

# Conference on **INDIAN INDUSTRIAL MINERALS**

Novotel Ahmedabad, Ahmedabad  
21-22 February, 2024



**FEDERATION OF INDIAN MINERAL INDUSTRIES**

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## Location

The Conference will be held in Ahmedabad situated on the banks of river Sabarmati. Archaeological evidence suggests that the area around Ahmedabad has been inhabited since the 11th century, when it was known as Ashapalli or Ashaval.

During the Mughal reign, Ahmedabad became one of the Empire's thriving centres of trade, mainly in textiles, which were exported to as far as Europe. The Mughal ruler Shahjahan spent the prime of his life in the city, sponsoring the construction of the Moti Shahi Mahal in Shahibaug. During a drought, the Deccan Famine of 1630-32 affected the city, as did famines in 1650 and 1686. Ahmedabad remained the provincial headquarter of the Mughals until 1758, when Mughals surrendered the city to the Marathas. During Maratha governance, the city lost some of its past glory, and was at the centre of contention between two Maratha clans The Peshwa of Poona and the Gaekwad of Baroda. The British East India Company took over the city in 1818 as a part of the conquest of India. A military cantonment was established in 1824 and a municipal government in 1858. In 1864, a railway link between Ahmedabad and Mumbai (then Bombay) was established by the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway (BB&CI), making Ahmedabad an important junction in the traffic and trade between northern and southern India. Large numbers of people migrated from rural areas to work in textile mills, establishing a robust industry. In 1930, Gandhi initiated the Salt Satyagraha from Ahmedabad by embarking from his ashram on the famous Dandi Salt March.

Ahmedabad became the capital of the new state of Gujarat after the bifurcation of the State of Bombay on 1 May 1960. During that period, a large number of educational and research institutions were founded in the city, making it a major center of higher education, science and technology. Ahmedabad's economic base was diversified with the establishment of heavy and chemical industries in its vicinity around the same period. But the growth in the next two decades was punctuated by political events in and around the city.

The venue of the Conference will be Novotel Ahmedabad, Ahmedabad which is ideally located to give visitors a unique experience.



## Background

Industrial minerals are the essential raw materials which have myriad uses in range of industrial and domestic products used in our everyday life. The industry of non-metallic minerals is best known for the production of cement, ceramics, glass, and lime products. Non-metallic minerals like limestone and minor minerals such as gypsum and sand are used in the construction industry for making cement, concrete, and building materials. Whereas in agriculture, minerals like phosphate and sulfur are used as fertilizers to enhance soil fertility and crop production. With the focus on development of the rural segment and rapid urbanization programmes such as 'Make-in-India', it is envisaged that there would be stronger demand of these group of minerals in the near future.

The industrial minerals are not only important because of their varied uses but also play vital role in generating employment opportunities and inclusive growth. In the country's economy, annual value of production of non-metallic major minerals increased to the level of Rs.10605 crore in 2021-22 to Rs. 12236 crore in 2022-23, out of which the major contributors are limestone, phosphorite, marl, wollastonite etc. Limestone retained its leading position by contributing 88% of the total value of non-metallic minerals in the year 2022-23. Considering the importance of fertilizers in Indian agricultural sector, Phosphate has been categorized as one of the critical and strategic mineral in the Part-D of First Schedule of MMDR Amendment Act, 2023. Further, Rock Phosphate has also been included in the Seventh Schedule of the Act to have enhanced focus on exploration and establishing resources of the same.

With a view to have sustained growth of this sector, it is sine qua non that latest and environment- friendly state of the art technologies are adopted in the area of exploration and extraction to enhance productivity and acquire competitiveness for growth of the industrial minerals sector. Further, appropriate market strategies are required to be formulated taking into account the constraints and compulsions of domestic and global markets. In background of the above, the Conference on Indian Industrial Minerals is being organized by FIMI in Ahmedabad

## Conference Themes

- MINERAL POLICY vis-à-vis INDIAN INDUSTRIAL MINERALS (key issues and mitigating strategies)
- ECONOMIC MEASURES AND FINANCIAL ISSUES - market dynamics and supply -- demand patterns
- TECHNOLOGICAL UP-GRADATION AND ADVANCES
- SUSTAINABLE MINING AND DEVELOPMENT – environment, forest, land acquisition, social and governance issues
- AVAILABILITY OF FLUXES FOR STEEL, FERRO ALLOY AND REFRACTORY MAKING – issues and prospects

## Who Should Attend

Experts from leading national and international mining companies, mineral trading companies, policy makers in Government, technologists, scientist, environmental and safety experts and mining equipment manufacturers.

## Participation/Registration

To register please fill up the attached participation/registration form and return it together with the applicable payment.

## Hotel Accommodation

The accommodation for the participants has been blocked in the following hotel. Participants are requested to kindly book their accommodation as early as possible and not later than 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 directly. After 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 the rooms will be subject to availability. The booking will be on a “first-come-first-serve” basis. For the booking kindly send the email at [Abhishek.CHAKRABORTY@accor.com](mailto:Abhishek.CHAKRABORTY@accor.com) or call at +91-8238000339 with the hotel accommodation form to enjoy the below rates and mention subject as “FIMI Conference”. The cancellation policy of the hotel will be sent to you with their reply.

ROOM TARIFF PER DAY BASIS (Including Breakfast) 20 February Check-in and 23 February, 2024 Check-out		
HOTEL	SINGLE	DOUBLE
Novotel Ahmedabad	6250	7250

- The above rates are exclusive of tax.
- Kindly produce photo identification at the time of check-in for security purposes.
- In case of any increase in the existing tax structure by the Govt. of Gujarat, the same will be charged accordingly.
- Kindly mention subject as “FIMI Conference” in all correspondence with the hotels.
- Foreigners have to pay in foreign currency at the prevalent rate of exchange.

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**FORM – Please return this form with your payment to :** Conference Secretariat, FIMI Programmes and Training Pvt. Ltd., B-311, Okhla Industrial Area, Phase-I, New Delhi-110 020 (India). (this form may be photocopied to register additional delegates). Please use block letters and tick appropriate boxes.

- Please register me as a delegate for this event  
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## DELEGATE DETAILS

SURNAME.....  
 NAME (Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.).....  
 POSITION.....  
 COMPANY/ORGANISATION.....  
 POSTAL ADDRESS.....  
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 TELEPHONE.....  
 E-MAIL.....  
 ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE.....  
 (Dr., Mr., Mrs.)

<b>Participation / Registration Tariff</b>		
	<b>Before 10 February, 2024</b>	<b>Thereafter</b>
Indian/foreigners having work permits in India	INR 7,000/- +18%GS	INR 8000/- +18%GST
Foreigners	US\$200	US\$250

<b>Gold-Sponsor/ Silver Sponsor/Sponsor Tariff</b>	<b>Indian (INR)</b>	<b>Foreign (US\$)</b>
<b>Gold Sponsor</b> (ten delegates free of registration fees)	500,000	8,000
<b>Silver Sponsor</b> (seven delegates free of registration fees)	300,000	5,000
<b>Sponsor</b> (five delegates free of registration fees)	200,000	3,000

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Signature:

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DEPARTURE DATE	.....FLIGHT DETAILS.....
ROOM TYPE	.....
NUMBER OF ROOMS	.....
NUMBER OF PERSON(S)	.....
CHECK-IN DATE	..... CHECK-OUT DATE .....
CREDIT CARD HOLDER'S NAME	.....
CREDIT CARD No.	.....
CREDIT CARD TYPE	.....
EXPIRY DATE	.....
AMOUNT CHARGES	.....

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Date:

Cardholder's Signature:

# Programme Outline

20 February, 2024 Tuesday	21 February, 2024 Wednesday	22 February, 2024 Thursday
	<b>OPENING SESSION</b> 1000-1100 Hrs.	<b>SESSION-IV</b> 1000-1130 Hrs.  Sustainable Mining and Development – environment, forest, land acquisition, social and governance issues
	1100-1130 Hrs : Tea/Coffee	1130-1200 Hrs : Tea/Coffee
	<b>SESSION-I</b> 1130-1330 Hrs.  <i>Mineral Policy vis-à-vis Indian Industrial Minerals</i> (key issues and mitigating strategies)	<b>SESSION-V</b> 1200-1330 Hrs.  Availability of Fluxes for Steel, Ferro Alloy and Refractory Making – issues and prospects
	1330-1430 Hrs : Lunch	1330-1430 Hrs : Lunch
1500-1900 Hrs.  Registration ➔	<b>SESSION-II</b> 1430-1530 Hrs.  Economic Measures and Financial Issues - market dynamics and supply – demand patterns	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b> 1430-1530 Hrs.
	1530-1600 Hrs. : Tea/Coffee	1530-1600 Hrs. : Tea/Coffee
	<b>SESSION-III</b> 1600-1730 Hrs.  Technological Up-Gradation and Advances	

➔ Registration desk will remain open on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2024 during Conference hours.

## Why you should be at the Conference

- ◆ Participate in a unique Conference drawing together representatives from the Indian industrial minerals sector and all interrelated and interdependent sectors.
- ◆ Identify existing and potential deficiencies in the vital support sectors for industrial minerals.
- ◆ Enter into dialogue with policy makers, industrialists, technologists, scientists, administrators etc.
- ◆ Help develop solutions for existing and anticipated impediments to growth of the industrial mineral sector.
- ◆ To establish new business contacts and renew old ones.
- ◆ Visit the charming historical city Ahmedabad in the scenic land of Gujarat.



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