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Rising Sulphur Prices Push Sulphuric Acid Market Higher

The global sulphuric acid market is witnessing strong demand and continuous price increases due to rising sulphur costs, supply shortages, and geopolitical disruptions. Sulphur, the primary raw material used in sulphuric acid production, has seen sharp price growth in recent months, directly impacting sulphuric acid base pricing across domestic and international markets.

One of the major reasons behind the current market surge is the ongoing geopolitical tension in the Middle East and Red Sea region. Supply disruptions, shipping delays, higher freight charges, and rising marine insurance costs have significantly affected global sulphur trade. Since a large portion of sulphur exports move through Gulf countries, any instability in the region immediately impacts global availability and pricing.

At the same time, strong demand from fertilizer, mining, battery, and chemical industries is further tightening the market. Sulphuric acid remains a critical raw material for phosphate fertilizers, copper and nickel processing, petroleum refining, wastewater treatment, steel manufacturing, and industrial chemicals. Rapid expansion in electric vehicle batteries, lithium refining, and critical mineral processing has also increased global sulphuric acid consumption substantially.

India is particularly affected due to its heavy dependence on imported sulphur from countries such as Saudi Arabia, UAE, and Qatar. Rising import costs and limited supply availability are putting pressure on chemical manufacturers across Gujarat and Maharashtra, impacting downstream industries including fertilizers, dyes, pigments, textiles, and detergents.

Additionally, reduced sulphuric acid output from copper smelters and stricter environmental regulations have further tightened global supply. Market analysts report that sulphur and sulphuric acid prices have reached multi-year highs during 2025 and 2026 due to strong industrial demand and constrained raw material availability.

The overall market outlook remains firm, with industry experts expecting prices to stay elevated in the near term unless global supply conditions improve significantly. Businesses dependent on sulphuric acid are therefore focusing on long-term sourcing strategies, inventory management, and supply security to manage ongoing market volatility.

Mr. Sohaib Dayma
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Interactive HR Session



Digital Detox Session Conducted by Brahmakumari



Birthday Celebrations at PCAPL



Mr. Ashok Patel



Mr. Sohaib Dayma



Ms. Drashti Soni

Best Out of Waste Activity for Skill Development



Poshan Saptah Awareness & Nutrition Drive 2026



World Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Session



Industry-Academia Round Table Summit for Internship 2026





- Switzerland based Laboratory Automation Provider TECAN has launched its direct operations in India including a dedicated Sales & Service Team based in Gurugram, near New Delhi.
- The Global Speciality Chemicals Industry is reshaping how value is created with competitive advantage shifting away from manufacturing scale towards formulation ownership, supplier co-ordination,
- qualification management and application level expertise according to a new report by consulting firm Redseer.
- Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd (GNFC) has taken its Acetic Acid Plant at Bharuch, Gujarat off stream due to favourable market conditions.
- Mumbai based Speciality Chemicals and Personal Care Ingredients Firm Novaphene Specialities has appointed Switzerland based Market Expansion Services Group DKSH as its Distribution Partner across Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore.
- Surat based Anupam Rasayan India Ltd. to acquire stake in Bliss GVS Pharma Ltd., a Mumbai based Formulation Company.
- Bengaluru.Intertek buys Mitsui Chemicals Solar Laboratory Assets in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- Rossari Biotech's subsidiaries – Unitop Chemicals and Tristar Intermediates are rescheduling capacity expansion projects due to evolving business needs and prevailing market conditions.
- Manali Petrochemicals subsidiary PennWhite India has inaugurated a new speciality chemicals facility at Oragadam, Chennai.
- Deepak Chem Tech Ltd. (DCTL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Deepak Nitrite, has inked a long-term agreement with industrial gas firm Praxair (a Linde Company) to build a HYCO (Hydrogen / Carbon Monoxide) plant.
- Mumbai based Speciality Chemicals maker Dai-Ichi Karkaria has inaugurated an upgraded manufacturing facility at its Dahej site in Gujarat with significant expansion of Ethoxylation production capacity. The upgrade also adds multi-product manufacturing capacity for greater optionality.
- Mumbai based Speciality Chemicals Firm Platinum Industries is entering through its wholly owned subsidiary, Ruvadu Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd.
- EternisFine Chemicals, A Mumbai based Manufacturer of Aroma Chemicals, has set up a Joint Venture with S.O.F.I.
- Gujarat Fluoro Chemicals Ltd. (GFL) has signed an MOU with Delhi Technological University (DTU) to jointly study and strengthen waste water treatment solutions using GFL's in-house developed PVDF based MBR (Membrane Bioreactor) Technology.
- Recent Indian Chemical News highlights major sustainability projects, generative AI integration and steady domestic earnings despite global supply chain pressure.
- Global Logistics Company Maersk recently flagged off a dedicated weekly reefer rail service connecting Hyderabad's pharmaceutical manufacturing cluster to Nhava Sheva Port, designed in close partnership with CONCOR. Supply Chains.
- S.K. Minerals and Additives acquires additional land at Punjab site to expand flame retardant additives production.
- Considering the impact of the West Asia crisis on the edible oil industry, including the steep increase in the landed cost of oils, the Solvent Extractors Association of India (SEA) has requested the Government for policy support to overcome the current situation.
- Dorf-Ketal Chemicals India has acquired Vasu Chemicals' water treatment business.

In a busy town there lived a 13 year old boy named Shiv. He was very polite and brilliant. Every morning he walked to school through a crowded market road. One rainy afternoon, while returning to home, he noticed a small wallet lying near the Bus stop.

He picket it up and opened carefully and saw thousands of rupees, some cards and an old smiling photograph of a lovely family. His eyes widened. His family was not rich and working hard to fulfil the daily necessities of life. He thought this money could help him to buy his learning and skill building items including a cricket bat also to achieve his targets and desired results. For a moment he thought, May be no one will know if I keep it with me. But then he remembered his Grandfather's words "Honesty is doing the right thing even when no one is watching.

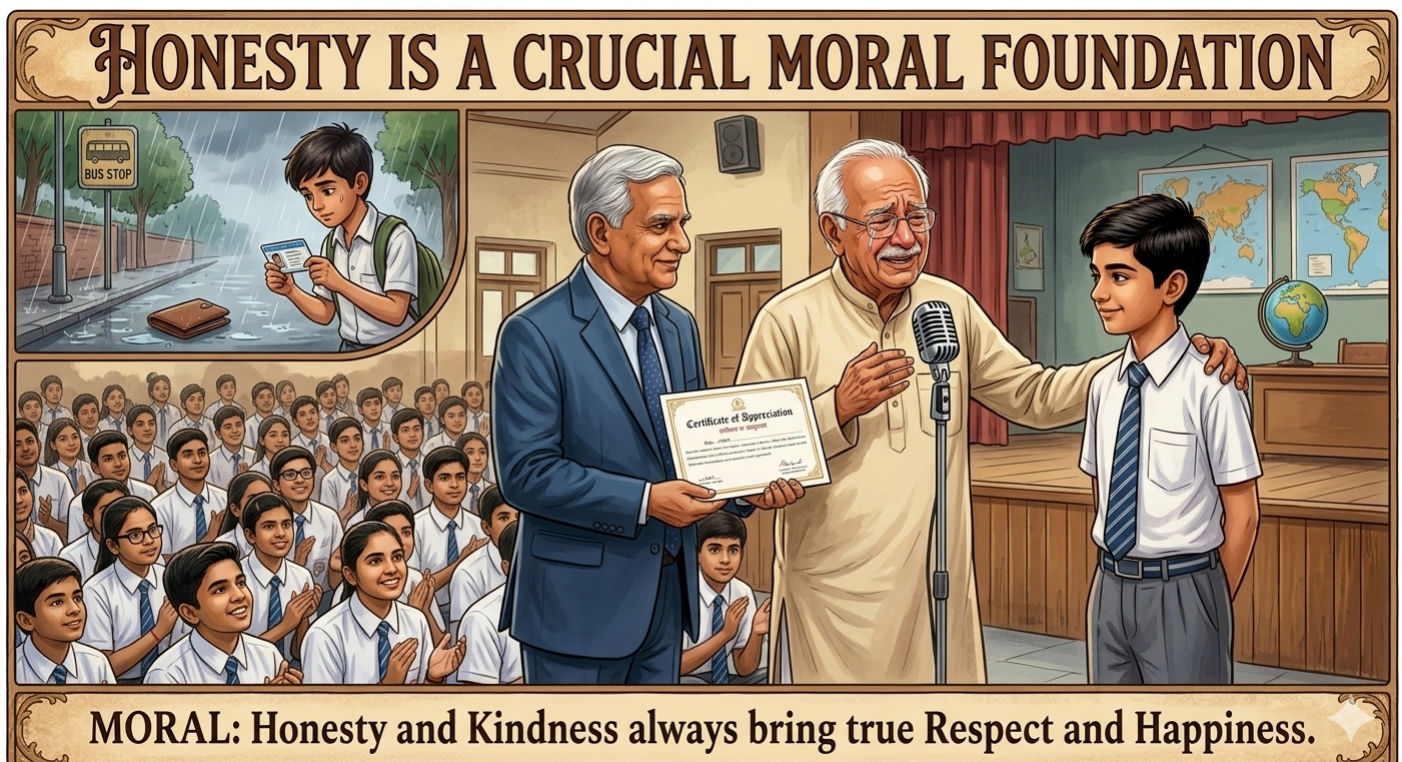
He searched the Wallet once again and found an ID Card with an address. Although it was getting dark and the rain was heavy, he decided to return it immediately.

Finally he reached the address and knocked the door. One elderly man opened the door with worried eyes. The moment he saw the Wallet, tears filled his eyes and he hugged the boy and said "Thank goodness" this money was for the Medical Treatment of my wife who is under severe illness and I thought I had lost it for ever.

Seeing the honesty and polite behaviour of the boy, the man offered Shiv a reward but he refused and said with a smile "I only did what was right".

A few days later the principal of his School called Shiv to the stage during Assembly. The elderly man was present there and he shared the story of Shiv's sincerity and honesty. The Principal with great joy appreciated Shiv and given a him a Certificate of Appreciation and his classmates clapped proudly for him. That day Shiv realized "No Rewards money can match the Value of Respect earned through Honesty"

MORAL : Honesty and Kindness always bring true Respect and Happiness.



One of the most important and imperative management tip is Effective Communication. A Manager may have excellent technical knowledge and strong decision making ability but without proper communication it becomes difficult to lead a team successfully.

Communication is the foundation of Management because it connects employees, managers and Organization gals.

An effective Manager should communicate clearly, confidently and respectfully. Instructions must be simple and understandable so that employees know exactly what is expected from them. Confusion in communication often leads to mistakes, delays and misunderstandings. Therefore, Managers should always ensure that messages are delivered accurately and at the right time.

Listening is also a major art of communication. Good Managers are not only good speaker but also good listeners.

Employees feel motivated and valued when their ideas, suggestions and problems are heard seriously. This creates trust and improves teamwork within the Organization. A Manager who listens carefully, can identify issues early to final better solutions.

Another important aspect is feedback. Managers should regularly provide constructive feedback to employees. Positive feedback increases confidence and motivation while corrective feedback helps employees to improve their performance. Feed back should always be respectful and focused on improvement rather than criticism.

In modern Organization communication skills are more important because teams often work under pressure and within strict deadlines. A Manager who communicates effectively can reduce stress, solve conflicts peacefully and maintain a positive work environment.

Moreover, communication helps in building relationships among team members and inspire them to work with dedication and active organizational objectives very effectively. When employees communicate openly with each other will help to improve co-ordination and co-operation and create a roductive and positive working environment.

In conclusion, effective communication is a Key Management Skill that determines the success of a Manager and an Organization.





PUZZLE YOUR MIND

Q.1) $4 \times 4 = 8$

$6 \times 7 = 12$

$8 \times 9 = 18$

$39 \times 27 = ??$

Q.2) BCD : 612 :: GHI : ?

Q.3) Define the following :

a) A fast reply may result into a wrong answer.

b). Clouds May not hide the Sun for ever.

Q.4) PATELS : BQFUTM ::
NECTAR : ?



Answer to
the Puzzles of
APRIL 2026

Q.1). 360

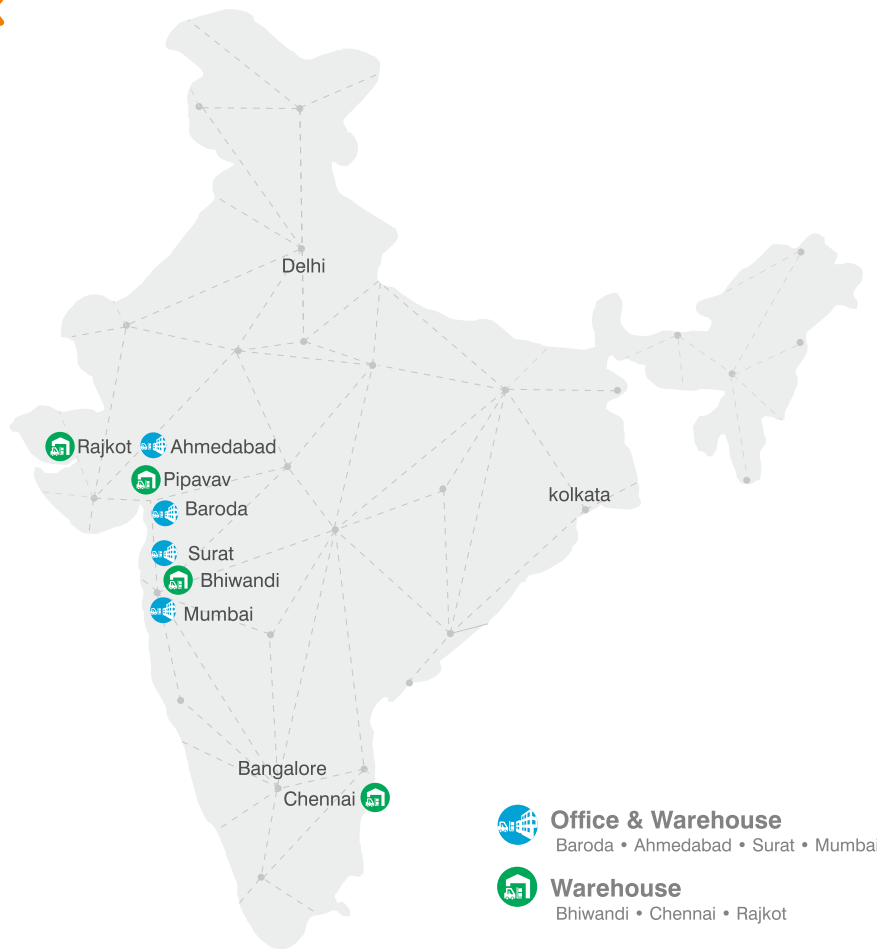
Q.2). 350

Q.3) You can't live someone's
Life or follow their path exactly.
You need your own way

Q.4). 06

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