

## Gulf Petrochem Group Co-founder and MD wins prestigious business award

Group announces opening of G.D. Goenka Schools' first international campus in Sharjah

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Gulf Petrochem Group, a leading player in the global oil space, has revealed that its Co-founder and Managing Director Sudhir Goyel has been named the '2013 Business Personality of the Year' by the Horwath Mak, Group of Auditors & Business Advisors, in recognition of his leadership skills that have enabled Gulf Petrochem to be a successful industry pioneer. The award was presented by Saad Maniyar, Manager Partner at Horwath Mak DIFC, in the presence of Mr. Prerit Goel, Group Director for Gulf Petrochem, during a ceremony held at Atlantis, The Palm Jumeirah, attended by more than 500 institutions from different industries across the UAE.

"I thank Horwath Mak for honouring me with this award, which I believe also reflects the hard work and commitment to excellence of everyone at Gulf Petrochem. As a Group we have been able to cross several key milestones in the recent past, reaffirming our foothold in the areas we specialize. This award motivates me to strive harder and raise the bar on performance both for me and for the Group," said Sudhir Goyel.

Ashok Goel, Founder Chairman of Gulf Petrochem Group, said, "I congratulate Sudhir Goyel on receiving the Business Personality of the Year award, which underlines his continuing pursuit of excellence that has been instrumental in taking Gulf Petrochem to new heights of success."

Meanwhile, Gulf Petrochem Group marked another important milestone with its latest initiative - G.D. Goenka Private School, which has been established under the leadership of Gulf Petrochem Group Chairman Ashok Goel. G.D. Goenka Private School, the pioneering international school of India's G.D. Goenka Schools, has recently launched its new campus in Sharjah.

Commenting on the developments, Ashok Goel said: "G.D. Goenka Schools is an institution that represents educational excellence. The school is renowned for providing developmental programs that not only encourage learning but also the love of learning. It is therefore a great privilege for Gulf Petrochem to establish the first international campus of G.D. Goenka Schools in the UAE. In line with Gulf Petrochem's commitment to be of service to the communities we serve, we aim to carry forward the tradition of quality and innovative learning that has long been associated with India's G.D. Goenka Schools."

The G.D. Goenka Private School provides a quality learning environment that is safe, clean, healthy and child-oriented. Classrooms are arranged in a manner that stimulates innovative play and learning for different development levels, while activity areas are designed to allow children to explore, experience and excel. The school is now open for admission and will start sessions for the new school year on September 8, 2013. The school will adopt the CBSE curriculum, offering personalised learning through innovative, progressive techniques.

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