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CTL-BHP 2026 concludes with resounding success

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MUMBAI, March 19

EXIM India's CTL-BHP 2026, the 16th edition of South Asia's definitive cargo and logistics congregation, wrapped up in spectacular fashion at the **Jio World Convention Centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai, on Wednesday, March 18, 2026**. The two day extravaganza (**March 17-18**) drew top tier exhibitors, eminent speakers, distinguished panelists and leading delegates from across the logistics spectrum—spanning service providers, global shipping companies, and stakeholders from India and overseas. Thousands of visitors thronged the venue to witness cutting edge displays, gain valuable insights and immerse themselves in the vibrant atmosphere of the logistics world.



The event was inaugurated on the second day by (from left) Mr Vinet K. Chadha, Mr Rajen Bhatia, Mr Parthasarathy Gopalan, Mr Atit Mahajan, Mr Dushyant Mulani, Mr Vishal P. Mehta, Mr Sanjeev Harale, Mr Rajen Shah and Mr Gopal Krishna. Grabbing attention in the foreground is the humanoid robot 'Prithvi'

The event offered it all:

★ **Exhibits & Innovation** – Over 180 exhibitors showcased the latest products, services and technologies.

★ **Knowledge Sharing** – 8 conference sessions, 4 seminars, 4 Masterclasses, a

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workshop and a Consultant Clinic on export import topics ensured comprehensive coverage of industry issues.

★ **Networking Opportunities** – Delegates engaged in meaningful exchanges, strengthening partnerships and exploring new avenues.

Leading lights at the inauguration

Day 2 of CTL-BHP 2026 was inaugurated by graced by:

★ Mr Gopal Krishna, IAS, Former Shipping Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Government of India & Chairman, CSC (Conciliation and Settlement Committee) & Event Convener

★ Mr Rajen Shah, Chairman & Managing Director, S J Logistics India Limited

★ Mr Vishal P. Mehta, Honorary Consul of the Republic of Djibouti in Maharashtra, Advisor to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of the Republic of Djibouti & CEO, Rushabh Sealink And Logistic Pvt Ltd

★ Mr Dushyant Mulani, Director, Khimji Poonja Freight Forwarders Pvt Ltd & Immediate Past Chairman, Federation of Freight Forwarders' Associations in India (FFFAI)

★ Mr Sanjeev Harale, President, Brihanmumbai Custom Brokers Association (BCBA) & Founder, Interport Clearing Services

★ Mr Atit Mahajan, MD, CMA CGM Agencies (India) Pvt. Ltd

★ Mr Parthasarathy Gopalan, Managing Director, PIL (India) Pvt. Ltd

★ Mr Rajen Bhatia, Chairman - Western Region, The Air Cargo Agents Association of India (ACAAI) & Managing Director, Tulsidas Khimji Pvt. Ltd

★ Mr Vinet K. Chadha, Founder and CEO, Combined Logistics

A humanoid robot, 'Prithvi', at the inauguration captured attention, symbolising the era of technological advancement and innovation that defines

the industry today.

Engrossing conference sessions, seminars and Masterclass on Day 2

Eminent speakers and panelists captivated attendees at these focused events:

★ Inaugural Session – CTL 2026 – Seamless Connectivity through Smart Logistics Infrastructure

★ Fifth Technical Session: Maximizing Efficiency and Performance in Supply Chains and Warehousing with Key Enablers

★ Sixth Technical Session: The Role of Air Cargo in Strengthening Global Supply Chains and E-commerce Growth

★ Seminar - Young Minds, Big Impact: Transforming



the World of Cargo and Logistics for the Next Generation

★ Seminar - Strategies and Compliances for Way forward in International Trade

★ Masterclass - Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and Advantage for Indian Business in Export & Import

With its unmatched scope and scale, CTL BHP 2026 reaffirmed its stature as South Asia's premier cargo and logistics platform—growing stronger and more influential with each passing year.

A detailed report and photo feature will follow in the coming days.

Transshipment hubs drive growth in global port volumes in 2025

Nhava Sheva impresses

Exim News Service

SINGAPORE, March 19
THROUGHPUT at the world's leading container ports again exceeded forecasts in 2025, rising an estimated 5.2% (2024: 7.5%), as volumes were driven by both higher trade demand and widespread disturbance in the liner shipping network, as per an analysis by Alphaliner.

It explained:

Recording a second year of solid growth, the figure was above the 4.7% increase seen in the

general container trade. This reflected the serious operational disruption seen during the year, including large-scale re-routing and supply chain disorder. The threat - and temporary imposition in April - of US tariffs resulted in major cargo redistribution, particularly in Southeast Asia, while the ongoing effect of the Red Sea closure continued to divert cargo to other ports.

Transshipment gateways have been the main

beneficiary of this disruption, notably ports such as Singapore, Tanjung Pelepas and Colombo in Asia, and Tanger Med and Valencia in the Mediterranean.

Malaysia's Tanjung Pelepas was the overwhelming winner during the year, recording growth of 14.5% or nearly 1.8 Mteu, and rising three places in the rankings from 16th to 13th place.

Port volumes are now nearly 55% higher than

before Covid, as cargo transshipment has shifted from the Middle East/Red Sea to Southeast Asia.

Similarly, Singapore registered growth of 8.6%, greater than that of its nearest competitor Shanghai, while the port of Colombo again was an important redistribution point, with volumes rising 6.5% during the year. **India's Nhava Sheva reported robust growth of 12.6% after its Phase-2 expansion added some 2.4 Mteu of capacity.**