

Purnima Voria Executive Biography

Purnima Voria is the Founder and CEO of the National US India Chamber of Commerce (NUICC), a trade organization that promotes bilateral trade between United States and India through business relationships. NUICC is recognized as one of the top international business organizations where members meet with visionary business and government leaders from the United States, and India to help their companies better compete in the new, dynamic global economy with the enhanced growth of U.S.-India trade relations. The membership of NUICC spans across a wide spectrum of industries, with direct membership strength of approximately 9,200 people worldwide.

An international business advocate, Ms. Voria is an International business owner, educator, motivational speaker and a U.S.-India expert. She is also a business consultant to small and large U.S. corporations and industry trade associations and helps businesses market and source their products and services in India; qualifies local partners; provides a road map for businesses that are entering the Indian marketplace; provides legal, taxation and regulatory help; and offers incompany training workshops.

Ms. Voria direct bilateral trade efforts between United States and India for last several years resulted in increased exports of U.S. products into India, increased manufacturing opportunities for U.S. companies in India, joint venture opportunities and also assisted major U.S. corporations with expertise in management of business operations in India and trained several companies about the business cultural norms before they embarked into India to set up their businesses. Recent accomplishment was in February of 2015, when NUICC India headquarters successfully launched a U.S. based National Cancer Research Center in Jaipur, Rajasthan and also assisted and hosted U.S. Presidential candidate Mitt Romney with a 35 member delegation for Corporate Social Responsibility fundraising related initiatives.

Sec. Gary Locke, Sec. John Bryson, Acting Sec. Rebecca Blank .In 2014 Ms. Voria was appointed by Secretary Penny Pritzker, U.S. Department of Commerce to serve as an Advisor to the Obama Administration on the National Advisory Council on Minority Business Enterprise to shape future policies and programs that will set the foundation for the growth of \$5.8 million companies across all industries that are owned and operated by U.S. minorities.

Ms. Voria has also served on President George W. Bush's 2005 Presidential Commission and was a member of his 2006 Presidential Business Club, providing valuable business policy and trade expertise. That same year, she was awarded a Congressional Medal of Distinction for her outstanding leadership in business and her contributions to the United States economy. In 2005, The Wall Street Journal honored Ms. Voria as a Business Woman of the Year. She was also the Honorary Chairman for the National Republican Congressional Business Advisory Council and received the 2005 Ronald Regan Republican Gold Medal for her acumen as a local business leader. Adding to her stellar community service record, Ms. Voria serves as an Ambassador for Peace and is a contributing member to the United Nations Association of the United States of America. She is listed in *Who's Who in Executives and Professionals*.

In Colorado, where the National US India Chamber of Commerce is headquartered, Ms. Voria was selected to serve on both Governor Owens' and Denver Mayor Hickenlooper's Asian Advisory Councils. She is also the President of India Association of Colorado.

An internationally recognized speaker, Ms. Voria has been featured on BBC World News –London as a commentator on climate change and the role of various nations' stances on the issue. She also participated in Voice of America TV and Radio's thought provoking discussion entitled Global Women's Empowerment. Furthermore, she was featured on India Today, a leading magazine, and spoke on the importance of Non Resident Indian's role in contributing to the rise of India as an economic superpower, The Times Of India, India Abroad, The Denver Post, The Denver Business Journal and the Colorado Today Television show. Ms. Voria travels frequently between the United States and India, promoting businesses and consulting for corporations and industry trade associations. She also travelled worldwide to China, India, Israel, New Zealand and other countries as Keynote Speaker for Global CEO Business Conferences.