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# A Daylong Engagement

with

## INDIAN FOREIGN SERVICE (IFS) OFFICER TRAINEES

from the  
**Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS)**  
Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India

**FRIDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2026 | 09:00 AM – 5:00 PM**



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# PROGRAMME

09:00 AM – 09:30 AM	Arrival of the SSIFS delegation on the JGU Campus (Entry through Gate No.1)	
09:30 AM – 11:00 AM	PART – I	 Global Auditorium Ratan Jindal Academic Block, First Floor
<b>PANEL DISCUSSION in the Hizmet International Conference</b> <b>Theme of the Panel: Science for Peace, Coexistence &amp; Pluralism</b>		
<b>Moderator:</b> Professor Jon Fredric Pahl, Peter Paul and Elizabeth Hagan Professor of the History of Christianity, United Lutheran Seminary, Philadelphia		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Science Diplomacy for Global Peacemaking</b> Margaret Elizabeth Kosal, Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology</li><li><b>From Dialogue to Coexistence: Cultural Diversity through the Lens of Hizmet</b> Salim Abdallah &amp; Erkan Tashkyn, Executive Director, Harmony Institute, Nairobi</li><li><b>Weaving the Tapestry: Towards a Deeper Understanding of Diverse Muslim Ethnicities As the Collaborative Force for Thailand</b> Sheikh Mohammad Altafur Rahman, Assistant Professor, School of Global Studies, Thammasat University &amp; Srawut Aree, Director, Muslim Studies Center, Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University</li><li><b>Faith-Inspired Ethics of Trust: The Hizmet Movement's Contribution to Peacebuilding and Intercultural Solidarity</b> Ghada Gazal, PhD Candidate, Charles Sturt University, School of Theology, Centre for Islamic Studies and Civilisation</li></ul>		
11:20 AM – 01:00 PM	PART – II	 The Big Ideas Conference Room Sajjan Jindal Academic Block, Third Floor
11:20 AM – 11:25 AM	OPENING REMARKS	Shri Sathish Balakrishnan, Under Secretary (Officer Trainees & Representational Grade Officers), Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
11:25 AM – 11:55 AM	WELCOME REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION TO JSIA & JGU	Professor (Dr.) Sreeram Chaulia, Dean Jindal School of International Affairs (JSIA) & Director General, Jindal India Institute (JII), JGU
12:00 PM – 01:00 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION on The Interface between Diplomacy and Academia: Critical Questions on Theory vs Praxis in a Fluid World	<b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Swasti Rao, Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Global Initiatives, JSIA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Ambassador (Dr.) Mohan Kumar</b>, Professor &amp; Dean, Strategic and International Initiatives, Office of JGU Vice Chancellor, Professor of Diplomatic Practice, JSIA &amp; Director General, Motwani Jadeja Institute for American Studies (MJIAS), JGU</li><li><b>Ambassador (Dr.) Jitendra Nath Misra</b>, Professor (Diplomatic Practice), JSIA</li><li><b>Dr. Kim Emmanuel</b>, Assistant Professor, JSIA</li><li><b>Dr. Haseeb Mohammed</b>, Assistant Professor (Diplomatic Practice), JSIA</li></ul>		
01:00 PM – 2:30 PM	LUNCH	
02:30 PM – 05:00 PM	PART – III	 NABADWIP Conference Room, Shallu Jindal Academic Block, Second Floor (South Wing)
02:30 PM – 03:30 PM	Town Hall with Students on <b>“What Makes the Indian Civil Services Aspirational in a Fast-Evolving Technocratic World?”</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Shrabana Baruah, Associate Professor and Director, Nehginpao Kipgen Centre for Southeast Asian Studies (NKCSEAS), JSIA	
03:30 PM – 05:00 PM	Guided Tour of the Constitution Museum	