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Premier Doug Ford Praises CIF & Hindu Federation



Toronto: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario praised the relief efforts started by Canada India Foundation and Hindu Federation in the wake of ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

CIF, along with Hindu Federation, started delivering groceries, cooked meals, providing transportation and medical supplies to the International students, seniors, front-line healthcare workers, and other vulnerable citizens.

Need any help visit our website www.covid19-help.ca

- For seniors help please [click here](#)
- For International Students please [click here](#)
- Others [Click here](#)

If you are in dire need of anything or wish to be part of this initiative please contact us at info@candaindiafoundation.com

The IMF says its forecast for the COVID-19 recession might now be too optimistic



- The IMF sees GDP per capita shrinking across 170 nations due to the coronavirus pandemic, but the projection "may actually be a more optimistic picture than reality produces."
- The IMF noted that even a short-lived outbreak would drag the world into a 3% GDP contraction.
- A resurgence of COVID-19 in 2021 could leave economies struggling for years to come.

The International Monetary Fund recently announced the "Great Lockdown" recession will drag global GDP lower by 3% in 2020, but its managing director now thinks the gloomy outlook could be too positive.

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Modi Mantra of Engaging Diaspora

By Pankaj Dave*



India is among the very few countries that boasts the power of its supportive and collaborative diaspora. With its humongous size, massive industrial base, enormous skilled labor force, rich cultural heritage (incubator to world's great civilization), pluralistic society and vibrant democracy; these attributes make India an undisputed emerging global power. Indian diaspora can effectively help in advancing its aspirations to strategically pivot in contemporary geopolitics.

As per the Ministry of External Affairs report, there are over 31 million NRIs and PIOs residing outside India (2018). The Indian Government's passion for integrating overseas Indians actively in the 21st Century was reflected during the recent visits of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the Gulf Countries, Europe, China, USA, UK, and Canada.

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CIF relief efforts in response to COVID-19

CIF, teamed up with Hindu Federation, is working at forefront and privileged to help front line workers with gloves, KN 95 masks and face shields at Trillium Health Partners, Oakville Hospital, and Brampton Civic Hospital to fight the pandemic.

CIF is also working to deliver more personal protective equipment to other hospitals as well.

We also delivered prepared meals at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

Trillium Health Partners



Oakville Hospital



Brampton Civic Hospital

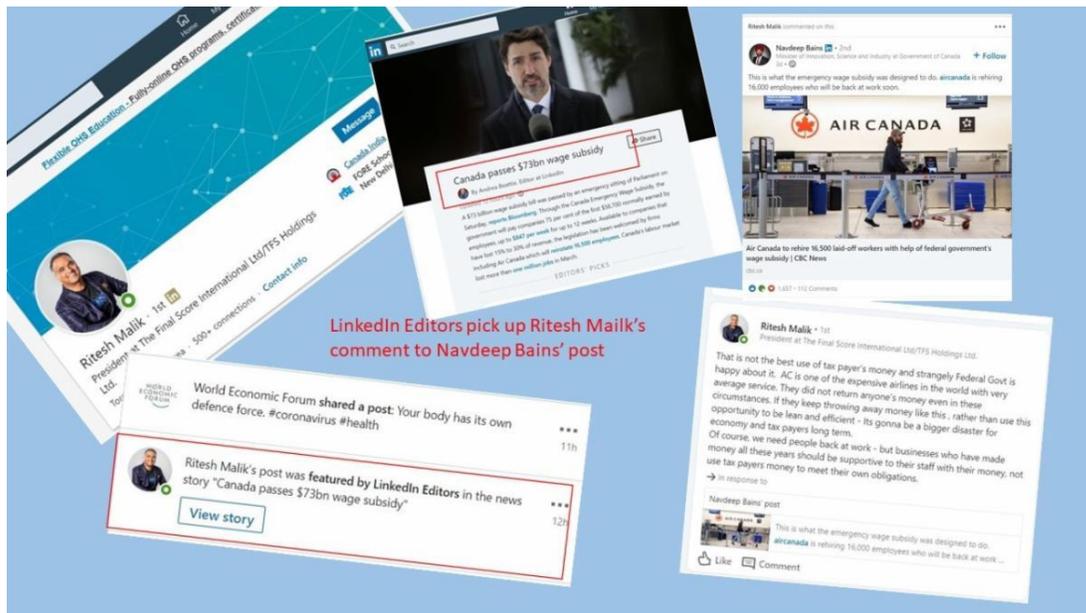


Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital



CIF members in news

CIF member Mr. Ritesh Malik's comment to Hon. Minister Navdeep Bains' post is picked up by LinkedIn Editors on 12 April 2020 and included in the compilation of report on the \$73 billion wage bill subsidy passed by the Canadian parliament.



Kothari Group donates \$25, 000 to Eden Food for Change



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Kothari Group matched all donations to Eden Food for Change, up to \$25,000, for the Kothari Community Challenge. Mr. Kothari said that “We are constantly humbled by the work Eden Food for Change does to help families in our community get access to basic human needs. We at Kothari Group believe that no one has to choose between going into debt and feeding their families, especially due to COVID-19.”

Earlier in March 2020, they gifted \$10,000 to Trillium Health Partners for buying PPE for hospital staff fighting COVID-19.

Mr. Norton Kothari, a member of CIF is Chairman of Kothari Group.

Natu'oil Services Inc helping poor & homeless during Pandemic

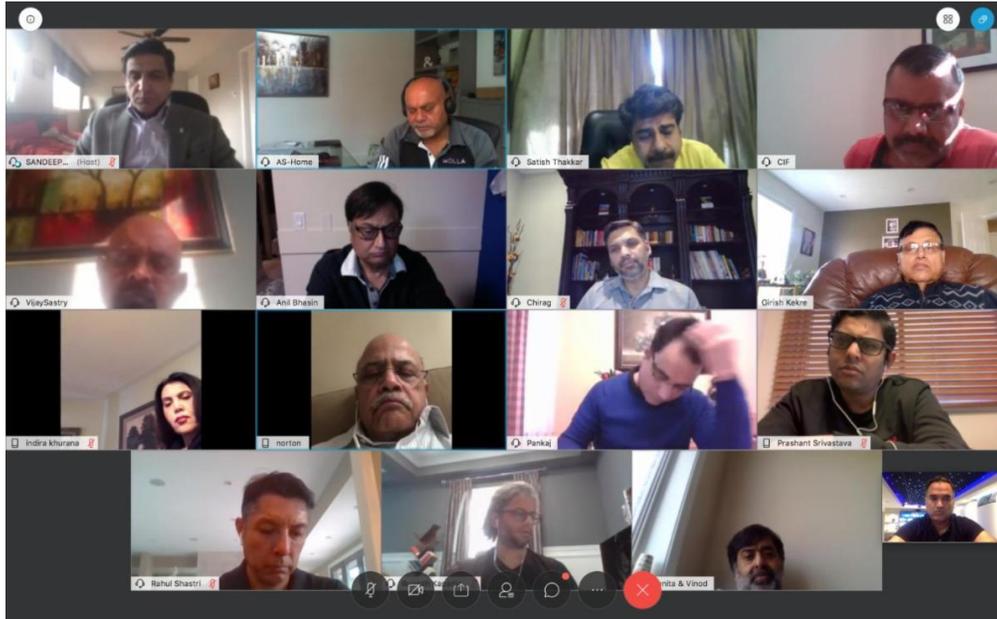


In the wake of the Coronavirus pandemic, CIF member Ms. Hema Bhatt's Natu'oil Services Inc (Canada), has generously stepped forward to help by providing 500 meals and 50 food hampers to CityReach Care Society in Port Coquitlam. Natu'oil India Private Ltd (India) has contributed donations to the Prime Minister's Fund. Global Agri-trade Corp, (USA) has provided aid to the Gardena Food Pantry in California to eliminate food insecurity for families in crisis and Pro Natural Resources Sdn Bhd (Malaysia) provided much needed funds to a care home for the poor and homeless elderly.

Bhatt Group of Companies with the head office, Natu'oil Services Inc., based out of Port Coquitlam which has interests in North America, India, Singapore, and Malaysia.

Ms. Hema Bhatt, a member of CIF is Vice-President, Natu'Oil Services & Co-Founder, Bhatt Group of Companies.

Members Briefing on COVID-19 Relief work through Video Conference



Canada India Foundation held a video conference with its members to update the ongoing relief work for COVID-19. CIF is working closely with Hindu Federation to help seniors, international students and other vulnerable citizens with free cooked meals, grocery, transportation, medical help, accommodation etc.

For details please visit www.covid19-help.ca

How India is dealing with COVID- 19?

Please see the below information provided by Consulate General of India to update how India is dealing with COVID-19 pandemic?

- Letter from Consulate General (Toronto) [\(click here\)](#)
 - Managing a pandemic in world's largest democracy [\(click here\)](#)
 - PPT slides on COVID -19 Response [\(click here\)](#)
 - News clippings on COVID-19 Response [\(click here\)](#)
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