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PROGRAMME

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OPENING REMARKS
PROF. (DR.) C. RAJ KUMAR
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WELCOME REMARKS
PROF. (DR.) MOHAN KUMAR
Director,
Jindal Global Centre for G20 Studies
O.P. Jindal Global University

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SPECIAL REMARKS
AMBASSADOR POOJA KAPUR
Additional Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs
G20 Sous Sherpa

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PANEL 1 G20 PRESIDENCY: GLOBAL GOVERNANCE REFORMS



MODERATOR
Prof. (Dr.) Mohan Kumar
Director,
Jindal Global Centre for G20 Studies



AMBASSADOR (RETD.)
RAJIV BHATIA
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Foreign Policy Studies Programme
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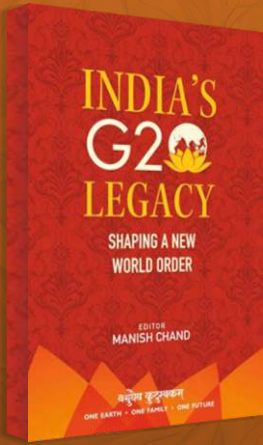


DR. NILANJAN GHOSH
Director
Observer Research Foundation &
President, Indian Society for
Ecological Economics (2022-24)



MS. NANDITA BARUAH
Country Representative,
The Asia Foundation India

04:35 PM: RELEASE OF THE BOOK



India's G20 Legacy: Shaping a New World Order

India's G20 presidency has been widely praised in international media, academic and strategic circles for reinvigorating multilateralism and bridging divides in a ceaselessly conflicted world. With the baton passing on to Brazil in 2024-2025 and South Africa in 2024-2025, the book comprises original perspectives and insights by practitioners, diplomats and strategic experts, which illuminate the legacy of India's G20 presidency and the lessons it has for the successive presidencies of the Global South. Incisive essays and commentaries by key figures who steered India's G20 presidency provide a rare insider view on behind-the-scenes developments that culminated in the success of the Delhi summit.

The book, edited by Manish Chand showcases the rise of India as a global power capable of acting independently and shaping the global agenda. It serves as an invaluable reference book for practitioners, scholars, and strategic experts looking to decode India's G20 presidency.

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WELCOME REMARKS

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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Mr. Manish Chand
Editor,
India's G20 Legacy:
Shaping a New World Order
CEO/Director,
Centre for Global India Insights

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PANEL 2: DISCUSSION ON THE BOOK ENTITLED INDIA'S G20 LEGACY: SHAPING A NEW WORLD ORDER

MODERATOR



PROF. (DR.) MOHAN KUMAR

Director,
Jindal Global Centre for G20 Studies



AMBASSADOR (RETD.) LAKSHMI PURI

Former Assistant Secretary General
UN and Ambassador



AMBASSADOR MUKTESH PARDESHI

Secretary (CPV & OIA)
Ministry of External Affairs
New Delhi



**HIS EXCELLENCY
MR. VINCENZO DE LUCA**
Italy's Ambassador to India



**HER EXCELLENCY
MS. INA H. KRISNAMURTI**
Indonesia's Ambassador to India



**AMBASSADOR
DR. ANIL SOOKLAL**
South Africa's BRICS Sherpa



MR. MANISH CHAND
Editor, India's G20 Legacy:
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CEO/Director,
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Mr. Varunesh Singh
Senior Research Fellow
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BIOS OF THE SPEAKERS

Prof. (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar

Founding Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal Global University

Professor (Dr.) C. Raj Kumar, a Rhodes Scholar, is the Founding Vice-Chancellor of O.P. Jindal Global (Institution of Eminence Deemed To Be University) (JGU) in India. He was appointed as the VC at the age of 34 in 2009 when the university was established. JGU is one of only 20 universities in India and the only non-STEM university, which has been declared as an "Institution of Eminence" by the Government of India.

Professor Kumar is an accomplished legal scholar and works in the fields of human rights and development, comparative constitutional law, terrorism and national security, corruption and governance, law and disaster management, legal education, and higher education. He has nine books and over two hundred publications to his credit and has published widely in peer-reviewed journals, law reviews in Australia, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Singapore, UK and the USA.

AMBASSADOR POOJA KAPUR

Additional Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, G20 Sous Sherpa

Ambassador Pooja Kapur is an additional secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi and G20 Sous Sherpa. She served at the Indian Embassies in Denmark, Paris and Brussels (accredited to the EU, Belgium and Luxembourg) and the Indian High Commissions in London and Kuala Lumpur. In the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, she has held charges pertaining to India's relationship with Western Europe, South East Asia, the United Nations and the Commonwealth, including heading the ASEAN Multilateral Division.

Panel 1: Brazil's G20 Presidency: Global Governance Reforms

Prof. (Dr.) Mohan Kumar

Director, Jindal Global Centre for G20 Studies, O.P. Jindal Global University

Ambassador Prof. (Dr.) Mohan Kumar has an outstanding career in the Indian Foreign Service lasting 36 years which culminated in his being India's Ambassador to France based in Paris. Under his watch, the Indo-French strategic partnership was strengthened and consolidated further in spheres such as defense, space, nuclear & solar energy, smart cities and investment. Ambassador Dr. Mohan Kumar has enormous expertise in the area of international trade- he was India's lead negotiator first at the GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) and then at the WTO (World Trade Organization) in crucial areas such as Intellectual Property Rights, Services, Dispute Settlement, Rules and Technical Barriers to Trade. He was a leading member of India's delegation at the WTO Ministerial Conferences held in Marrakesh (1994), Seattle (1999) and Doha (2001). He is the director of Jindal Global Centre for G20 Studies (JGCG20).

Ambassador (Retd.) Rajiv Bhatia

Distinguished Fellow

Foreign Policy Studies Programme, Gateway House

Ambassador Rajiv Bhatia is a Distinguished Fellow of, the Foreign Studies Programme at Gateway House. He is a member of CII's International Advisory Council, Trade Policy Council and Africa Committee. He is the Chair of FICCI's Task Force on Blue Economy and served as Chair of the Core Group of Experts on BIMSTEC. He is a founding member of the Kalinga International Foundation and a member of the governing council of Asian Confluence.

Ambassador (Retd.) Manjeev Singh Puri

Distinguished Fellow,
Earth Science and Climate Change, TERI

Ambassador Manjeev Singh Puri is a former Indian diplomat who has served as Ambassador of India to the European Union, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Nepal. He was also Ambassador/Deputy Permanent Representative of India to the UN in New York. During his long diplomatic career, Ambassador Puri developed special expertise on multilateralism and the United Nations (UN) and was actively involved in work relating to G8/G5 and G-20 Summits. He is presently a Distinguished Fellow at TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute) focusing on international climate change issues, sustainable development, and SDGs.

Dr. Nilanjan Ghosh

Director, Observer Research Foundation &
President, Indian Society for Ecological Economics (2022-24)

Dr. Nilanjan Ghosh is a Director at the Observer Research Foundation (ORF), India. In that capacity, he heads two centres at the Foundation, namely, the Centre for New Economic Diplomacy (CNED), and ORF's Kolkata Centre. He is a Member, Global Future Council on the Future of Nature and Security, World Economic Forum for 2023; Co-Chair, Task Force 3 on International Financial Architecture of Think20 Brazil Presidency (engagement group of G20 Brazil Presidency); President of the Indian Society for Ecological Economics (INSEE) for 2022-24; and Member, Research Advisory Committee, WWF India. He served as the Director of the Think20 India Secretariat, the thinktank engagement group of G20 under the Indian Presidency.

Ms. Nandita Baruah

Country Representative, The Asia Foundation India

Nandita Baruah is The Asia Foundation's country representative in India, and formerly served as deputy country representative in Nepal. She has over 25 years of professional experience working on gender, human rights, labor migration and human trafficking issues in South and Southeast Asia. She has headed South Asia regional programs on gender-based violence, human trafficking and migration and rural development. She worked as the Gender Advisor to the CIDA in India and also as the South Asia Regional Gender Fund Manager. She was the Regional Coordinator for the UN Women anti-trafficking program and the UNODC UN-GIFT program. She has served with USAID India as the regional anti-trafficking and gender specialist. In these roles Nandita Baruah worked to support national governments and civil society partners to design and deliver programs that effectively address the core socio-economic and political dimension of development through a rights-based and gender-equitable framework.

Panel 2: Discussion on the Book entitled: India's G20 Legacy: Shaping a New World Order

Ambassador (Retd.) Lakshmi Puri

Former Assistant Secretary General, UN and Ambassador

Amb. (Retd.) Lakshmi Puri is Former Assistant Secretary General, UN and Ambassador. She has actively engaged in multilateral diplomacy since 1981. She also served at the United Nations for 15 years as Director, International Trade Division, UNCTAD and the founding Deputy Executive Director of UNWOMEN. She is a Distinguished Fellow of Indian Association of International Studies (IAIS) and recipient of the prestigious Eleanor Roosevelt Prize for Human Rights. She is the author of much-acclaimed novel Swallowing the Sun.

Ambassador Muktesh Pardeshi

Secretary (CPV & OIA), Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi

Ambassador Muktesh K. Pardeshi is Secretary (Consular, Passport, Visa and Overseas Indian Affairs) in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi since 1 October 2023. In his current role, he also oversees India's relations with the Gulf and West Asia & North Africa (WANA) regions. He has successfully led the operations and organization of India's G20 Presidency Secretariat as Special Secretary since July 2022. Earlier, between July 2019 and July 2022, he served as the High Commissioner of India to New Zealand. He was the Ambassador of India to Mexico from April 2016 to June 2019 and also concurrently served as the High Commissioner to Belize.

H.E. Mr. Vincenzo de Luca

Italy's Ambassador to India

H.E. Vincenzo de Luca was appointed as the Ambassador of Italy to India on 18 December 2019 and Ambassador of Italy to Nepal on 22 October 2021. Previously, he was Director General for the Promotion of the Country System from 1 February 2016, after having served in the same Directorate General with the position of Deputy General Manager and Central Director for the internationalization of the Country System and territorial autonomies (since January 2014). He entered the diplomatic service in 1989 and has held various positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and at the diplomatic missions of Khartoum, Tunis, Paris (at the Permanent Mission to the O.C.S.E.) and Shanghai.

Ambassador Anil Sooklal

South Africa's BRICS Sherpa

Ambassador Anil Sooklal is the Deputy Director-General responsible for Asia and the Middle East, Department of International Relations and Cooperation. In addition to his duties as Deputy Director-General; he is also South Africa's BRICS Sherpa, G20 Sherpa and IBSA (India-Brazil-South Africa) Sherpa and the IORA (Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation).

Mr. Manish Chand

Editor, India's G20 Legacy: Shaping a New World Order
CEO/Director, Centre for Global India Insights

A veteran journalist and foreign policy analyst, Manish Chand is Founder-CEO India Writes Network and "India and The World," an influential magazine-journal focused on international affairs. He is Director Centre for Global India Insights (CGII), a think tank, which focuses on India's burgeoning global engagements. He is the Editor of "India's G20 Legacy: Shaping a New World Order," the definitive book on India's G20 presidency. He has authored edited several publications and books, including "Journeys Across Continents: A New India on the Global Stage," the first-of-its-kind book that maps PM Modi's journeys to various foreign countries. He is the Editor of the much-acclaimed book on India-Africa relations, entitled "Two Billion Dreams: Celebrating India-Africa Friendship and co-editor of "India-Africa Partnership: Towards Sustainable Development."