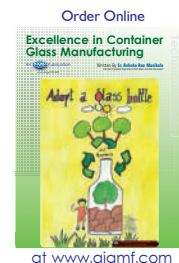


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GGL ANNOUNCES SECOND FLOAT AND WET COATER LINES IN ANKLESHWAR, INDIA

Gujarat Guardian Limited (GGL), a joint venture between Guardian Industries and Modi Rubber Limited, marked the groundbreaking of its second float glass line and wet coater facility at its Ankleshwar plant, signalling a major step forward in expanding India's glass manufacturing capabilities.

The project is expected to be completed by mid-2028, subject to project timelines. Once operational, the new energy-efficient air-fuel fired float glass line will add a capacity of 1,000 metric tons per day, enabling production of a wide range of glass thicknesses and larger formats designed to help improve customer yield and processing efficiency.

"This groundbreaking marks a significant

milestone in our growth journey in India," said Mr. Guus Boekhoudt, Executive Vice President, Guardian Glass. *"This investment is not only about expanding capacity, but also about bringing advanced technology, improving supply reliability, and supporting our customers with high-quality, value-added glass solutions."*

In addition, GGL will install a new wet coater with a capacity of 72,000 metric tons annually. The facility will feature advanced mirror manufacturing technology with single and double paint coating capabilities, along with fully automated handling, packing, and logistics systems to enhance throughput and help ensure consistent quality.

Once completed, the Ankleshwar facility will serve as a key integrated hub for float, mirror, and value-added coated glass products, supporting supply reliability and responsiveness for customers across India.

By consolidating advanced manufacturing capabilities at a single location, GGL aims to strengthen its role as a reliable partner to India's growing construction and infrastructure sectors while delivering long-term value to customers and stakeholders.

Gujarat Guardian Limited, a Joint Venture between Guardian Industries and Modi Rubber Limited, is one of India's leading manufacturers of float, coated and mirror glass products. At its facility in Ankleshwar, Gujarat Guardian Limited produces high performance glass for use in exterior (both commercial and residential), interior architectural and automotive applications. MODIGUARD™, Guardian SunGuard™, Guardian ClimaGuard™, and Guardian ShowerGuard™ glass solutions from Gujarat Guardian Limited can be found in homes, offices, automobiles, and some of India's iconic architectural landmarks.



From left to right: Mr. Divyendu Pundhir - Vice President & CEO Gujarat Guardian Limited; Mr. Guus Boekhoudt - Executive Vice President Guardian Glass; Mr. V K Modi - Chairman Gujarat Guardian Limited; Mr. Merritt Gaunt - President and CEO Guardian Industries; Mr. Alok Modi - Joint Managing Director Gujarat Guardian Limited; Mr. Pankaj Mittal - Nominee Director and Mr. Ajit Surana - Director- Finance Gujarat Guardian Limited

CONSUL GENERAL OF FRANCE VISITS SGD PHARMA AND SGD CORNING TECHNOLOGY MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

Mr. Marc Lamy, Consul General of France in Bangalore, was welcomed to the SGD Pharma and SGD Corning Technology manufacturing campus in Vemula, Mahbubnagar, Telangana on May 10.

The visit provided an opportunity to present the strategic importance of SGD operations in India, the technological capabilities of facilities, and the operational excellence standards that support ambition to serve the global pharmaceutical industry with reliability, quality, and innovation.

Following discussions with the Leadership Team, Site Team, and Plant Heads, Mr. Lamy was guided through the manufacturing operations. His strong interest in the industrial processes, production, environment, and continuous improvement initiatives led to highly valuable and engaging exchanges throughout the visit.

"India continues to play a pivotal role in SGD Pharma's industrial growth strategy and long-term vision. Our presence here reflects not only our commitment to innovation and manufacturing excellence, but also the remarkable dedication and expertise of our local teams." said Mr. Deepak Sood, Managing Director SGD Pharma India.

"SGD was particularly honoured by Mr. Lamy's appreciation of technology and operations, and by his recognition of the site as "one of the most well managed" industrial facilities he has visited in recent years, a testament



to the professionalism, discipline, and commitment demonstrated every day by our teams."

"The visit concluded with a symbolic tree plantation initiative and further discussions with our leadership teams, reflecting our shared commitment to responsible and sustainable industrial growth."

VITHOB SHET ELEVATED TO DIRECTOR VITRUM GLASS AT EMPIRE INDUSTRIES LTD.

Mr. Vithob S. Shet is a highly respected leader in the Indian glass manufacturing industry with over 40 years of experience. He began his career with Empire Industries Limited as a Cost Executive and, through dedication, expertise, and strong leadership, rose to the position of Director of the Vitrum Glass Division.

Under his guidance, the division has strengthened its position as a trusted manufacturer of pharmaceutical glass containers, with a strong focus on quality, safety, operational excellence, customer satisfaction, and regulatory compliance.

Known for his integrity, discipline, and commitment to continuous improvement, Mr. Shet has played a significant role in the growth and success of the organization.

Beyond his professional achievements, he is actively involved in social service as President of the Lions Club, Kandivli, Mumbai, and supports the "Savalee" initiative of Sankalp Pratishthan, Ahmednagar, which works for the welfare of infant girls and underprivileged communities.



His inspiring journey from Cost Executive to Director reflects his perseverance, leadership excellence, and dedication to both industry and society.

ADVANCING PHARMACEUTICAL GLASS PACKAGING

Shandong Linuo Pharmaceutical Packaging Co., Ltd. (known as Linuo Pharmaceutical) is a publicly listed company founded in 1995. With decades of expertise and a strong reputation in the glass industry, Linuo has become a global leader in pharmaceutical and specialty glass packaging, trusted by healthcare brands worldwide.

Heye equipped Linuo with cutting-edge production machines and equipment and invested in their team through the HiSKILLS Campus, a programme built for practical, hands-on learning. Operating advanced equipment can be challenging - but with the right training, hesitation turns into confidence. Heye's approach ensures that every participant not only understands the technology but masters it: running complex systems smoothly, safely, and without downtime. This is how knowledge transforms into performance - and performance into success.

Five Linuo specialists spent two intensive weeks at Heye's HiSKILLS Campus in Obernkirchen, enjoying an informative and collaborative experience with Heye expert trainers. The result: confidence, competence, and measurable improvements in production performance.

As Mr. Cui Chengzhong, Vice President and General Manager of the Moulded Glass Division, stated: *"The training gave our team the confidence to operate and maintain the equipment efficiently. Everything was explained clearly, and we now feel fully prepared for daily production tasks. Since completing the training, we've seen a noticeable improvement in machine uptime and overall efficiency.*



The practical approach and hands-on exercises made a real difference."

Beyond these immediate gains, the cooperation between Linuo and Heye highlights the long-term value of investing in people and technology simultaneously. When skilled operators meet high-performance equipment, production lines don't just run — they operate at peak efficiency. The training strengthened the team's ability to make informed decisions on the shop floor, handle realworld scenarios with greater ease, and leverage the equipment's full potential. This combination of expertise and innovation creates a strong foundation for continued growth, reliability, and quality in pharmaceutical glass manufacturing. It's a partnership focused on continuous improvement, shared ambitions, and a commitment to excellence that moves the entire industry forward.

AGI GREENPAC SETS 2050 NET ZERO ROADMAP

AGI Greenpac has submitted its greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets to the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), aligning its long-term sustainability strategy with internationally recognised climate benchmarks and committing to achieve Net Zero emissions by 2050.

The Hyderabad-based packaging company has adopted a science-based decarbonisation roadmap using FY 2023-24 as its baseline year. The targets, which are currently under validation by SBTi, include near-term emissions reduction goals extending through FY 2033-34 and are aligned with the globally recognised 1.5°C climate pathway. The move reflects growing efforts among manufacturers to integrate climate-related objectives into long-term business planning as regulatory expectations, investor requirements and market demands continue to evolve.

AGI Greenpac's climate roadmap focuses on renewable energy adoption, circular economy initiatives, technological innovation and logistics optimisation. The company has installed approximately 21 MWp of solar power capacity across its manufacturing facilities. According to AGI Greenpac, these installations contribute to an estimated annual reduction of more than 22,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions.

Circularity also forms a key component of the strategy. The company currently reuses over 200,000 tonnes of recycled glass, or cullet, annually and aims to increase cullet utilisation to 50 per cent by 2027. Greater use of recycled

glass can help reduce both energy consumption and raw material requirements in glass manufacturing.

In addition, AGI Greenpac has reported a reduction of 11,880 tonnes of Scope 1 emissions through its decarbonisation initiatives and is collaborating with Glass Futures (UK) to evaluate alternative fuel technologies that could support future emissions reductions. The company is incorporating sustainability considerations into ongoing investments, including its upcoming glass manufacturing facility in Madhya Pradesh and its expansion into aluminium can packaging.

Speaking on the development, Mr. Rajesh Khosla, CEO of AGI Greenpac, said *climate action must become an integral part of business strategy and capital allocation decisions. He noted that measurable targets help ensure accountability and support long-term competitiveness.*

Mr. Chandramohan Mangalagiri, Chief Technology Officer at AGI Glaspac, said *the company's roadmap includes increasing renewable energy use, improving manufacturing efficiency, enhancing recycled content and reducing logistics-related emissions through electric vehicle adoption and supply chain optimisation.*

SEMINAR ON AUTO-INSPECTION OF GLASS BOTTLES via AI

On June 24 at Westin Gurugram, the Glasspower Group organised a seminar on "Automatic Inspection of Glass Bottles and innovations through use of AI" in collaboration with M/s TIAMA, France.

The seminar was attended by prominent glass companies namely AGI, Haldyn Glass, Sunrise Glass, Devi Group, SNJ Glass, Iconic

Glass, Emerge Glass, Shri Sitaram Glass, Firozabad Ceramics and Jayna Glass, including alcohol-beverage companies such as Pernod Ricard India, United Breweries, Radico Khaitan, Tilaknagar Industries and others.

As the world focuses on innovation and the increased use of Artificial Intelligence for data analysis and improved process controls, the event aimed to help glass bottle manufacturers adopt the latest technology in glass manufacturing.

The Glasspower Group provides operations and project management consultancy through seminars, workshops, and training to keep all its stakeholders informed about innovations and the introduction of new

technologies relevant to the Glass and Beverage industries.



AGI GREENPAC AT HGH EXPO

AGI Greenpac participated in the HGH Expo held at the Bombay Exhibition Centre, MUMBAI from June 30 - July 3.

HGH India is an annual trade show for home textiles, home décor, houseware, gifts and lifestyle.

A diverse portfolio of different segments were showcased by the AGI Greenpac amongst were the premium glass water bottles, sustainable food jars, etc.



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(July 27, 2026)

Time (hrs)	Topic / Subject	Speaker
1000	Registration / Tea-Coffee and Display of Touring Exhibition- Glass or Class	
1030	Welcome Address - R&D facilities - Need for Testing	Prof. Bikramjit Basu Director CSIR–Central Glass & Ceramic Research Institute (CGCRI)
1040	Keynote Address: <i>Overview on Solar Glass Manufacturing</i>	Mr. Shreevar Kheruka Sr. Vice President AIGMF and Managing Director & CEO of Borosil Ltd.
Strengthening Solar and Pattern Glass; and Developing new Standards		
1105	Overview of Indian Glass Standards - Textured and Extra Clear Textured Glass as per IS 5437: 2024 - Safety Glass Part 3 Solar Applications IS 2553 (Part 3): 2026	Mr. Mohit Garg Chemical Department, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)
1125	Strengthening of Solar Glass - Developing unbreakable solutions	Mr. Varun Gupta Ex-Com Member AIGMF and Director in Triveni Renewables Ltd.
1145	Pattern Glass applications - Toughening - Colourful and sustainable partitions	Mr. Purvish Shah Hon. General Secretary AIGMF and Director in Gopal Glass Works Ltd., and Gobind Glass and Industries Ltd.
1205	BIS Certification Procedures	CMD-1, BIS
1225	Discussions, and Q/A - Dr. K Annapurna, Chief Scientist, CSIR-CGCRI - Mr. Gohul Deepak, Executive Director- Glazing Society of India - Mr. Gurmeet Singh, Chairman, Federation of Safety Glass (FOSG) and Managing Director, Gurind India (P) Ltd - Mr. Rajesh Khosla, President AIGMF	
1240	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Ajay Tewari Sc-E & Head (CHD), BIS
1245	Next Steps	Mr. Vinit Kapur Secretary AIGMF
1245-1315	* Executive Committee Meeting (for AIGMF Members)	
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400	CHD 10: WG 3 Glass-Ceramic Cooktop WG Meeting (for BIS WG Members)	
1600	Tea / Coffee (and event closure)	



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5. Any false information provided within the context of the contest by an entrant, concerning identity, address, telephone number, email address, ownership of write-up or non-compliance with these rules, will result in the immediate elimination of the entrant from this contest
6. The last date to submit the entries is July 30, 2026 (Date is subject to change)
7. There is no entry fee for this contest



35TH CHINA INTERNATIONAL GLASS INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL EXHIBITION

The 35th China International Glass Industrial Technical Exhibition (China Glass 2026) was held at Shanghai's New International Expo Center (SNIEC), China from April 7-10, 2026.

The exhibition was hosted by the Chinese Ceramic Society focused on the high-end, intelligent and green development trends of the industry.

Technical lectures and industry forums were organised on Artificial Intelligence (AI) empowerment, intelligent manufacturing, as well as green and low carbon.

Leading manufacturing companies, buyers, industry organisations, scientific research institutions and traders from the global glass industry including some AIGMF Members participated in the fair.

GLASS INDUSTRY MEETING WITH MIZORAM GOVERNMENT

The AIGMF delegation met the Hon'ble Chief Secretary Mr. Sudhir Kumar IAS of the Government of Mizoram on July 10 to discuss inclusion of glass packaging under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives and exploring collaborative programmes to promote sustainable packaging, environmental protection, and public health through increased glass use.

The Hon'ble Chief Secretary welcomed the Glass Industry, gave a patient hearing to the Federation's proposals, and appreciated its vision of promoting glass as an environmentally responsible packaging solution across various sectors.

During the discussions, the AIGMF Secretary highlighted that Mizoram, with its pristine hills, dense forests, rich biodiversity, and strong commitment to environmental conservation, is ideally positioned to become



a national model for sustainable development. Protecting this fragile ecosystem requires reducing plastic pollution and encouraging the adoption of environmentally friendly materials that safeguard both nature and human health.

The Federation explained that glass is the world's most sustainable and green packaging material. Manufactured from natural minerals, glass is 100% recyclable, reusable, and chemically inert, ensuring it does not release harmful chemicals, microplastics, or nanoplastics into food, beverages, soil, or water. Unlike plastic packaging, glass can be recycled endlessly without any loss of quality, making it a perfect example of the circular economy. Increasing glass packaging use can therefore play a significant role in protecting

the environment, conserving natural resources, reducing waste, preserving Mizoram's fragile hill ecosystem, and promoting public health.

One key outcome of the meeting was the proposal to jointly organise a large-scale awareness programme titled "Green Mizoram – Glass for a Sustainable Future" in collaboration with the Government of Mizoram and its Education Department.

The proposed programme aims to educate 500–2,000 school and college students, along with teachers, government officials, and the public, about the environmental and health benefits of glass packaging. The event would include expert presentations on sustainable packaging, environmental conservation, recycling, the circular economy,



and the importance of protecting Mizoram's hills, forests, rivers, and biodiversity from pollution caused by unsustainable packaging materials. Educational films, interactive quiz competitions, and drawing and painting competitions on themes such as "A Plastic-Free Green Mizoram" and "Glass for a Cleaner Future" were also proposed to encourage active participation and inspire young minds to become champions of environmental protection. As part of its commitment, AIGMF offered to sponsor the awareness programme by arranging expert speakers, educational presentations, awareness films, quiz competitions, prizes, glass mementoes, and refreshments for participating students.

The proposed initiatives are expected to create greater awareness about sustainable packaging, promote healthier and plastic-free lifestyles, strengthen the Green Mizoram Mission, and inspire young citizens to become ambassadors for environmental conservation. They also have the potential to position Mizoram as a model state demonstrating how government, industry, and educational institutions can work together to protect the environment while promoting sustainable development.

मिज़ोरम सरकार के साथ कांच उद्योग की बैठक।

AIGMF ने 10 जुलाई को मिज़ोरम सरकार के माननीय मुख्य सचिव श्री सुधीर कुमार IAS से मुलाकात की ताकि कांच पैकेजिंग को कॉर्पोरेट सोशल रिस्पॉन्सिबिलिटी (CSR) पहलों में शामिल करने और अधिक कांच उपयोग के माध्यम से टिकाऊ पैकेजिंग, पर्यावरण संरक्षण और सार्वजनिक स्वास्थ्य को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सहयोगी कार्यक्रमों का पता लगाया जा सके।



माननीय मुख्य सचिव ने कांच उद्योग का स्वागत किया, फेडरेशन के प्रस्तावों को धैर्यपूर्वक सुना, और विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में कांच को पर्यावरण के प्रति जिम्मेदार पैकेजिंग समाधान के रूप में बढ़ावा देने के उनके दृष्टिकोण की सराहना की।

चर्चाओं के दौरान, AIGMF सेक्रेटरी ने बताया कि मिज़ोरम, अपने साफ-सुथरे पहाड़ों, घने जंगलों, समृद्ध जैव विविधता और पर्यावरण संरक्षण के प्रति मजबूत प्रतिबद्धता के साथ, सतत विकास के लिए एक राष्ट्रीय मॉडल बनने के लिए बिल्कुल तैयार है। इस नाजुक इकोसिस्टम की सुरक्षा के लिए प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण को कम करना और ऐसे पर्यावरण के अनुकूल पदार्थों को अपनाना जरूरी है जो प्रकृति और मानव स्वास्थ्य दोनों की रक्षा करें।

संघ ने बताया कि कांच दुनिया की सबसे टिकाऊ और पर्यावरण के अनुकूल पैकेजिंग सामग्री है। प्राकृतिक खानों से निर्मित, कांच 100% पुनर्चक्रणीय, फिर से उपयोग के योग्य, और रासायनिक रूप से निष्क्रिय है, जिससे यह भोजन, पेय, मिट्टी या पानी में हानिकारक रसायन, माइक्रोप्लास्टिक या नैनोप्लास्टिक नहीं छोड़ता। प्लास्टिक पैकेजिंग के विपरीत, कांच को गुणवत्ता खोए बिना लगातार पुनर्चक्रित किया जा सकता है, जिससे यह सर्कुलर इकोनॉमी का एक आदर्श उदाहरण बनता है। इसलिए कांच की पैकेजिंग के उपयोग को बढ़ाना पर्यावरण की रक्षा, प्राकृतिक संसाधनों का संरक्षण, कचरे में कमी, मिज़ोरम के नाजुक पहाड़ी पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र की सुरक्षा और सार्वजनिक स्वास्थ्य को बढ़ावा देने में

महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा सकता है।

बैठक का एक मुख्य परिणाम यह प्रस्ताव था कि मिज़ोरम सरकार और उसके शिक्षा विभाग के सहयोग से 'ग्रीन मिज़ोरम-सतत भविष्य के लिए कांच' नामक एक बड़े पैमाने पर जागरूकता कार्यक्रम को संयुक्त रूप से आयोजित किया जाए।

प्रस्तावित कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य 500-2,000 स्कूल और कॉलेज के छात्रों के साथ-साथ शिक्षकों, सरकारी अधिकारियों और जनता को ग्लास पैकेजिंग के पर्यावरणीय और स्वास्थ्य लाभों के बारे में शिक्षित करना है। इस कार्यक्रम में टिकाऊ पैकेजिंग, पर्यावरण संरक्षण, रिसाइक्लिंग, सर्कुलर इकोनॉमी और मिज़ोरम की पहाड़ियों, जंगलों, नदियों और जैव विविधता को अस्थिर पैकेजिंग सामग्री के कारण होने वाले प्रदूषण से बचाने के महत्व पर विशेषज्ञ प्रस्तुतियां शामिल होंगी। सक्रिय भागीदारी को प्रोत्साहित करने और युवाओं को पर्यावरण संरक्षण का चैंपियन बनने के लिए प्रेरित करने के लिए "प्लास्टिक-फ्री ग्रीन मिज़ोरम" और "ग्लास फॉर ए क्लीनर फ्यूचर" जैसे विषयों पर शैक्षिक फिल्मों, इंटरैक्टिव क्विज प्रतियोगिताएं और ड्राइंग और पेंटिंग प्रतियोगिताएं भी प्रस्तावित की गईं।

अपने प्रतिबद्धता के हिस्से के रूप में, AIGMF ने जागरूकता कार्यक्रम का समर्थन करने की पेशकश की, जिसमें विशेषज्ञ वक्ताओं, शैक्षिक प्रस्तुतियों, जागरूकता फिल्मों, क्विज प्रतियोगिताओं, पुरस्कारों, कांच की स्मृति वस्तुओं, और भाग लेने वाले छात्रों के लिए जलपान की व्यवस्था शामिल है।

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2026 Glass Awards Call for Nominations

In recognition of the tremendous contribution to Indian Glass Industry, The All India Glass Manufacturers' Federation (AIGMF) announces C K Somany Award for Excellence and Balkrishna Gupta Award for Exports.

C K Somany Award for Excellence will be given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the glass industry in the fields of manufacturing, product development, environmental factors, business performance/growth, research and development, science/technology, etc.

Balkrishna Gupta Award for Exports will be given to a unit who has contributed towards identification or growth of new potential markets/volume of exports/reaching no. of countries or any other area showcasing valuable contribution in Glass Exports.

Winners

Year	CK Somany Award for Excellence	Balkrishna Gupta Award for Exports
2025	Mr. P K Kheruka, Former President AIGMF, Chairman of the Glass Panel in CAPEXIL and Chairman of Borosil Ltd.	M/s Schott Glass India Ltd.
2024	Dr. Manoj Choudhary, Former President, International Commission on Glass (ICG)	M/s Schott Poonawalla Pvt. Ltd.
2023	Mr. Pulkit Gaur, Gridbots Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	M/s Schott Glass India Ltd.
2022	Mr. Eric L'Heureux, Schott Poonawalla Pvt. Ltd.	M/s Schott Poonawalla Pvt. Ltd.
2021	Mr. Udit Kapoor, Kapoor Glass India Pvt. Ltd.	M/s Borosil Renewables Ltd.
2020	Dr. Mukul Chandra Paul, CSIR-CGCRI	M/s La Opala RG Ltd.
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