



Hon'ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan delivering the inaugural address.

Special Think 20 Programme Global Governance with LiFE, Values and Wellbeing-Fostering Cooperation in Framework, Finance and Technology

Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), in collaboration with T20, U20, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Good Governance and Policy Analysis (AIGGPA), Madhya Pradesh State Policy and Planning Commission, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), Global Development Centre (GDC) at RIS, GIZ India, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) organised a two-day Special T20 programme on '**Global Governance with LiFE, Values and Wellbeing : Fostering Cooperation in Framework, Finance and Technology**' on January 16-17, 2023 at Kushabhau Thakre International Convention Centre (KTICC), Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

Background

India has taken over G20 Presidency from Indonesia at a critical juncture where it has to address spill-over effects of COVID-19 and the on-going geo-political crisis. Indian G20 Presidency is making all-out efforts to go beyond short-term crisis management and focus on more longer-term issues of structural transformation in global governance towards inclusive, resilient and sustainable outcomes. Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi's message of healing, harmony and hope for the G20 would shape activities and deliverables of the Indian G20 Presidency. The theme of the Indian G20 Presidency, "One Earth, One Family, One Future" and the emphasis on "Lifestyle for Environment" have set

the mandate towards a coherent agenda of sustainable development, climate action and climate justice. This approach gives the Indian Presidency immense opportunities for building consensus in a fractured world. Striving for world peace and harmony as well as a sustainable planet, India also draws inspiration from its eternal philosophy of non-dualist connect of the self with the universe (*Advaita*), deep respect and reverence for the environment, universal message of 'oneness' and that of wellbeing for all as manifested in '*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*'.

Global Economic Scenario – Need for Alternative Solutions

The world is passing through turbulent times of multiple crises—food, fuel and pandemics. Post-COVID recovery has become uncertain and prolonged, and progress in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) has reversed and slowed down drastically across many countries of the world. Significant positive changes made in areas like poverty reduction, maternal and child health, access to electricity and gender equality in the pre-COVID years no longer serve as the basis on which we can build a plan of action for further progress on SDGs by 2030.

Shrinking fiscal space coupled with growing debt service burden has widened SDG financing gaps across countries, in particular Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Higher prices of food, energy and essential services have pushed millions of people in developing countries to poverty and caused distress migration. While short-term crisis financing has been the conventional solution to such types of crises in the past, a radical course

correction in the form of a new value-based development paradigm is more desirable now than ever before. Breaking the decades of dominance of neo-classical growth models, the new development transformation must assign emphasis on social, environmental, cultural and ethical factors of wellbeing than per capita income alone.

The new paradigm should involve change in the way new enablers like infrastructure, environment, health, role of women, investing in children, traditional systems of medicine, etc. are to be factored.

For instance, many physical and social infrastructure investments have positive financial returns but involve long gestation periods which have implications for time bound attainment of the SDGs.

Achieving SDGs will require access to affordable, long-term and stable sources of financing infrastructure and other development projects. Innovative sources of funding, both at the domestic as well as the global level involving National Development Banks, Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) and private sector entities, need to be scaled up. Augmenting capital resources of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs), which is being deliberated at length in the recent years, can help to meet growing demands for development and SDG financing.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has been used widely by the countries as a single indicator of economic progress with a high degree of faith that higher economic growth would ultimately manifest in higher income, address social problems, reduce disparities, and so on. Contrary to that, poverty and inequality have persisted

in many parts of the world for decades especially in developing countries, LDCs and SIDS, and most importantly traditional growth models have failed in addressing social vulnerability.

At the societal level, countries continue to grapple with adverse climate change, biodiversity loss, lack of access to basic amenities, social inequality, and increased stress even in periods of high growth. There has been a growing recognition of the need to complement purely GDP-based measure of economic progress with alternative measures of societal progress.

The environmental & ecological products like air, water, forests, wildlife may not be part of the market, but it is now evident that degradation of those would adversely affect environment and wellbeing. Education and health are greatly interwoven with the wellbeing of people.

The COVID-19 pandemic and consequent health crisis, unequal burdens on LDCs, uneven growth across countries, supply-chain disruptions have further necessitated the need for comprehensive discussion on the multidimensional nature of development.

On the health front, in the last two decades traditional and complementary medicine has received much traction for global cooperation on formulation of national policies and regulations as part of national health systems.

Emphasis has shifted to green pharmacy for greater health resilience through traditional herbal medicines. Environmental and other challenges, the spread of zoonotic diseases, etc. make it necessary to take a 'One Health' approach.

Antimicrobial resistance continues to be a major problem.



Distinguished Delegates at the Valedictory Session.

Using the One Health approach, regional and transnational cooperation in health surveillance can be encouraged. This will also strive to strengthen cooperation in the pharmaceutical sector to ensure the availability of essential medicines in every country. The use of technologies, particularly digital health in the realm of healthcare will ensure access to medical care at affordable cost.

While trade and investment are conventional instruments of bilateral and multilateral relations, the changing economic landscape

with rapid spread and deepening of global value chains are attracting countries to offer and expect higher market access from each other. Women-led entrepreneurship and collective economic empowerment schemes in various parts of the world have generated hope for inclusive and resilient development strategies. While G20 embraces those issues as priority areas for deliberations, there are demands for change in the structure and process of G20 especially representation of Africa, greater focus on development issues, prioritising the agenda and

so on. With participation of around 400 participants including over 90 international speakers, more than 100 experts from different parts of India, and enthusiastic local participation, the T20 Special Event over the past two days marked a significant milestone for T20 India.

The rich content and extensive deliberations would certainly become the basis of reference and to be acted upon by the T20 fraternity and the G20 in the upcoming Working Group deliberations and ministerial tracks. ■

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BHOPAL DECLARATION

Based on the deliberations in various sessions of the conference, the following recommendations are drawn as key action points for the T20 and G20 to consider:

LiFE and Value-based Development Paradigm

- The development path pursued hitherto has threatened existence of other species, biodiversity and environment. There is a real danger that if we don't make substantial progress towards universal values-based systems and institutions, some of the past gains in the quality of human life will be reversed. Therefore, adoption of LiFE is deeply connected to value systems and ethical approaches.
- There is need for development transformation to support transitions towards LiFE and responsible consumption.
- Values and ethical considerations should not be treated as residual elements in formulating development strategies; rather they should form the core of the substantive practices in research, production, technology and financial transactions.
- G20 could consider establishing a network of researchers and advocacy groups to build databases, document best practices, and share expertise for collating inputs for the new development paradigm.
- Economic system approach that promotes growth of corporate entities built on the principles of sustainability, social inclusion, good governance needs to be benchmarked for prioritising sectors and resource allocation. Economic systems transformation is required for achieving SDGs. Further, there is high linkages between economic systems transformation and sustainable development.

Accelerating SDGs

- Developed countries urgently need to fulfill their commitment towards funding SDG progress in developing countries, especially LDCs and SIDS.
- SDG financing should come from a combination of global and domestic sources as also public and private sources. At the global level MDBs, Official Development Assistance (ODA) & bilateral arrangements, Global Philanthropies need to augment their capacities to be able to assist SDG financing at the scale desired. Net zero and achieving SDGs is not possible unless adequate external financing is made available.
- Localization of SDGs should assume importance including financing with greater participation of national and local governments, private sector and civil societies.
- Development of local currency markets to support introduction of innovative ways of raising resources would also be crucial in many developing countries.
- Triangular cooperation (TrC) could be promoted to

provide a 'broader range of resources, expertise, and capacities' to developing countries on demand-driven basis.

Trade, Investment and Global Value Chains

- Diversification of Global Value Chains (GVCs) is necessary but with special and differential treatment to developing country exporting nations.
- Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in services, infrastructure sectors and logistics could facilitate effective participation of countries in regional and global value chains .
- Sectors having strong trade complementarity could be considered for bilateral and multilateral preferential trade in line with the WTO rules and regulations.
- Services sectors like IT, business consultancy, financial services, healthcare, tourism, etc. possess tremendous potential for trade, investment and job creation calling for concerted action by the G20 countries.

One Health

- Time has come to account for the value of nature and recognise human, animal and plant health in an integrated fashion for strengthening health outcomes.
- G20 should design, implement and monitor programmes, policies and research on antimicrobial resistance (AMR).
- Traditional medicine especially Indian systems of medicine, like Ayurveda, Yoga, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy (AYUSH), could form a strong pillar of 'One Health' approach. There is an urgent need to launch G20 Forum on Traditional Medicine and take AYUSH and all traditional medicine based global industries forward
- G20 should strive to integrate Traditional Medicine systems with the public healthcare system and provide choices to the patients.
- A Forum on Traditional Medicine (FTM) needs to be constituted by G20 for collaboration and cooperation on strengthening traditional medicine for addressing health needs of the member countries and elsewhere and also to take all traditional medicine-based industries forward globally..

Children-Our Future

- Global effort should be invested in early childhood development (ECD) to accelerate human capital gains as well as to attain social equity and inclusive economic growth. This includes providing an enabling environment for their access to foundational literacy and numeracy, affordable healthcare and addressing malnutrition. As such, G20 along with developing countries should prioritize budgets focused on ECD. Investing in universal social protection benefits for children – particularly in the early years of childhood.

These are simple, scalable and sustainable steps in achieving both wellness and oneness as societies and fulfilling the human capital potential of future generations that are part of the vision of the Indian presidency of the G20.

- There is a need to build adolescent skills including digital literacy to transition into the 21st century job market including tech-driven and green growth.
- Ensuring participation and action of youth in generating innovative solutions for climate change through LiFE.
- Effective measures should be initiated to prevent child abuse, child labour, and inherent bias against girl child.
- Governments should initiate measures to reduce preventable child deaths, attracting children to school, reducing poverty, nutritious food, all of which will contribute towards building human capital.

Financing Resilient Infrastructure

- The increasing climate related catastrophes like cyclones, floods, etc. have necessitated building climate resilient infrastructure. There is need to adopt life-cycle approach to financing infrastructure considering that they would last to serve 5-6 future generations.
- Fair rules and reporting of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) norms in connection with infrastructure projects should be followed.
- Institutional investors like pension funds, sovereign wealth funds, insurance companies, etc. should be incentivized by G20 to invest in developing country infrastructure projects.
- Blended finance, co-financing and other innovative funding instruments need to be popularized as preferred modes of funding, and MDBs should support in scaling up these types of investments.
- There is need to localize development and financing of infrastructure in developing countries and involve private sector and local governments for investment.

Women-Led Development

- G20 should facilitate sharing of expertise and facilitate replication of success stories on financial inclusion, self-employment through income-generating activities, women entrepreneurship, enrolment of higher number of girl children in schools and effective participation of women in various fields of excellence, e.g. sports, defence, space in developing countries.
- G20 initiatives like Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative (We-Fi) enabling access to credit and digital empowerment through India-led digital payment platforms like UPI, BHIM, etc. should be scaled up for augmenting contribution of women in the development process.
- Instead of working in silos, W20, We-Fi and T20 should work together for greater coherence and synergistic impact.
- Investment in care infrastructure needs to be encouraged in countries for greater labour force participation.

- There is also a need to have a gender data network by G20.
- Best practices on women-centric development interventions like India's PM Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), one of the biggest financial inclusion initiatives in the world, to be showcased and replicated in other G20 countries and other developing countries.
- Ensure gender equality and justice and prevent gender-based domestic violence.

Wellbeing Measurement

- It is an opportune time for G20 countries to engage in discussions with a view to evolve a comprehensive measure of Wellbeing, based on sustainability principles.
- It is desirable to review, compare and assess existing works in the domain of wellbeing metrics and identify gaps that need to be filled. The data requirements also need to be assessed including the periodicity and data infrastructure requirements.
- There should be efforts towards building consensus on the set of indicators and methodological approaches to be adopted in measuring wellbeing. The end-use of such wellbeing metrics – budget process, fiscal strategies, resource allocation, etc. – should determine the choice of indicators.

Inclusive G20

- G20 should promote and act on the voices of the South encompassing a wider spectrum of global governance issues, access to financial resources, frameworks for dealing with climate change, resolving debt and macroeconomic instability and related areas.
- Being a large and diverse continent, Africa's development priorities should proportionately find place in G20 deliberations.
- G20 should explore the modalities of working with the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and vulnerable economies in fighting climate change and diversifying their economic base.
- Initiatives that strengthen digital ethics (to avoid digital divide among other concerns) and that prevent unethical or inequitable research should be promoted through international cooperation.

Global South

- South-South cooperation should be need-based, demand driven and respecting the sovereignty of the partner countries.
- Triangular cooperation should be promoted among governments involving civil society and non-governmental organisations.
- South should increasingly play definitive role in formulation of framework for global governance.
- There is need to put in place a framework for effective participation of developing countries in global production chains to address supply chain disruptions. *(Text of complete declaration is available on RIS website: www.ris.org.in)* ■

Priorities and Challenges of Indian G20 Presidency



Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Minister of MOHUA, Chairing the Interactive Session.

RIS organized a conversation with Professor Jeffrey D. Sachs, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University, USA, on priorities and challenges of Indian G20 Presidency on 23 Feb 2023. The discussion was chaired by Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs, and Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas. Mr Suman Berry, Vice

Chairman, NITI Aayog and Prof M. Jagadeesh Kumar, Chairperson, University Grants Commission delivered the special remarks during the session. Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS initiated the discussion with his opening remarks. Extensive and detailed discussions were held on India's G20 priorities; inclusive G20; lifestyle for Environment (LiFE);

financing for infrastructure; SDGs and SDG financing.

Professor Sachs's keynote address focused on the new emerging global order succeeding the retreat of North Atlantic economic hegemony. He emphasised the role India can play as a voice of the Global South and the importance of BRICS grouping. He highlighted

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Global Forum on Climate Smart Agriculture for Food Security

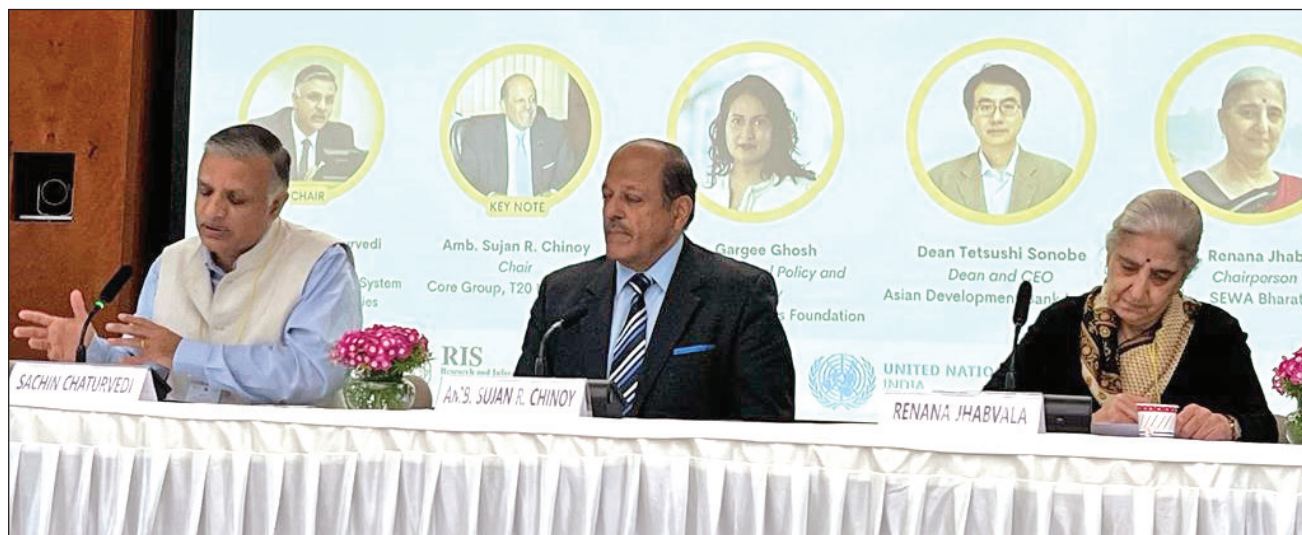
RIS is Knowledge Partner to the MoA&FW for AWG during the G20 India Presidency 2023, towards which it started contributing since June 2022. On the initiative of RIS, a side event on, 'Global Forum on Climate Smart Agriculture for Food Security' was organised on the first day of the 1st Agriculture Deputies Meeting (ADM) at Indore on 13th February,

2023, during the three-day ADM. The side event highlighted gravity of the challenge of climate change and deliberated on various pathways leading to Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA).

Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS, collated its proceedings crystallizing the policy prescriptions as realigning incentives, especially for Global

South, need for global governance for CSA, developing macro perspective for data use and dashboards, technology-based forecasts, linking policies for promoting innovations, adopting technologies and supporting MSMEs lead innovations ecosystem. RIS continues to contribute to the partnership on all critical aspects. ■

Women as Active Participants and Propellers of Economic Growth: Focusing on Livelihoods and Care Infrastructure



Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, DG, RIS, Mr Sujan R. Chinoy, Chair, Core Group, T20, India 2023, Ms. Renana Jhabvala, Chairperson, SEWA at the T20 side event.

As a part of G20/T20, under the aegis of the Task Force 6 (TF6)/T20 ('Accelerating Gender Sensitive SDGs'), the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), the United Nations in India, the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) and SEWA Bharat organised a day long panel discussion for T20 Side Event 'Women as Active Participants and Propellers of Economic Growth: Focusing on Livelihoods and Care Infrastructure', on March 22, 2023, at UN House, New Delhi.

The side event was graciously attended by Mr. Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Chief Coordinator for India's G20 Presidency; Former Foreign Secretary of India, Mr. Sujan R. Chinoy, Chair, Core Group, T20 India 2023, Director General, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, Mr. Shombi Sharp, UN Resident Coordinator, India, and Professor

Sachin Chaturvedi, Member T20 Core Group, Director General, RIS, Ms Renana Jhabvala, Chairperson, SEWA Bharat and Mr G. A. Tadas, RIS, Task Force 6 Coordinators, (TF6-T20). Apart from these, senior Government officials, policy makers, thematic experts, researchers, and practitioners were also present across the sub-themes that impact both livelihoods and pillars of support required to enable livelihoods for women in the informal economy.

The panel discussion began with an Inaugural session, further, there were other sessions on Women's Work in the Economy: Statistics, Skills and Productivity; Accelerating Agency: Financial and Digital Inclusion for Women; Addressing Structural Barriers: Care Infrastructure; Impact of WASH & Health on Women's Work followed by a Valedictory session.

Women Led Development is one of the main themes of India's G20 presidency. Economically empowering women and closing the gender gap is one the main drivers to achieving Agenda 2030 of Sustainable Development Goals. Research has shown that when women are economically empowered it has a ripple effect on children, households, and societies. When women work, economies grow - this boosts productivity, increases economic diversity and income equality. For them to be fully and truly economically empowered the world needs to take big steps in ensuring their livelihood either through employment or entrepreneurship.

The objective of the panel discussion was to give the participants a chance to come up with actionable points for the acceleration of gender sensitive SDGs as part of T20. ■

Letter of Cooperation between RIS and ISA



(From left) H. E. Mr Michael William Lodge, Dr Sumit Seth, Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Professor S. K. Mohanty.

RIS hosted H. E. Mr Michael William Lodge, Secretary General, International Seabed Authority (ISA) with the ISA delegation, including Marie Bourrel-McKinnon, Chief of Staff & Head of Strategic Planning Unit, Dr Madhumita Kothari, Senior Advisor, Dr Jose Dallo Moros, Head of the Office of Environmental Management and Mineral Resources, Dr Sonkashi Mishra, Programme Manager on January 30 2023. The meeting was also joined by Dr Sumit Seth, Joint Secretary, PP&R, Ministry of External Affairs, Cdr. Prashant Srivastava, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Dr George John, Former Senior Advisor, Department of Biotechnology Professor S. K. Mohanty and RIS other faculty members.

A Letter of Cooperation was signed between the two institutions aiming at joint activities including detailed research and dissemination of policy-oriented output and capacity building for fostering global awareness and debate on growth and development in Blue Economy sectors, including sea-bed mining, ocean governance, marine scientific research, etc. for global commons.

During the signing ceremony, Director General, RIS, Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, highlighted India's growing activities in the area of Blue Economy with upcoming India's Blue Economy Policy. Both institutions have agreed to have joint work towards mining code, environmental assessment, bio-prospecting, South-South and triangular cooperation, quality and quantity of data, and SDGS. ■

MoA between IPA and RIS for setting up Centre for Maritime Economy and Connectivity



Hon'ble Minister of Union Cabinet Minister of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterway (MoPSW) Shri Sarbananda Sonowal on the occasion of signing of agreement.

A Memorandum of Agreement was signed between the Indian Ports Association and RIS in presence of Hon'ble Minister of Union Cabinet Minister of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterway (MoPSW) Shri Sarbananda Sonowal for establishment of the Centre for Maritime Economy and Connectivity (CMEC) at RIS. The agreement was signed between Shri Rajiv Jalota, Chairman, IPA and Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS in presence of Secretary (MoPSW) and other officials. The main objective of the CMEC is to provide support to MoPSW/IPA in developing and maintaining a policy, regulatory framework, promote trade and cooperation between Regional Trade Arrangements including BIMSTEC and other nations. The four priority projects identified are with regards to enhancing influence and representation of India at International Maritime Organization (IMO), linking of Chabahar with International North South Transport Corridor (INSTC), facilitation of India-Bangladesh Transit Corridor through North East states and boosting trade through better utilization of Galathea Bay.

Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Sarbananda Sonowal emphasised that India being mother of democracy, the world is looking towards India to take a lead role. He said that establishment of the centre at RIS would act as knowledge repository. This would guide the nation not only in standing-up to the challenges that global economy poses but also make India a major player in global maritime sector. The centre would take forward the underlying ideas of Maritime India Vision 2030, unveiled by Hon'ble Prime Minister in 2021, PM Gati Shakti and Sagarmala Programme. ■

India-Kyrgyzstan Relations and SCO Issues

Mr. Batyr-Muhammad Azamatovich Karagulov from Kyrgyz Republic, a SCO Resident Researcher at ICWA, New Delhi was in RIS on 16th February 2023 for an interaction meeting with RIS faculty members. Mr. Karagulov is a Leading Specialist at Department for International Cooperation and Public Relations, National Academy of Sciences, Kyrgyz Republic.

Mr. Karagulov presented his ideas on India-Kyrgyzstan relations and SCO issues he is working on. Besides presenting his work, he sought ideas and perspectives of RIS faculty members on a number of bilateral and regional issues. RIS faculty shared their own work and perspectives on the coverage & scope of SCO and how India's agenda of SECURE as SCO chair

in 2023. Several other important issues pertaining to India-Kyrgyzstan bilateral relationships, trade facilitation, development cooperation, and STI for SDGs, food, nutrition & energy security, global financial markets, gender education violence, among others were discussed in the context of Central Asia and SCO. ■



SCO Resident Researcher with RIS faculty members.

Wellbeing Measurement Approaches and Recalibrating International Institutions

Under the Think 20 (T20) engagement group India has introduced a unique Task Force comprehensively covering the contours of Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE), Resilience and Values for Wellbeing. It aims to provide a theoretical and empirical grounding for a paradigm shift in the present development models. Task Force 3 Chairs and Co-Chairs comprise distinguished academics, researchers and public policy practitioners.

As a part of the efforts to disseminate the concept of LiFE

and its various facets among the larger academic and civil society community, RIS initiated a webinar series starting from 24 March 2023 till 5 May 2023 (every Friday). In this regard, the first inaugural session "Wellbeing measurement approaches and recalibrating international institutions" was scheduled on 24 March 2023, 3.00-4.30pm IST.

The session was initiated by Welcome Remarks from Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS, highlighting the shortcomings

of present wellbeing measurement approach and the need to go beyond GDP. Subsequently, presentations were made by Professor Dennis J. Snower, President, Global Solutions Initiative, and Advisor and Fellow, The New Institute, Hamburg, Germany; Mr Ashish Kumar, Distinguished Fellow, Pahle India, and Former Director General, Central Statistical office, MoSPI, GOI; Dr Sabyasachi Saha, Associate Professor, RIS; and Dr Majed Almozaini, Senior Associate

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Sustainable Consumption and Production, Climate Crisis and One Health

In continuation of the T20 Task Force 3 seminar series, the second session on “Sustainable Consumption and Production, Climate crisis and One Health” was scheduled on 31 March 2023, 3.00-4.30pm IST. Dr Noura Mansouri, Research Fellow, KAPSARC, Saudi Arabia and Research affiliate, MIT; Dr Ashok Khosla, Founder and Chairman, Development Alternatives Group, Delhi; Professor Ruby Pawankar, Executive Director and Past President, Asia-Pacific Association of Allergy Asthma and Clinical Immunology

(APAAACI) and Chair, International Societies Council, EAACI; Professor T. C James, President, NIPO, and Visiting Fellow, RIS, highlighted the broad contours of Sustainable Consumption and Production, and interlinkages of Climate crisis and One Health.

The speakers also deliberated on the issues of Carbon Circular Economy (CCE), global inequalities and responsible consumption, Climate crisis and its impact on food and nutritional security, and Traditional knowledge systems

and One Health. This was followed by a spirited and in-depth conversation between the speakers, co-chairs, and attendees during an interactive Q&A session. Almost 90 participants from around the nation and beyond, including academics, public policy practitioners, Indian Missions, and members of the student community, participated in the seminar series, which got a resoundingly positive reaction. The session was chaired by Dr Sabyasachi Saha and Vote of Thanks delivered by Mr Syed Arslan Ali. ■

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Economist, KAPSARC, Saudi Arabia. The speakers deliberated on the conceptual framework of new wellbeing indexes; HDI, World Happiness Index etc., and the inevitability to incorporate natural capital and environment as an important component of wellbeing

measurement. This was followed up by an interactive QA session where speakers, Co-chairs and participants engaged in a lively and thought-provoking discussion.

The seminar series received an overwhelming response with participation of around 120 national

and international attendees, comprising academicians, public policy practitioners, Indian Missions, and student community. The session was chaired by Professor T.C. James and Vote of Thanks delivered by Mr Syed Arslan Ali. ■

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that the world is in a period of potential positive breakthrough in the areas of education, women empowerment, and health. India's experience of development with deploying technology at scale can be a template for other developing countries particularly in Africa. Finally, he strongly advocated for a permanent membership of African Union in the G20.

Minister Hardeep Singh Puri mentioned that India's G20

presidency provided a unique opportunity to conceptualize pathways to inform global governance, particularly on fast tracking the SDGs.

Mr Suman Berry deliberated on the importance of unified consensus on issues of global governance taking a leaf out of the SDGs agreement in 2015. He also stressed that SDGs is a shared vision of decent societies around the world and countries

should cooperate to achieve the vision on SDGs.

Prof Jagadesh Kumar discussed the New Education Policy (NEP) which envisioned education to be a primary tool for empowering children and the initiatives India is taking in terms of research and collaboration between Indian and foreign universities under the NEP. Eminent academics and policy makers also shared their perspective at the roundtable. ■

Digital Sovereignty and Data Governance in Times of Geopolitical Rivalry

The 47th STIP Forum Lecture was delivered by Professor Dr Ingrid Schneider, Professor of Political Science, Department of Informatics, University of Hamburg (Germany) on 24 January 2023 via online platform. The topic of this public lecture was *"Digital Sovereignty and Data Governance in Times of Geopolitical Rivalry"*. Dr. Bhaskar Balakrishnan, Science Diplomacy Fellow, RIS chaired the event while Mr. Sunit Tandon, Director, India Habitat Centre, delivered the initial remarks.

Prof. Schneider structured her very insightful address around three key dimensions viz. political economy of digital platforms; digital geopolitics and States' responses to the platform power; and regulation of the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI). She began her talk by highlighting the fact that Internet

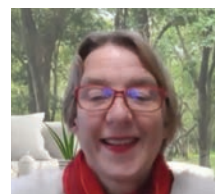
was conceived as a 'borderless' and as a 'superhighway' to bring the world closer by bridging the 'digital divide'. Following which she raised questions regarding the evolution of the Internet in the last two decades. She alluded to the prevailing competitive races in the digital realm, wherein the most pronounced one has been the one between the US and China. While elaborating on digital sovereignty, she stated that it entails the relationship between the citizens, the State, and the Big Tech companies.

On the issue of political economy of the digital platforms, Prof. Schneider explained the characteristics of the digital platforms, wherein, she mentioned that these digital platforms produce network effects and they often use cross-subsidisation (one arm

providing services or goods for free, while the other arm generates revenues to make

up for those losses). Citing the data, she stated that majority of digital platform companies are concentrated in the US and China. She referred to GAFA (Google, Apple, Facebook and Amazon) and BAT (Baidu, Alibaba and Tencent), which are the largest digital platforms based in the US and China respectively. According to a 2021 data, internet traffic from Big Tech services took up more than half of the total network traffic.

While discussing the data protection policies, she stated that by 2022, there are 142 countries with data protection legislation. ■



Elimination of Cervical Cancer: Initiatives in India

The 48th STIP Forum Lecture was delivered by Dr Shalini Singh, Director, ICMR-National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research (NICPR) on 31 March 2023 via online platform. The topic of this public lecture was *"Elimination of Cervical Cancer: Initiatives in India"*. Dr. Kinkini Dasgupta Misra, Scientist 'F' and Head, Gender and Technology Communication, Vigyan Prasar, moderated the event.

In her very insightful and informative address, Dr Shalini Singh covered a wide canvass relating to the cervical cancer including its burden and trends; symptoms; global and national strategies; screening; and primary,

secondary and tertiary prevention measures. Cervical cancer is the fourth most common cancer among women globally with an estimated six lacs new cases and 3.4 lacs deaths every year. More than 90 per cent of the new cases and deaths occurs in the low and middle income countries. She mentioned that in India, more than 200 women die every day due to the cervical cancer and one out of four women who dies due to cervical cancer in the world is an Indian. She alluded to an emerging WHO global strategy which has a vision to make the world free of cervical cancer. It is based on three pillar approach with 2030 control targets which comprises of ensuring 90 per cent of

girls to be fully vaccinated with HPV vaccine by 18 years of age; ensuring 70 per cent of women to be screened

with an HPV test at 35 and 45 years of age and ensuring that 90 per cent of the women identified with cervical disease to have received treatment for precancerous lesions or invasive cancer.

She referred to the MoHFW's Operation Framework Guidelines regarding screenings and also informed about the on-going capacity building training programme for cancer screening using ECHO platform. ■



Korea-India Cooperation and Future Directions



Director General, RIS and President of KIEP with both KIEP and RIS faculty members.

Members from Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), including the President of KIEP; Kim, Heung Hong visited RIS on 7th March to discuss status of Korea-India cooperation and future direction of cooperation between the two institutes. Professor Sachin Chaturvedi welcomed the members and briefly introduced them about

work programme at RIS. Following the welcome note, President Kim, Heung Hong discussed about their institute which is a public think tank that focuses on macroeconomics, trade and issues around international finance and provided their work programme and projects they are involved in. In the intervention that followed the main speakers from RIS

were Professor Sachin Chaturvedi and Professor S.K Mohanty and from KIEP President Kim, Heung Hong and Former President, Yoo, Jang Hee.

The symposium led to some key potential collaboration in different projects and themes such as development project evaluation (impact assessment), Supply Chain Disruptions focusing on current challenges on China & Taiwan, how south Korea can leverage India's investment opportunities; Global commons and Deep Sea which are relevant to IPEF strategy; and the study of gender and population in the context of communities with Self-Help Groups (SHGs), an unique phenomena of South Asia not only can provides insights into these regions but can also create economic opportunities for South Asia. ■

Interactive Session with Students of Mahatma Gandhi University

An interactive session between students and faculties was jointly organized by RIS and Mahatma Gandhi University at GParthasarathi Conference Hall in RIS on 27 March 2023. The key participants included Dr. Jojin V. John, Assistant Professor, Mahatma Gandhi University; Dr. Aparna Eswaran, Assistant Professor, Mahatma Gandhi University; Dr. Lirar Pulikkalakath, Assistant Professor, Mahatma Gandhi University and postgraduate students from the School of International Relations and Politics in Mahatma Gandhi University. The meeting was chaired by Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, RIS and Dr. Sabyasachi Saha, Associate Professor, RIS; Dr. Rajendran T. Govender, IBSA Fellow, RIS;

Dr. Gilvan Muller De Oliveira, IBSA Fellow, RIS; Mr. Ripudaman Bhardwaj, IBSA Fellow, RIS and Dr. Sayantan Ghosal, Consultant, RIS participated in the meeting. The focus of this interaction was to provide the final year postgraduate students a fine exposure to the functioning module of research institutions, think tanks and their interlinkages with academics. Discussions centered on the need for the study of 'International Relations' to reflect upon the theories of change, incorporate the influence of economics and absorb the theoretical contours of Political Science. The emerging role of India as a voice of the Global South and its important role in assisting the developing countries as a module of South-South Cooperation was

emphasized during the interaction session.

It was reiterated that the Indian Presidency of G20 to be followed by the Brazilian and South African Presidencies presents a golden opportunity for the 'troika' to bring the concerns and aspirations of the developing countries to the global agenda. This was followed by an interactive session with students wanting to learn more about the nuances of climate change and the changing landscape of India's external relations given the current geopolitical developments. A consensus was also reached on organizing a conference on the understanding of 'International Relations' and taking the engagement between RIS and Mahatma Gandhi University forward. ■

G20 University Connect Lectures Seminar Series

January 2023

S.No	Date	University	Distinguished Speaker
1	9 January	University of Kerala, Kerala	Amb. T. P. Sreenivasan
2	17 January	MCU of Journalism, Madhya Pradesh	Amb. S. T. Devare
3	20 January	Punjab University, Punjab	Amb. Bhaskar Balakrishnan
4	23 January	Pondicherry University, Puducherry	Dr. Seshadri Chari
5	24 January	IIT Madras, Tamilnadu	Dr. Seshadri Chari
6	25 January	University of Hyderabad, Telangana	Amb. Syed Akbaruddin
7	28 January	IIT Guwahati, Assam	Prof. Arvind Kumar
8	30 January	IIM Kolkata, West Bengal	Amb. Harsh V. Shringla
9	31 January	KSKVKU, Bhuj, Gujarat	Dr. Seshadri Chari

February 2023

S. No	Date	University	Distinguished Speaker
1	8 February	National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore	Amb. Bhaskar Balakrishnan
2	13 February	Devi Shilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore	Professor Sachin Chaturvedi
3	15 February	Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat	Prof. Manish
4	17 February	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad	Prof. Vijay Khare
5	17 February	Sri Krishna University, Khajuraho	Amb Dinkar Srivastava
6	24 February	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, Lucknow	Amb Dinkar Srivastava

March 2023

S. No.	Date	University	Distinguished Speaker
1	4 March	Pt. Ravi Shankar University, Raipur	Ambassador Dilip Sinha
2	6 March	Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi	Dr. Rajan Ratna
3	6 March	Mizoram University, Aizawl	Ambassador Lalduthlana Ralte
4	10 March	Anna University, Chennai	Professor A. Subramanyam Raju
5	11 March	Manipal University, Manipal	Professor Arvind Kumar
6	14 March	Goa University, Goa	Professor Arvind Kumar
7	14 March	Patna University, Patna	Ambassador Muktesh Pardeshi
8	15 March	Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar	Ambassador Satbir Singh
9	16 March	Nagpur University, Nagpur	Ambassador Ajay Gondane
10	17 March	Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur	Ambassador Satbir Singh
11	18 March	Symbiosis International University, Pune	Ambassador Harsh Shringla
12	18 March	Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur	Ambassador Sanjay Bhattacharya
13	20 March	Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi	Ambassador Manjeev Puri
14	22 March	Central University of Kerala, Kasargod	Ambassador Manjeev Puri
15	24 March	Andhra University, Visakhapatnam	Ambassador Gitesh Sharma
16	28 March	Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh	Ambassador Gayatri Kumar
17	28 March	PSG College, Coimbatore	Ambassador Rahul Chhabra
18	31 March	Pondicherry University, Junglighat, Port Blair	Ambassador Rahul Chhabra

Capacity Building Programme on Agricultural Trade



Ambassador Rudrendra Tandon, Additional Secretary, MEA with young researcher at Capacity Building Programme.

RIS, in collaboration with Pondicherry University and International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), organised a two-day capacity-building programme from 17-18 February 2023, Puducherry to acquaint young researchers and policy analysts in the areas of agricultural trade. The capacity-building programme was attended by nearly 30 scholars from India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka in the BIMSTEC region. The programme aimed at highlighting the contemporary challenges in the global, regional and local agriculture sectors with an emphasis on practical training sessions. The inaugural session was attended by various dignitaries including, Ambassador Rudrendra

Tandon, Additional Secretary, MEA, Professor Gurmeet Singh, Vice Chancellor, Pondicherry University, Professor V. Geethalakshmi, Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Agriculture University, Coimbatore, Dr Mamata Pradhan, IFPRI, Professor S.K. Mohanty and Dr Pankhuri Gaur, RIS.

Dr Pradhan, in her welcome remarks, emphasised collaborative research, capacity partnership and policy engagement as the main pillar of this capacity-building programme. The inaugural address by Prof. Geethalakshmi raised the issue of climate change in the agriculture sector and how trade can help in adopting climate-smart agriculture. Ambassador Tandon highlighted the importance of

trade facilitation and investment to boost the agriculture trade in the BIMSTEC region. Prof. Gurmeet Singh expressed his views on the global agriculture scenario and India's role in the world economy through G20. Professor S.K. Mohanty emphasized that the rise of middle-income groups in several developing countries is posing the issue of nutritional challenges, in addition to the challenges of livelihood security amidst trade surplus. The dignitaries also released a book on "BIMSTEC: Mapping Sub-Regionalism in Asia".

The inaugural session was followed by three lectures. The first lecture was on "Emerging Agricultural Issues in the Global Economy" by Professor K. N.

Selvaraj, Dr Sendhil R. discussed various structural changes in Indian agriculture while highlighting the importance of the role of value chains, technology, investment, etc. in changing consumption patterns and climate change in the agriculture sector.

Dr Raka Saxena discussed the export growth linkages of India in the BIMSTEC region and highlighted the export performance of the Indian agricultural sector and its potential.

Professor V. Praveen Rao, Former Vice Chancellor, Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, Hyderabad, gave a comprehensive

talk on the Indian Agriculture Sector in his special lecture in the evening. He emphasised that with various challenges and risks in the agriculture sector, the focus should be on “growing more with fewer resources” while giving the necessary importance to tertiary processing for value addition, food designing and technology, agro-climatic analysis, etc. to augment regional agricultural productivity and local-level production efficiency.

Day 2 of the programme mostly focused on the hands-on training on agricultural issues which were discussed in the previous day. Dr Veeramani, IGIDR and Dr Devesh

Roy, IFPRI discussed various trade analysis methods and classifications like ComTrade Harmonised System, ISIC and NIC classification, network products, data mirroring, gravity model, etc. Mr Sunil Saroj and Mr Abul Kamar conducted the practical sessions with agriculture trade data.

In the valedictory session, Professor Mohanty gave closing remarks and Dr Pradhan presented a briefing on the training programme. Professor Gurmeet Singh, in his valedictory address, highlighted the importance of the capacity-building programme with theoretical and practical exposure to the participants. ■

e-ITEC Capacity Building Programme on Sustainable Development Goals

An e-ITEC Capacity Building Programme on SDGs was organized by RIS during 13 March to 24 March, 2023. A novel feature of the programme was that it was totally organized in virtual mode. The programme study course material was also made available to the participants electronically, which included six modules on various aspects of SDGs. Fourteen participants from six countries participated in it.

The participants had diverse background including of working for rural development, energy and water, economy, police, audit, sustainable development, trade and foreign affairs belonging to various developing countries.

Various experts had taken sessions encompassing social sector, Blue Economy, Inequality, Poverty, Health, Education, Gender Empowerment, Environment and Energy. Besides, the session were also organized on enablers like Data Monitoring and Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs), Governance, Financing, Development Cooperation, Science, Technology and Innovations (STI). ■

ITEC Capacity Building Programme on Learning South-South Cooperation



RIS successfully concluded the two week ITEC programme on ‘Learning South-South Cooperation’ from 12-23 January 2023. This year, there were 28 participants from 22 countries, representing rich diversity of Global South.

As part of our efforts to recognize and capture the plurality of SSC and to further strengthen it, RIS brought out the publication *Global South and Perspectives on Development Cooperation* containing reflections by the participants of the programme. ■

Professor Sachin Chaturvedi Director General

- Participated in the Roundtable open session on Development Strategies in the era of Disruptions - Taking the Bull by Horn during the first meeting of the MCCI Economist Forum organised by Merchants' Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI) on 9 January 2023 at Kolkata.
- Participated in the Plenary Session on Finding Consensus on Global Wellbeing: LiFE, Energy Transitions and the SDGs at the T20 Inception Meeting organised by T20 Secretariat and ORF on 12-13 January 2023.
- Made a presentation in the session on India-Nepal Development Partnership: Reflection and Prospects at the India-Nepal Development Partnership Conclave organised by the Embassy of India and Centre for South Asian Studies on 23 January 2023 (online).
- Spoke on 'What defines India's international development cooperation strategy and how it is being delivered' at the TAF's Strategy Meeting organised by the Asia Foundation on 27 January 2023, Jaipur.
- Delivered remarks at a session on "India and the World: A Development Agenda for India's Children and Youth in 2023 and Beyond" organised by UNICEF on 2 February 2023.
- Participated in the Public Launch of 2023 Development Cooperation Report: Debating the Aid System organised by OECD on 14 February 2023 (online).
- Made a presentation on "India's Presidency in G20" at the Orientation Programme for Hon'ble Members of Gujarat Legislative Assembly organised by Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) of Lok Sabha Secretariat on 15 February 2023 at Gandhinagar.
- Panelist at the Session on 'The Principles and Communications of South-South and Trilateral Cooperation' at the Event organised by Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil and the OECD Development Communication Network on Promoting International Cooperation Together: Lessons from Communicating on South-South & Trilateral Cooperation, 16 February 2023 (online).
- Participated in the Roundtable discussion between India and Development Partners on trilateral and global development Cooperation organised by the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, 16 February 2023.
- Made a presentation on 'Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE)' at the Civil 20 India 2023 organised by the LiFE Working Group of C20 on 18 February 2023.
- Panelist at the launch of UNICEF's regional report "Responding to Today for Tomorrow - Child-friendly economic and social policies in times of the pandemic and price inflation in South Asia" organised jointly by UNICEF and SAARC Secretariat on 24 February 2023 at Kathmandu.
- Spoke at the seminar on 'Investing in Children in South Asia' organised by UNICEF on 24 February 2023 at Kathmandu.
- Lead Speaker at the online meeting on 'G20 Foreign Ministers Meeting' organised by Russian International News Agency Sputnik on 3 March 2023.
- Made a presentation in the session on Beyond the Entanglements: Resolving the Food, Fuel and Fertiliser Conflict organised during Raisina Dialogue 2023 organised by ORF on 4 March 2023.
- Panelist in the Session on Global headwinds and the Indian Economy organised during Vasant Vihar Litfest on 4 March 2023.
- Moderated a session on "Decade of Action: A review of the Sustainable Development Goals" at the G20 Global Think Tank Town Hall organised by ORF on 5 March 2023.
- Recorded a podcast of 'A Fragmenting World Order: Implications for Southeast Asia in the Indo-Pacific Era' organised by ERIA on 9 March 2023.
- Participated in an interactive roundtable on 'Transforming Food System in India' organised by IFPRI on 9 March 2023.
- Co-chaired the Plenary on 'Lessons learned from the T7 and T20 during the G7 Germany and G20 Indonesia' at the G20 / G7 Retreat - A Matter of Peace organised jointly by the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) and the Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Center on March 14, 2023 at Bellagio.
- Chaired the session on 'Think tanks and the other engagement groups of the civil society in the G7 and the G20' at the G20 / G7 Retreat - A Matter of Peace organised jointly by the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) and the Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Center on March 16, 2023 at Bellagio.
- Participated in the Final Project Review Committee Meeting on 'Publication of Achievements/ Impact of PRISM Scheme for the last five years' organised

Department of Scientific & Industrial Research on 19 March 2023, Tirupati.

- Guest speaker for the FGS Exclusive online Podcast program on “Opportunity for Projection of India's Soft Power in the Light of G-20 Summit”, organised by Forum for Global Studies on 22 March 2023.
- Guest of Honour at the 2nd Conference ‘BIMSTEC-25 Years of Driving Force behind Neighbourhood Cooperation’, organised jointly by Institute of Social and Cultural Studies and Ministry of External Affairs on 25 March 2023 at Kolkata.

Professor S K Mohanty

- Participated in the Think20@ G20: Towards A Resilient South Asia organised by the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses and made a presentation on Boosting Resilience and Regional Growth on 18 January 2023, New Delhi
- Participated in the Discussion Meeting with Vice Chancellor and Dean and senior faculty of Indian Maritime University regarding Blue Economy and new possible opportunities and areas of collaboration on 15 February 2023, Chennai.
- Participated in the Discussion Meeting with Vice Chancellor and senior faculty of Pondicherry University (PU) on how RIS and PU can work together in their future endeavors to bring about synergy between research and policy-making, especially in the area of Blue Economy on 16 February 2023, Puducherry.
- Participated as a speaker in the Workshop on Blue Economy and made a presentation on Blue Economy: An Alternate Source of Energy organised by Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), New Delhi on 27 February 2023.

- Participated in the 70th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats organised by Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service, Ministry of External Affairs and addressed the diplomats on Towards Shaping Blue Economy Policy in India at New Delhi on 15 March 2023.
- Participated as a panelist in the MP-IDSA - Sichuan University Track 2 Online Bilateral Dialogue and made a presentation on India China Trade Relations organised by Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MPIDSA) on 24 March 2023.

Dr Sabyasachi Saha

Associate Professor

- Delivered a lecture on ‘Sustainable Development Goals’ on Thursday 16 February, at Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS) in the 2nd Special Course for Iran.
- Participated in the First meeting of the Civil 20 LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) Working Group on 18 February 2023, New Delhi.
- Delivered a lecture on ‘Sustainable Development Goals’ on Tuesday, 27 Feb 2023, at Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS) in the 3rd Special Course for Diplomats from Pacific Island Countries.
- Participated at the T20 Task Force 3 Meeting of Co-Chairs on the Sidelines of the Raisina Dialogue on 04 March 2023, New Delhi.
- Delivered a lecture on “Changing World of Work: New Employment Opportunities in G20 Countries” at the L20 at G20 Inception Meet at Amritsar, Punjab, India, 18- 20 March 2023.

Dr Priyadarshi Dash

Associate Professor

- Spoke at G20 University connect lecture held at University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram on January 9, 2023.
- Made presentation as a panelist at the side event on ‘Strategies to Build Coastal Resilience in India’ organised by Government of India and UNDP at the ‘Resilience and Sustainability Summit: Vision 2047’ held in New Delhi on January 19, 2023.
- Made presentation as a panelist at the International Relations Conference on ‘India and Africa: Old Partners, New Challenges and Opportunities’ organised by Symbiosis International University, Pune on January 20-21, 2023.
- Delivered lectures on “G20 and Emerging Geo-Economic Issues and Challenges” to students at Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad on February 2, 2023.
- Spoke at G20 University connect lecture held at Anna University, Chennai on March 10, 2023.
- Spoke at G20 University connect lecture held at Goa University, Goa on March 14, 2023.
- Delivered lecture to e-ITEC participants at RIS on “Sustainable Finance for Futuristic Resilient Infrastructure” on March 15, 2023.

Dr Pankaj Vashisht

Associate Professor

- Participated in Pre Budget-Discussion on Sansad TV on 1st February 2023
- Participated in Sansad TV’s prime time show Arthniti to discuss Union Budget 2023, 17th February 2023.

Dr Amit Kumar

Assistant Professor

- Participated in the Half-Yearly Meeting on “India’s Arctic Engagements” held on 13 January 2023 at the National Security Council Secretariat, New Delhi.
- Participated in the G20 Youth 20 (Y20) Brainstorming Session on “Industry 4.0: Building Future-Ready Workforce” held in Bhopal on 18 January 2023.
- Spoke as a Discussant during the G20 University Connect Event held at the National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru on 8 February 2023.
- Participated in the meeting on 28 February 2023 with a Delegation from India Korea Center for Research and Innovation (IKCRI), New Delhi; comprising of its Director, Dr (Ms) Y J Park and South Korea’s S&T Attaché in India, Mr. Hyohee Lee. .

Dr P K Anand

Visiting Fellow

- Participated in the International Virtual Seminar on “Celebrating 75 Years of Indian Foreign Policy”, on 17-18 January 2023 organized by the ICWA.
- Participated in the Food vs Fuel V2.0 on 24th January, 2023 organized by IFPRI.
- Participated in the Research Seminar on Effective Rate of Protection and Inverted Duty Structure: Theory and Empirics on 27th January 2023, organized by ISID.
- Participated in the OECD Private Finance for Sustainable Development Conference on 31st Jan – 1st February, 2023.
- Participated in The future of food and agriculture – Drivers & triggers for transformation, on 1st February 1, 2023, organized by IFPRI.

- Participated in the Annual Conference on State of India’s Digital Economy, on 24 February 2023, organized by ICRIER.
- Participated in the UN Statistical Commission 54th Session 2023 side event on the Seminar on Emerging Issues: Innovation and modernization of official statistics, on 24th February 2023.
- Participated in the UN Statistical Commission 54th Session 2023 side event on High-level Forum on Official Statistics: Statistical measures beyond GDP, on 27th February 2023.
- Participated in the UN Statistics Division event on the Role of Data Science in Official Statistics, on 24 Feb. 2023.
- Participated in the Special T20 Policy Roundtable on Finance and Global Economic Governance for Green Transformation, on 2nd March, 2023 organized by ISID-Boston University.
- Participated in the Food Loss and Waste in Fruit and Vegetable Supply Chains, on 14th March, 2023 organized by IFPRI.
- Participated in the G20 Summit Series 2023 - Crypto Currency Digitisation: The Next Chapter on 28 March 2023, organized by Ananta Centre.

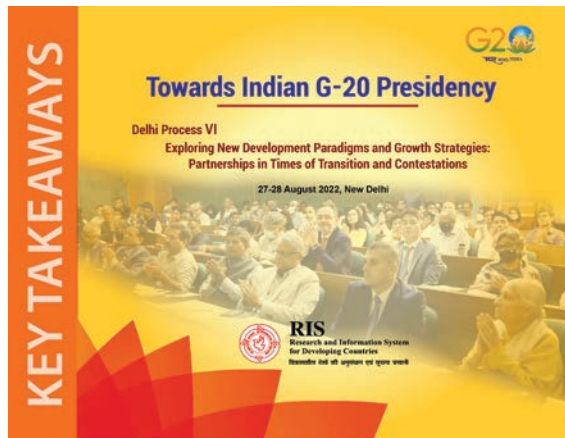
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Visiting Fellow

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