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INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF AUCKLAND

What's Going On?

ICA NEWSLETTER

Minister of Commerce & Industry Government of India.

Two staff members from International College of Auckland had the pleasure of being invited to attend the ministers only public speech while he was in New Zealand.

Mr Kamal Nath is not only the minister of commerce & Industry but he is also the General Secretary of the Indian National Congress Party and a member of the Congress Working Committee. As Commerce & Industry Minister of India, Kamal Nath voiced India's first comprehensive Foreign trade Policy which took place in 2004. The focus being exports as well as employment. He has been successful in doubling India's foreign trade within a period of less than three years.

As you can imagine he was a very dynamic speaker and is very passionate about growing industry between India and New Zealand. He is actively seeking to move towards a free trade agreement with our two countries. He stated that India has learnt a lot from China's successful growth and India now sits where China was eleven years ago. This can only be positive for the growth of India, China and New Zealand business.

One of the potential areas that has been recognised is in Agriculture, in March 2008, New Zealand's Minister for Agriculture proposed to have an "umbrella agreement" to lift the level of co-operation in the Agriculture sector. New Zealand is also known for it's excellent world class food and beverage industries as well as Horticulture and agritec.

Having a strong business relationship with India will lead to growth into other Asian Countries. He encourages New Zealand to not only look to the strong market in the northern region of Asia but also look towards the South eastern areas of Asia.

There are millions of people wanting to move away and study in Countries like New Zealand.

So is The International College of Auckland ready?

YES WE ARE!



Don't forget to check out our web page".

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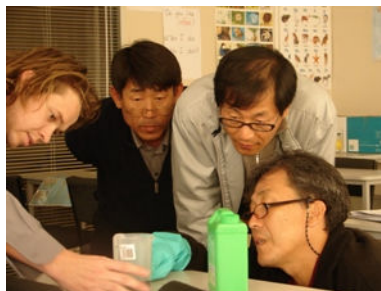
EMPLOYMENT NEWS:

The International College of Auckland has a very successful employment rate. As of this newsletter going to print we have 85% of our students placed in work place situations. We have built up a good group of grower contacts and the growers are finding our students to be very reliable and eager to be working. We are constantly looking at ideas in which we can better help our students. Recently we formed a group of Horticultural industry people who are now working to place our students in job placements. So far this has been a very successful development for our College and our Horticultural students. Due to the success of this new relationship of the job facilitators we aim to also assist our other students with employment opportunities as they arise. In the future our business students will also get the benefit of employment offers. Please contact us if you would like more information or you know of employers looking for workers.

Growsafe Course

Recently The International College of Auckland held a Growsafe course on the campus. Twenty past and present students attended and started their study towards holding an approved Handlers certificate. This certificate is highly recognized in the Agriculture and Horticulture field as it allows the participant to buy and use chemicals legally. This course has to be administered by an Approved Erma registered licenced facilitator. ICA will hold these courses on a regular basis. Please contact the college to be enrolled for the next course available.

Please note there is a discount for all ICA students.



Growsafe - Approved Handler Certificate Course

This 1 day course covers the requirements needed to achieve the Growsafe certificate and also to apply for the HSNO Approved Handler Certificate for Agrichemicals. It also covers 10 credits towards the National Certificate in Horticulture (Advanced)

Saturday 28th June 2008
9:00 to 4:00

Fees: ICA Graduates and students - \$280.00
Non ICA students - \$330.00

"Taking enrolments now"

'Immigration News'

One of our new students that enrolled in our new Advanced Horticulture Certificate had an amazingly quick response to her application. She applied for her student study visa and her husband applied for his open work visa.

21st April they applied.
28th April visa approved.
29th April Husband found a job.

This was all processed in an amazing 7 days!

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