

## Eastern India Corrugated Box Manufacturers' Association

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## About EICMA

**EASTERN INDIA CORRUGATED BOX MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION (EICMA)** is an industrial association representing the interest of corrugated box manufacturers in West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Jharkhand, Sikkim, Assam and other North Eastern States. Established on 11th May, 1972 with a meager strength of seven members EICMA has now grown to membership strength of around 100 members. Ever since its formation, EICMA has grown from strength to strength over the years and scaled new heights of achievements. It is now one of the foremost regional associations of the corrugated box manufacturers of the country. In 1988, EICMA was affiliated to Bharat Chamber of Commerce, Kolkata with common working arrangement.

Supported by the efficient and dedicated secretarial services of .the Chamber, EICMA together with nine other regional associations and their apex body - the Federation of Corrugated Box Manufacturers of India (FCBM) has been effectively focusing on various problems of the corrugators in appropriate forum and Government bodies. In 1995, the association with a matching grant from FCBM has set up an R&D laboratory at Kolkata which provides various testing facilities for corrugated boxes and papers. The association also had the honour of hosting FCBM Annual Conference first in 1973 and then 1980, 1987 and 1995.

In the context of the changing economic scenario, the activities of EICMA are also being re-oriented. It is now giving more attention to the need for effective partnership between the Government and the corrugated packaging industry. Wedded to the cause of the Indian corrugated packaging industry, EICMA thus, continues to forge ahead.

With an aim to interact and serve its members and associated industry in a better way, EICMA launched its web portal <u>www.eicbma.com</u> officially on November 2, 2007 by the respected founder president of EICMA, Late M.L. Bengani. Since then EICMA with its dedicated team has been maintaining and updating the web portal regularly as a result of which the traffic to web portal has been increasing leaps and bounds. In the years to come, EICMA promises to give better services to its members and associated industry with the changing trends and technology.