



India in Angola Economic Newsletter

November— December 2021



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TOGETHER IN BUSINESS

From the Ambassador's Desk



Dear readers,

I am happy to present the eighth edition of our economic newsletter on Angola 'Together in Partnership - Together in Business'. I also take the opportunity to wish our readers a very happy new year. The year 2022 brings lot of hopes and opportunities to strengthen economic relations between India and Angola. General elections are scheduled to be held in Angola in August 2022 to elect the President and the National Assembly. This Portuguese speaking country has enjoyed peace and stability for last 20 years. In 2010, a constitution established a presidential parliamentary system. Internationally, Angola is becoming more assertive and demonstrating a stronger commitment to peace and stability in Africa, particularly in the Great Lakes region. Two years ago, it facilitated an agreement to end rising tensions between neighboring Rwanda and Uganda. Angola has made substantial economic and political progress since the end of the war in 2002. However, it faces development challenges due to its over dependence on oil economy. Efforts are being made to diversify its economy and Angola is looking forward to reliable partners to achieve this objective. While providing information on the current economic scenario in Angola, we have also covered the province of Kwanza Sul province in this edition. Readers are requested to share this newsletter with their colleagues and acquaintances. Each newsletter will also be posted on our website (www.indembangola.gov.in), Facebook page (@indiainangola2019), Twitter (@IndiainAngola) and Instagram (@india_in_angola).

With regards,

(Pratibha Parkar)
Ambassador

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Laws/LEGISLATION

Presidential Decree No. 196/16: Approves the Regulation on the Fees to be charged for Making Available the Parts of the Public Procurement Procedure.

Presidential Decree nº 283/20 of 27th of October : Model for Pricing of Oil and Gas Derivatives Establishes the Pricing Model for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Derived Products.

REGULATIONS

As part of the continuous normalization of the foreign exchange market, Banco Nacional Angola adjusted procedures for foreign investment operations to be carried out by foreign exchange non-residents in the country, by publishing the [Notice No. 11/2021, of December 23](#) Which repealed the Notice No. 15/2019 of 30 December on the Foreign Investment and all regulations contrary the provisions of this notice.

The new regulatory regime defines the procedures for carrying out foreign exchange transactions by foreign exchange non-residents related to:

- a) Foreign investment in entities without shares admitted to trading on regulated markets;
- b) Foreign investment in securities and derivative instruments;
- c) Any disinvestment of the assets referred to in the preceding paragraphs; and
- d) Income from investments referred to in subparagraphs a) and b) of article 1 of this Notice.

Removal of Circulation of Kwanza Notes from the 2012 Series

The 2020 Series notes circulate simultaneously with the 2012 Series notes. However, under the terms of Notice No. 16/20, of 10 July, the 2012 Series notes are valid until [31st of December 2021](#), that is, as of [January 1, 2022](#), these notes will no longer be accepted as a means of payment, following the following schedule: The National Bank of Angola recommends that the 2012 Series notes be deposited in due time with commercial banks or agents indicated by them. The 2012 Series metallic coins were not replaced, so they will continue to circulate in the economy and should be accepted by all.

Instruction No. 24/2021, of December 7th - Value Limits on Transactions carried out in Payment Systems

In order to update the limits inherent in the use of payment, clearing and settlement instruments and systems and the use of electronic money, in order to ensure that consumers, merchants and companies enjoy the facilities of the Payment System of Angola, the Angola National Bank publishes [Instruction No. 24/2021, December 7](#) - which is setting new threshold values for issuing checks, conducting operations in Multicaixa Network in Clearing and Settlement Systems and the System of Instant Transfers. . Thus, [Instruction No. 19/2020, of December 9](#) , is revoked, and any regulation that contravenes the provisions of this Instruction.

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Angola increases daily ATM cash withdrawal to AKz 100,000

The document signed by BNA governor, José de Lima Massano, states that the financial institution stipulated the daily amount for transfers at 5 million kwanzas.

The maximum amount per payment transaction for the Ministry of Finance and the National Social Security Institute is set at the limit of Akz 99.9 million.

The maximum daily value of purchases at Automatic Payment Terminals, per payment card, is set at Akz 10 million.

This is applicable to Financial Institutions under the supervision of National Bank of Angola (BNA).

Banks prioritize digital inclusion

Banking institutions took advantage of the 36th edition of the Luanda International Fair (FILDA), held between November 30 and December 4, to offer digital payment solutions, promote financial inclusion and encourage the digital transition, in addition to investing in applications with more attractive interest rates.

For example, the Atlantic Millennium bank launched the application "*400 #", where the customer can create a bank account that gives to possibilities any type of operation. For its implementation, just the customer call via your mobile phone, open the an account in Atlântico, right away. The advantage is that in less than a minute businessmen and Angolan private customers can open an account, without needing to have a balance, ready to make transfers, purchase recharges and make payments for purchases from merchants who use the solution 400 speeds. This operation according to the commercial director Atlantic Millennium Bruno Freitas Pinto, it is supported by over 200 banking agents present in 18 provinces. The application also includes an innovation called "fixed code" that allows merchants to have an alternative to operations with TPA. " This means that merchants no longer need to use a TPA to carry out secure automatic sales." The product is promoted with the slogan "My cell phone is my bank", due to the ability of people to have in their hands, through a cell phone, the financial management of their accounts. "The platform makes financial inclusion and massification of banking. It brings more savings, as people will not need to travel to carry out a survey, thus allowing for more security", he informed. In the coming days, Banco BNI customers will be able to count on yet another innovation in electronic payments, at no additional cost, called "Guita" which will allow merchants to access the transaction report at the end of the day, view the information through filters , such as date, history and value, through its portal. The information that the systems are in the testing phase was given by the Marketing Manager of Guita, Renata Hall, and is an evolution of the existing BNIX, which has been developed in "positive" partnership that promises to be more secure and with extra features, in addition to transfers, electricity and telephone payments.



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Angola calls for strengthened cooperation to deal with economic crimes

Angolan minister of Justice and Human Rights Francisco Queiróz Wednesday in Luanda spoke of the need to strengthen the international cooperation in the fight against illicit cash flow and money laundering.

He said that the country wants to rely on the international support in combat this evil.

Delivering his speech at the ceremony to launch Support Project for Strengthening of National Asset Forfeiture System in Angola, a United Nations

initiative, the official said that the project aims to consolidate the democratic State and its institutions.

“The launch of this project is meant to ensure the fulfillment and respect for legislation. In addition to consolidate democratic state of law the project will also have impact on the strengthening of the capacity to prevent and pursue the offenders”, stated the minister.

He also stressed the country’s intention to empower and support the country’s institutions that play relevant role in combat illicit financial flows and the money laundering.

They are Attorney General’s Office (PGR), the General Inspection of the State Administration (IGAE), the Criminal Investigation Service (SIC), State Asset and Participations Management Institute (IGAPE) and the General Tax Administration (AGT).

“We are dealing with crimes of very high degree of complexity. So the intention is to strength the country’s capacity to improve the prevention and fight cross-border crimes, money laundering and corruption”, added the minister.

The three-year project is funded by European Union (EU) and is meant to develop an effective system to fight against the illicit financial flow and contribute to the economic increase and reduction of poverty.

The initiative is part of combat the corruption as a priority in cooperation policy for development of European Union, as included in the strategy of the United Nation’s Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) for 2021-2025.

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Entrepreneurs gain more options

Rede Segura and the Luanda Academy of Entrepreneurs signed in Luanda, a protocol that aims to provide low-cost training to young people aspiring to the job market.

The event took place during a colloquium, held under the motto "Training for competence", whose objective was the presentation of the Rede Segura project and the launch of the "AEL Networking" and "AEL Mentor" section.

According to the president of the Rede Segura Angola group (OPA Angola), Gourgel Neto, the signing of the protocol is of paramount importance, as this is part of OPA Angola's corporate and social responsibility with regard to cooperation in working with communities and Luanda Entrepreneur Academy. The initialed agreement, he reinforced, will allow the promotion of entrepreneurship and also the entry of trainees into the labor market. According to the leader of OPA Angola, the training actions will start in 2022 and, consequently, in the following years.

"The training will be organized by the Luanda Entrepreneur Academy (AEL) and in return, Rede Segura will provide the trainers for this purpose," he explained.

Another fact revealed by Gourgel Neto is that of the selected courses, "Entrepreneurship", "World-class Leadership", "Written and Communicative Communication Course", "English Course for the Oil Industry and the other sectors" and even more basic formations such as Excel one, two and three, respectively. The courses will have a starting price between 10 and 20 thousand kwanzas for the "Academia de Empreendedor de Luanda".



India wants to expand areas of cooperation with Angola

The Ambassador of India to Angola, Mrs. Pratibha Parkar, expressed on 10.12.21 in Luanda, India's intention to expand the areas of cooperation in Angola, considering it a country with several investment opportunities. The Ambassador, who spoke during the briefing with journalists on the occasion of the celebration of Christmas and the 75 years of independence of her country, said that they intend to expand cooperation in the areas of agriculture, using new technologies, diamond, telecommunications, traditional medicine and pharmaceutical products, among others. The Indian diplomat stressed that this factor is due to the fact that bilateral relations between the two countries are satisfactory, and that they have been working to diversify relations into other areas of mutual interest, taking into account the ample opportunity for cooperation between the two countries.



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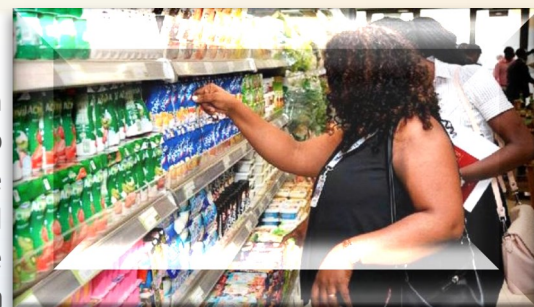


Ambassador Parkar explained that the interest in the diamond sector arises from the fact that Angola is one of the largest producers in the world and India is the leader in stoning, with a focus on generating jobs for Angolans.

She assured that Indian companies are available to take advantage of investment opportunities in Angola in the telecommunications and information technology sector, as well as to share information and help in the Angolan government's digitization process. According to her, the two countries can work mutually and join synergies in order to achieve common benefits. She recalled that every year the Indian government has provided 40 scholarships for Angolans to graduate in India. Trade between the two States, in the period 2017-2019, reached USD 3 billion, in exports, and USD 4.3 million, in imports, dominated by shipments of Angolan oil to that country. According to advanced data, the trade balance between Angola and India is favorable to Angola, a noticeable increase in the last three years, compared to previous years, having gone from around USD 4.0 billion to 4.5 billion between 2017 and 2018, 4.4 billion in the 2018-2019 period and 4.0 billion in the 2019-2020 period. In this period (2019-2020), India's imports were USD 3.7 billion and exports USD 0.3 billion. Angola imports from that country, essentially, pharmaceutical products, agricultural machinery, electrical materials, motor vehicles, among others. India and Angola share relations since the times of national pre-independence, when they supported the struggle for liberation. Bilateral diplomatic cooperation remote since 1985.

Inflation rises to 26.98% in November

The country registered a 26.98% increase in inflation in November compared to the same period of 2020, also accelerating 2.08 percentage points in relation to the variation registered in October, according to the National Statistics Institute (INE). As for the National Consumer Price Index (IPCN) of November 2021, the year-on-year change in inflation in this period is situated at 26.98%, recording an increase of 2.08 percentage points in relation to the same previous period (November 2020).



"Comparing the current year-on-year variation with that recorded in the previous month, there is an acceleration of 0.11 percentage points", reads the Rapid Information Sheet (FIR) prepared by INE. Regarding the evolution of prices in relation to October, the IPCN "recorded a variation of 2.08%" and underlines that "comparing the monthly variations (October 2021 to November 2021) there is an acceleration of 0.02 percentage points over time. which, in year-on-year terms (November 2020 to November 2021), there is an acceleration in the current variation of 0.09 percentage points". The Angolan provinces of Bié with 1.88%, Bengo with 1.91%, Cuanza Sul and Uíge with 1.95% each and Cunene with 2.02% are the ones that registered the smallest change in prices during the month of November.

The greatest variation in prices was registered in the provinces of Cuanza Norte (2.25%), Huíla (2.24%) and Zaire, Malanje and Namibe with 2.23% each.

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Angola takes over presidency of oil producing countries in Africa

The Republic of Angola was elected to chair, in 2022, the presidency of the African Petroleum Producers Organization (APPO), during the 41st session of the Council of Ministers of that body, held in Algeria, on December 14, 2021, by video conference.

Thus, the presidency of Angola will be exercised by the minister of Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas, Diamantino Azevedo, succeeding Mohamed Arkav, minister of Mines and Energy of Algeria, according to a note to which ANGOP had access this Thursday. For the vice-presidency, of the organization it was elected the Minister of Water and Mines of the Republic of Benin, Samou Seidou. According to the organization's communiqué, the main topic of the agenda of the Council's ministerial discussions was the “future of the oil and gas industry in Africa, in light of the global quest for energy transition”. During the session, ministers noted that the transition takes place at a time when African economies are preparing to embark into industrialization processes which require a lot of energy. The ministers identified the imminent challenges that the oil and gas industry will face in Africa, such as financial resources for research and technological development, calling on technologically advanced and financially capable countries to lend their products. Likewise, the Council reaffirmed its commitment to protecting the environment, emphasizing the need to pursue technologies that would allow the use of fossils with minimal carbon footprints. The organization of African Petroleum Producers has 14 members, namely Algeria, Angola, Benin, Cameroon, Chad, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Libya, Niger, Nigeria and South Africa. This organization was created in January 1987 in Lagos, Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Wheat and meat among the most imported products

Angolan maritime shipping companies handled, during the first quarter of this year, more than one million tons of goods, according to the statistical bulletin of the Angolan Cargo Certification and Logistics Regulatory Agency. For the body assigned to the Ministry of Transport, the 10 most imported goods were wheat and a mixture of wheat and rye (10 percent), fresh poultry meat and offal, containers for transporting fluids and pork (5.0) , corn, granite and other stones (3.0), rice, sugar and fertilizers (2.0). Also, according to the document sent to Jornal de Angola, in the first quarter of 2021, 2,694 vehicles were certified for embarkation, whose main landing port was Luanda, with 99 percent of vehicles (2,678), following Lobito and Cabinda (with seven vehicles each) and, finally, Namibe (with two units). Of the shipping certificates issued for car imports, according to ARCCLA, it was observed that companies such as Chinangol, Lda, with more than 500 vehicles, Sicomex Lda, about 300 and the Ministry of Transport with more than 300, appear with the highest volume of certified vehicles. 170 vehicles. Also in control are Sogepower and Toyota de Angola, with a percentage of 21.9 percent.



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During this period, around 80 percent of the vehicles that landed in Angola came from countries such as China, the United Arab Emirates, Belgium, South Korea and Brazil. Of the car import markets, China leads with a share of around 29 percent, representing 807 cars, followed by the United Arab Emirates, with 19 percent and around 599 cars. Belgium appears with 17 percent (413 cars). The MSC company took the first position among the largest maritime carriers in Angola. In subsequent positions appear NileDutch, PSL, CMA, CGM, UAL and SEATRADE. Also according to the records for the 1st quarter, based on the certificates issued by ARCCLA, Nile & Victória General Trading Lda were the companies with the highest volume of certified cargo for import, reaching 205 million and 586 tons and a percentage of 14 percent of the total of the consigned cargo. Cart Empreendimentos SA follows with seven percent, Moagens de Angola (5.0), Falco (4.0) and Baker Petrolite (3.0 percent).

These five largest importers account for more than 30 percent of the cargo certified for import. In the quarter under review, the MSC company took the first position among the largest maritime carriers in Angola. On the other hand, the report explains that the market that was most used to import was China. It has a record of almost 200,000 tonnes, representing around 14 percent of cargo for imports, followed by Brazil, Portugal and France with five percent. South Africa is still in control with four percent on the list of the most affluent markets. Turkey occupied the first position in exports, with a record of 9,200 tonnes for that country. Portugal follows with five thousand tons and China with three thousand.



Three of the four operators with global licenses in Angola received Monday in Luanda their titles for the use of 3.3-3.7 Giga Hertz (GHz) frequencies.

This will enable them to use 5G technology in order to improving telecommunications in the country. These land mobile telephone titles were delivered by the Angolan Telecommunications Institute (INACOM), to Unitel, Movitel and Africell companies. This last (Africell) made the first official telephone call in Angola on Thursday. According to the CEO of INACOM, Pascoal Ale Fernandes, 5G will bring many benefits. But he added that its implementation may pose challenges, thus calling for greater cooperation and shared investments to ensure the success of this process. "The regulatory framework for sharing electronic communications infrastructure is crucial," he noted. To him, this is a permanent mission to ensure that market operators have an environment conducive to their growth and competitiveness and that users obtain maximum benefits, in terms of choice of services, price and quality of these services. "For the consumer, the 5G technology makes it possible to switch faster and more stable, with ease in downloading content using mobile data in a few seconds, or watching high-definition streaming," he explained. The official added that the move also gives the possibility of supporting a greater density of equipment at the same time and, thus, increasing the quantity of service and covering more customers per square kilometre. Likewise, he said it is a historic landmark for telecommunications in the country, as it is one of the biggest levers of social inclusion through the digital means and because it is a system that has already been tested by operators within the scope of the changes that the market imposes.

Province in Angola

Kwanza Sul Province



History

Kwanza Sul is one of the 18 provinces of Angola, located in the central region of the country. Its capital is in the city and municipality of Sumbe.

According to population projections of 2018, prepared by the National Institute of Statistics, it has a population of 2,109,999 inhabitants and a land area of 55,660 km² (4.7% of the country's total area), being the fifth most populous province of Angola.

Kwanza Sul was founded on 15th September 1917 when the colonial government decided to divide the district of Kwanza into the district of Kwanza Norte (headquarters in Golungo Alto) and the district of Kwanza Sul (headquarters in Porto Amboim).

In 1955 the district headquarters was transferred from Porto Amboim to the town of Sumbe.



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Kwanza Sul Province

Geography

It is bounded to the north and northeast by the rivers Longa and Cuanza, with the provinces of Luanda, Cuanza Norte and Malange; to the south with the province of Benguela; to the southeast with the provinces of Bié and Huambo, and; to the west with the Atlantic Ocean.

Demography

The largest ethnic groups present in the province are the Ambundos, in the north, who speak Kimbundo, and the Ovimbundos, in the south, who speak Umbundo. The main language spoken is Portuguese.

Economy

The most important economic activities in Kwanza Sul are linked to its strong agricultural sector, mainly permanent crops. Industrialization is focused on the transformation of agricultural products produced in the province itself.

Husbandry and extractivism

The most relevant permanent crops are coffee, palm, banana, citrus fruit, as well as fruit and vegetables, such as guava. Temporary crops, on the other hand, are sugar cane and cotton, in the proximities of the coast, and; corn, wheat, potatoes, soybeans, rice and sunflower in the sub-planar region. Marine extractive fishing is a strong sector in the Quissonde bay, Porto Amboim and the coastal strip of Sumbe; while river fishing is practiced mainly in Libolo and Mussende.



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Kwanza Sul Province

Industry and mining

It is in the agro-industrial subsector where the main industrial plants of Kwanza Sul are located. They are basically dedicated to the processing of milk and beef. There are also relevant agro-industrial plants for the minimal processing of coffee and rice.

Another activity that has a strong agro-industrial presence is timber extraction, with furniture factories, sawmills and joinery. Its presence is recorded in the municipalities of Seles, Libolo and Amboim, where there are large quantities of eucalyptus, pine and gravel.

There is already the mineral activity of industrial nature records wage mass in the extraction of diamonds, limestone, sand and pebbles.

There are also industrial activities of beverage manufacturing, inn keeping and boat repairs, as well as a significant wage bill and taxes from hydroelectric generation at the Laúca Hydroelectric Plant, the Capanda Hydroelectric Plant and the Caculo Cabaça Hydroelectric Plant.

Commerce and Services

The commercial sector is concentrated in the wholesale centres of Sumbe and Porto Amboim, of strictly regional importance, to supply food and basic items for the province.

As regards services, the logistics sector has great prominence in the flow of products through the Port of Kwanza Sul, in Porto Amboim.

Culture and leisure

The province is famous for its cave paintings from the Neolithic era and ruins of ancient fortifications, such as the Amboim Fortress, the Quicombo Fort, the Quibala Fort and the Calulu Fortress.

Province in Angola

Kwanza Sul Province



JOB PEDRO CASTELO CAPAPINHA

Provincial Governor of Kwanza Sul

Personal Information

Job Pedro Castelo Capapinha was born on 9 May 1962 in the village of Domingos João, Urban District of Catete, Municipality of Icolo and Bengo, Luanda Province.

Academic Curriculum

Graduated in Philosophy and Master in Political Science and Public Administration (2002/2008)

Languages : Portuguese spoken and written

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Celebration of 6th Ayurveda day in cooperation with chamber of traditional medicine in Angola



6th #AyurvedaDay2021, was celebrated in Angola with an event on Ayurveda and Natural therapy organised in Calumbo, planting of medicinal saplings, laying of foundation stone of an Ayurveda hospital and display of herbal products in Angola.



Indian Ambassador highlighted India's contribution to this age-old natural science and stressed its importance in today's world for the benefit of our future generations. H.E. Dr. Franco Mufinda, Secretary of State for Public Health, H.E. Dr. Cecilia, National Director of Cultural Heritage, H.E. André Moda, Secretary of State for Forestry, H.E. Ms. Paula Viegas Contreira, Vice Administrator of Viana for Social and Political area and Dr. Kitoko Maiavangua, President of Chamber of Natural Medicine of Angola addressed the event highlighting benefits of Natural Medicines and thanked India's cooperation. Emphasis was placed on highlighting the importance of #Ayurveda in holistic wellbeing.

Other Economic Engagements

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Índia-Angola: Restabelecendo
Parceria de Comércio na era
pos Pandemia



S.E. Sra. Pratibha Parkar
Embaixadora da Índia em Angola

OBJECTIVOS PRINCIPAIS:

1. Compreender o presente status económico em Angola com relação a Covid-19.
2. Explorar varias oportunidades de negócios para exportadores indianos no ambiente económico prevalente e encontrar informações compreensiva sobre o mercado Angolano.
3. Mapear as estratégias a serem seguidas para reforçar as nossas relações comerciais e económicas com Angola.
4. Partilhar experiências com os comerciantes Indianos em Angola.

Terça Feira, dia 09 de Novembro de 2021
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Embassy of India, Luanda in partnership with FIEO, India organized VC on India-Angola: Resetting Trade Partnership in the Post-Pandemic Era to explore opportunities, roadmap & strategies of economic cooperation between India and Angola on 9th November, 2021.



On 05.11.21, Ambassador met H.E. Dr. Franco Mufinda, Secretary of State for Public Health, Ministry of Health; H.E. Dr. Nzwa André, Administrator of Calumbo Municipality in Angola; H.E. Dr. Cecilia, National Director of Cultural Heritage; Dr. Kitoko Maiavangua, Chairman of Professional Chamber of Traditional Medicine Therapists, Natural, Alternative and Non-Conventional of Angola; & H.E. Ms. Paula Viegas Conreira, Vice Administrator of Viana for Social and Political area and discussed bilateral cooperation in Ayurveda & Natural Medicine and way forward to tap opportunities in this field.

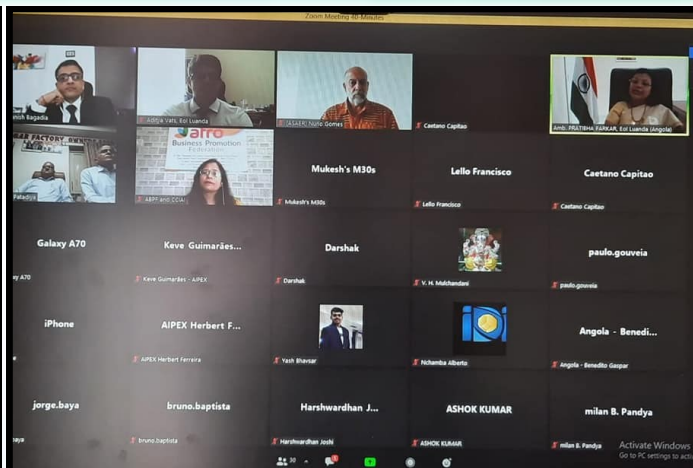
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Embassy in cooperation with FIEO organised an interactive VC on 'India-Angola : Resetting trade partnership in the Post pandemic era'. The event in hybrid mode saw around 200 participants. Ambassador invited Indian companies to export and invest in the Angolan market that offers vast potential with Angola diversifying its trade basket. She highlighted friendly bilateral relations which are on an upward trajectory and invited Indian businesses for further strengthening the trade partnership in the Post pandemic era.



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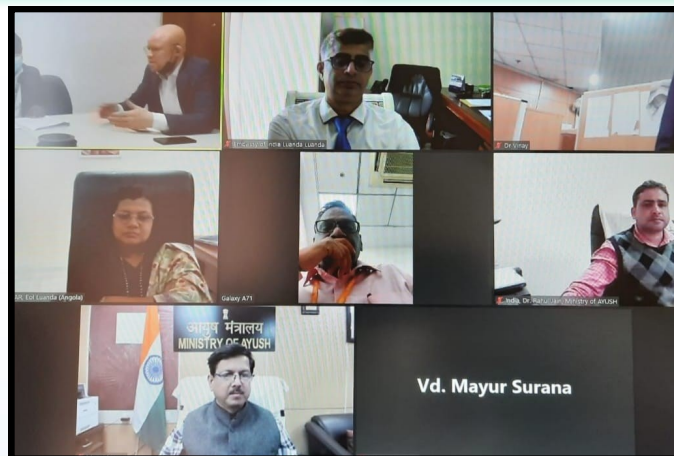


Amb delivered keynote address on 10.11.21 at VC titled 'Solar Energy Solutions from India to Angola' organized by Afro Business Promotion Federation (ABPF) and Câmara de Comércio e Indústria de Angola - Índia (CCIAI).



Embassy of India, Luanda in partnership with Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion Council of India (Pharmexcil) organized Webinar & B2B Session on Opportunities in Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals. Ambassador H.E. Mrs. Pratibha Parkar gave Opening Remarks on outlining the India-Angola trade opportunities. 120 participants from Pharmaceuticals sector in India and Angola joined and interacted during the B2B session on 17.11.21.

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On 29.11.21, Embassy organized a virtual meeting between the M/o AYUSH and the National Institute of Health and Research, Ministry of Health, Angola (INIS). Comprehensive discussions were held for bilateral cooperation in terms of products and services, development of academic excellence and other issues including MoU in the field of traditional systems of medicine.



On 30.11.21, Amb visits the International Fair of Luanda (FILDA) 2021 and interacts with the Indian management of prominent companies at the stalls of Campotec, Flotek, Gulkis and Mafcom.

Other Economic Engagements



On 15.11.21, H.E. Ambassador met Mr. Shams Alimohamed, Chairman, Mafcom and Ms. Geeta Singh, Director, Little Angels International School and discussed about the promotion and diversification of Indian businesses in Angola. Cooperation for Corporate Social Responsibility and the company efforts in promoting education in Angola by setting up Little Angels Intl School were also discussed. .



H.E Mrs Pratibha Parkar, Ambassador met Dr Franco Mufinda, Secretary of State Health on 02.12.21 and discussed bilateral cooperation in the health and medicine sector. She assured full cooperation of the Indian government in fight against Covid 19 especially with the new variant Omicron. The cooperation in the traditional medicine area was also discussed.

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The second edition of Annual Press event was organized on 10.12.21 in the Embassy with the participation of twenty five prominent journalists representing important government and private media houses from Print, Electronic and digital Media. H.E Mrs Pratibha Parkar, Ambassador presented an overview of India-Angola bilateral relations and briefed them about the ongoing #AzadiKaAmritMahotsav celebrations. She enlightened the journalists on the achievements of India in the last seventy five years including major initiatives, policies and milestones of the government. Two documentaries namely #AzadiKaAmritMahotsav and “India’s Foreign Policy People’s policy” were also screened during the event.

Grant of scholarships to Angolan students



On As part of #AzadiKaAmritMahotsav celebrations, enhanced scholarships granted by ICCR to Angolan students this year under the Africa Scholarship Scheme. HE Amb Pratibha Parkar handed over scholarships to a batch of 17 more students who are going to India for attaining their higher education at Andhra University.