



## India Market Briefing

**Tuesday • December 1, 2009 • Program: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. • Registration: 11:30 a.m.  
at BizTech • 515 Sparkman Drive • Huntsville, AL**

The Alabama Development Office, NAITA and the Alabama Export Alliance welcome **Dr. Abdul Shaikh, Senior International Economist, U.S. Department of Commerce**. Dr. Shaikh will present information on doing business in India and the opportunities available in this dynamic market.

Dr. Abdul Quader Shaikh directs the India Business Center for the U.S. Department of Commerce and is a senior international economist and Regional Coordinator for Africa, the Middle East and South Asia at the Trade Information Center (TIC), U.S. Commercial Service, U.S. Department of Commerce. He coordinates business counseling to promote trade, investment and commercial opportunities for U.S. companies – including joint ventures – and counsels American companies engaged in exports to these countries. He speaks often at trade events on doing business in the Middle East, India and Africa.

In his prior position, he worked as industry economist at the U.S. Department of Commerce, responsible for collecting, analyzing and interpreting complex financial, economic and trade data and maintained a vast array of economic and business information. Prior to this he was a senior policy advisor with the Economic Development Administration and designed economic and business development programs.

Dr. Shaikh taught at the University of Massachusetts and served as Professor and Chairman of the thirty-member Business Administration Department within the Massachusetts University system at North Adams. He has taught in MBA and Executive MBA programs at Johns Hopkins, the University of Maryland, George Mason and Virginia Tech.

He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Massachusetts and holds two masters and a law degree.

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### ALABAMA TRADE MISSION TO INDIA

**Governor Riley will lead a trade mission to India May 1-7, 2010. Stops include Delhi & Chennai (with the option of visiting Bangalore or Mumbai as well). The multi-industry mission is aimed at Alabama's industrial, service, and higher education leaders, with a focus on small and medium-sized enterprises.**

## RESERVATION FORM- INDIA MARKET BRIEFING

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Reservations are required as seating is limited.**

- I will attend the briefing on December 1.
- I cannot attend but would like to schedule a one-on-one appointment to discuss trade opportunities.

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