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Dubai Honours Indian-Origin Business Enterprise with Prestigious ‘Erth Dubai’ Award

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Dubai honoured an Indian-origin business enterprise, Uncle’s Shop Building Material Trading, with the prestigious Erth Dubai Award under the category of “Best Private Sector Entity.” The recognition highlights the long-standing contribution of the Indian business community to Dubai’s economic and social development.?

Award Recipient:

The award was received by Deepak Bhatia, Managing Director of Uncle’s Shop Building Material Trading.

The honour was presented by Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum in the presence of Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum.

About the Enterprise:

Founded in 1922 by Uttamchand Bhatia, popularly known as “Vattra”.

Considered among the oldest Indian-origin business establishments in the UAE.

Currently managed by the fourth generation of the Bhatia family.

What is the ‘Erth Dubai Award’?

Purpose of the Award

One of Dubai’s highest civilian recognitions.

Instituted to honour individuals, families, and organisations contributing significantly to:

Trade and commerce

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Heritage preservation

Community development

Dubai's socio-economic transformation

India-UAE Relations:

India and the UAE share a strong Comprehensive Strategic Partnership established in 2017. The UAE is one of India's largest trading partners and a major source of crude oil and investments. Both countries signed the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) in 2022 to boost trade and economic cooperation. The UAE hosts over 3 million Indians, making it one of the largest Indian diaspora populations abroad. Cooperation between the two nations covers trade, energy, defence, maritime security, fintech, space, food security, renewable energy, and counter-terrorism. Dubai also serves as a major global hub for Indian business and commerce.