

Investment Guide to Costa Rica

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Protection of Intellectual Property

In cooperation with the Japan Science and Technology Fund, External Affairs and International Trade Canada recently published a handbook entitled *Protecting Intellectual Property: An Introduction to Japan* (#167CB).

The handbook is designed to assistbusinesses and researchers who wish to engage in cooperation activities with Japan. Greater familiarity with the rules and practices governing intellectual property in Japan should help Canadians make more enlightened decisions and should minimize misunderstandings between partners in the two countries.

Copies of the study may be obtained from Info Export (See box at bottom of page 12).

Mining Equipment in India

India's public sector is becoming increasingly reliant on private sector input as it seeks to accelerate the development of its mining industry. Incentives such as tax-free importing of components and spare parts are used to encourage industry growth. This and other information is found in *Opportunities for Canada in India's Mining Equipment Industry* (#168CA), a publication of External Affairs and International Trade Canada and available through Info Export (See box at bottom of page 12).

India's local production facilities are sufficient to meet a number of needs. Under the eighth Five-Year Plan, started in 1990, the mining industry will require roughly \$3.2 billion worth of equipment, onequarter of which may consist of imported equipment or components.

Gas and Oil in India

With a view to increasing Canada's share of India's highgrowth oil industry, the Canadian Consulate in Bombay has prepared a publication entitled Industry Profile: Oil and Gas Equipment Industry in India (#166CA). Canada's oil and gas companies are already doing business with the Oil and Natural Gas Commission and, according to the study, there are additional opportunities in a wide variety of fields. The studies and more information may be obtained from the Trade Commissioner, Consulate of Canada, 41/42 Maker Chambers VI, 4th floor, Jamnalal Bajaj Marg, Nariman Point, Bombay 400021, India. Tel.: (011-91-22) 287-5479; fax:(011-91-22) 287-5514.



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