

CII organizes a digital session with ECGC



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KOLKATA, JUNE 15/--/CII organized a webinar/digital session with ECGC on partnering export growth. M.Senthilnathan, Chairman-cum-Managing Director and Sunil Joshi, Executive Director participated and addressed the participants. The session deliberated upon the need for cost-effective insurance to drive exports and bring back growth in the economy. "In these trying times, managing credit risk and taking protection against unforeseen losses has assumed further importance and there is a need to increase the flow of bank credit to export sector and timely settlement of claims, said Sanjay Budhia, Chairman, CII National Committee on EXIM."

Mr.Senthilnathan mentioned that ECGC is working under pandemic-related restrictions but they are trying their best to provide services to their clients. Right now

all the buyers and most part of the world are affected due to COVID containment measures, he said. The crisis is much worse compared to the one witnessed after Global Financial Meltdown a decade earlier. The working capital cycle of almost all the business units have been impacted. ECGC will be playing a counter cyclical role. ECGC recognizes that the situation calls for some credit accommodation and credit insurers need to take high risks, he added.

Mr Joshi also addressed the seminar and gave a global perspective on the challenges before the world economy, in general, and India, in particular. He mentioned that the global economy is prone to multiple shocks of heavy debt burden, falling trade, reduced consumption, spending, and overall declining GDP. According to him the four major challenges are availability of finance, flexible commercial terms, geopolitical risks, and increased insolvencies.