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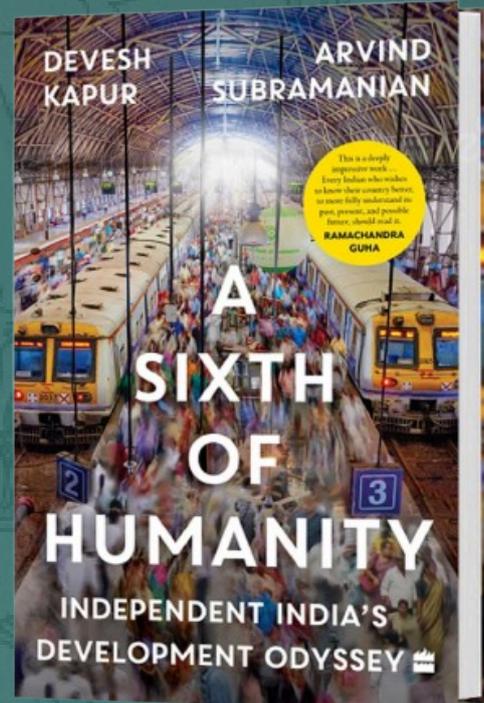
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# A SIXTH OF HUMANITY- INDEPENDENT INDIA'S DEVELOPMENT ODYSSEY



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Dr. Arvind Subramanian, Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics, has been associated with the Institute since 2007. He was the Dennis Weatherstone Senior Fellow at the Institute during 2013–14 and was on leave for public service from 2014 to August 2023.

Previously, he was a senior fellow at the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs at Brown University, a distinguished non-resident fellow at the Centre for Global Development, professor at Ashoka University, New Delhi, and visiting lecturer at the Harvard Kennedy School. He served as the Chief Economic Advisor to the Government of India from 2014 to 2018. He currently advises the government of the Indian state of Tamil Nadu and Telangana on macroeconomic and sectoral issues.

As Chief Economic Adviser during 2014–18, Subramanian oversaw the publication of the annual Economic Survey of India, which became a widely read document on Indian economic policy and development. The 2018 Survey had 20 million views from over 190 countries in its first year of publication.

Major initiatives carried out during his tenure included a uniform nationwide goods and services tax (GST), a bankruptcy code to tackle the Twin Balance Sheet challenge, a financial and digital platform for connectivity (the so-called JAM trinity), and universal basic income schemes.

His reflections on his tenure were published as “Of Counsel: The Challenges of the Jaitley-Modi Economy.” His critically acclaimed book, *Eclipse: Living in the Shadow of China's Economic Dominance* sold over 130,000 copies and was translated into 4 languages.

In 2011, *Foreign Policy* magazine named him one of the top 100 global thinkers. He has written extensively for many academic journals on growth, trade, development, aid, India, Africa, and the World Trade Organisation. His op-eds and essays have been cited and published in the *Economist*, *Financial Times*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Washington Post*, *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, *New York Review of Books*, and the *Business Standard*, and he is a regular columnist for *Project Syndicate*.

Subramanian was also the assistant director in the International Monetary Fund's research department. He served at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) from 1988 to 1992 during the Uruguay Round of trade negotiations and previously taught at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies.

He obtained his undergraduate degree from St. Stephen's College, his MBA from the Indian Institute of Management at Ahmedabad, and his M.Phil and D.Phil from the University of Oxford.

# PROGRAMME



- 3:30 PM – 3:40 PM** - **WELCOME ADDRESS**  
**Prof. (Dr.) Naveen J. Thomas**  
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- 3:40 PM – 4:10 PM** - **INTRODUCTION TO THE BOOK**  
**Dr. Arvind Subramanian**  
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- 4:10 PM – 4:20 PM** - **REFLECTIONS ON THE BOOK**  
**Prof. R. Sudarshan**  
Dean  
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- 4:20 PM - 4:50 PM** - **Q & A**
- 4:50 PM – 5:00 PM** - **CONCLUDING REMARKS**  
**Dr. Rahul Menon**  
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