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Inaugural Session



Shri Mangubhai Patel

Hon'ble Governor of Madhya Pradesh

Shri Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel is an Indian statesman who is the current and 19th Governor of Madhya Pradesh. He is a leader of Bharatiya Janata Party from Gujarat. He served as the officiating speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly in 2014. He has earlier served as a cabinet minister in the Government of Gujarat.



Shri Shivraj Singh Chauhan

Hon'ble Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh

Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan is an Indian politician and member of the Bharatiya Janata Party. He is the 17th and current Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, having been elected to the same position 3 times in the past, and a Member of Legislative Assembly in Madhya Pradesh from Budhni.



Shri Suman Bery

Vice Chairperson, NITI Aayog, Government of India

Shri Suman Bery is currently Vice Chairperson, NITI Aayog, in the rank and status of a Cabinet Minister. An experienced policy economist and research administrator, Mr Bery took over as NITI Aayog Vice Chairperson from 1st May 2022. His recent affiliations include Senior Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi; non-resident fellow at Bruegel, Brussels; and Global

Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington DC. He has also served on the Board of the Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, New Delhi. From early 2012 till mid-2016, Mr Bery was Royal Dutch Shell's global Chief Economist based in The Hague. In this capacity, he advised the board and management on global economic and political developments. He was also part of the senior leadership of Shell's global scenarios group. During his time at Shell, he led a collaborative project with Indian think tanks (later published) to apply scenario modeling to India's energy sector. Mr Bery has previously served as Director General (Chief Executive) of the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) and the global Chief Economist of Royal Dutch Shell. He was also a member of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council, Statistical Commission and the Reserve Bank of India's Technical Advisory Committee on Monetary Policy. Prior to NCAER, Mr Bery was with the World Bank in Washington DC and his areas included macroeconomy, financial markets and public debt management with a focus on Latin America. His professional writing includes contributions on the political economy of reform, financial sector and banking reform, and energy trends and policy. He has a master's degree in public affairs from Princeton University's School of Public and International Affairs, and an undergraduate degree in philosophy, politics and economics from Magdalen College, University of Oxford.



Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla

G-20 Chief Coordinator, Government of India

Harsh Vardhan Shringla is Chief Coordinator for India's G20 Presidency in 2023. He has previously served as Foreign Secretary of India, Ambassador to USA, High Commissioner to Bangladesh and Ambassador to Thailand. Ambassador Shringla joined the IFS in 1984 and in the course of a diplomatic career spanning over 35 years; he held a variety of positions in the Ministry of External Affairs (India), New Delhi and abroad besides becoming India's Ambassador/High Commissioner to the USA, Bangladesh and Thailand. Abroad, he served in different Missions of India in France (UNESCO); Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York; Vietnam (Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City); Israel and South Africa (Durban). He also served as a Foreign Secretary, Government of India. Harsh Vardhan Shringla graduated from the St. Stephen's College, Delhi University after being schooled at Mayo College, Ajmer. He worked in the private and public sectors in India prior to joining the Indian Foreign Service. He has published papers on conflict prevention, economic diplomacy, the Indian diaspora, and India-Bangladesh relations.



Professor Sachin Chaturvedi

Director General, RIS and Vice Chairman, AIGGPA and Madhya Pradesh Rajya NITI Aayog

Professor Sachin Chaturvedi is currently Director General at the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), a New Delhi-based Think-Tank. He works on issues related to development economics, involving development finance, SDGs and South-South Cooperation, apart from trade, investment and innovation linkages with special focus on WTO. Currently, he is also Vice Chairman, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Good Governance and Policy Analysis; and ex-officio Vice Chairman of Madhya Pradesh State Policy and Planning Commission. He is also Member, Board of Governors, Reserve Bank of India. Professor Sachin Chaturvedi was also the 'Global Justice Fellow' at the MacMillan Center for International Affairs at Yale University (2009-2010) and has served as a Visiting Professor at the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and was a Developing Country Fellow at the University of Amsterdam (1996), Visiting Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla (2003), and Visiting Scholar at the German Development Institute (2007). He has authored/edited more than 22 books, apart from contributing several chapters in the edited volumes and also publishing several research articles in prestigious journals. He is on the Editorial Board of several journals including the South Asian Economic Journal, IDS Bulletin, Sussex, UK among others. His book "The Logic of Sharing – Indian Approach to South-South Cooperation" has been acclaimed internationally as one of the best volumes on international development cooperation. He is credited with the launch of Network of Southern Think Tanks (NeST) and Forum for Indian Development Cooperation (FIDC). He has also created "Delhi Process", a major forum for exchange of ideas on South-South Cooperation.



Ambassador Sujan R. Chinoy

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Sujan R. Chinoy is a former Indian diplomat and currently serving as the Director General of the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MP-IDSA), India's foremost think-tank in New Delhi in the field of defence, security and international relations since 3rd January 2019. He is Chair of Think-20 for G20 India Presidency. He spent more than thirty-seven years as a professional diplomatic career spanning with experience on China and East Asia, as well as the Asia-Pacific region, the Gulf and OIC, United Nations (Disarmament and International Security), National Security, as well as the US and the Latin American region. He held the highest rank of Grade I Ambassador (equivalent to Vice Minister/Secretary to the Government of India). He was Indian Ambassador to Japan from 2015-2018. He was also the Indian Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands. He facilitated the visits of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Japan in 2016 and 2018 as well as Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's visits to India in 2015 and 2017. He also served as India's representative to the First Committee at the United Nations in New

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Mr Tetsushi Sonobe

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Tetsushi Sonobe is the Dean and CEO of the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), the Tokyo-based think tank of the Asian Development Bank that promotes the realization of a prosperous, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable Asia and the Pacific through policy research and capacity building. Dean Sonobe obtained his PhD in economics from Yale University and BA in economics from the University of Tokyo. His research interests are centered on the empirics of economic development, particularly the roles of industrial clusters, human capital, social capital, management practices, and market competition in industrial development in developing Asia and other regions. Dean Sonobe is a recipient of the Nikkei Book Publication Prize and the Masayoshi Ohira Memorial Prize, and a founding board member of the Japanese Association for Development Economics.



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Panelists



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A Senior Social Policy Specialist with more than 20 years' experience in international development focusing on social protection, poverty, economic, social & cultural rights, right to identity and governance. Global experience in high level policy advice in the social protection and poverty field with a track record in providing advice on a rights-based and equity approach (including human rights considerations for high-level policy design, programme operations and data sharing, as well as developing rights considerations related to dignity and narratives around poverty). She has experienced Team Lead responsible for some of the largest Development Pathways assignments in the high-level design

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Shri Amar Sinha

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Mr. Amar Sinha retired from the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) as Secretary, Economic Relations in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, in June 2017 after a diplomatic career spanning 35 years. He has served in different capacities in Indian Mission around the world including in Algiers (1983-87), Buenos Aires (1987-90), Washington DC (1998-2001) Jakarta (2001-04), and Brussels (2004-07). In 2007 he was appointed India's Ambassador to Tajikistan (2007-2010) and on his return to New Delhi served as Joint Secretary Trade Policy in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (2010-13) where he handled the WTO and other trade negotiations. He also oversaw India's participation in various multilateral fora such as UNCTAD, APTA, BIMSTEC, G20, IBSA, BRICS, etc. In 2013 he was appointed India's Ambassador to Afghanistan (2013-2016), after completion of his assignment in Kabul successfully he assumed the charge of the post of Secretary (Economic Relations) in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, on January 15, 2016. At present he is a Distinguished Fellow at RIS since November 2017 and has lent support to several think tanks focused on Afghanistan and other strategic issues. He is also currently a Member of the National Security Advisory Board (NSAB).



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Ms. Archana Vyas

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He is the Official Statistics professional with a demonstrated history of working in the United Nations and in the various Ministries and Organizations of Government of India. Experienced in collection, compilation and analysis of data from various sources including big data, satellite data etc. Skilled in compilation and analysis of economic statistics including GDP, IIP, CPI etc. Facilitator of organizational reforms for effective and efficient delivery of services. Also worked with the Civil Society Organizations both for implementation of projects through them and in measuring the contribution of volunteerism.



Professor Ashok Khosla

Chairman, Development Alternatives, New Delhi, India

Dr Ashok Khosla founded Development Alternatives in 1982 as a major step towards fulfilling his dream for sustainable development. Over the years, Dr Khosla has worked tirelessly to demonstrate the theory and practice of sustainable development through his teachings, inspiring fostering and delivery of environmentally friendly and commercially viable technologies. He is responsible for policy, strategic planning and the overall supervision of the organisation's operations. He has been working towards the development and dissemination of effective environmental management systems and the design and advocacy of appropriate policies and institutions both in India and on the international arena.

A PhD in Experimental Physics from Harvard University, he has chaired and managed positions of eminence, globally. Starting from 1976 when he was appointed director for UNEP's Infoterra he has gone onto leading institutions like Environmental Planning, Gov't of India, Delhi (1972-76), International Union for Conservation of Nature (2008), Club of Rome (2006), United Nation's International Resource Panel (2007) and many more.

His work and expertise has been recognized globally with accolades. In 2002 he was awarded the United Nations Sasakawa Environment Prize. This was followed by Schwab Foundation Award for Outstanding Social Entrepreneur in 2004; Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in 2008 and Duke of Edinburgh Conservation Medal at Buckingham Palace (2011) in recognition for his outstanding, life-long service to the environment.



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Professor D.K Madaan his Ph.D. in Economics from Punjabi University, Patiala in November 1992 on 'Indo-Bangladesh Economic Relations'. His area of research is International Trade/Business and Development Economics in general and South Asian economic relations in particular. He worked as Professor & Head, School of Business, Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab during 2006-08; Principal, Punjabi University Campus, Maur (Bathinda) during 2009-13; and In-charge, Punjabi University College, Ghudda (Bathinda) during 2011; Professor of Economics at Punjabi University Regional Centre, Bathinda during 2011-13; and Professor cum Programme Coordinator (South & Central Asia) under Ministry of External Affairs' Project at CRRID, Chandigarh during 2013-14. He completed 3 Research Projects including The World Bank's Minor Project on "India and Her Neighbours: Sub-Regional Perspectives from Two Punjab in India & Pakistan", and The Asia Foundation's Project on "Understanding Non-Tariff Trade Barriers between India and Pakistan". He elected as Executive Committee Member from Punjab in the Indian Economic Association (IEA) for 2013-16 after his tenure of 2010-13 and 2001-04. He is the Life Member of many Academic Bodies like IEA, ISLE, IIDS, ISCA, IAAS, IACIS, etc.



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Dr. Nauriyal's contributions to higher education have been recognized with a number of honours and awards throughout his career. He received the Outstanding Teacher Award from IIT Roorkee in 2012 and the Uttarakhand Ratan award from All India Conference of Intellectuals in 2017.



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Mr. David White is a Senior Political Advisor British High Commission, New Delhi in India. Mr David excelled into what is clearly a role that plays to all his strengths of targeted briefing, incisive decision-making, collegiate working, and horizon scanning. He contributes Contributed high quality analysis, reporting, and leadership during a period of increasing geopolitical tension, COVID, and an upturn in the UK-India relationship.



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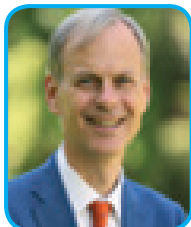


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Professor Nagesh Kumar

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Professor Nagesh Kumar is the Director and Chief Executive of the Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID). Prior to taking up this role in May 2021, Dr Kumar served as Director at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission of Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), holding several senior management roles during 2009-21 including as Chief Economist, Director of Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division and Social Development Division at the UNESCAP headquarters in Bangkok and as Head of the South and South-West Asia Office located in New Delhi, that he also had the privilege of establishing. Dr Kumar served as the Director-General of the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), a policy think tank of the Government of India (Ministry of External Affairs). He has also served as an Economist at UNU/INTECH (now UNU/MERIT) in Maastricht, the Netherlands. Holding a PhD in Economics from the Delhi School of Economics, Dr Kumar is recipient of the Exim Bank's first International Trade Research Award in 1990, and GDN's Research Medal awarded by the World Bank and the Japanese Government in Tokyo in 2000.



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He founded the Society for Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA), a voluntary organisation providing support to grassroots initiatives in South Asia and continues to be its Chief Functionary since 1982. A Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, USA and an electronics engineer (IIT, Kanpur) with a graduation in management (IIM, Calcutta), Dr Rajesh Tandon is an internationally acclaimed leader and practitioner of participatory research and development. In order to bridge the divide between the world of practice and the world of research, Dr. Tandon has undertaken a number of initiatives to promote engagement of institutions of higher education with civil society and local communities to foster knowledge generation and mutual learning. This work found further support when he was appointed in 2012 as UNESCO Co-Chair in Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education (www.unsecochair-cbrsr.org). The UNESCO Chair grows out of and

supports UNESCO's global lead to play 'a key role in assisting countries to build knowledge societies. He has been inducted to the International Adult and Continuing Education (IACE) Hall of Fame (class of 2011). The award recognizes innovative leaders who believe passionately in the evolutionary power of education and are themselves exemplary lifelong learners who have left lasting impressions on the students, institutions, and organizations they serve. The University of Victoria, Canada, awarded Dr Tandon the degree of Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa) in June 2008 in recognition of his pioneering work in the area of civic engagement, governance and community-based research.



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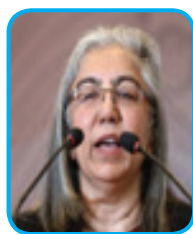
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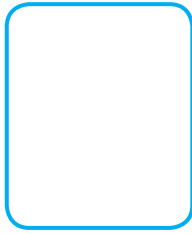
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