

# VOC Port formally inaugurates and takes over Berth-7

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TUTICORIN, March 5  
MR Susanta Kumar Purohit, IRSEE, Chairperson of V. O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOC Port), on Monday formally inaugurated Berth-7 (earlier PSA SICAL Container Terminal) as the port's own berth, in the presence of Mr Vikas Nair, IRS, Commissioner of Customs, Tuticorin, Mr S. Balakrishnan, Board Member, and other senior officers of the port, terminal operators and port users.



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The berth, with exclusive approach road, 370 m quay length, draft of 11.70 m, and ample storage area of 1,00,000 sq. m will facilitate the port users to handle multipurpose cargo.

The port had earlier commenced operations at Berth-7 as its own berth to handle multipurpose cargo. This will enhance the utilisation of its asset and boost handling capacity.

The vessel *MV New Levant* called at Berth-7 for loading 18,000 tonnes of



flyash packed in 1.4 tonne jumbo bags, destined for Dammam Port, Saudi Arabia, informed a release.

# CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 to be graced by eminent dignitaries

*Leading shippers to also participate*

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MUMBAI, March 5  
EXIM India's CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025, the 15th edition, on March 11-12, 2025 at the Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai, will see notable participation



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from prominent dignitaries connected with the government and government entities.

They will be among the distinguished speakers and panelists gracing the event, adding substantial value to the discussions. Their involvement is particularly significant given their role in policy and regulatory formulation, shaping the future of the shipping, cargo and logistics sector.

Some of the eminent participants are shown in the accompanying box.

The event will provide a unique platform for these officials to share their perspectives on the evolving policy and regulatory landscape, address pressing industry challenges



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and outlining initiatives aimed at fostering growth and innovation in the sector. Their perspectives are expected to offer invaluable insights and foster collaborative efforts to enhance the efficiency and competitiveness of the cargo and logistics industry.

In addition to government representatives, the event will feature an impressive line-

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# Chennai Port achieves all-time high container volume a month before fiscal-end; also reaches 50 million tonnes

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CHENNAI, March 5  
CHENNAI Port has achieved an all-time high container volume by handling 1.66 million TEUs, on February 28, 2025, surpassing the previous record of 1.62 million TEUs during Financial Year 2018-19, a

month before the end of the current fiscal.

Further, Chennai Port attained the 50 million tonne milestone on March 1, 2025.

Mr Sunil Paliwal, IAS, Chairperson, Chen

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## CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 ...

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up of prominent industry professionals, including CEOs, entrepreneurs and thought leaders from leading logistics companies and manufacturers/shippers. They will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience, offering diverse viewpoints on emerging trends, technological advancements and best practices in the field.

The conference sessions and panel discussions will cover a wide range of topics. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with speakers, participate in interactive sessions and network with peers.

The exposition, without doubt, will be a landmark occasion in the industry, bringing together more than 100 exhibitors and attracting over 10,000 attendees.

CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025 is thus a must-attend for industry professionals to see the best on display, listen to thought leaders, learn from the experts, interact with peers, and network with key players in the sector. Whether you are a seasoned veteran or a newcomer to the industry, this event promises to be a pivotal platform for growth, innovation and collaboration.

### DISTINGUISHED PARTICIPATION

- ★ Mr Gopal Krishna, IAS, Former Shipping Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Government of India & Chairman, CSC (Conciliation and Settlement Committee)
- ★ Mr Rajiv Jalota (Retd. IAS), Advisor, Indian Ports Association
- ★ Mr Unmesh Sharad Wagh, IRS, Chairman, Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority
- ★ Mr John Southwell, Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner (a/g) and Minister Counsellor (Commercial) - South Asia, Australian Trade and Investment Commission (Austrade)
- ★ Mr Sushil Kumar Singh, IRSME, Chairman, Deendayal Port Authority & Mumbai Port Authority
- ★ Capt. Binesh Kumar Tyagi, Chairman & Managing Director, The Shipping Corporation of India Ltd.
- ★ Mr Vishal P. Mehta, Honorary Consul of the Republic of Djibouti in India & CEO, Rushabh Sealink and Logistic Pvt. Ltd.

And many more...

## Shippers from across the spectrum to be part of CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025

March 11-12, 2025, Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai

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MUMBAI, March 5

LEADING shippers from around India and the globe are set to converge next week for Exim India's CTL BHP International Expo & Conference 2025, the 15th edition, on March 11-12, 2025 at the grand Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai.

They will be representing a wide spectrum of industry, from heavy engineering goods and dangerous chemicals to liquids, textiles and FMCG products at South Asia's largest cargo and logistics exposition and conference.

Some of the key participating shippers are shown in the accompanying box. And there will be many more.

This two-day event promises to be a landmark occasion in the industry, bringing together more than 100 exhibitors and attracting over 10,000 attendees.

### Wide-ranging exhibition and comprehensive conference

Renowned for its wide-ranging exhibition and comprehensive conference, the event will feature a stellar line-up of exhibitors, speakers, panelists and delegates, besides a plethora of visitors. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the latest advancements in cargo and logistics, network with industry leaders, and gain valuable insights from expert panels and discussions.

Among the key highlights will be presentations and panel discussions by some of the industry's most influential figures. Attendees can expect to hear from top executives, thought leaders and innovators who are driving the future of cargo and logistics. The event will cover a wide spectrum of topics, including emerging technologies, sustainable practices, supply chain optimisation and market trends.

Exhibitors will showcase cutting-edge products and services.

### EMINENT SHIPPER PARTICIPATION

- ★ Thermax Limited
- Tema India Ltd.
- Mondelez Foods Pvt. Ltd.
- Prodair Air Products India Pvt. Ltd.
- Grasim Industries Limited (MBDD)
- Fluor Corporation
- Safari Industries (India) Ltd.
- Plasser (India) Private Limited
- Wirtgen India Pvt. Ltd. – A John Deere Company
- BASF India Limited

And many more.

From innovative shipping solutions to state-of-the-art warehousing technologies, the exhibition floor will have them all.

### Register now!

With delegate registration on in full swing, those interested in attending are urged to register promptly to secure their participation in this premier event. As the anticipation builds, industry professionals are gearing up for what promises to be an unforgettable gathering of the cargo and logistics community.

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