

# INDIA AND JAPAN TRADE MISSION

29 August to 5 September 2025

## REPORT TO PARLIAMENT

**The Honourable David Crisafulli MP**  
Premier and Minister for Veterans

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## Official Party

### **The Honourable David Crisafulli MP**

### **Premier and Minister for Veterans**

Mr Damien Walker

Director-General, Department of Premier and Cabinet

Mr Jason Tibbitts

Deputy Chief of Staff (India)

Ms Katie Omrod

Director of Policy (Japan)

Mrs Yasmahne Hanel

Director, Protocol and International Engagement

## Trade and Investment Queensland (TIQ)

Mr Abhinav Bhatia

Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner,  
South Asia

Mr Tak Adachi

Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner,  
North Asia

Ms Melissa Inooka

Deputy Commissioner, Trade and Investment  
Queensland, Japan

## Queensland Police Service (QPS)

Mr Joshua Carey

Personal Protection Officer, QPS (India and  
Japan)

Mr Kemsley Kelly

Personal Protection Officer, Advancer, QPS  
(India)

Mr Ashley Kermond

Personal Protection Officer, Advancer, QPS  
(India)

Mr Michael Horosko

Personal Protection Officer, Advancer, QPS  
(Japan)

## Queensland Business Delegates and Supporting Attendees

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
<b>India</b>	
Mr John Cotter	North West Phosphate
Professor Carolyn Evans	Griffith University
Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff	Brisbane Airport
Ms Janette Hewson	Queensland Resources Council
Mr Matt Latimore	M Resources Pty Ltd
Ms Kylie Rampa	Queensland Investment Corporation
Professor Margaret Sheil AO	Queensland University of Technology
Professor Deborah Terry AC	The University of Queensland
Mr Brendan Webb	North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation

### **Supporting Attendees for India**

Mr Allan Border AO	Queensland Great
Mr David Conry AM	M Resources
Mr Ben Gargett	M Resources
Professor Mark Harvey	Queensland University of Technology
Mr Brett Lovegrove	University of Queensland
Mr Ram Madiraju	M Resources
Mr Ben Paxton-Hall	North West Phosphate
Mr Vikram Wahie	BHP Mitsubishi Alliance
Ms Yuliya Zhdanov	BHP Mitsubishi Alliance

### **Japan**

Mr John Cotter	North West Phosphate
Mr David Hanham	Queensland Rugby Union
Ms Janette Hewson	Queensland Resources Council
Mr Adam Lancey	BHP Mitsubishi Alliance
Mr Matt Latimore	M Resources Pty Ltd
Mr Andrew Liveris AO	Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee
Ms Kylie Rampa	Queensland Investment Corporation
Mr Brendan Webb	North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation

### **Supporting Attendees for Japan**

Mr Allan Border AO	Queensland Great
Mr David Conry AM	M Resources
Mr Sam Cordingley	Queensland Rugby Union
Mr Ben Gargett	M Resources
Mr Ram Madiraju	M Resources
Mr Aidan Meka	M Resources
Mr Yasu Nagai	M Resources
Mr Greg Norman AO	Independent Director, Brisbane 2032 Organising Committee
Mr Ben Paxton-Hall	North West Phosphate
Mr Vikram Wahie	BHP Mitsubishi Alliance

### **Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ)**

Ms Katie Mills	Tourism and Events Queensland
Ms Ryna Sequeira	Tourism and Events Queensland

## Program

Friday 29 August 2025 – Brisbane	
9.20am	Depart Brisbane Travel to Mumbai via Singapore
10.10pm	Arrive Mumbai

Saturday 30 August 2025 – Mumbai	
8.30am – 9.00am	<b>Meeting with Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Paul Murphy, Consul-General in Mumbai, DFAT</li> <li>- Mr Abhinav Bhatia, Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner, TIQ</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Boardroom, Trident Bandra Kurla Hotel</p>
9.00am – 9.45am	<b>Meeting with Indian Pulses and Grains Association (IPGA)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Bimal Kothari, Chairman, IPGA and Managing Director Pancham International Ltd</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Boardroom, Trident Bandra Kurla Hotel</p>
11.00am – 12.00pm	<b>Study Queensland Education Showcase</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Queensland Global Connector and Alumni</li> <li>- Dr Monica Kennedy, Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner, Austrade Mumbai</li> <li>- Professor Ren Yi, Pro Vice Chancellor, The University of Southern Queensland</li> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Mark Havey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> <li>- 155 students and parents</li> </ul> <p>Venue: The Pallazio, St Regis, Mumbai</p>
1.00pm – 2.30pm	<b>Meeting with JSW Steel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Jayant Acharya, Joint Managing Director and CEO</li> <li>- Mr Arun Maheshwari, Commercial Director</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Yuliya Zhdanov, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: JSW Headquarters</p>

Saturday 30 August 2025 – Mumbai	
3.00pm – 3.45pm	<b>Meeting with DreamSetGo</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Daniel D'Souza, Co-Founder</li> <li>- Mr Farshid Master, Head of Marketing</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> <li>- Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: DreamSetGo Office, Maharashtra</p>
4.30pm – 5.00pm	<b>MOU signing between M Resources and Tata Steel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, CEO, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr TV Narendran, CEO &amp; MD, Tata Steel</li> <li>- Mr David Conry AM, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Ben Gargett, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Peeyush Gupta, Vice President, Tata Steel</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Business Centre, Hotel Oberoi, Nariman Point</p>
5.00pm – 6.00pm	<b>Meeting with Tata Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr T V Narendran, CEO &amp; MD, Tata Steel</li> <li>- Mr K Kritivasan, CEO, Tata Consultancy Services</li> <li>- Mr Paul Murphy, Consul-General, DFAT</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Yuliya Zhdanov, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Business Centre, Hotel Oberoi, Nariman Point</p>
6.30pm – 7.30pm	<b>Meeting with Chief Minister of Maharashtra for Ganpati Festival</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister of Maharashtra</li> <li>- Mr Paul Murphy, Consul-General in Mumbai, DFAT</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Varsha Bungalow, Malabar Hills</p>
overnight	Trident Bandra Kurla Hotel

Sunday 31 August 2025 – Mumbai   New Delhi	
9.00am – 9.30am	<b>Meeting with the Thomas Cook India Group and MOU signing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Himanshu Sampat, National Sales Head, Leisure Travel, SOTC travel</li> <li>- Ms Suzanne Pereira, Senior Vice President – Trade Relationships, Communications and Service Quality, Thomas Cook India</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> </ul>

Sunday 31 August 2025 – Mumbai   New Delhi	
	Venue: Boardroom, Trident Bandra Kurla Hotel
<b>9.45am – 10.15am</b>	<b>Meeting with Reliance Industries Limited</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Nikhil Meswani, Executive Director</li> <li>- Mr Srinivas B, President, Chairman's office</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Boardroom, Trident Bandra Kurla Hotel</p>
<b>11.00am – 11.30am</b>	<b>Taste of Queensland in-store promotion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Mayank Gupta, Co-Founder, Food Square</li> <li>- Mr Lalit Jhawar, Co-Founder, Food Square</li> <li>- Chef Sushil Multani, Founder and Executive Chef, Saulo Foods</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Food Square, Linking Rd, Santacruz (West), Mumbai</p>
<b>1.30pm</b>	Depart Mumbai
<b>3.40pm</b>	Arrive New Delhi
<b>6.00pm – 6.30pm</b>	<b>Meeting with DFAT and Austrade</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT</li> <li>- Mr Mukund Narayanamurti, General Manager, Austrade South Asia</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>7.00pm – 9.00pm</b>	<b>Queensland Delegation Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT</li> <li>- Mr Mukund Narayanamurti, General Manager, Austrade South Asia</li> <li>- Mr John Cotter, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr David Conry, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Munish Kaushal, TIQ</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Dum Pukht, Hotel ITC Maurya, New Delhi</p>
<b>overnight</b>	Taj Palace, New Delhi



<b>Monday 1 September 2025 – New Delhi</b>	
<b>9.00am – 9.45am</b>	<b>Meeting with Air India</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Campbell Wilson, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director</li> <li>- Mr P Balaji, Senior Vice President, Governance, Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Affairs</li> <li>- Mr Dipayan Ghosh, Head, Network Planning and Scheduling – Commercial</li> <li>- Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Air India office, Gurugram</p>
<b>11.00am – 11.45am</b>	<b>Meeting with UQ-IITD joint PhD program</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Professor Rangan Banerjee, IITD Director (VC equivalent)</li> <li>- Professor P Vigneswara Ilavarasan, Professor in Charge of the UQ-IITD Academy</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, Pro Vice Chancellor, Global Partnerships, The University of Queensland</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi</p>
<b>12.30pm – 2.00pm</b>	<b>Education Roundtable</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: High Commissioner's Residence</p>
<b>2.30pm – 3.15pm</b>	<b>Signing and Announcement Ceremony of Strategic Partnerships</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr John Cotter, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Alamgir Room, Taj Palace</p>
<b>3.30pm – 4.00pm</b>	<b>Meeting with IndiGo</b>

<b>Monday 1 September 2025 – New Delhi</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Pieter Elbers, Chief Executive Officer</li> <li>- Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Nausheen Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>4.00pm – 4.45pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Indian Steel Association</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Naveen Jindal, Chairman ISA, Chairman Jindal Steel &amp; Power</li> <li>- Mr Alok Sahay, Secretary-General, Indian Steel Association</li> <li>- Mr Ravinder Kumar Bhan, Senior Director, Indian Steel Association</li> <li>- Mr Sanjiva De Silva, Energy and Resources Counsellor, DFAT</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Nausheen Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>5.30pm – 6.00pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Indian Ministry of Education</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Minister of Education</li> <li>- Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Nausheen Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>6.45pm – 7.30pm</b>	<p><b>Queensland-India: Celebrating 20 Years of Partnership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Chairman, Ador Powertron, Acusensus</li> <li>- Mr John Cotter, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Mumtaz Mahal Room, Taj Palace</p>
<b>7.30pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with State Bank of India</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms Jayati Bansal, Deputy Managing Director</li> </ul>

<b>Monday 1 September 2025 – New Delhi</b>	
	Venue: Boardroom, Taj Palace
<b>7.30pm – 9.30pm</b>	<b>Friends of Queensland Reception</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Nick McCaffery, Deputy High Commissioner, Australian High Commission</li> <li>- Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Chairman, Ador Group</li> <li>- Mr John Cotter, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Shahjehan Hall, Taj Palace</p>
<b>overnight</b>	Taj Palace, New Delhi

<b>Tuesday 2 September 2025 – New Delhi   Tokyo</b>	
<b>8.30am – 9.15am</b>	<b>Meeting with Pro Kabaddi League and Promoter</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Anupam Goswami, Chief Executive Officer, Sports League, Disney Star India and League Commissioner, Pro Kabaddi League</li> <li>- Ms Katie Mills, TEQ</li> <li>- Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ</li> <li>- Mr Nathan Sharpe, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Nausheen Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>10.00am – 10.45am</b>	<b>Meeting with North West Phosphate and Adani Partnership and MOU announcement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Samir Vora, Executive Director Adani Australia</li> <li>- Mr Udayan Jain – Head, LNG and Phosphate, Adani Enterprise</li> <li>- Mr Maulesh Desai – Head Trader, Adani Enterprise</li> <li>- Mr John Cotter, Manager Director North West Phosphate business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, Operations Director, North West Phosphate</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Nausheen Boardroom, Taj Palace</p>
<b>11.30am – 12.15pm</b>	<b>Meeting with Jindal Steel and Power Limited</b>

Tuesday 2 September 2025 – New Delhi   Tokyo	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Naveen Jindal, Chairman and Managing Director</li> <li>- Mr Sanjiva De Silva, Energy and Resources Counsellor</li> <li>- Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Jindal Centre, Bhikaji Cama Place</p>
<b>1.00pm – 1.30pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Indian Ministry of Sports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports</li> <li>- Mr Nick McCaffery, Deputy High Commissioner, Australian High Commission New Delhi, DFAT</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Ministry Offices</p>
<b>2.00pm – 3.30pm</b>	<p><b>Sports Roundtable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate</li> <li>- Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Murray Harris Room, Australian High Commission</p>
<b>6.00pm</b>	Depart New Delhi
<b>overnight</b>	Inflight

Wednesday 3 September 2025 – Tokyo	
<b>5.55am</b>	Arrive Tokyo
<b>9.15am – 10.00am</b>	<p><b>Meeting and site visit with NTT Data</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Takamune Yamanaka, Vice President, Head of Technology Consulting</li> <li>- Mr David McKeering, CEO, Australia and New Zealand region, NTT Data</li> <li>- Mr Shigeo Tani, Manager, Technology Consulting Division, Technology Consulting Division</li> <li>- Mr Daisaku Ikeda, Senior Manager, Innovation Manager, Innovation Technology Department, Technology &amp; Innovation General Headquarters</li> <li>- Ms Akiko Hasegawa, Manager, Sustainability Business Office, Sustainability Innovation Headquarters, Corporate Planning General Headquarters</li> </ul>

<b>Wednesday 3 September 2025 – Tokyo</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Motoshi Muraoka, Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, NTT Data Institute of Management Consulting</li> </ul> <p>Venue: NTT Data Centre East, Mitaka, Tokyo</p>
<b>11.20am – 12.45pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Saitama Governor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Motohiro Ono, Saitama Governor</li> <li>- Mr Yukihito Shirato, Saitama Prefectural Assembly</li> <li>- Mr Kuniaki Saito, Secretary General, Saitama Parliamentary Association for Japan-Australia Friendship</li> <li>- Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul-General of Japan in Brisbane</li> <li>- Mr David Hanham, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Governor Residence, Urawa, Saitama</p>
<b>2.15pm – 3.30pm</b>	<p><b>Site visit to Kumagaya Rugby Stadium</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Ichiro Kono, Executive adviser to the Japan Rugby Football Union</li> <li>- Mr Takashi Yamagami, CEO, Japan Rugby Football Union</li> <li>- Mr Hitoshi Arai, CEO, Saitama Rugby Football Union</li> <li>- Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul-General, Consulate General of Japan in Brisbane</li> <li>- Mr David Hanham, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Kumagaya Rugby Stadium</p>
<b>6.00pm – 6.30pm</b>	<p><b>Meeting with Idemitsu Kosan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Atsuhiko Hirano, Representative Director, Executive Vice President &amp; Executive Officer, Overseas Business Strategy, Energy Resources Business Strategy, Corporate Solution Business &amp; LPG Business Strategy</li> <li>- Mr Hidekazu Nakamura, Deputy General Manager, Coal and Energy Solution Department</li> <li>- Mr Tomoki Muto, Manager, Australia Business Development Section, Coal and Energy Solution Department</li> <li>- Mr Takao Niina, Manager, Strategic Planning Section, B2B strategy office, Coal &amp; Energy Solution Department</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Salon, Imperial Hotel Tokyo</p>
<b>6.30pm – 8.30pm</b>	<p><b>Friends of Queensland Reception</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul-General, Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane</li> <li>- Mr Sumio Kusaka, Former Ambassador to Australia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs</li> <li>- Mr John Cotter, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr David Hanham, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Janette Hewson, business delegate</li> </ul>

<b>Wednesday 3 September 2025 – Tokyo</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Adam Lancey, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr David Conry, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee</li> <li>- Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Hikari Function Room, Mezzanine Level, Imperial Hotel Tokyo</p>
<b>overnight</b>	Imperial Hotel, Tokyo

<b>Thursday 4 September 2025 – Tokyo</b>	
<b>9.00am – 10.15am</b>	<p><b>Meeting and site visit with Urban Renaissance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Masaru Ishida, President</li> <li>- Mr Koichiro Moritani, Associate Vice President</li> <li>- Mr Takehiro Umezu, Director General, Department for Global Affairs</li> <li>- Mr Tadahiko Mori, Deputy Director General, Department for Global Affairs, Urban Renaissance Agency</li> <li>- Mr Takeshi Yamashita, Department for Global Affairs</li> <li>- Mr Keisuke Miyamaru, Department for Global Affairs</li> <li>- Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Salon at Imperial Hotel (meeting) Site visit: Takanawa Gateway City Development Area</p>
<b>11.00am – 1.30pm</b>	<p><b>Tokyo Investor Energy Roundtable Lunch</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ms Helen Stylianou, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian Embassy, Tokyo, DFAT</li> <li>- Ms Elizabeth Cox, General Manager, North East Asia, Austrade</li> <li>- Mr Atsuhiko Hirano, Representative Director, Executive Vice President &amp; Executive Officer, Overseas Business Strategy, Energy Resources Business Strategy, Corporate Solution Business &amp; LPG Business Strategy, Idemitsu Kosan</li> <li>- Mr Takefumi Nishikawa, Executive Officer, COO, Energy Solutions &amp; Healthcare Division, Sojitz Corporation</li> <li>- Mr Koji Matsuoka PhD, General Manager, Innovation Technology Center, Central Technology Research Laboratory, ENEOS Corporation.</li> <li>- Mr Hajime Tanaka, General Manager, Steel Raw Material Department, Marubeni Corporation</li> <li>- Mr Masateru Takada, General Manager, Coal &amp; Nuclear Fuel Strategic Business Unit, Sumitomo Corporation</li> </ul>

Thursday 4 September 2025 – Tokyo	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Katsunori Tanaka, Senior Fellow, Executive Vice President (GX Business), GX (Green Transformation) Solutions, Senior Chief Engineer, Energy Solutions, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries</li> <li>– Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Ambassador's Residence</p>
1.45pm – 2.45pm	<p><b>Meeting with Mr Koichi Hagiuda, Member, House of Representatives, National Diet of Japan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Koichi Hagiuda, Member, House of Representatives, National Diet of Japan</li> <li>– Mr Daichi Suzuki PhD, Member, House of Councillors, National Diet of Japan</li> <li>– Mr Kentaro Asahi, Member, House of Councillors, National Diet of Japan</li> <li>– Mr Andrew Liveris, business delegate</li> <li>– Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: First Members Office Building of the House of Representatives 2 Chome-2-1 Nagatachō, Chiyoda City, Tokyo</p>
3.30pm – 4.00pm	<p><b>Exchange business cards with Japan Carbon Frontier (JCOAL) Executives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Toshifumi Watanabe, Chairperson</li> <li>– Mr Osamu Tsukamoto, President</li> <li>– Mr Masamichi Hashiguchi, Executive Managing Director, Secretary General</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Toranomon Hills Mori Tower (Level 5, Hall A), 1-23-1 Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo</p>
4.05pm – 4.20pm	<p><b>Premier's Special Address: Japan Clean Coal Day International Symposium</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Toshifumi Watanabe, Chairperson, Japan Carbon Frontier Organisation</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Toranomon Hills Mori Tower (Level 5, Hall A), 1-23-1 Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo</p>
4.30pm – 5.00pm	<p><b>Meeting with ITOCHU</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Jun Inomata, Executive Officer, President, Metals &amp; Minerals Company</li> <li>– Mr Kotaro Suzuki, General Manager, Planning &amp; Administration Department Metals &amp; Minerals Company</li> <li>– Mr Junichi Tateishi, Deputy General Manager, Steelmaking Reduction Section, Coal &amp; Nuclear Fuel Dept, Metals &amp; Minerals Company</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Salon, Level 5, Imperial Hotel Tokyo</p>

Thursday 4 September 2025 – Tokyo	
5.15pm – 5.45pm	<b>Meeting with M Resources and Mitsui Corporation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Masaya (Matt) Inamuro, Executive Managing Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Mineral and Metal Resources Business Unit, Mitsui Corporation</li> <li>- Mr Mitsutaka Nakao, Deputy General Manager, Global Affairs &amp; Solutions Department, Corporate Planning &amp; Strategy Division, Mitsui Corporation</li> <li>- Mr Ken Ito, General Manager, Coal &amp; Carbon Solution Div, Mineral &amp; Metal Resources Business Unit, Mitsui Corporation</li> <li>- Mr Matt Latimore, Founder and President, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr David Conry AM, General Manager, Sustainable Business, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Ben Gargett, Group Chief Financial Officer, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Yasushi Nagai, Vice President Business Development, M Resources</li> <li>- Mr Aidan Meka, Chief Information Officer, M Resources</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Meeting Room Level 5, Imperial Hotel Tokyo</p>
5.45pm – 6.15pm	<b>Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Engagement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate</li> <li>- Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate</li> <li>- Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee</li> </ul> <p>Venue: Ran Room, Level 2, Imperial Hotel</p>
9.20pm	Depart Tokyo
overnight	Inflight

Friday 5 September 2025 – Brisbane	
7.20am	Arrive Brisbane



## Meeting with DFAT

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Paul Murphy, Consul-General in Mumbai, DFAT

Mr Abhinav Bhatia, Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner, TIQ

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier was briefed on the bilateral and economic relationship between Australia and India, with a particular focus on trade, investment, and cultural engagement in the states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Goa.

During discussions with the Consul-General, the Premier reviewed the current state of Australia-India relations, especially in the context of the Australia-India Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (AI-ECTA).

The meeting also underscored the strategic role of Queensland's coal sector in supporting India's infrastructure ambitions and broader industrial development.

## Meeting with Indian Pulses and Grains Association (IPGA)

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Bimal Kothari, Chairman, IPGA and Managing Director Pancham International Ltd

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

### **Meeting Summary**

The IPGA is India's main trade body for pulses, representing stakeholders across the supply chain with over 400 direct members including importers, exporters, processors, and logistics providers.

The Premier explored future opportunities for Queensland exporters and advocated for the IPGA to support efforts in addressing import challenges arising from India's variable tariff regime.

Appreciation was extended to IPGA for its strong collaboration on the Queensland chickpea initiative, particularly for facilitating engagement with key importers, which resulted in strong export season for Queensland farmers.

The discussion also highlighted growing interest in pigeon pea exports from Queensland. The Premier received insights into the potential for expanding trade in pigeon peas, as well as other commodities such as fava beans and sorghum, into the Indian market.

IPGA expressed interest in signing an MoU with the Queensland Government to formalise cooperation and deepen collaboration in the pulses trade.



# Study Queensland Education Showcase

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

## **Attendees**

Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Queensland Global Connector and Alumni (QUT)

Dr Monica Kennedy, Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner, Austrade Mumbai

Professor Ren Yi, Pro Vice Chancellor, The University of Southern Queensland

Professor Carolyn Evans, Griffith University

Professor Margaret Sheil AO, Queensland University of Technology

Professor Deborah Terry AC, The University of Queensland

Professor Mark Harvey, Queensland University of Technology

Mr Brett Lovegrove, The University of Queensland

Plus 155 prospective students and parents

10 Queensland university in-market representatives

## **Meeting Summary**

The Premier emphasised Queensland's robust economic growth and low unemployment as key factors creating valuable opportunities for Indian students to gain practical work experience and pursue global career pathways.

Acknowledging the strong presence of Indian students in Queensland, the Premier encouraged them to explore emerging opportunities linked to the state's innovation, economic momentum, and international profile, particularly in the lead-up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

India remains Queensland's second-largest source of international student enrolments. As of April 2025, there were 16,868 Indian student enrolments, an increase of six per cent compared to the same period last year, representing 16 per cent of Queensland's total international student cohort.



## Meeting with JSW Steel

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Jayant Acharya, Joint Managing Director and CEO

Mr Arun Maheshwari, Commercial Director

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Ms Yuliya Zhdanov, BHP Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA)

Mr Ram Madiraju, M Resources

Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier and business delegation met with senior leadership of JSW Group, one of India's largest conglomerates with significant interests in steel production, sports and infrastructure. Discussions reaffirmed JSW's ongoing interest in Queensland coking coal to support its current and planned expansion of steel production and potential to establish a Queensland presence.

The company expressed appreciation for the Queensland Government's efforts to address supply chain issues and streamline approval processes, acknowledging that these measures have strengthened their confidence in maintaining long-term partnerships with Queensland exporters.

The strong linkages between Queensland and India were also noted, particularly in the lead-up to Brisbane hosting the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.





## Meeting with DreamSetGo

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Daniel D'Souza, Co-Founder

Mr Farshid Master, Head of Marketing

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier was briefed by DreamSetGo (DSG) on sales activity for the upcoming Queensland Summer of Cricket, along with the latest market insights and consumer trends from India.

Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) and DSG formalised a six-month Memorandum of Understanding, outlining TEQ's intent to build a strategic partnership with DSG. The agreement includes initiatives such as showcasing Queensland destinations and products across Indian platforms, delivering targeted cricket-themed marketing campaigns, driving travel sales conversion, and sharing consumer data to enhance market understanding.

The Premier thanked DSG for their innovation and commitment in promoting and selling Queensland itineraries to high value Indian travellers and for their partnership on the upcoming T20 games being held on the Gold Coast and Brisbane.



## MOU signing between M Resources and Tata Steel

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Matt Latimore, CEO, M Resources

Mr TV Narendran, CEO & MD, Tata Steel

Mr David Conry AM, M Resources

Mr Ben Gargett, M Resources

Mr Ram Madiraju, M Resources

Mr Peeyush Gupta, Vice President, Tata Steel

### **Meeting summary**

The Premier witnessed a MOU signing between M Resources and Tata Steel. M Resources is one of the top three global exporters of steelmaking coal and Tata Steel is one of the leading steel manufacturing companies in India. M Resources and Tata Steel have a strong relationship, with Tata Steel purchasing around 2.5mtpa from M Resources, mainly sourced from Queensland. The MOU witnessed is for further mutual collaboration in supply of steelmaking raw materials, including coal, for Tata's future growth. It is also to evaluate potential future investments in steelmaking raw materials to facilitate growth.



## Meeting with Tata Group

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr T V Narendran, CEO & MD, Tata Steel

Mr K Kritivasan, CEO, Tata Consultancy Services

Ms Sucharita Choudhary – Tata Sons

Mr Sumeet Walia – CMO, Tata Communications

Dr Richard Lobo – Global Head Innovation R&D, Tata Chemicals

Mr Chirag Surana – VP Defence Business, Tata Advanced Systems

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier met leadership teams across various Tata companies, including Tata Sons, Tata Steel, Tata Consultancy Services, Tata Communications and Tata Chemicals.

The Premier emphasised the Queensland Government's priority in securing a commitment for direct flights between Queensland and India, recognising the significant benefits for trade, tourism, and people-to-people connections. The Premier also invited the Taj Hotels (a Tata brand) to explore opportunities for setting up hotels in Queensland.

In discussions with Tata Group, broader trade and investment opportunities were explored across the Group's diverse portfolio, including consultancy, advanced systems, communications, automotive, and aviation sectors. The Premier also expressed interest in co-investment opportunities in regional manufacturing, critical minerals and green energy initiatives in Queensland.



## Meeting with Chief Minister of Maharashtra for Ganpati Festival

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister of Maharashtra

Mr Paul Murphy, Consul-General in Mumbai, DFAT

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier paid tribute to and observed the Ganesh Chaturthi Festival, a significant annual Hindu celebration honouring Lord Ganesha.

Discussions centred on opportunities to strengthen institutional, sectoral, and logistical connections between two of the largest state contributors to Australia-India bilateral trade. Key areas of collaboration included sports infrastructure and technology, education, and skills development.





## Meeting with the Thomas Cook India Group and MOU signing

Date: Sunday 31 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Himanshu Sampat, National Sales Head, Leisure Travel, SOTC travel

Ms Suzanne Pereira, Senior Vice President, Trade Relationships, Thomas Cook India

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier met with one of Queensland's key distribution partners, The Thomas Cook India Group (TCIG), to receive insights into current market trends in India's leisure and incentive travel sectors, and to share Tourism and Events Queensland's (TEQ) strategic focus and plans for the Indian market.

The Premier also witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between TCIG and TEQ, aimed at driving increased travel conversion to Queensland. The agreement seeks to extend visitor stays, enhance the overall visitor experience, expand Queensland's tourism offerings, and promote existing aviation routes to the state.

During the discussion, TCIG spoke about the importance of growing aviation capacity between India and Queensland, the strong and supportive tourism industry and a commitment to promoting new experiences, events and business events to Queensland.



## Meeting with Reliance Industries Limited

Date: Sunday 31 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nikhil Meswani, Executive Director

Mr B Srinivasan, Chief of Staff

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier explored opportunities for sports collaboration between the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games and India's bid for the 2036 Games. Broader avenues for partnership were also identified across sectors such as new energy, battery technology, critical minerals and rare earths, and retail.

In discussions with Reliance Industries Limited, Queensland was positioned as a strategic investment destination in key areas including energy, oil and gas, and critical minerals. The Premier also sought insights into Reliance's sourcing plans for strategic minerals and rare earths.

Reliance Industries Limited is India's largest private sector enterprise and a Fortune Global 500 company with a market cap of US\$241.5 billion (2023-24) and 347,362 employees.

The Premier extended an invitation to Reliance to visit Queensland to investigate critical minerals and proposed the development of a tailored program to showcase the diverse opportunities Queensland offers in resource-related investments and commodities.



## Taste of Queensland in-store promotion

Date: Sunday 31 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Mayank Gupta, Co-Founder, Food Square

Mr Lalit Jhawar, Co-Founder, Food Square

Chef Sushil Multani, Founder and Executive Chef, Saulo Foods

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier officially launched the Taste of Queensland week at Food Square supermarket, showcasing a curated selection of premium packaged food and horticultural products from nine Queensland companies.

The Taste of Queensland week promoted high quality Queensland ingredients and products to high-end Indian consumers through various promotions at the store and on digital platforms.

Queensland produce featured as part of the in-store promotion included mandarins, chickpeas, macadamia, manuka honey, finger lime, plus a wide range of Queensland brands — wines, coffee, avocado oils, macadamia oils, sauces, kitchen appliances, and supplements.





## Meeting with DFAT and Austrade

Date: Sunday 31 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr Mukund Narayanamurti, General Manager, Austrade South Asia

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier received a comprehensive briefing on the bilateral and economic relationship between Australia and India, with a focus on trade, investment, and cultural ties across northern and central India, specifically in the states of Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, and Madhya Pradesh.



## Queensland Delegation Welcome

Date: Sunday 31 August 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr Mukund Narayanamurtin, General Manager, Austrade South Asia

Mr John Cotter, business delegates

Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegates

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegates

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegates

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegates

Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegates

Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegates

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegates

Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee

Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee

Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee

Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee

Mr David Conry, supporting attendee

Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee

Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee

Mr Munish Kaushal, Senior Director, TIQ

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier hosted a welcome networking dinner with members of the Queensland Business Delegation and supporting attendees, providing an opportunity for reflection and connection.

The gathering acknowledged the Premier's decision to select India for his first official international mission, demonstrating Queensland's strong commitment to deepening its bilateral relationship with India.

The Premier expressed appreciation to attendees for their confidence in and dedication to Queensland, as shown through their participation in the mission, and encouraged their continued support in strengthening the Queensland-India partnership.

## Meeting with Air India

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Campbell Wilson, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director

Mr P Balaji, Senior Vice President, Governance, Regulatory, Compliance and Corporate Affairs

Mr Dipayan Ghosh, Head, Network Planning and Scheduling – Commercial

Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier reaffirmed Queensland's support for Air India through a high-level delegation visit, where discussions focused on the establishment of a direct air service between New Delhi and Brisbane.

An update was sought from Air India regarding its fleet expansion plans, with a view to enhancing connectivity and supporting growing travel demand between India and Queensland.

Air India is the flag carrier airline of India and is a member of the Star Alliance. It is owned by Air India Limited, a Tata Group enterprise, with Singapore Airlines holding a 25.1 per cent stake.



## Meeting with UQ-IITD joint PhD program

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Professor Rangan Banerjee, IITD Director (VC equivalent)

Professor P Vigneswara Ilavarasan, Professor in Charge of the UQ-IITD Academy

Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate

Mr Brett Lovegrove, Pro Vice Chancellor, Global Partnerships, The University of Queensland

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier discussed opportunities to deepen collaboration between industry partners in India and Queensland, reaffirming support for the enduring partnership between the University of Queensland and the Indian Institute of Technology Delhi through the UQ–IITD Research Academy, a flagship model of transnational academic cooperation.

During the visit, the Premier met with current PhD candidates and learned about their groundbreaking research in areas of strategic importance to both India and Queensland, including health, energy, quantum technologies, and advanced materials.

The Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IITD) is recognised as one of India's premier institutions of national importance, having produced over 60,000 graduates across science, engineering, and the humanities—many of whom have made significant contributions to India's development and global innovation.



## Education Roundtable

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr Geroge Thevios, Minister Counsellor, DFAT

Mr Nathaniel Webb, First Secretary (Education), DFAT

Professor (Dr) Gurinder Singh, Group Vice Chancellor, Amity University

Dr Sunita Chadha, Director, Global Director, Amity University

Dr Sanjay Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, Manav Rachna Institution

Prof Kanika K Ahuja, Lady Shri Ram College for Women, University of Delhi

Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate

Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate

Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate

Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee

Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Education Roundtable convened to exchange insights on innovation, research and development, commercialisation, and to explore collaborative opportunities between India and Queensland.

The event served as a platform to position Queensland as a trusted partner in research and development, while fostering dialogue around potential partnerships between Queensland universities, Indian educational institutions, and corporate stakeholders.

The Premier was joined by Vice-Chancellors from three of Queensland's leading universities, reinforcing the state's strong commitment to deepening educational and research ties with India.



# Signing and Announcement Ceremony of Strategic Partnerships

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

## **Attendees**

Mr John Cotter, business delegate  
Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate  
Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate  
Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate  
Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate  
Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate  
Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate  
Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate  
Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate  
Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee  
Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee  
Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee  
Ms Katie Mills, TEQ  
Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

## **Meeting Summary**

The Premier celebrated the commercial successes between Queensland and Indian companies by witnessing the signing of five strategic partnership agreements, reaffirming Queensland's enduring commitment to strengthening ties with India.

The event provided a platform to highlight key commercial achievements and showcase the growing opportunities within the Queensland-India corridor. Success stories from these partnerships will be shared across media channels to inspire broader engagement and promote Queensland as a trusted partner in trade and investment.

The following MOUs/Agreements were signed:

1. Bundle of Rays (Queensland) and Jaypee Publishing (India)  
Contract to roll out an XR-based nursing and healthcare education program across 10 Uttarakhand Government University campuses, involving 200 devices.
2. EV Fire Protection (Queensland) and Aska Fire Equipment (India)  
Exclusive distribution agreement for EV fire suppressant solutions, targeting 1,000 parking bays across India over the next five years.
3. Rockfield Technologies (Queensland) and Clove Technologies (India)  
MoU to jointly tender for bridge-monitoring projects in railways and highways. Discussions are underway with a major Indian highway operator.
4. Talisman (Queensland) and Aarvee (India)  
Co-operation agreement combining Talisman's mining expertise with Aarvee's engineering capabilities and Indian market presence. Aarvee will also open a Brisbane office.

5. Tourism and Events Queensland (Queensland) and MakeMyTrip (India)  
TEQ signed a 12-month marketing MOU with MakeMyTrip with an aim to enhance Queensland's destination presence on MakeMyTrip platforms, deliver targeted campaigns to drive awareness and visitation, and to share travel data to improve consumer insights and conversion.





## Meeting with IndiGo

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Pieter Elbers, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

### **Meeting Summary**

IndiGo briefed the Premier on its expansion plans, including the introduction of new A350 aircraft expected to commence operations in early 2027.

The Premier reaffirmed Queensland's support for IndiGo and welcomed the potential establishment of direct air services between India and Brisbane.

As India's largest low-cost carrier, IndiGo holds approximately 62 per cent of the domestic market share. With a fleet of over 360 active aircraft, the airline operates more than 2,000 daily flights, connecting over 120 destinations, 40 of which are international as of September 2025, and serves more than 100 million passengers annually.



## Meeting with Indian Steel Association

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Naveen Jindal, President, Indian Steel Association

Mr Alok Sahay, Secretary-General, Indian Steel Association

Mr Ravinder Kumar Bhan, Senior Director, Indian Steel Association

Mr Sanjiva De Silva, Energy and Resources Counsellor, DFAT

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee

Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier and the Queensland delegation met with the leadership of the Indian Steel Association (ISA), which represents the country's largest steel producers and senior industry leaders.

ISA members highlighted the critical importance of reliable coking coal supply as India pursues significant growth in steel production, with ambitions to double capacity in the next five years. The Association welcomed Queensland's efforts to address supply chain challenges and streamline approval processes, noting that these actions would strengthen confidence in long-term partnerships with Queensland exporters. ISA Members indicated a strong appetite for Queensland coking coal to support India's steel sector expansion. Several ISA members also signalled potential interest in investing in Queensland coal assets.

The Premier acknowledged the longstanding and trusted relationship between Queensland and India, reaffirming Queensland's commitment to remain a reliable supplier of metallurgical coal to India's steel industry.

The Premier also reiterated Queensland's support as an event partner for the upcoming Indian Steel Association (ISA) Steel Conclave, taking place on 8-9 September 2025. The event will provide Queensland coking coal suppliers with a valuable opportunity to engage directly with key Indian customers.

The ISA is India's leading industry body representing the domestic and global steel sector. As a not-for-profit organisation, it advocates for the interests of its members, which include major producers such as Tata Steel, JSPL and JSW.

## Meeting with Indian Ministry of Education

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Minister of Education

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr George Thevios, Minister Counsellor, Education, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier reaffirmed that Queensland education providers are actively pursuing scalable transnational education models in India. He expressed Queensland's readiness to engage with India's proposed Centres of Excellence, particularly in mining and METS, and highlighted existing Queensland partners already contributing to these initiatives.

The Premier also positioned Queensland as a trusted research and development partner for Indian universities, research institutions, and corporate stakeholders.

India is Queensland's second-largest source of international students, with 16,868 enrolments—representing 16 per cent of the state's total. Notably, two-thirds of these students are enrolled in higher education programs.





## Queensland-India: Celebrating 20 Years of Partnership

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Chairman, Ador Powertron, Acusensus

Mr John Cotter, business delegate

Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate

Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate

Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee

Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee

Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee

Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier marked 20 years of Queensland's presence in India by presenting 34 Certificates of Recognition to key business leaders, acknowledging their significant contributions to strengthening the Queensland-India business relationship.





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At a ceremony led by The Honourable David Crisafulli MP, Premier of Queensland and Minister for Veterans, the Queensland Government proudly presented Certificates of Recognition to key travel industry partners.

These certificates honour the invaluable role in fostering cross-border collaboration and promoting Queensland's world-class products and services in India.



## Meeting with State Bank of India

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Ms Jayati Bansal, Deputy Managing Director

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier outlined the process State Bank of India Australia (SBIA) need to follow to operate as an approved security provider in Queensland. This approval is contingent upon SBIA submitting a formal application and working collaboratively with Queensland Treasury to finalise the associated conditions.

Headquartered in Mumbai, the State Bank of India (SBI) is India's largest commercial bank, serving over 450 million customers through a network of 22,000 branches.

## Friends of Queensland Reception

Date: Monday 1 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr Ravin Mirchandani, Chairman, Ador Group

Mr John Cotter, business delegate

Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate

Mr Gert-Jan de Graaff, business delegate

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Adam Lancey, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Professor Margaret Sheil AO, business delegate

Professor Deborah Terry AC, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, business delegate

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee

Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee

Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Friends of Queensland Reception was the signature Queensland Government-hosted networking event during the Premier's visit to India, attended by over 200 guests.

At the event, the Premier officially launched the new Australia's Holiday Feeling brand by Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ), alongside the Queensland Global Business Brand, presenting both to key stakeholders in the Indian market.

The Premier highlighted that 2025 marks 20 years of Queensland's representation in India, thanked attendees for their ongoing commitment, and encouraged continued support to further strengthen the Queensland-India partnership.



Queensland's Premier **David Crisafulli MP** delivered a powerful message in New Delhi, reaffirming that "Queensland is open for business, but it is two-way, and we will give back."

Leading a high-level delegation, the Premier highlighted Queensland's vision across eco-tourism, mining, agriculture, education, and medical research, while underscoring the state's readiness to deepen ties with India.

Education stood out as a key theme, with vice-chancellors of Queensland's three largest universities joining the mission to explore joint qualifications, research, and skills partnerships. The Premier also revealed Queensland's pursuit of direct flights from India, expanded student exchanges, and even sporting collaborations, including support for India's Olympic aspirations in 2036.

"This bond, formed over a hundred years ago on a battlefield in Gallipoli, is now a bond of economic importance," Premier Crisafulli said.

The Queensland-India Trade and Investment Strategy 2025–2028 and the Destination 2045 tourism vision mark the next chapter of this long-term partnership, one built on trust, opportunity, and shared ambition.

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Queensland's Premier David Crisafulli MP delivered a powerful message in New Delhi, reaffirming that "Queensland is open for business, but it is two-way, and we will give back."

Leading a high-level delegation, the Premier highlighted Queensland's vision across eco-tourism, mining, agriculture, education, and medical research, while underscoring the state's readiness to deepen ties with India.

Education stood out as a key theme, with vice-chancellors of Queensland's three largest universities joining the mission to explore joint qualifications, research, and skills partnerships. The Premier also revealed Queensland's pursuit of direct flights from India, expanded student exchanges, and even sporting collaborations, including support for India's Olympic aspirations in 2036.

"This bond, formed over a hundred years ago on a battlefield in Gallipoli, is now a bond of economic importance," Premier Crisafulli said.

The Queensland-India Trade and Investment Strategy 2025-2028 and the Destination 2045 tourism vision mark the next chapter of this long-term partnership, one built on trust, opportunity, and shared ambition.

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## Meeting with Pro Kabaddi League and Promoter

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Anupam Goswami, Chief Executive Officer, Sports League, Disney Star India and League Commissioner, Pro Kabaddi League

Ms Katie Mills, TEQ

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

Mr Nathan Sharpe, business attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier met with Mr Anupam Goswami to explore opportunities to bring Kabaddi to Queensland, including potential involvement in the Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) and future World Cup events. Discussions included the possibility of Brisbane hosting PKL matches in coming years, leveraging the strong Indian diaspora in Australia to build local engagement.

Pro Kabaddi, an initiative by Mashal Sports Pvt Ltd in partnership with Disney Star, was launched in 2014 and has transformed the sport through innovation, making Kabaddi an aspirational and widely followed sport for players and fans alike.





## Meeting with North West Phosphate and Adani and MOU announcement

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr John Cotter, business delegate

Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, Operations Director, North West Phosphate

Mr Udayan Jain – Head, LNG and Phosphate, Adani Enterprise

Mr Maulesh Desai – Head Trader, Adani Enterprise

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier observed a signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Queensland-based North West Phosphate Ltd (NWP) and Adani Enterprises, marking a significant step forward in the development and export of new phosphate resources from Queensland.

NWP is an Australian exploration and development company focused on supplying phosphate for global fertiliser markets. Headquartered in Greater Brisbane, the company holds one of Australia's largest phosphate portfolios, with over 10,500 km<sup>2</sup> of tenements across Queensland and the Northern Territory.

Adani Enterprises, headquartered in Ahmedabad, is the flagship company of the Adani Group, one of the world's largest conglomerates with diversified interests across energy, transport, infrastructure, agribusiness, ports, airports, data centres, cement, and utilities.



## Meeting with Jindal Steel and Power Limited

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Naveen Jindal, Chairman and Managing Director

Dr Jagvinder Singh Virk, Chairman India Australia Strategic Alliance

Dr Rattan Virk, India Australia Strategic Alliance

Mr Sanjiva De Silva, Energy and Resources Counsellor

Ms Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee

Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee

Mr Vikram Wahie, supporting attendee

Mr Sanjiva De Silva, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier thanked Jindal Steel and Power Limited (JSPL) for their continued partnership and commitment to Queensland.

During the meeting, the Premier received an update on JSPL's priorities regarding its coking coal supply chain and future investment plans in Queensland. JSPL also expressed interest in collaborating with Queensland Universities for skilling initiatives on sustainable mining practices.

JSPL is currently the fifth-largest importer of coal from Queensland, accounting for 4.28 per cent of India's total coal imports from the state. Each year, the company imports significant amount of Queensland coking coal to support its steel production operations.



## Meeting with Indian Ministry of Sports

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier met with Dr Mandaviya to explore opportunities for bilateral collaboration in sports development, including stadium and major event design, athlete exchange programs, high-performance training and nutrition, and sports technology between Queensland and India.

The meeting also served to position Queensland as a strategic partner in sports diplomacy, with potential engagements in the lead-up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

A proposal was discussed for a formal exchange program allowing Indian professionals to contribute to the Brisbane 2032 Games. The discussion also explored the potential for a strategic agreement to enhance high-performance sports training for Indian athletes, with support from the Queensland Academy of Sport.

During the discussion, reference was made to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's formal announcement at the 141st IOC Session of India's intention to bid for the 2036 Games. India already looks to Australia as a benchmark in sports excellence, and supporting India's sports agenda presents a valuable opportunity for Australia to strengthen relationships with Indian governments and businesses.

## Sports Roundtable

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Nick McCaffrey, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, DFAT

Mr Sidharath Soni, Principal, Populous

Professor Carolyn Evans, business delegate

Professor Mark Harvey, supporting attendee

Mr Brett Lovegrove, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Sports Roundtable was held in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), bringing together key stakeholders to explore joint opportunities in the sports sector.

The Premier attended the roundtable to discuss pathways for collaboration and to position Queensland as a strategic partner in sports diplomacy, particularly in the lead-up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Indian universities with a strong focus on sports expressed interest in partnering with Queensland universities to develop academic, training, and research collaborations in this area.





## Meeting and site visit with NTT Data

Date: Wednesday 3 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Takamune Yamanaka, Vice President, Head of Technology Consulting

Mr David McKeering, CEO, Australia and New Zealand region, NTT Data

Mr Shigeo Tani, Manager, Technology Consulting Division, Technology Consulting Division

Mr Daisaku Ikeda, Senior Manager, Innovation Manager, Innovation Technology Department, Technology & Innovation General Headquarters.

Ms Akiko Hasegawa, Manager, Sustainability Business Office, Sustainability Innovation Headquarters, Corporate Planning General Headquarters.

Mr Motoshi Muraoka, Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, NTT Data Institute of Management Consulting

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged NTT Data's ongoing contribution to Queensland through its investments and strategic partnerships and encouraged further collaboration and future investment.

During the meeting, discussions focused on NTT's innovation and research initiatives and potential for collaboration in Queensland, including regional projects and potential expansion opportunities.

Founded in 1988, NTT is Japan's largest global IT services provider, employing approximately 200,000 people across more than 50 countries.

## Meeting with Saitama Governor

Date: Wednesday 3 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Motohiro Ono, Saitama Governor

Mr Yukihiro Shirato, Saitama Prefectural Assembly

Mr Kuniaki Saito, Secretary General, Saitama Parliamentary Association for Japan-Australia Friendship

Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul-General of Japan in Brisbane

Mr David Hanham, business delegate

Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate

Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged Queensland's longstanding Sister State relationship with Saitama Prefecture, established in 1984, and reaffirmed the government's commitment to further strengthening this valued partnership.

As part of his first official overseas engagement as Premier, the visit to Japan, and specifically to Saitama, highlighted the importance Queensland places on this enduring relationship.

Insights from Saitama's experience hosting the 2019 Rugby World Cup were shared and discussed in the context of preparations for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Premier invited the Governor of Saitama to visit Queensland at the next available opportunity.

## Site visit to Kumagaya Rugby Stadium

Date: Wednesday 3 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Dr Ichiro Kono, Executive adviser to the Japan Rugby Football Union

Mr Takashi Yamagami, CEO, Japan Rugby Football Union

Mr Hitoshi Arai, CEO, Saitama Rugby Football Union

Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul General, Consulate General of Japan in Brisbane.

Mr David Hanham, business delegate

Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate

Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The purpose of this site visit was to enhance collaboration and strengthen ties with Japanese officials who played a key role in delivering the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games (held in 2021), as Queensland progresses toward hosting a world-class 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Premier was able to see first-hand how Saitama leveraged hosting the Rugby World Cup to develop a sports and health precinct that is a valuable legacy for the community.

This visit also provided a valuable opportunity to celebrate the strong sporting connections between Queensland and Japan, while exploring new avenues for partnership in the lead-up to the 2032 Games.

The Stadium is located in Kumagaya, Saitama and is the home ground for the Japanese Women's Rugby Sevens team and the Saitama Panasonic Knights. Queensland Rugby has a strong connection to the Stadium, with the Queensland Reds utilising the venue during their trips to Japan.



## Meeting with Idemitsu Kosan

Date: Wednesday 3 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Atsuhiko Hirano, Representative Director, Executive Vice President & Executive Officer, Overseas Business Strategy, Energy Resources Business Strategy, Corporate Solution Business & LPG Business Strategy

Mr Hidekazu Nakamura, Deputy General Manager, Coal and Energy Solution Department

Mr Tomoki Muto, Manager, Australia Business Development Section, Coal and Energy Solution Department

Mr Takao Niina, Manager, Strategic Planning Section, B2B strategy office, Coal & Energy Solution Department

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged Idemitsu Kosan's longstanding and significant contribution to the growth of Queensland's resources sector, expressing appreciation for the company's continued confidence in the industry.

Discussions also focused on future opportunities for Idemitsu Kosan to expand its presence in Queensland, particularly in the areas of critical minerals resource development and sustainable fuels.

Founded in 1911 and headquartered in Tokyo, Idemitsu Kosan is one of Japan's largest energy companies. With global operations across petroleum refining, chemicals, and resource development, the company operates through 140 subsidiaries and reports annual sales of 8.7 trillion yen (approximately AUD 88 billion).

## Friends of Queensland Reception

Date: Wednesday 3 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Katsutoshi Ishikawa, Consul-General, Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane

Mr Sumio Kusaka, Former Ambassador to Australia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Mr John Cotter, business delegate

Mr David Hanham, business delegate

Mr Janette Hewson, business delegate

Mr Adam Lancey, business delegate

Mr Matt Latimore, business delegate

Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Mr Brendan Webb, business delegate

Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee

Mr Allan Border AO, supporting attendee

Mr David Conry AM, supporting attendee

Mr Sam Cordingley, supporting attendee

Mr Ben Gargett, supporting attendee

Mr Ram Madiraju, supporting attendee

Mr Ben Paxton-Hall, supporting attendee

Ms Ryna Sequeira, TEQ

### **Meeting Summary**

The Friends of Queensland engagement was the flagship networking event hosted by the Queensland Government during the Premier's visit to Japan, attracting approximately 120 attendees. The reception brought together senior representatives from the energy, resources, education, research, food, tourism, and government sectors, providing a valuable platform to strengthen connections and explore future collaboration.

During the event, the Premier officially launched the new Australia's Holiday Feeling brand by Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ), alongside the Queensland Global Business Brand.

The Premier also acknowledged Japan's significant investment in Queensland's tourism, resources, and infrastructure sectors, highlighting that the decision to visit Japan as part of his first official international mission reflects Queensland's deep commitment to its longstanding bilateral relationship with Japan.

## Meeting and site visit with Urban Renaissance

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Masaru Ishida, President

Mr Koichiro Moritani, Associate Vice President

Mr Takehiro Umezu, Director General, Department for Global Affairs

Mr Tadahiko Mori, Deputy Director General, Department for Global Affairs, Urban Renaissance Agency

Mr Takeshi Yamashita, Department for Global Affairs

Mr Keisuke Miyamaru, Department for Global Affairs

Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier met with representatives from Urban Renaissance (UR) to explore potential collaboration with the Queensland Government in areas including urban regeneration, rental housing, and disaster response support.

UR, formerly known as the Japan Housing Corporation, is a government-owned corporation overseen by Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. UR plays a central role in both urban redevelopment and residential housing development across Japan.

During a site visit to UR's large scale transport orientated redevelopment in central Tokyo, the Premier received a briefing on how UR captures land value and works with government and industry stakeholders to undertake residential and commercial developments that meet community needs.

## Tokyo Investor Energy Roundtable Lunch

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Ms Helen Stylianou, Deputy Head of Mission, Australian Embassy, Tokyo, DFAT

Ms Elizabeth Cox, General Manager, North East Asia, Austrade

Mr Atsuhiko Hirano, Representative Director, Executive Vice President & Executive Officer, Overseas Business Strategy, Energy Resources Business Strategy, Corporate Solution Business & LPG Business Strategy, Idemitsu Kosan

Mr Takefumi Nishikawa, Executive Officer, COO, Energy Solutions & Healthcare Division, Sojitz Corporation

Mr Koji Matsuoka PhD, General Manager, Innovation Technology Center, Central Technology Research Laboratory, ENEOS Corporation.

Mr Hajime Tanaka, General Manager, Steel Raw Material Department, Marubeni Corporation

Mr Masateru Takada, General Manager, Coal & Nuclear Fuel Strategic Business Unit, Sumitomo Corporation

Mr Katsunori Tanaka, Senior Fellow, Executive Vice President (GX Business), GX (Green Transformation) Solutions, Senior Chief Engineer, Energy Solutions, Mitsubishi

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged the substantial contributions of Japanese companies to Queensland's economic development and reaffirmed the government's commitment to strengthening these strategic relationships.

This roundtable was attended by leading Japanese investors, and the Premier used this opportunity to highlight Queensland's position as a trusted and stable supplier of high-quality resources, underscoring the government's dedication to deepening its partnership with Japan.



## Meeting with Mr Koichi Hagiuda, Member, House of Representatives, National Diet of Japan

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Koichi Hagiuda, Member of the House of Representatives, National Diet of Japan

Mr Daichi Suzuki PhD, Member, House of Councillors, National Diet of Japan

Mr Kentaro Asahi, Member of the House of Councillors, National Diet of Japan

Mr Andrew Liveris, business delegate

Mr Greg Norman AO, supporting attendee

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged Queensland's longstanding relationship with Japan, with the first Japanese Consulate opening in 1896 in Townsville, and Queensland's longest sister state relationship is with the Saitama Prefecture.

Discussions focussed on the generational investment opportunities and legacies that the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games offers across the Indo-Pacific region and welcomed the opportunity to sharing Japanese government's knowledge and expertise from the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Queensland Government has developed an extensive plan to deliver the infrastructure requirements for the Games with a key focus on legacy for Queensland.

The Premier also shared the ambition to hold the 2026 Quad Leaders' Summit in Queensland next year, with our State successfully holding the 2014 G20 Leaders' Summit in Brisbane.

During the meeting, discussions explored the opportunity to establish a working group. This group would facilitate the sharing of insights and learnings from the Tokyo Games with the Brisbane Organising Committee, supporting the planning and delivery of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The Premier also discussed North Queensland as a training base for Japan in the lead up to the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2032.

## Premier's Special Address: Japan Clean Coal Day International Symposium

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Toshifumi Watanabe, Chairperson, Japan Carbon Frontier Organisation

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier delivered a 15-minute keynote address to an international audience of over 150 delegates, promoting Queensland as a trusted supplier of high-quality coal. Attendees included key representatives from the Japanese and global coal industries.

During his keynote address, the Premier reaffirmed the Queensland Government's commitment to its longstanding and valued partnership with Japan, highlighting the strategic importance of continued collaboration.

The 2025 Coal Symposium, held over two days on 4-5 September, brought together participants from 15 countries, including Australia, China, India, Japan, Thailand, and the United States. Australian speakers included representatives from the Department of Industry, Science and Resources (DISR) and the Victorian Government. Held annually since 1992, the symposium promotes the recognition and evaluation of coal as a vital upstream and downstream energy source for Japan.

## Meeting with ITOCHU

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Jun Inomata, Executive Officer, President, Metals & Minerals Company

Mr Kotaro Suzuki, General Manager, Planning & Administration Department Metals & Minerals Company

Mr Junichi Tateishi, Deputy General Manager, Steelmaking Reduction Section, Coal & Nuclear Fuel Dept, Metals & Minerals Company

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged ITOCHU's contribution to Queensland and expressed support for its continued investment expansion.

Mr Inomata and the Premier discussed the importance of stable supply of resources to ITOCHU particularly in coal.

The Aust-Japan Coal Conference in November 2025 being held in Brisbane was discussed as an opportunity by the Queensland Government for high-level engagement.

## Meeting with M Resources and Mitsui Corporation

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

### **Attendees**

Mr Masaya (Matt) Inamuro, Executive Managing Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Mineral and Metal Resources Business Unit, Mitsui Corporation

Mr Mitsutaka Nakao, Deputy General Manager, Global Affairs & Solutions Department, Corporate Planning & Strategy Division, Mitsui Corporation.

Mr Ken Ito, General Manager, Coal & Carbon Solution Div, Mineral & Metal Resources Business Unit, Mitsui Corporation

Mr Matt Latimore, Founder and President, M Resources

Mr David Conry AM, General Manager, Sustainable Business, M Resources

Mr Ben Gargett, Group Chief Financial Officer, M Resources

Mr Yasushi Nagai, Vice President Business Development, M Resources

Mr Aidan Meka, Chief Information Officer, M Resources

### **Meeting Summary**

The Premier acknowledged Mitsui's longstanding contribution to Queensland and expressed support for the continued expansion of its investment footprint in the state.

He highlighted opportunities arising from Queensland's substantial resource endowments and the intention of Queensland to continue to be a trusted stable supplier of high-quality resources into the future.

Mitsui has been a key investor in Queensland's resources sector through multiple joint ventures, spanning both thermal and metallurgical coal. Additionally, the Premier noted the role of M Resources, founded in 2011, as a global leader in the supply of steelmaking raw materials. M Resources ranks among the top three seaborne exporters of metallurgical coal worldwide, exporting over 20 million metric tonnes annually, predominantly from Queensland.

# Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Engagement

Date: Thursday 4 September 2025

## **Attendees**

Mr Andrew Liveris AO, business delegate

Ms Kylie Rampa, business delegate

## **Meeting Summary**

The Premier actively fostered collaboration and strengthened ties with senior Japanese Olympic officials and leading corporate figures, reinforcing Brisbane's commitment to delivering a world-class 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

He outlined the Queensland Government's comprehensive infrastructure plan for the Games, with a strong emphasis on creating a lasting legacy for the state. The discussion also explored the key legacy outcomes from Tokyo's hosting of the 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, including how those benefits were generated and maximised.