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MESSAGE

I am happy to know that the US-India BioPharma Summit is being organised by USA-India Chamber of Commerce (USAIC) at Boston (USA) on June 13th, 2008 and that a programme Book is being released on the occasion.

The Summit in this era of globalization facilitates delivery of affordable innovation through cross border partnerships. The changes in Intellectual Property Rights due to the TRIPS agreement has made India an attractive choice for investment of BioPharma & Healthcare Industries.

The annual US-India Biopharma Summit provides continuity of thoughts by bringing together important stakeholders from the Industries, academia, investment agencies and policy makers. It is important to mention here that the 2007 Summit had generated a number of partnerships and business deals following which many US BioPharma companies have not only showed interest but have also set up their base in India.

India with an Annual growth rate of approximately 9 %, provides an unique opportunity for US BioPharma & Healthcare Companies to take advantage of Summits like this to accelerate the process of partnership.

As India is emerging as a major global economy, it is making changes in its regulatory scenario to harmonize them with the rest of the World. Growth drivers in this evolution are mainly cooperation between industries and academia, and Institutions like ICMR, NIPER have developed excellent partnership with US Institutions in this area.

I wish that the USA-India Chamber of Commerce continues its excellent work in promoting harmony & growth in the area of BioPharma & Healthcare between the two world's largest democracies.

I wish all success to the ensuing summit of USAIC.

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