

Ahmedabad Grand Launch Function of PLASTINDIA 2026



The Plastindia Foundation on Wednesday held a grand launch function for PLASTINDIA 2026 in Ahmedabad, bringing together stakeholders from Gujarat's plastics and manufacturing sector to outline the industry's growth outlook. The 'Bharat Next' roadmap, targeting a national plastics industry valuation of \$50 billion by 2026, was also unveiled on the occasion.

The roadshow, organised in the run-up to PLASTINDIA 2026 scheduled to be held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, from February 5 to 10, was attended by senior industry leaders and policymakers. The event was organised in partnership with the Gujarat State Plastic Manufacturers' Association. Gujarat's role as a major contributor to India's plastics production, processing, and exports was a central focus of the discussions, with emphasis on the state's integrated petrochemical base and established manufacturing clusters.

Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghavi was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Speaking at the inaugural session, Harsh Sanghavi said, "PLASTINDIA 2026 marks an important milestone, not only in terms of scale and participation, but also in its emphasis on responsibility and sustainability. Exhibitions are often measured by numbers, but it is encouraging to see a strong focus on recycling and other planned initiatives during the event."

"The plastics industry market is nearly Rs. 4 lakh crore and provides employment to lakhs of people. It is among the few sectors witnessing sustained growth, with significant opportunities. Gujarat offers a conducive environment for such growth, with assured policy support, investment safety, and long-term returns. The state provides access to raw materials, strong port connectivity, and industry-friendly policies. With Gujarat accounting for over 40% share of the plastics sector, I encourage industry players to





consider integrated industrial parks in the state, where the government will extend all necessary support,” he added.

India’s plastics sector has grown steadily over the past decade, expanding from approximately \$15 billion in 2010 to over \$37 billion in 2023. Exports currently stand at around \$10 billion and are projected to reach \$15 billion by 2026. The roadshow positioned PLASTINDIA 2026 as a key meeting ground for manufacturers, processors, technology providers, and buyers from India and overseas.

Speaking on the occasion, Ravish Kamath, President of the PlastIndia Foundation, said, “The Indian economy is on course to reach \$30 trillion by 2047. The plastics sector will be a primary engine of this growth. Gujarat, with its highly developed petrochemical infrastructure and processing capabilities in hubs like Rajkot, Halol, and Vapi, is uniquely positioned to capitalise on this expansion. PLASTINDIA 2026 is the gateway for Gujarat’s manufacturers to secure global contracts and technology partnerships.”

Alok Tibrewala, Chairman of the National Executive Council of PlastIndia Foundation, said, “The global supply chain is realigning, and the world is looking at India for reliable, high-quality manufacturing. With 2000+ exhibitors and over 6 lakh visitors, PLASTINDIA 2026 offers the scale to demonstrate that Indian manufacturers are ready to meet global demand. For Gujarat’s industrialists, it is the place to be to transition from local dominance to global leadership.”



The roadshow highlighted emerging demand across segments such as packaging, consumer products, infrastructure, and recycling. Sustainability and circular economy practices were discussed as areas of growing focus, particularly in light of India’s expanding waste management and recycling markets, where Gujarat accounts for a significant share of national capacity.

PLASTINDIA 2026 is expected to host exhibitors and visitors from across the world, covering the full value chain of the plastics industry. The exhibition will feature machinery, raw materials, finished products, and processing solutions, alongside knowledge sessions and business interactions aimed at supporting trade, investment, and collaboration.