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what we do in the present.”

—
Mahatma Gandhi



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Foreword by

Manoj Ladwa

Chairman & Chief Executive – India Inc. Group



Amidst the Covid-19 pandemic that so tragically ripped its way through populations and economies in 2020, I asked our global networks to do something extraordinary. From 9-11 July we convened over 250 of the world's foremost leaders in politics, business, science and technology, arts, media and culture, not to commiserate, but to discuss how to create a global revival with India at its heart.

What transpired, at a time of such adversity, was the largest ever conference on India's globalisation. A three-day event that attracted over 30,000 viewers from 76 nations. Prime Minister, Modi inaugurated the event and rightly spoke of the intrinsic link between India and the recovery we all hope for.

I am, therefore, delighted to share the highlights and report here.

Whilst we remain some way off normality, and much concern remains in India and the world over – the global vaccine rollout and India's much acknowledged collaborative approach during these times, provides a much-needed beacon of hope and stimulus for future ambition. Simultaneously, intricate global supply chains are rapidly evolving to mitigate anticipated future risks. All this reminds us of the critical importance of expanding the open and cooperative partnerships that were on display during our gathering last year.

Building upon our success of previous years in producing incisive and high-impact conversations, I am, therefore, also pleased to announce the formation of an exciting new membership driven organisation, India Global Forum, to take the ideas of our stakeholders forward through an annual programme of activities. IGF will be a permanent outcomes-based organisation which will drive multiple initiatives to address global challenges.

I would like to thank our incredible members, sponsors, and partners for making all this possible.

I hope you find this report interesting and look forward to meeting again soon!

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India & A Better New World

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This event is part of the excellent work India Inc. has been doing over the years. Your events have helped bring the opportunities in India to a global audience.

Narendra Modi

Prime Minister of India



Highlights



207 SPEAKERS



62 SESSIONS



32 PARTNERS



+30K PARTICIPANTS



+12 MILLION IMPRESSIONS ACROSS
FACEBOOK AND TWITTER



+150 MILLION VISIBILITY
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What They Say



I was most touched to have been asked to join you all at the start of India Global Week. As you undertake these vital discussions I have every confidence that you will identify practical answers to the questions we all face and help to move us on to a more sustainable trajectory towards a better future.

HRH The Prince of Wales



I must place on record my thanks to India Inc. for organising this event even in these trying times which really is the essence of greater engagement between the people of UK and India and between businesses

Piyush Goyal,

Minister of Railways & Minister of Commerce & Industry
Government of India



I think this is a fantastic opportunity in terms of bringing UK India relations together.

Priti Patel

Secretary of State for Home Department, UK Government



The recent, first-ever, virtual summit between our two Prime Ministers shows that even in the most trying of circumstances, we are able, as friends and collaborators, to build and strengthen our partnership and plan for the future.

Simon Birmingham

Australian Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment



I'm really pleased to be able to take part in India Global Week. The relationship between our two countries is of enormous importance and value to us and I think that's reflected in the strength of the representation in the panels across the whole of this week

John Whittingdale

UK Minister of State for Media and Data



About India Inc.

India Inc. is a London-headquartered media house that produces incisive content and events on investment, trade and policy matters relating to India's increasingly globalised economic and strategic agenda

Its leading brands include 'India Global Business', 'iGLOBAL', India Global Forum (IGF) and India Inc. TV.

We are committed to delivering excellent business opportunities and insights for our clients, by engaging senior leaders, and producing incisive content and impactful events – globally.

Manoj Ladwa
Founder & CEO, India Inc.



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India Global Forum (IGF) is an outcomes-based platform, convening leaders across politics, business, science and technology, arts, media, and culture to drive initiatives that address global challenges. The 2021/22 IGF Programme will commence with the theme "Future.Now." at our annual June gathering in the UK. At our opening IGF, we will also be announcing a series of IGF meets and initiatives to be hosted in partner countries around six key themes.

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Infosys has been a partner with India Inc. for a few years now and we have seen the quality and engagement of the events grow exponentially during this time. We were delighted to be the Global Tech Partner for India Global Week 2020. The event gave our senior management, including myself, various opportunities to engage with prominent stakeholders and influencers in our space.

Mohit Joshi,
President, Infosys



Citi was delighted to be the Global Banking partner at the India Global Week 2020. India Inc. provides businesses working with India an international platform to discuss and deliberate relevant issues impacting our economy and society. We look forward to engaging with them in the future.

Ashu Khullar
CEO, Citi India



It was great to support India Global Week as Platinum Sponsor. India Inc, the organisers of this event, have done a fantastic job in moving the programming virtually and delivering so many meaningful discussions including the annual India-UK Building Winning Partnerships session in which we participated.

Tim Jones CBE
Executive Director, Tata Limited



Amazingly well done and thank you again for this truly international platform.

Hitan Mehta
Executive Director, British Asian Trust



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Press quotes



“ *Pandemic Has Shown Indian Pharma Asset For World: PM At Global Event*

“ *Jaishankar to Headline India Global Week Summit in UK on Vision for Post-pandemic World*



“ *India Global Week 2020: PM Modi to deliver his 1st speech to global audience in post-COVID-19 era on Thursday*

“ *Indian philosophies, values emphasise sustainable way of life: Prince Charles*



“ *PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates India Global Week 2020*

“ *Bullet train project: Piyush Goyal indicates 'tightening of belt' post-Covid*



“ *Border Gavaskar Series Is Equivalent To Ashes: Steve Waugh*

“ *Industry should make cleaner mobility solutions to make people feel safe: Ola*



Press quotes

The logo for ET (Economic Times) features the letters 'ET' in a bold, serif font, centered within a white square with a thin orange border.

“ Onus on industry to make cleaner mobility solutions which make people feel safe: Ola CEO Bhavish Aggarwal

“ India Global Week 2020 offers a BeTheRevival post-pandemic worldview

The logo for THE WEEK features the words 'THE WEEK' in a bold, red, sans-serif font, centered within a white square with a thin black border.The logo for THE FINANCIAL EXPRESS features a small red diamond icon above the words 'THE FINANCIAL EXPRESS' in a blue, serif font, centered within a white square with a thin black border.

“ Global economic revival relies on India's growth: Modi

“ Modi woos global companies with investment-friendly business environment

The logo for DH DECCAN HERALD features the letters 'DH' in a large, blue, serif font, with 'DECCAN HERALD' in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font below it, centered within a white square with a thin black border.The logo for The Indian EXPRESS features a red diamond icon followed by the words 'The Indian EXPRESS' in a black, sans-serif font, centered within a white square with a thin black border.

“ Story of global revival will have India playing a leading role: PM Modi

“ India Global Week: UK thanks India for providing paracetamol during Covid crisis

The logo for INDIA TODAY features the words 'INDIA TODAY' in a bold, red, sans-serif font, centered within a white square with a thin black border.The logo for BS (Business Standard) features the letters 'BS' in a white, serif font, centered within a red square with a thin white border.

“ Govt's stimulus package has preserved macro stability: KKR India head

Overview

India Global Week 2020 was India's largest global conference. The **3-day event**, which ran a packed agenda of **62 panels/forums** between **9-11 July 2020**, attracted **+30K participants** from **76 nations**. Supported by **9 sponsors**, **c.30 presenting partners**, the event attracted **207 top quality speakers** globally.

The event was formally inaugurated with a special address by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** who said of India Inc. Group: **‘Your events have helped bring opportunities in India to a global audience.’** This special address was beamed live across all major channels in India and was reported widely in India and internationally. The overall structure of the event is as below:

- ▶ 3 days divided into multiple streams
- ▶ The streams were separated by 2 aspects
 - Theme (Global Business Forums, Inspiring Journeys, Partners in Revival, Heart and Soul and Diaspora Dividend)
 - Geography (Australia, Japan, Singapore, the UK and the USA)
- ▶ Each stream had a designated host that took over between sessions.
- ▶ All sessions of India Global Week were professionally moderated.

Day to day breakdown of India Global Week:



About the Moderators



Ben Thompson is a presenter and correspondent for BBC News, based in London. He hosts BBC Breakfast, the UK's flagship morning news programme, as well as BBC Business Live, broadcast globally on BBC World News and across the UK on the BBC News Channel. With more than 15 years experience as a journalist, Ben has travelled around the world interviewing newsmakers, politicians and business leaders and telling the stories of people at the heart of the biggest global stories. Before taking up this latest role Ben was the BBC's North America Business Correspondent, based in New York and Middle East Business Correspondent, based in Dubai.

Edie Lush, an award winning journalist is an author, broadcaster and podcaster. She is Executive Producer & Co-host of the Global GoalsCast podcast which tells the stories of the champions making the world a better place through the Sustainable Development Goals.

As Executive Editor of Hub Culture Edie creates social media from Davos to the UN General Assembly in New York to the COP Climate Summits. She has been the Economics and Political correspondent for Bloomberg Television, a columnist at The Week magazine and the Associate Editor of Spectator Business magazine.

She runs her own business providing senior Leaders, Influencers, Academics and Executives with Communication training.



Priyanka Deo is the executive editor of YouTube channel New India Junction and a columnist. Her videos have been shared by prominent personalities including Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Priyanka's articles regularly appear in major publications including the Indian Express, Zee, Swarajya and WION. Priyanka holds master's degrees from Harvard University, the London School of Economics and Political Science and the University of Southern California. Prior to that, she played tennis internationally and captained the University of Illinois Women's Varsity team.

Inaugural Address by Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi

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I appreciate India Inc. Group organising this important event, which is part of the excellent work that India Inc. has done over the past years. Your events have helped bring opportunities in India to a global audience.

The story of global revival will have India playing a leading role. History has shown that India has overcome every challenge with a spirit of reform and rejuvenation. The same spirit continues now.

When India talks about revival, it is a revival with care, revival with compassion, revival with sustainability.

Indians have the spirit to achieve what is believed to be impossible. No wonder, in India we are already seeing green shoots when it comes to economic recovery.

Atmanirbhar Bharat merges domestic production and consumption with global supply chains. It is not about being self-contained or being closed to the world. It is about being self-sustaining and self-generating

“India remains one of the most open economies in the world. We are opening the door to investors to come and invest directly in the hard work of our farmers.



Shri Narendra Modi
Prime Minister of India

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India Inc. has helped make the links between India and the UK stronger. I'm happy that this year's event has expanded its reach to other partners also. Congratulations again.

Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India

Theme: Partners in Revival

**India Global Week: India meets the World,
and the World meets India**

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There are two major globalisation stories in the world. The India story is a growth story driven by its people and their talent. Our journey has been about telling this story.

The western media sometimes presents India in a lopsided way. India Inc. is about saying there is another narrative about India. It's not about papering over the cracks but looking at the glass half full.

Manoj Ladwa
Founder and Chair, India Inc. Group

**Let's Not Waste a Good Crisis:
India's Economic Reform Imperative**

- The Coronavirus has brought with an uncharted territory – a health issue that has had an immense impact on supply and demand.
- It is not just about re-inflating the pre-Covid world whether in India or otherwise. It is important to recognise that the post-Covid world will be fundamentally different with its own supply chains, geopolitics, technologies and consumer behaviour. Policy makers will have to be mindful about addressing these before hitting the accelerator on demand.
- Businesses will have to strategically plan and prepare for multiple scenarios whether it is preparing for a second wave of infection or the fact that the current pandemic is a multi year recovery process.



Ashu Khullar
CEO, Citi India



Sanjeev Sanyal
Principal Economic Adviser,
Government of India



Jitesh Gadhia
Member,
House of Lords

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In conversation with Shashi Tharoor, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha

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- Had global governance been working effectively, the world would have addressed the coronavirus crisis as soon as it emerged.
- I would hope that when Covid-9 is behind us, the world would get together and look hard and fresh at the rules of global governance.
- It's a perilous time for multilateralism because all its great achievements since 1945 are being undermined by increasingly perverse unilateral state behaviour.

Damaged Goods: A Relevance Crisis for Multilateral Institutions

- Multilateral cooperation at scale is essential in addressing large and integrated challenges such as the coronavirus pandemic and climate change.
- We have moved and continue to move from an age of cooperation to an age of competition. This is why multilateral organisations today are not measuring up because they were built with cooperation in mind.
- It is essential that multilateral organisations need to be updated to tackle 21-century problems especially around security such as health security & cyber security.
- China is trying to inject Xi Jinping ideas into the multilateral system over and over again. Democratic countries around the world will need to be smarter & ensure that the key nodes of the international system remain in the hands of the people who will use it for the common good.



Richard Moore
Director General,
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Ashok Malik
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Decoding the Dragon: Counter, Manage or Embrace China?



- China's success in containing the virus should not be seen as authoritarian versus liberal democracy; lots of liberal democracies have controlled the pandemic spread just as well.
- China is in a rush to get to the global high table, and that is part of the problem. Its blind ambition has prompted countries such as India to choose sides.
- China is realising that it does not have many friends in the world at this point. Chinese diplomacy is in disarray.



Weijian Shan
Chairman & CEO,
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Observer Research Foundation

State Capacity and the Indian Economy: The Way Forward



- Emerging economies must be saved. We must create an institutional capacity to reconnect and to avoid facing the wrath of the markets. These economies must be nimble but create an institutional structure to go back to orthodoxy.
- State capacity initiatives should shed some deep light on their policies. The public narrative tends to marginalise issues as the focus is on how India has good policies but not good implementation.
- Intellectual brokering is important. The government needs to create a shopping list of what India needs to do so that investors can come and invest.



Mukulika Banerjee
Director, South
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Yamini Aiyar
President, Centre
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Vini Mahajan
Chief Secretary,
Government of
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Sajjid Chinoy
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Senior Visiting Fellow at CPR
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At a Glacial Pace: Has the Wait for Global Leadership on Climate Change just gotten Longer?

- Going forward, countries around the world must focus on green recovery and inclusive recovery.
- It is important to look at how change comes not just from top-down but also from the bottom up, and how support to communities is can be galvanised to ensure this happens.
- A just transition is an important aspect of building back better, especially when it comes to people and communities whose livelihoods depend on the industries we want to phase out.
- It is very important to look at the jobs angle of the climate change.

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Sandrine Dixson-Decleve
Co-President, The Club
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Malini Mehra
CEO, GLOBE
International secretariat



Barry Gardiner MP
Former Shadow Secretary of State
for Energy and Climate Change



Selwin Hart
Special Adviser, Assistant
Secretary-General for Climate
Action Team



John Murton
UK COP26, Envoy



Jagjeet Sareen
Director, Investment and Finance,
International Solar Alliance

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If you want to grow your economy, then you have to green your economy now.

John Murton UK COP26, Envoy

India's Global Brand - Reflecting a Changing World

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- People are now looking at India with a sense of awe and expectation because of the way it manages its diversity. Brand India is based on the Indian talent pool.
- Two decades ago, Brand India wasn't in a good place in the US. Now, even the White House is pivoting towards India.
- There is an enormous understanding of India because of IT, yoga, our lifestyle. Prime Minister Modi has played a big role in making the India brand popular all over the world.



Umang Bedi

Co-Founder, Dailyhunt



Vijay Chauthaiwale

Head of Foreign Affairs Dept,
Bharatiya Janata Party



Anurag Varma

Vice President, Head of Government
and Public Affairs, Infosys

Re-imagining America and its Global Outlook

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David Petraeus

Partner at KKR, Chairman of the
KKR Global Institute

- A global problem requires a global solution and again we have a global pandemic and a global economic collapse and we have some other issues as well.
- When you have nearly 1.3 billion people you obviously have an enormous market. It's larger than entire blocks elsewhere in the world. It has incredible potential when it comes to the growing middle class.
- As the recovery takes place again, we're going to see opportunity, question is whether that recovery can be quick enough to get to a point where there is not the requirement for continued and enormous fiscal expenditure to support those who have been put out of work.

Partners in Revival: India's Role in Shaping A Better New World

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S Jaishankar

Minister of External Affairs,
Government of India

- It's important for the UK to take a more updated and less hyphenated view of the Indian subcontinent than what has been the case with British policy in the past.
- There is today a sense in India and Australia in ensuring the larger region is more secure and stable.
- It's important for countries who have overlaps and convergences to look for common points and see where they can work together.

Partners in Revival: Building a Better Future for All

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Piyush Goyal

Minister of Railways & Minister
of Commerce & Industry,
Government of India

- As Railway Minister, I am delighted to share with you that the PM has approved the programme for 100% electrification of Indian Railways. The first railways of such a large dimension - 120,000 of tracks in India running on power. By 2020 we hope to be world's 100% green railways.
- Banning the apps has been a security concern. They have been banned by the Home Ministry and companies have been asked to furnish details which is a proper legal procedure. India continues to and will remain committed to fair trade, but on the basis of reciprocity.
- I have an open mind. I am coming into negotiations with no preconceived notions. No red lines. I am offering to the UK an early harvest preferential agreement. If UK comes forward with that openness, I am ready to start talking on Monday morning 9am.
- We are also talking to the EU - we had a stalemate in our discussions. I am in dialogue with the EU trade commissioner. I am looking for an early harvest deal. Open to discussions on a variety of subjects. Up to the UK and EU whoever picks up the gauntlet first.

Theme: Global Business Forums

Social Impact Forum: Exceptional Partnerships for Exceptional Times – Welcome Address

- Covid-19 has had a transformational impact on how we look at development. Challenges are particularly present in skilling, which is at a crossroads today, where we are not sure which sector the next job will come from.
- Challenges in development, particularly skilling, which is at a crossroads today, can only be confronted & overcome with new kinds of thinking and partnerships.



S Ramadorai
Chair, Advisory Board,
Tata STRIVE



Social Impact Forum: Fireside Chat with Hon'ble Minister of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship - Dr Mahendra Nath Pandey



- The visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi has given India a platform to benefit from the demographic dividend.
- In the last five years, the Ministry of Skills Development is helping India's population arm themselves with the skills needed to succeed in life and realise Prime Minister Modi's vision of making India the skill capital of the world.
- The government is helping migrants and others by mapping skills and providing short-term training. We will increase this going forward.
- We're creating a database of migrant workers; we are also creating a database of workers returning from abroad and mapping their skill sets; we will match these skills with the requirements of Indian and foreign companies.



Social Impact Forum: Extraordinary Partnerships for Extraordinary Times

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- The UK and India are collaborating across sectors from the soil to the stars - from centres of excellence supported by Britain helping Indian farmers reduce 40 per cent food wastage, to collaboration on healthcare and vaccine development, financial services esp. green and social finance and even space.
- Covid-19 has created awareness and ushered in a new sense of collaboration between both policy makers as well as those that have knowledge to affect change.
- Companies need to really focus and engage with three stakeholders in order to address some of the critical social and economic issues that Covid-19 has highlighted - employees and their welfare, customers and local communities.



Chetna Sinha
Founder-Chairperson,
Mann Deshi Bank
and Mann Deshi
Foundation



Alan Gemmel
Her Majesty's Trade
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British Deputy High
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Corporation



Alok Kumar
Additional Secretary
and National Project
Director, NITI Aayog



Hariday Ravindranath
BT India, Chief
Tech Officer

Emerging Technologies Forum: Intelligent Future for all

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- Technology is the key to post-Covid economic recovery, but it needs to be based on data. It's important that the data input into this tech is relevant to the population it seeks to help.
- Quantum computing is becoming more important with Covid-19 and the search for a vaccine.
- AI will have significant benefits going forward especially when it comes to job search, job creation, medicine development.
- The private sector has to play an important role when it comes to the application of technology.



Brijraj Vaghani
Chief Technology
Officer, Ola



Priya Guha
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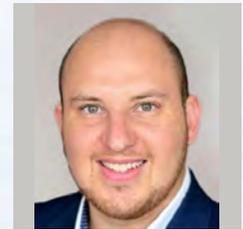
Anand Verma
Founder & CEO,
Brilliant Basics, an
Infosys Company

Emerging Technologies Forum: Super Charging Mobility, Changing the World

- Electric mobility has taken off massively as consumers look for transport options that are both environmentally friendly as well as cost-effective.
- The evolution of technology and lower production cost of batteries will eventually contribute to a huge shift in the EV market, where EVs are cheaper to run than a combustion engine.
- In the long run, cities will need to move towards a shared form of transportation to manage traffic flow and environmental concerns. Electric mobility can provide a solution just in terms of personal transport but also from ride-hailing.



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Dr Nikolaus Lang
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Senior Partner, Boston
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Emerging Technologies Forum: Digitisation and payments



- A stack is the greatest thing a country can do for its start-up ecosystem. Given the digital payment ecosystem in India, the digitisation journey is end to end. The India Stack makes it one of the best in the world and companies like Paytm which is one of the fastest in the world owe their success to the India stack.
- Digital India's mission is to use digital technology to empower. This is planned in two strands — affordable access and setting up entrepreneurial ecosystems.
- India with its huge population is currently sitting on a data mine. Technology will go a long way in harnessing this resource as well as managing and using it well.



Arvind Gupta
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Rudra Dalmia
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Trade Solutions (TTS),
Citi South Asia

Emerging Technologies Forum: Technology and resilience in a post pandemic world

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- Digital technology has been key in combatting the Coronavirus pandemic. Media has been absolutely transformed today and data has been at the heart of it.
- Supply chain resiliency whether it's in terms of redesign or optimisation is very much at the front and centre of a lot of businesses.
- For the UK, partnering with India is crucial to the adoption of tech and innovation from digital infrastructure, AI, scaling up and acceleration.



Mohit Joshi
President, Infosys



John Whittingdale
Minister of State,
Department for Digital,
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Cobra Beer Partnership
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Banking & Finance Forum: India for the World: Making India a manufacturing hub for the world

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- The global scenario post-Covid is shifting with every boardroom talking about a China +1 strategy. Most businesses are now actively looking for an alternative to China. In order for India to position itself as an alternative it is critical that India's business environment shifts.
- India is already a large manufacturing hub with several global players in the ring but in order to become a truly global hub India needs to have production integration capability, not supply chains and capital goods.
- Part of the challenge in India is businesses knowing how to navigate the market. You cannot bring a mindset from anywhere else. India has true vertical integration capabilities.



K Balasubramanian
Managing Director, Head
Corporate Banking Group,
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President and CEO,
US-India Strategic
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Alpesh Patel
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Entrepreneur Programme



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Banking & Finance Forum: Finance sector reforms and liberalization



- IBC is a gamechanger and has become a major deterrent to default by the corporate sector; it has ensured that incumbent promoters cannot get away by defaulting on loans.
- In China, credit is 250 per cent of GDP; in India, it is one-third of that. The overhang of bad loans in the banking system has to be corrected.
- Sebi has made investments in a stressed company much easier. This has made it easier for such companies to mobilise funds from the market.
- There are lots of lessons that India can take from the Malaysia experience in cleaning up the NPA overhang in its banking system in just 5 years.



Sunil Mehta
Chief Executive,
Indian Banks'
Association (IBA)



B V Krishnan
Former Partner and
Former CEO, KKR and
KKR Financial Services



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Nilesh Shah
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Kotak Mahindra
Asset Management
Co Ltd

Defence & Security Forum: Fireside Chat between Baba Kalyani, Ajay Kumar & Nitin Gokhale



- India has the capability to rejuvenate and revive the entire global economy. And the best example of this rejuvenation & revival can be seen in India's defence manufacturing.
- MSME's are the lifeline of India's defence ecosystem and the PM's vision of self-realisation and self-sufficiency.
- Setting up of GSQR & streamlining the defence tests & trials procedures will help the defence industry to grow in India.
- It is important that India makes use of tech & simulations to help the defence industry speed up the defence trials.



Baba Kalyani
Chairman & Managing Director,
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Defence Secretary,
Government of India



Nitin Gokhale
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Defence & Security Forum: Making in India for the World-Can Defence Manufacturing stimulate Make in India?

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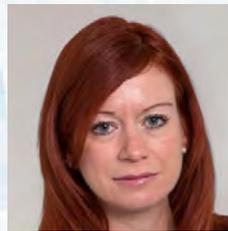
- India should refocus on design and development along with Make in India. The concept of self-reliance should not just be based on manufacturing but also on owning the IP of the product.
- India needs to change its perspective on failure within innovation. Innovators should be given the confidence to keep developing innovative products even if tests fail.
- Defence manufacturing will play a major role in taking Indian economy to \$5 trillion; there is no reason why India cannot design, develop, and manufacture defence equipment and become a surplus nation.



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General Counsel Forum: Special Address

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Ashok Malik
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- Incentives to smartphones manufacturers; defence manufacture from virtually zero to 75 per cent ownership. It will take years to build this eco-system. Mining has opened up. The conditions are in place for foreign investment. And pace of liberalisation of farm markets in India has grown.
- Banking system and financial system have been cleaned up into fewer but bigger banks allowing to operate on scale. These are steps towards transparent cleaner banking systems. Process hasn't been easy.

General Counsel Forum: Enabling Success in India and Globally



- China has been a great source of capital for Indian businesses. With the change in geopolitics, the focus should be on aiding start-ups who have been raising capital from Chinese investors.
- For tech companies the role of stable regulation is extremely important. Tech is trying to solve simple but everyday problems while coming up with business models. So there needs to be regulatory accountability.
- Today the need of the hour is for legislation, executive and judiciary to function as one team for governance. This will help India take off from where we are at this point in time.
- Sanctity of contracts is important. India has improved on ease of doing business but lags when it comes to enforcement of contracts. Question is what can judiciary do to make itself an instrument of good governance and create a commercial culture.



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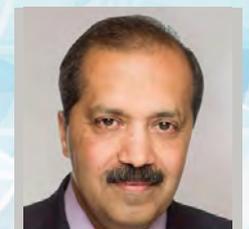
Kaizad Hazari
President & Global General Counsel, Glenmark Pharmaceutical

Investors Forum: Fireside Chat between Deepak Bagla & Sanjay Nayar: Why India remains a top destination for investment post Covid-19

- Indian businesses have shown tremendous resilience to be nimble and adapt quickly to a fast-changing market and the challenges and opportunities it has thrown up.
- Doing business in India today, thanks to the recent reforms, is much cleaner and greener. If the government can work on making it a lot easier too then that would really propel India.
- Indian MSME's are the most efficient users of the capital and making every dollar in that capital go far.



Deepak Bagla
Managing Director & CEO, Invest India



Sanjay Nayar
CEO, KKR India



Investors Forum: What are the catalysts required to reignite international investors' excitement for Indian equities?

- All signs point to positive factors - all the macros are very healthy and from the second half investors believing in Indian markets will start seeing growth.
- There are great opportunities for long-term investors looking at India, but in the short-term investments should be approached with caution.
- There are more opportunities in high-quality companies with respect to return on capital in India in comparison to other emerging markets.

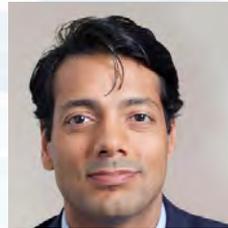
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Gaurav Narain
Co-Head of Equities,
Ocean Dial Asset
Management

Investors Forum: Private Equity

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- Investors are focused on political stability. The current government has pushed through far-reaching reforms; it has a young population, and it is a huge economy, it's the third-largest in PPP terms; that's what makes India attractive to investors.
- Indian regulation needs to be pro-cyclical to attract more foreign investors.
- There has been a huge growth in PE investment in India over the last few years.



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Shailesh Rao
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Head of India
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B V Krishnan
Former Partner and
Former CEO, KKR
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Jammu & Kashmir: Development & Business Forum - Land of Opportunities

- J&K has a small industrial base, the main industry is tourism, food processing and organic farming have huge potential. IT and Pharma also have huge potential. These need to be scaled up.
- J&K government has taken some serious steps towards setting out rules and regulations that ensure health and security.
- J&K has always survived on hope. Every sector in the state today is full of opportunities for investment. It's now about the implementation of policies & bringing in facilities to handhold interested investors.
- India is the second-largest food processing industry in the world and J&K makes up the bulk of that. J&K really offers an unique opportunity whether it's in products or industry, where the government helps solves problems hands-on.

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Amit Wanchoo
CEO, Space
Communications,
Asia Global Fellow 2018

Jammu & Kashmir: Development & Business Forum - Celebrating Success

- Kashmir was rediscovered by Bollywood and Yash Chopra; it's as beautiful as Switzerland. It's a shame that J&K doesn't produce films.
- J&K must find a way to build bridges so that the people who left or had to leave can return with dignity.
- The only way J&K can grow as a region is through development.

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Ashwath Bhatt
Theatre & Film Actor,
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HRH The Prince of Wales

Theme: Inspiring Journeys

Out of the Gobi:
In conversation with Weijian Shan

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Weijian Shan

Chairman and CEO of private equity firm PAG Group and the author of *Out of the Gobi: My Story of China and America*

- Humans are never content. I suppose that if you have been through hardships then you have a tendency to be content.
- My house of knowledge is built on sand because the foundation is so shaky even though I have three graduate degrees from America, even though I have a PhD, my foundation is shaky because we missed 10 years of secondary education.
- The hardest thing was not having enough to eat and we worked there for two meals a day in return for hard labour.

Mind Without Fear: In conversation with Rajat Gupta

- I would describe myself as saying I started a long business career, was involved in philanthropic activities and giving back to society. I was working on the world's largest health fund to promote health in India.
- Solitary confinement does not matter as long as you are intact within yourself. Can you be the same person in great joy, or sorrow? You have to stay on an even keel in the best and worst of times.
- There are certain skills and capabilities which I have picked up over 40 years and I would like to bring that to bear in a few issues. I can bring my management way of thinking into rural development - to improve the quality of life in a rural setting.
- US is fortunate because the dollar is the global currency. To that extent the economy there has been helped. The inequality in the US is also a major problem. Just like in India. In the end somebody has to pay for poor responses and short-term focus in the US.



Rajat Gupta
former CEO,
McKinsey & Company



Barkha Dutt
Founder-Editor
Mojo & We The
Women

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The Future of Mobility in a fast-changing world: In Conversation with Bhavish Aggarwal

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Bhavish Aggarwal

Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Ola

- Mobility is an important theme for human progress in general. Think of the first industrial revolution. The way we trade as citizens and as nations depends on mobility. It impacts our lives and not just about getting from Point A to Point B.
- Current pandemic is on top of everyone's minds. The need of the hour is for people to stay safe and for the pandemic to be resolved. But the pandemic has also made mobility even more relevant. Safe mobility is important even in normalcy.
- The transformation of industries across the world has been accelerated because of this pandemic. The world is actually a welcoming place to Indian businesses. Our value system is being appreciated and respected. We can create globally leading consumer brands driven by tech.

Imagine: Creative Minds Forum

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- Any culture in the modern world that refuses to innovate and adapt will fail.
- The new generation has an 8 sec attention span which had given rise to an elevator speech creativity, but the coronavirus created space and allowed a rebirth of nuance. We are listening more now.
- Coronavirus has led to a rise in spirituality and spiritual storytelling.
- Cinema is not limited to Mumbai. Bollywood is not the only cinema in India. The pandemic will usher in a surge in the interest in regional cinema and this will impact storytelling in India.



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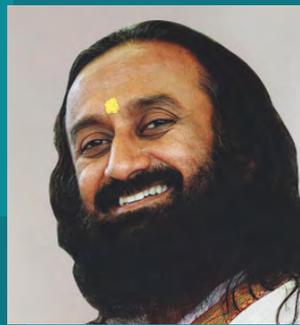
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Filmmaker, India

Theme: Heart & Soul

Reviving Trust in an Uncertain World Barkha Dutt in Conversation with Sri Sri Ravi Shankar

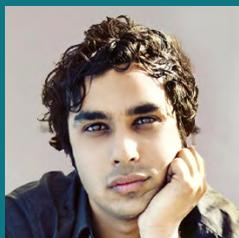
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- Trust is the quality of our consciousness and if you have trust in that one divine power, you needn't worry.
- Borders don't mean anything today with bio-weapons, human conflict must end. Dialogue and conversation is the only way forward.
- Every crisis also opens up new opportunities; this coronavirus lockdown gives us a chance to ponder over enhancing our skills.
- This is the time to think out of the box and find a way of fighting coronavirus; many Ayurvedic experts are working on whether Ayurveda has a cure for the virus.

Conscious Planet: The Way Forward - In Conversation with Sadhguru

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- Memory is a wall we create; consciousness can be realised but never understood.
- We have to take care of the body consciously and also the planet, because our body is also a part of this planet; the health of the planet is directly related to our own health.
- Our existence is threatened not just by this virus but is always the case. Confidence without clarity is a disastrous process. That is the significance of India, that it is a culture of seekers of clarity.

ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT

India: Where Tradition meets
Modernity.

A montage that gives birth to this labour
of love and artistry to showcase the rich,
evolving cultural heritage of India.

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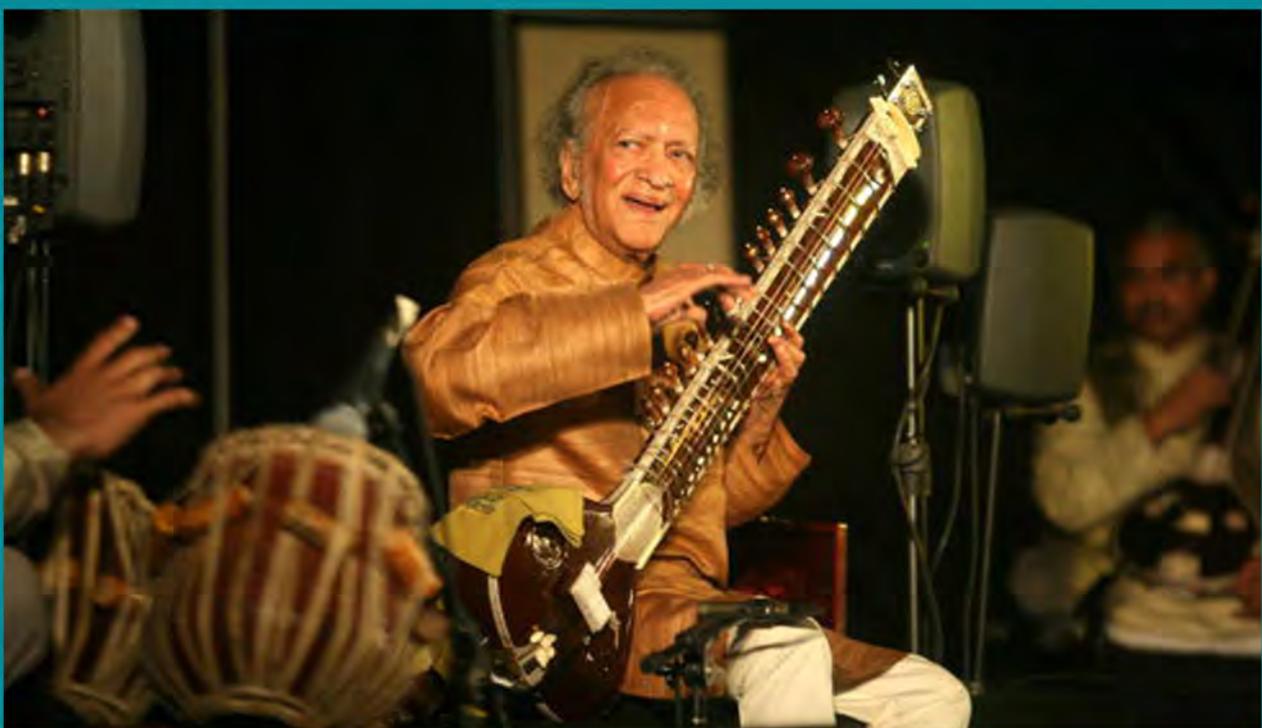
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A TRIBUTE TO PANDIT RAVI SHANKAR

The man who took Indian music to the world

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Pt. Ravi Shankar@100: The man who took indian music to the world

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- Indian music is not written down and so wasn't well-known in the world. Pandit Ravi Shankar took Indian music global and overcame all the obstacles.
- India has slightly forgotten what a big star Pt Ravi Shankar was in the 1950s when he went to the west; he was the ideal person to lead the early tours of classical music to Europe and other destinations.



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Director General, ICCR



Amish Tripathi
Director,
The Nehru Centre



Anoushka Shankar
Sitarist,
Composer & Producer



Oliver Craske
Writer and Editor

Theme: Australia

Strengthening Australia India Ties

- India to be third largest destination in Asia for Australian outward investment. Government of India highlights importance of 700,000 Indians in Australia.
- India can compete with the best in the world in certain industries – IT and pharma. or even space. There's also nuclear power . We can export competitive reactors. For agriculture - we have all the climates. We can grow anything.
- Trust will elevate trading relationship. The desire to be respectful of each other's needs should be there. Engagement has been continuing in various platforms, I doubt India and Australia will allow the pandemic to come in the way of doing business together. Australia will do serious evaluation of business options in India.
- Diaspora numbers are growing. Diaspora is special. India's achievements reflect in the quality of our people. We are the world's most competitive society. Indian diaspora is highly skilled and capable. We integrate well. You just have to be good. No questions asked.



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High Commission
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Natasha Jha Bhaskar
General Manager,
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Partners in Revival: Giving Meaning to Ambition

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- The Australia-India relationship is at an elevated level, driven by strategic alignment in the Indo-Pacific and people to people connections.
- Beijing's flexing of muscles in Taiwan, Vietnam, Japan, the South China Sea and even India have brought Australia and India closer together. Australian PM Morrison and Indian PM Modi have both taken a strong stand against China's aggression.
- The two countries should really understand each other and get a three-dimensional view of each other – without this India and Australia will not achieve the strategic potential of ties.
- Mobilising the diaspora community, the scientific community and other groups will be key to building the relationship.



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Navdeep Suri

Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation



Harinder Sidhu

Deputy Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Reviving Manufacturing: Co-Innovate, Co-Collaborate & Co-Create

View Session



- Manufacturing in the current scenario has pivoted. Small businesses have adopted new technologies and upskilled.
- India needs to work on factor cost and compliance cost in order to build a world-class globally competitive industry.
- India plays a major role in pharma generics and other parts of the industry. Covid crisis shows India need a robust supply chain, flexibility, and scale.



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Managing Director and Senior Partner, BCG New Delhi



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Michael Sharpe

National Director - Industry, Advanced Manufacturing Growth Centre

Realising the Potential: India & Australia Economic Strategies

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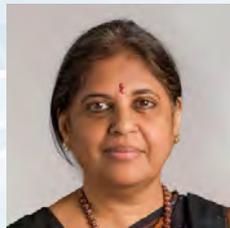


- The first of its kind report by the Indian government - Australia Economic Strategy which focusses on how to increase trade and economic relations in response to Australia's India Economic Strategy 2035 will go a long way in furthering bilateral relations.
- Scale, complementarity & diversifying market risks are the three important factors driving Australia's engagement with India.
- India has a profusion of talent, a large scale consumer market, a talent for innovation, all of which make it a valuable investment destination.
- The awareness between India and Australia is growing very steadily and Indian companies are now viewing Australia as a valuable alternate market.



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Former Secretary (East), MEA, Government of India'



Peter Varghese

Chancellor, Retired diplomat, University of Queensland

Sports Diplomacy

View Session



- Sports can be a diplomatic asset between Australia and India. India generates 85 per cent revenue in international cricket. Australia has underperformed in its role with India with sports as a business.
- More room needs to be made for cricket exchange programmes between the two countries. There is a need to build from grass roots level to make sports grow stronger. This will help in understanding of one another's culture.
- Australia is a benchmark for the world in many aspects of the sports industry. In India, apart from cricket, all other sports are disorganised. India has a lot to learn from Australia in that respect.



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CEO, JSW Sports



Steve Waugh

Former Cricketer, Australia

The next mining boom: Rise of Australia's 'critical' minerals



- India's rise as a tech and manufacturing hub means that businesses across the country will be keen to lock in the supply of critical minerals.
- India and Australia should work together based on their strengths - mining for Australia and manufacturing for India - the two can create value for each other.
- As consumers make the transition to EVs, Indian manufacturers are being laboured with expensive battery costs, Australia can help India address these problems.



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Head of Mining &
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Joe Kaderavek
CEO, CobaltBlue

Theme: Japan

Urgency of Deepening Japan & India Business Relations



- India-Japan relations are built on strong personal ties between PM Modi & PM Abe but it is time for both countries to review their relationship & see what is needed for the next few years.
- Japan's been an integral part of every major infrastructure project in India; visible across all of India's flagship programmes from Smart Cities, Digital India, Startup India, Ayushman Bharat and more.
- Trust, openness, relationship building, and staying the course are key to a stronger India-Japan partnership.



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Rajesh Shah
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Theme: Singapore

Invest in India

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- India's growth story is built on political and macroeconomic stability. When global FDI was declining by 7 per cent, India's FDI went up by 18 per cent in the past 12 months.
- The impact of Covid-19 which has led to major changes such as the need to diversify supply chains, changes in the geopolitical landscape and the slower growth potential of the world have all further boosted India's position as an attractive destination for investment in the world.
- India offers the best combination of quality and quantity of manpower in IT services, it is one of the top greenfield investment destinations in the world, the largest nation in the world with the youngest demographic, offering a 1.5bn market by 2027- all of this gives the international investment community a lot of confidence.



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Neeraj Seth
MD, Head of Asian
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India & Singapore: Two Sides of the Coin

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- The India-Singapore relationship rests on three pillars: people to people, business to business and government to government.
- There is a great opportunity for Singapore and India to leverage each other's strengths and take the relationship to another level by leveraging sectors such as Fintech.
- Singapore offers businesses trust, transparency, frictionless entry and a welcoming environment to employees.



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Girish Ramachandran
President - Asia Pacific, Tata Consultancy
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The Future of Finance in Asia

View Session



- As emerging markets grow, the need of the hour is bespoke solutions; being aware of what people want; and using technology to analyse data to provide customised solutions.
- In the US, a survey showed one-third of people did not have \$400 to deal with an emergency. The Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted that financial inclusion is not enough. There is now an urgent need for financial well-being.
- As vast populations experience furloughs and financial distress, the demand for credit and micro-insurance will become critical.
- Financial systems also need to reimagine employment generation and create a socio-economic system that provides security for people.



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Neil Parekh
Head, Asia, Australia & NZ,
Tikehau Capital on The
future of finance in Asia

Business Collaboration: Truly Transformative Partnerships

View Session



- There is a vast scope for collaboration and cooperation between Indian and Singaporean companies especially with Make in India and using Singapore's global network to establish global platforms and partnerships to market these.
- Post-Covid global partnerships will rest on value to customers, investing in employees, dealing fairly with supplies, supporting communities and providing long-term value.
- Covid has created a new intensity in cross-border partnerships, with software & humanware being completely transformed. Collaboration and joint ventures between Indian and Singaporean companies can help resources that move freely between markets.



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Satya Ramamurthy
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Theme: UK

Special Address by HRH The Prince of Wales

- Over the years I have come to realise that it is not a lack of capital that is holding us back but rather the way in which we deploy it.
- As we rebuild from the current crisis we have an unparalleled opportunity to put people and planet at the heart of global value creation and to move towards sustainable markets that generate long-term value through the balance of natural, social human and physical capital.
- Looking forward, new employment opportunities, entire new industries and markets rooted in genuine sustainability are within our grasp. With the potential for unprecedented economic activity built around a circular bio economy that places nature and restored biodiversity at its heart.



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Special Address - Liz Truss Secretary of State for International Trade, UK Government

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- During the Covid crisis, we have been working with India to keep supply chains open and keeping trading routes alive; as we emerge from Covid, it is vitally important we don't move to protectionism.
- On the trade side, we are not letting the grass grow under our feet; UK-India are carrying on negotiations virtually given the current crisis.

Partners in Revival: Time to Refresh & Re-ignite

- The UK and India should focus on designing products in the UK, making them in India and exporting these to the world.
- Tech is woven into every thread of global business and that has helped the UK and India to cope with the Covid-19 crisis.
- UK is in a very good position to build on PM Modi's Atmanirbhar Bharat mission.

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Mohit Joshi
President, Infosys



Richard Heald
Group CEO & Chair,
UK India Business
Council



William Russell
Lord Mayor,
City of London



Gaitri Kumar
High Commissioner
of India to
United Kingdom,
Government of India



Liz Truss
Secretary of State for
International Trade,
UK Government

Special Address - Priti Patel Secretary of State for Home Department, UK Government

View Session



- This is an important time to look to the future and really embrace our shared challenges and opportunities and to build upon our shared values and relationships.
- We need to go into the post-Covid with our eyes wide open to a world that is fast-changing, to actually be more engaging and outward-facing.
- We are changing our immigration policy in an unprecedented way, this is the biggest change we're seeing since 1971 in the UK and will end the overt discrimination by equalising our processes by introducing a points-based system.

100 Most Influential: Launch of the UK-India Women in Leadership Forum

View Session



- Unconscious and cognitive biases within all sectors & businesses really need to be tackled around the world, not just in India. There needs to be a real change in people's mindset.
- The industry needs to create roles that are more flexible so women can manage the many responsibilities they juggle. Also, the industry needs to address things like pay/wage gap - which don't even make sense in the 21st century.
- The mindset is what really needs to change, not just in India but the world over. And if we can be a catalyst to this change, then that would be a big achievement.
- The way work processes are built now is for men and their working patterns. They do not take into account the internal and external responsibilities that women have and how they may come into conflict. If we really want to be the revival then we must take these factors in mind.



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CEO, Savannah
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Poonam Gupta
CEO, PG Paper
Company Ltd



**Baroness Usha
Prashar**
Chair, FICCI UK



Jyotsna Suri
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Managing Director,
The Lalit Suri
Hospitality Group

Special Address - Matt Hancock, Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, UK Government

View Session



- There is work to do to ensure resilience and it is something the UK & India could gain an awful lot out of collaborating on.
- Latest UK government figures show that India is the second highest in terms of countries from around the world from which people have come into the NHS.

Healthcare Collaboration: Building a New Healthcare Paradigm



- Indian industries have repurposed to focus on the pandemic cause and scientists & vaccine industry have been amazing in coming together with entrepreneurs.
- India has the silent medicine of yoga and meditation to give the world.
- Ayushman Bharat has been a gamechanger, created new opportunities for the private sector and this is an area where the India-UK partnership can really be enhanced.



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Roshan Shetty
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HealthCare EMEA, Infosys



Matt Hancock
Secretary of State for
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UK Government

Annual India Day - Building Winning Partnerships

- 17,000 were repatriated from India back to the UK, that's 60 per cent of all British repatriated in the Covid-19 lockdown. This highlights the strong people to people ties between India and the UK.
- The utilisation and reimagination of technology as an underlying fabric of society is the entire philosophy of Building Back Beter.
- Covid-19 is a global challenge & the UK has been proud to stand shoulder to shoulder with India in our international response.



Tim Jones
CBE Executive Director,
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Jitesh Gadhia
Member, House of Lords



Gaitri Kumar
High Commissioner of India to United
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Dominic Raab
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Ahmad of Wimbledon
Minister of State for the
Commonwealth and the
UN, Government of UK

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A very clear roadmap needs to be drawn on identifying the converges, re-assessing priorities and on how we can address the current unprecedented circumstances together and move towards economic recovery.

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Theme: USA

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Spurring Innovation for Global Good**

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- The time has come for a robust global supply chain and a diversified manufacturing base. India wants global champions to come to its shores and Indian champions want to go global.
- This is a golden era of telecom industry in India. 5G will make far reaching changes to India’s digital sector.
- A post-Covid world will seek more transparency, accountability and openness. The essence of a digital world must be preserved via stringent data privacy and security.



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- The relationship between India and US is based on shared values and people to people connections.
- The strong Indian diaspora in the US along with the large number of Indian professionals working in the tech sector and the 200,000 Indian students who come to study in America form an important bridge between the two nations. However, the potential of this bridge as yet remains untapped.
- Changing geopolitics have created an immense opportunity for India and the US to engage and collaborate further on healthcare, energy, defence, space and tech. 5G in particular offers a rich potential for the US and India for collaboration.



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Energy Collaboration: Mission Mode for Security & Diversity

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- China controls 40-45 per cent of solar PV but 90-95 per cent of the global supply chain. The US and India can collaborate in this sector to commercialise and localise technology that is being developed in the US.
- Energy can become the bedrock of the US India bilateral relationship. Indian importers are benefiting from LNG, the record low prices being good for India, simultaneously the US has reaped rich dividends by becoming a large exporter of LNG to India.
- The Strategic Energy Partnership between India and the US has expanded energy security and facilitated cooperation between companies and stakeholders in the two countries.



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The United States and India: Unlocking the Full Potential of Major Defense Partner

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- The US-India defence relations have seen an uptake in last two years. Particularly with the tacit US support for India during Doklam confrontation. The US' commitment to come to India's aid in the border skirmish with China and a greater determination on India's part to carry on with infrastructure development.
- India is an important partner to the US and this is now law in the US. Industry makes the relationship real by engaging with its counterparts in a number of ways.
- It's not just about the big Indian companies. US companies should focus on Tier 1 and Tier 2 entities and the MSMEs sector by building from the platform level and providing end-to-end solutions for the customer.



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A Conversation on Enabling Startups in the US-India Corridor

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- While the US offers the biggest market opportunity for Indian entrepreneurs, it is also a very competitive market.
- In order to expand into the US market, it's important for Indian start-ups to:
 - Have a dramatically good product
 - Be prepared to invest capital quickly to win over customers
 - Find a good mentor or ecosystem for support
- Indian entrepreneurs need to continue to develop a deep understanding of how things are evolving, the ability to step out of the door and speak to experts and build a community of mentors who will help them navigate the tricky phases.



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Theme: Diaspora Dividend

Indian Diaspora's contribution to Atmanirbhar Bharat - In conversation with Yogi Adityanath, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh

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- When the Covid pandemic surfaced, there wasn't a single PPE kit or N95 mask maker; I'm happy to inform you that now the state has capacity to even serve the export market.
- We're building a greenfield airport in Jewar; 100,000 people will get employment and it will facilitate economic development.
- The defence corridor that is under implementation will create huge opportunities for investors and also generate jobs for our youth.

Global Diaspora response to Covid-19

- There was a real outpouring and step-up in the diaspora in supporting their local communities.
- The pandemic has shown every tear in the social fabric of the US; the Indian community, having done very well for themselves, have an obligation to give back — digital skills & healthcare being some areas of strength.
- At the reforms level, livelihoods have come into clear focus across the states of India looking beyond Covid-19 & get industries going & revive agriculture.

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Recharging the Global Economy post Covid-19

- The coronavirus crisis is different, it has opened several opportunities for innovation for VC's. The industry has a key role to play in global economic recovery.
- The acceleration of digital technology in India has been astounding, opening up a whole new avenue of opportunities for domestic and foreign players.
- A lot of tech innovations are happening in Silicon Valley and India is the epicentre for the consumer market in terms of raw growth.

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member team delivering
3 day virtual event

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content and marketing/PR



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