

**Mahamaheem's Address at the CII's Interactive Session
with Former President of India Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
on 7th October, 2010 at Lucknow**

Hon'ble Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Saheb, Office bearears
of the CII, Distinguished Guests, Friends from Media,

It is a matter of great pleasure for me to be with
you on this occasion. I welcome you all in the city of
Lucknow, the seat of a unique composite culture.

It is important in the present-day scenario that the
CII has taken up the agenda of 'business for livelihood'
for the year 2010-11. It is important more so as Uttar
Pradesh is the second largest economy country. As we

are aware that endowed with a bounty of natural resources and human resource, Uttar Pradesh is potentially the most promising State in India with its fast growing infrastructure. The State termed earlier as sleeping giant is poised today to propel itself on a fast clip.

The importance of industrial growth in our era can be gauged by the fact that whenever the American President visits a country, his entourage is never without representatives of industrial organizations of the U.S.

I sincerely believe that CII has to play a very-very important role in the acceleration of the future economy of our country and the State as well. It is heartening to note that taking its national initiative forward, CII in Uttar Pradesh is working to provide a platform for sectoral consensus building and networking.

Once again I welcome you all to the capital of Uttar Pradesh and thank you for coming here to attend this important session. I also sincerely believe that deliberations during the interaction session will be highly useful for the rapid industrial growth of this state, as a

result of which Uttar Pradesh will succeed in fulfilling the aspiration of India to reap the demographic dividend and become a world economic power in the true sense.

Thank You - Namaskar