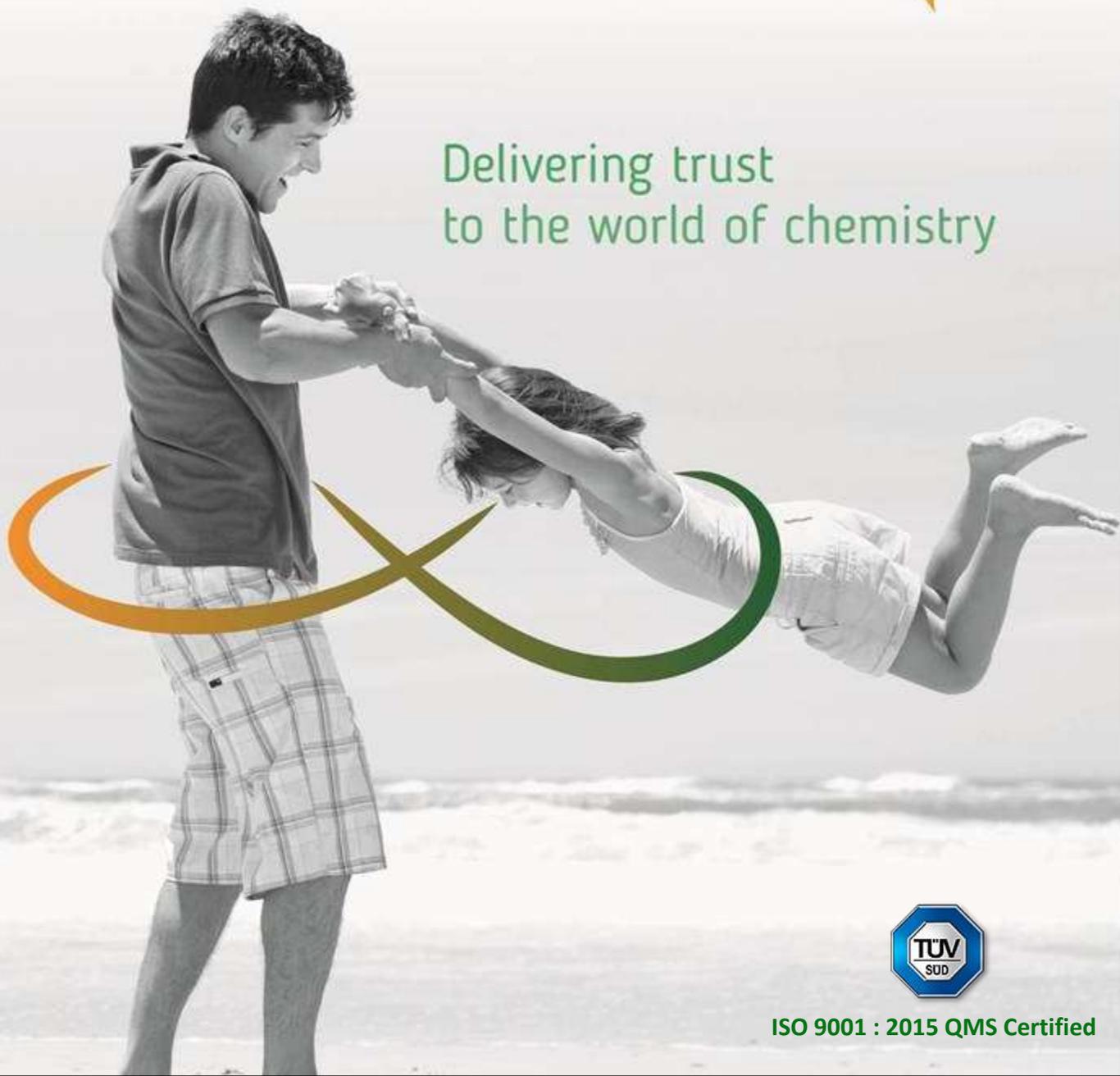


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## Global Container Crisis:

Container Shortage continues to restrict options on the High Seas. Logistics Managers reliant on Ocean cargo shipping have been confronted with a series of calamities and close calls this year, note industry analysts.

The pandemic led to global changes in consumption and shopping patterns, including a surge in e-commerce. This was followed by increased import demand for manufactured consumer goods—most of which are moved on container vessels.

With the lessening of lockdown measures and varying speeds of recovery worldwide—as well as stimulus packages supporting consumer demand—inventory-building and front loading contributed to a further increase in containerized trade flows. Finally, the recent obstruction of the Suez Canal by a grounded container ship contributed to another escalation of freight rates.

At the outset, the disruptions resulting from the pandemic, trade imbalances and changing trade patterns led to shifts in the geography of container trade. Empty boxes were left in places where they were not needed, and repositioning was not planned. Moreover, as carriers introduced “blank sailings,” or skipped port calls, a mismatch between supply and demand for empty containers was exacerbated, as empty boxes were left behind and failed to be repositioned.

The container crisis is also a reflection of a slowdown in and delays across the maritime supply chain due to strains caused by the pandemic. This includes port labor shortages, port congestion and capacity constraints in inland transport systems. Monitoring of port calls and liner schedules, along with better tracing and port call optimization, are among the issues covered by the growing field of “maritime informatics,” UNCTAD conclude. It is hard to see supply chain bottlenecks being resolved any time soon, with some major exporters including Indonesia and Vietnam still struggling to contain the delta outbreak. It could continue to drag on the global recovery by slowing production and pushing up costs, although not derailing it. Chang Shu, chief Asia economist At the heart of the price pressures is the transportation bottleneck.

Big retailers tend to have long-term contracts with container lines, but Asian production relies on networks of tens of thousands of small and medium-sized producers who often arrange shipping through logistics firms and freight forwarders. They in turn have been struggling to secure space for clients as vessel owners sell to the highest bidders.

Some 60% to 70% of shipping deals on the Asia-America route are done through spot or short-term deals, according to Michael Wang, an analyst at President Capital Management Corp. He said auction-style pricing may continue until Chinese New Year in February 2022.



**Mr. Vivek Patel**  
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**Editor for the Month**

# Birthday celebration of Mr. Dilip Shah, Managing Director, Prakash Chemicals Agencies Pvt. Ltd.



live happily. Many many happy turns of the days. God bless you happy and healthy life.



September 2021 - Birthday Wishes to  
Mrs. Sangita Kale & Geeta Makwana



# CSR Activities - September 2021

Teachers Day Celebration and Hand Bag Distribution at our 14 adopted Anganwadi Workers & Helpers



Swachhatha Awareness Competition 2021 at our adopted Anganwadi Centres



## Market Updates

- ❖ Gujarat State Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd. (GSFC) has announced resumption of operations at its Methanol Plant at Vadodara after 6 years of shutdown.
- ❖ The Government has constituted a task force and expert committee to prepare a road map for coal-based Hydrogen production.
- ❖ State-run engineering firm, BHEL has successfully demonstrated a facility to create Methanol from high ash Indian coal, according to an official statement.
- ❖ The Govt. has set up an expert committee to frame new laws for medicines, cosmetics and medical devices in a bid to replace the existing Drugs and Cosmetics Act, which was formed in 1940.
- ❖ The Director General of Trade Remedies (DGTR), the Commerce Ministry's investigation arm has recommended the imposition of anti-dumping duty on Vitamin-C, used by Pharmaceutical Firms for Medicine production from China to guard domestic manufacturers.
- ❖ After successful launch of Nano Urea, Union Chemicals and Fertilizers Minister Mr. Mansukh Mandaviya has directed IFFCO and other Fertilizer makers to start commercial production of Nano DAP (di-ammonium Phosphate) within a year to reduce import dependence.
- ❖ Kolkata-based Dhunseri Group is setting up a Unit for production of Flexible Packaging films at an estimated investment of Rs.1250 Crore.
- ❖ Techno Paints has announced plans to set up a new Rs.75 crore manufacturing plant for Super Premium paints at Cheryal near Hyderabad.
- ❖ Cloud Chemicals, a Mumbai based company involved in contract manufacturing and chemicals distribution of dyes and pigments, has announced plans to venture into manufacturing of a range of Titanium Dioxide Grades and Pigments.
- ❖ The Gujarat Control Board (GPCB) has issued a revocation order under Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 for resumption of operations in Chemical Firm, SRF's 'P2' Plant and two other allied plants located in Dahej (Gujarat).
- ❖ The Commerce Ministry's arm Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) has recommended the extension of Anti-dumping Duty for Five years on Imports of Melamine used in beauty and utility products from China to protect Domestic Industry.
- ❖ Government keeps out Chemical & Pharma Industries out of new remission of Duties Scheme.
- ❖ Meghmani Finechem Ltd., the erstwhile subsidiary of the listed entity Meghmani Organics Ltd. (MOL), made a stellar debut on the Stock Exchanges on 18.08.2021.
- ❖ Bharat Biotech International Pvt. Ltd. rolled out the First Commercial batch of COVID-19 Vaccine COVAXIN manufactured at its Chiron Behring facility in Ankleshwar Gujarat.

- ❖ The Board of Directors of Aarti Industry has approved the demerger of Aarti Industries, carving out Aarti Pharmed Labs, which will house its Pharma Business along with Speciality Chemicals related to the Pharma Sector.
- ❖ Exporters urge Government to include Chemicals, Pharma under Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP).
- ❖ Textile Ministry mulls extension for Clean Technology Funding Scheme
- ❖ NTPC Ltd., India's largest integrated power generating company, has floated a global expression of Interest (EoI) to set up a Pilot Project on Hydrogen blending with Natural Gas in City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in India.
- ❖ Sentient Labs, an R & D innovation Lab and Agharkar Research Institute (ARI) have developed the world's first technology that generates Hydrogen directly from Agricultural residue for use in fuel cell-powered vehicles.
- ❖ Sigachi Industries Ltd., the Hyderabad based manufacturer of Pharma excipients and food ingredients and the Aga Khan Rural Support Programme India (AKRSPI) a Non-Government Development Organization working for the betterment of Rural Communities have come together to launch a multi-year integrated development programme in Bharuch and Narmada Districts in Gujarat.
- ❖ Cosmo Speciality Chemicals, a 100% Subsidiary of Cosmo Films Ltd. has launched a clay-based scouring agent Eco Clay, for the Textile Industry..
- ❖ The Department of Science & Technology (DST) informed that Indian researchers have come up with an innovative Hydrogen manufacturing route which increases its production three times and lowers the energy required.
- ❖ Galaxy Surfactants Ltd. Has announced the launch of Galsoft SLL, a condensation product of Lactic Acid and Lauric Acid and a 100% natural offering for the personal care industry.
- ❖ Balaji Amines Ltd. said that the Board of Directors of the Company has approved a proposal for setting up a new plant for manufacture of Acetonitrile.
- ❖ The Assam Government has approved the Ethanol Production Promotion Policy 2021 as it aims to attract investment in Ethanol manufacturing.
- ❖ India has initiated an anti-dumping probe against a Chemical used in the Pharmaceutical Industry imported from China, following a complaint filed by Arch Pharma Labs.
- ❖ The Government is set to make it mandatory for user industries to produce or procure green Hydrogen to meet part of their needs, to move that has the potential to make India once of the largest producers of what is being seen as a fuel of the future.

In a Village there was a Pandit. He was very clever and well-versed in all Scriptures and knowing everything . He was very poor. He didn't have a house and struggling hard to get clothes and one time food. His clothes were very much worn out.

So, the Pandit used to beg for his meals. He went from House-to-House begging. "Please give me alms". On seeing his old clothes many people were thinking that he is mad. So, saying "Go Away" they shut the door. For many days he did not even eat.

Once a rich man gave him some new clothes and he got very happy. Wearing those new clothes he went for begging as before. To the very first house he went, the householder said, "Sir, please come in. Please have your food in our house". Saying thus, with great respect, he took the Pandit inside for food.

The Pandit sat down to eat. Varieties of soups, Sweet meals, Vedas, and Sweet foods were served for eating.

Having prayed first, the Pundit took a sweetmeat with his hand and began to feed his new clothes saying, "Eat, Eat..."

On seeing this, the householder was very surprised and was not able to understand the activities of Pandit. So he asked "Panditji - Clothes don't eat which is the actual fact and as an enlightened Pandit why you offer food to your clothes?"

Pandit answered "Indeed because of these new clothes you offered me food today. Yesterday itself when I asked some food in this very house, you asked me to go away. As I obtained this food today only because of these clothes and so I am very much grateful to them and feeding them.

***Moral: Never judge anyone by their outlook.***

## How to make good decisions ?

Decision-making is an integral part of modern management. Essentially, Rational or sound decision making is taken as primary function of management. Every manager takes hundreds and hundreds of decisions subconsciously or consciously making it as the key component in the role of a manager. Decisions play important roles as they determine both organizational and managerial activities.

Decision making is the process of making choices by identifying a decision, gathering information, and assessing alternative resolutions. A decision can be defined as a course of action purposely chosen from a set of alternatives to achieve organizational or managerial objectives or goals. Decision making process is continuous and indispensable component of managing any organization or business activities. Decisions are made to sustain the activities of all business activities and organizational functioning.

Step-by-step decision-making process will help to make more deliberate, thoughtful decisions by organizing relevant information and defining alternatives. This approach increases the chances that you will choose the most satisfying alternative possible. Some important steps to achieve effective decision making are as follows:

**Identify Your Goal** : One of the most effective decision making strategies is to keep an eye on your goal. This simply means identifying the purpose of your decision by asking yourself what exactly is the problem that needs to be solved? And why does this problem need to be solved?

**Gather Information for Weighing Your Options** : When making good decisions it is best to gather necessary information directly related to the problem. Doing this, will help you to better understand what needs to be done in solving the problem, and will also help to generate ideas for a possible solution.

**Consider the Consequences** : This is an essential step because it allows you to review the pros and cons of the different options that you listed in the previous step. It is also important because you want to feel comfortable with all your options and the possible outcome of whichever one you choose.

**Make decision** : After identify the Goal and gathering necessary informations and weighed the consequences, it is time to make a choice and actually execute the final decision.

**Evaluate Decision** : Once you have made your final decision and put it into action, it is necessary to evaluate the decision and the steps you have taken to ensure that it works. This step requires some patience and it can also encourage perseverance. as it may take some time to see the final outcome. Recognizing that if the first decision is not working, you may have to go back to step two and choose another option.

- Q.1) When you have me, you feel like sharing me. But, if you do share me, you don't have me. What am I?
- Q.2) Place two letters in each set of brackets so that they form a word when tacked onto the letters on the left and form another word when placed in front of the letters on the right. The letters placed in the brackets must produce an eight letter word when read downwards in pairs.
- HE (\*\*) LY  
HO (\*\*) AR  
AU (\*\*) NK  
CO (\*\*) CH

Q.3) From the given below 10 letters, prepare the longest word .

*MUERVHANYL*

Q.4) The average of 3 numbers is 27. The average of 2 of these numbers is 32. What is the 3rd number ?

Winner of the Puzzle Competition of AUGUST 2021 Edition

**!! Mr. SHREEJI MODI - Congratulations !!**

## Answer to the Puzzles of August 2021

- Puzzle No.1) Ans : **1458**  
Puzzle No.2) Ans : **B & C (RAILS & MOTTO)**  
Puzzle No.3) Ans : **3000**  
Puzzle No.4) Ans : **1521**  
Puzzle No.5) Ans : **APPLE**



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