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THE NEXT CHAPTER OF INDIA'S CHEMICAL & PETROCHEMICAL ECONOMY

India's Chemical & Petrochemical industry is entering a defining phase.

The opportunity is no longer limited to expanding production capacity. The next phase is about building higher-value manufacturing, developing new chemical products, strengthening downstream industries, creating globally competitive businesses and turning emerging technologies into commercial opportunities.

The policy environment is also evolving. In Union Budget 2026–27, the Government of India announced the Bharat Audyogik Vikas Yojana Rasayan (BHAVYA Rasayan) to support the establishment of three dedicated Chemical Parks through a challenge-based selection process. The scheme has since been approved by the Union Cabinet, with the Government inviting proposals from States for the development of these parks. With the proposal submission process progressing, the initiative is expected to play an important role in shaping India's future chemical manufacturing ecosystem, strengthening infrastructure, attracting investment and promoting integrated industrial development.



The objective is clear: strengthen infrastructure, expand domestic production capacity, reduce import dependence, improve cost competitiveness and create a stronger foundation for exports. This creates a timely opportunity to examine where India's next chemical clusters, products, investments and industrial capabilities could emerge.

The scale of the opportunity is significant. Government data projects total capacity for selected major petrochemicals to rise from around 23.5 million tonnes in 2025–26 to about 25.3 million tonnes by 2030–31, reflecting continued expansion across polymers, synthetic fibres, synthetic rubber and other major petrochemical segments.

But capacity alone will not define the next decade.

The bigger opportunity lies in moving from basic building blocks to value-added products—specialty chemicals, advanced intermediates, performance materials, polymers, engineered materials and application-specific solutions for sectors such as automotive, electronics, pharmaceuticals, agriculture, construction, packaging, textiles and advanced manufacturing.

At the same time, the boundaries of the chemical economy are expanding. Chemical recycling, circular polymers, alternative feedstocks, carbon utilisation, industrial symbiosis, solvent recovery and resource-efficient manufacturing are creating new possibilities for converting waste and industrial by-products into commercially valuable inputs.

WHY GUJARAT... WHY NOW...



Gujarat is uniquely positioned at the centre of this transition.

The State is home to India's first operational Petroleum, Chemicals & Petrochemicals Investment Region (PCPIR) at Dahej, spread across 453 sq. km, with a designated processing area of 230 sq. km. The Dahej PCPIR has ONGC Petro additions Limited (OPaL) as its anchor tenant, with a commissioned petrochemical complex including 1.1 MMTPA ethylene and 0.6 MMTPA propylene cracker capacity.

Gujarat's industrial ecosystem brings together chemical and petrochemical manufacturing, ports, feedstock linkages, industrial clusters, downstream industries, logistics infrastructure and an established business base. A recent Gujarat government publication notes the State's significant national contribution, including 62% of India's petrochemical production and 53% of chemical production.

This gives Gujarat a natural platform from which to ask a larger national question :

WHAT SHOULD INDIA BUILD NEXT ?



With the Government's new Chemical Parks initiative, expanding downstream opportunities, rising demand for specialty and performance materials, and growing focus on circularity and resource efficiency, the conversation is shifting from capacity creation to value creation.

National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit, Edition 2 brings together policymakers, industry leaders, investors, manufacturers, technology providers, MSMEs, startups, researchers and global market stakeholders to examine the opportunities that could shape India's Chemical & Petrochemical industry through 2035.

THE SUMMIT WILL EXPLORE:

- What should India manufacture next ?
- Which products and applications can create new global businesses ?
- Where can new Chemical Parks and industrial clusters unlock investment ?
- How can India move further up the value chain ?
- How can waste, carbon streams and industrial by-products become tomorrow's feedstocks ?
- What technologies and capabilities must be built today for the chemical economy of 2035 ?

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INAUGURAL SESSION

The inaugural session will set the strategic context for the next phase of India's Chemical & Petrochemical industry.

The conversation will bring together government, industry and knowledge leaders to examine the evolving opportunity across manufacturing, downstream value creation, specialty chemicals, advanced materials, investment and emerging markets.

KEY THEMES

National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit, Edition 2 will explore India's next growth opportunities in the chemical and petrochemical sector, with a focus on emerging areas of value creation, downstream manufacturing, specialty chemicals and advanced materials. The discussions will examine how India can accelerate the development of high-value products and application-driven manufacturing, identify emerging segments with the potential to create new industrial opportunities, and assess the capital, infrastructure and technological capabilities required to build the next generation of businesses. The summit will also focus on opportunities for Indian companies to develop globally competitive products, expand their market presence and strengthen their position in international markets.

SUGGESTED PANELLIST PROFILES

Union Minister or Minister of State, Chemicals and Fertilizers, Gujarat Minister responsible for Industries & Mines, Secretary, Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Senior Gujarat Industries & Mines official, KCCI leadership.

PANEL 1

INDIA'S NEXT CHEMICAL AND PETROCHEMICAL OPPORTUNITY: PRODUCTS, MARKETS & INVESTMENT FOR 2035

India's chemical and petrochemical ecosystem presents opportunities across the entire value chain - from feedstock and basic chemicals to specialty chemicals, advanced intermediates, polymers, performance materials and downstream applications.

The next opportunity lies in identifying where feedstock, technology, market demand and investment can come together to create commercially viable businesses.

This session will examine the products, applications and value chains that could shape India's next phase of industrial growth. It will also consider how ongoing wars and geopolitical disruptions are affecting India's chemical and petrochemical industry through volatility in crude oil and feedstock prices, supply-chain interruptions, trade routes, input costs and export markets - and how diversified sourcing, stronger domestic capabilities and strategic investment can improve resilience.

FOCUS AREA

The session will focus on the next generation of opportunities across India's Chemical & Petrochemical sector, including the development of specialty chemicals and advanced intermediates that offer differentiated, high-value and application-specific solutions. Discussions will also explore polymers and advanced materials for emerging applications across automotive, electronics, construction, packaging and advanced manufacturing, alongside opportunities for downstream manufacturing that can create greater value from existing industrial capabilities. The agenda will examine import substitution through competitive domestic manufacturing, the development of globally competitive Indian products and markets, and opportunities for MSMEs to participate in and scale alongside larger industry ecosystems. A strong focus will also be placed on investment opportunities, including projects, technologies and innovative business models capable of attracting capital and driving the next phase of industrial growth. Discussions will also consider the national impact of geopolitical conflict on feedstock security, input-cost volatility, supply-chain resilience and the competitiveness of Indian manufacturers and exporters.

SUGGESTED PANELLIST PROFILES

Senior Government Officials, Chemical & Petrochemical Industry Leaders, Specialty Chemical Manufacturers, Polymer & Advanced Materials Experts, Downstream Manufacturers, Technology & Innovation Leaders, Investment & Finance Institutions, MSME & Industry Association Representatives.

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PANEL 2

THE NEXT CIRCULAR CHEMICAL & PETROCHEMICAL ECONOMY: FROM WASTE TO FEEDSTOCK, FROM RESILIENCE TO VALUE

The future of the Chemical & Petrochemical industry may not depend only on conventional raw materials. Industrial by-products, plastic waste, recovered materials, solvents, carbon streams and alternative feedstocks could become inputs for new products and new businesses. The opportunity is to move from a waste-management mindset towards a resource-creation mindset.

FOCUS AREA

The session will explore the emerging opportunities shaping the circular chemical and petrochemical economy, with a focus on chemical recycling and circular polymers that can create commercially viable markets for recovered and recycled materials. Discussions will examine how industrial and post-consumer waste can be transformed into useful chemical inputs, alongside opportunities for carbon utilisation and the conversion of carbon streams into new products and applications. The agenda will also explore industrial symbiosis, where one industry's by-products can become another industry's feedstock, as well as alternative feedstocks including bio-based and recycled raw materials. Further focus will be placed on resource recovery, covering water, solvents, materials and industrial by-products, and on developing circular business models built around recovery, reuse, regeneration and the creation of new economic value. The discussion will also consider disaster safety and industrial resilience, including the role of circular practices, safer resource management and risk mitigation in reducing the impact of industrial accidents, disruptions and other emergencies across chemical and petrochemical value chains.

SUGGESTED PANELLIST PROFILES

Government & Regulatory Representatives, Chemical & Petrochemical Industry Leaders, Recycling & Circular Economy Companies, Polymer & Plastics Industry Experts, Waste-to-Chemical & Resource Recovery Experts, Carbon Utilisation & Technology Companies, Alternative Feedstock & Bio-based Material Experts, Industrial Symbiosis & Process Integration Experts, Technology & Innovation Leaders, Investors & Financial Institutions, Research & Academic Institutions.

PANEL 3

FROM MOLECULES TO MARKETS: THE NEXT GENERATION OF CHEMICAL & PETROCHEMICAL STARTUPS

India's chemical and petrochemical startup ecosystem is evolving with innovations in specialty chemicals, advanced materials, polymers, circular solutions, alternative feedstocks and green technologies. This session will explore how these innovations can move from R&D to pilot, scale-up and commercial markets, while examining opportunities for industry collaboration, investment, technology adoption and global market access.

FOCUS AREA

The session will explore the growing role of startups and technology-driven companies in shaping the next generation of India's Chemical & Petrochemical industry, with a focus on innovations that can move from laboratory development to commercial scale. Discussions will cover specialty chemicals, advanced materials, green chemistry, chemical recycling, bio-based materials, alternative feedstocks, carbon utilisation, industrial biotechnology, process technologies and digital solutions. The conversation will also examine the pathways to pilot, validate and scale new technologies, including industry – startup collaboration, access to infrastructure and manufacturing capabilities, intellectual property, funding, technology adoption and market access. A key focus will be on how Indian chemical startups can build commercially viable solutions, integrate with established industry ecosystems and expand from innovation to domestic and global markets.

SUGGESTED PANELLIST PROFILES

Founder / CEO – Chemical Technology Startup, Founder / CEO – Advanced Materials or Specialty Chemicals Startup, Founder / CEO – Recycling / Circular Chemistry Startup, Founder / CEO – Industrial Biotechnology / Bio-based Materials Startup, Corporate R&D / Innovation Head – Major Chemical or Petrochemical Company, Venture Capital / Deep-Tech Investment Leader, Technology Transfer / Research Institution Representative, Government / Startup Ecosystem Representative.

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND ?

GOVERNMENT & POLICY

- Central Government Ministries & Departments
- Government of Gujarat
- Regulatory Authorities
- Industrial Development Agencies
- Export Promotion Institutions

BUSINESS & CAPITAL

- Investors
- Banks & Financial Institutions
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Business Leaders
- Project Developers
- Financial Institutions

KNOWLEDGE & TALENT

- IITs & Universities
- Researchers
- Academicians
- Chemical Engineers
- Industry Professionals
- Young Professionals
- Students

CHEMICAL & PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRY

- Chemical Manufacturers
- Petrochemical Companies
- Specialty Chemical Companies
- Polymer & Plastics Companies
- Chemical Intermediates
- Advanced Materials Companies
- Downstream Manufacturers

TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

- Process Technology Companies
- Chemical Technology Providers
- Recycling Technology Companies
- Material Technology Companies
- Startups
- Incubators
- Research Institutions

WHAT MAKES 2nd EDITION NCP SUMMIT DIFFERENT?

National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit, Edition 2 is designed not as a conventional sector conference, but as a platform focused on the opportunities that come next. The conversation moves beyond what the industry is producing today to ask what India should manufacture next, where new products and applications can be developed, how greater value can be created, and which emerging opportunities could become globally competitive businesses. It also looks beyond traditional waste management to explore whether waste, industrial by-products and alternative resources can become tomorrow's feedstocks, while examining the capabilities and investments required to build the industry of 2035.

THE NCP ECOSYSTEM

National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit, Edition 2 brings together the stakeholders required to create and scale the next generation of Chemical & Petrochemical opportunities. The platform connects government and institutions, chemical and petrochemical manufacturers, specialty chemical and advanced-material companies, downstream industries, technology providers, startups, research institutions, investors and global market partners. By bringing these perspectives together, CHEMNEXT creates opportunities for meaningful dialogue around new products, technologies, investments, applications, partnerships and markets.

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit, Edition 2 offers organisations an opportunity to participate in India's next phase of Chemical & Petrochemical growth. Industry Partners can associate with emerging products, businesses and growth opportunities; Technology Partners can showcase solutions enabling new processes, materials and applications; Innovation Partners can support startups, research and emerging technologies; Circularity Partners can contribute to recycling, resource recovery, alternative feedstocks and circular manufacturing; Knowledge Partners can bring research, data and industry intelligence to the platform; and NextGen Partners can support young professionals, students and future industry talent.

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THE CATALYST AWARDS 2026

Recognising Innovation... Accelerating Impact... Shaping Industry...

Great industries are built by organisations that dare to innovate, transform and lead.

The Catalyst Awards 2026 celebrate the organisations, innovators and industry leaders who are creating the momentum behind India's rapidly evolving chemical and petrochemical sector.

From breakthrough products and advanced materials to sustainable manufacturing, circularity, digital transformation and downstream value creation, the awards shine a spotlight on ideas that move the industry forward and achievements that create lasting impact.

WHO CAN NOMINATE ?

Organisations and industry leaders across the chemical, petrochemical and downstream value chain are invited to present their achievements and innovations.

NOMINATION FEE

₹ 25,000/- + 18% GST
Per Nomination

YOUR NOMINATION FEE INCLUDES:

- Administration & nomination processing
- Evaluation and award process
- Entry for 2 persons to the National Chemical & Petrochemical Summit
- Hi-Tea & Lunch for both registered attendees



REFUND POLICY

If a nomination is not selected by the Awards Committee, the nomination fee will be refundable after deduction of 10% towards administrative and processing charges.

Applicable award categories, eligibility criteria, nomination guidelines, evaluation process and terms may be specified separately.

Put your achievement in the spotlight.

Showcase your innovation. Gain industry recognition. Be a Catalyst for the future of the chemical & petrochemical industry.



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