

## PRESS RELEASE

During the visit of Mr. Ohmura, Governor, Aichi prefecture to New Delhi, the meeting was held between Ms. Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Commerce & Industry, India and Mr. Ohmura, Governor of Aichi Prefecture, Japan on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2015, wherein it was proposed to set up an "Aichi Desk" under Japan Plus to support Aichi companies expanding to, and their business activities in India.

2. Both sides agreed that "Aichi Desk" will be operationalized w.e.f January 2016. It will be managed by the expert on investment and business support, designated by Aichi Prefectural Government. Japan Plus will support activities of "Aichi Desk".

3. Both sides agreed that the mandate of "Aichi Desk" runs through the entire spectrum of investment and business support promotion between Aichi and India – information, consultation, promotion and arrangements to send Indian technical intern trainees to Aichi companies under Technical Intern Training Program.

4. Both sides agreed to use the following offices as their respective communication contacts:

- For Aichi Prefectural Government, Japan Department of Industry and Labour
- For Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Industrial Policy and  
India Promotion

5. It has been agreed that further modalities and other relevant issues shall be discussed and determined as needed between both sides.

\*\*\*\*\*