



**CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA
OSAKA-KOBE**

PRESS RELEASE

Consul General Mr. Chandru Appar visited Yamaguchi Prefecture from 05-06 March 2026. During the visit, he met Hon'ble Mayor of Yamaguchi City Mr. ITO Kazuki in Yamaguchi City. They discussed opportunities for partnership between India and Yamaguchi City to strengthen cultural exchanges & economic cooperation.

Consul General also interacted with Mr. Nagata Akio, Director General, Yamaguchi Prefectural Government, Industry and Labor Department and Mr. Kouji Fukuda, Vice Chairman, Yamaguchi Industrial Promotion Foundation (YIPF).

In terms of out reach to industries, Consul General had productive meetings with Mr. Yoshio Yanagiya, President of Yanagiya Machinery Co Ltd in Ube City, Mr. Koji Kono, Director, Ube Kogyo Co Ltd in Ube City, Mr. Yasuo Kawakami, Chairman, Chofu Seisakusho Co. Ltd. in Shimonoseki City and Mr. Eiji Matsuyama, Chairman & Mr. Isao Matsuyamain, CEO of Hibiki Seiki Co Ltd in Shimonoseki City. The meetings included exploring opportunities to deepen the trade relations between both India and Japan.

The visit is part of regular engagements with Prefectures aimed at strengthening deeper ties in areas including trade, investment, culture, education and people to people connections.

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