को 17 एसडीजी को प्रभावी ढंग से संबोधित करने के लिए आयोजित किया जाता है।

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MUMBAI, (GNI): Mr. Guillermo Acevedo, Executive Director, WTC Medellin and WTC Cali and Ms. Rupa Naik, Senior Director, WTC Mumbai signing MOUs during an interactive discussion organized by WTC Mumbai – Photo by Sumant Gajinkar

MUMBAI, 27 August 2019, (GNI): “In an uncertain and challenging global trade scenario, India is actively looking at diversifying its trade partners. Latin American and the Caribbean (LAC) countries have emerged as important economic partners for India. Among GRULAC countries, Colombia holds key to enhance its international trade”, said Mr. Guillermo Acevedo, Executive Director, WTC Medellin and WTC Cali at an interactive discussion organized by WTC Mumbai. Mr. Acevedo urged Government of India to organize an annual / biennial India-GRULAC conference to promote bilateral trade. He said fashion, apparel, wellness and healthcare, BPO and technology are some of the sectors of focus for Indian companies.

Highlighting the importance of the Colombian economy, Mr. Acevedo said, “Colombia is the 31st largest economy in the world and the 4th in Latin America. It has a growing middle class and is the most ideal country in Latin America to do business with as per the ‘Doing Business 2017’ report. It has the lowest FDI barriers in the Latin American and Caribbean region.”

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