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IMA India's 25th Annual CEO Roundtable

Priming for Growth: In the world's most dynamic market

 7th - 10th December, 2023

 Novotel, Visakhapatnam

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Thursday, 7th December, 2023

Registration

6:30 PM

Join a fun-filled evening with peers from across the country at the opening of the 2023 CEO Roundtable. A pleasant evening in Vizag, the company of friends and peers - there couldn't be a better way of bringing in a weekend of learning and deep camaraderie. The IMA India team will detail plans for the weekend as we grab a few scrumptious snacks and drinks.

Virtual

The Great Political Debate

7:15 PM - 8:15 PM

Barkha Dutt, *Award-winning Broadcast Journalist, Opinion Columnist and Author*

Avenue Hall, The Rooftop



With the excitement of upcoming state and parliamentary elections, changing political configurations and switching loyalties, the political scenario is in a state of churn. To make sense of what is happening Barkha Dutt, a leading journalist and political commentator will provide her unique perspective.

Note: This will be hosted as a joint session, with spouses invited to participate.

Cocktails and Dinner

8:30 PM

At Pool Side, Lobby Level

Friday, 8th December, 2023

Geopolitics in a Year of Elections: Disruption Ahead

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Pramit Pal Chaudhuri, Head of the India Practice, Eurasia Group



National security and global geopolitics are in a state of turmoil that has not been seen for several decades. Europe and the Middle East are at war and there is a risk of this spreading. National security and energy supplies are therefore of real concern. Adding to the worry is the escalating rivalry between America and China. Rising nationalism is creating barriers to trade. Pramit Pal Chaudhuri will comment on these issues and their impact on business. He currently heads the India practice of the Eurasia group and was previously Foreign Editor of the Hindustan Times. Pramit has served two terms on the prime minister's National Security Board.

Discussion Break

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

20 million jobs a year: What will it Take to Get There?

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Sridhar Krishna, Senior Scholar, The Takshashila Institution



Nothing is more important in the eradication of poverty than economic growth. For this to happen and filter down skilling and job creation are of overriding importance. In this session, Shridhar Krishna, Senior Scholar at The Takshashila Institution will provide a commentary on the challenges in skilling and strategies to overcome and enable the creation of 20 million jobs each year. This is an imperative not only for talent availability but also for economic growth.

Friday, 8th December, 2023

Asset Allocation & Portfolio Rebalancing: Big Themes to Focus in a Volatile Market

12:15 PM - 1:30 PM

Jyotsna Singh, Business Head, Kotak Private Banking



From a personal investment perspective, it is critical to have a balanced portfolio. This is one where certain investment should seek growth opportunities whilst others provide a hedge against volatile market fluctuations. There are now several asset classes that private investors should consider. The most popular amongst these tend to be Equities across the spectrum from large cap to small cap investment. Then, there are Fixed Income securities of varying durations that come with different risks and returns. Finally, there are newer asset classes that include Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) and gold ETFs. In the session, our speaker will examine various assets classes and provide insights based on her experience over the years.

Lunch

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Strategising for a USD 4 trillion Consumer Market

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Damodar Mall, CEO - Grocery Retail, Reliance Retail



It is now widely accepted by most forecasters, including IMA that India's economy is poised for remarkable growth over the coming seven years. Consumer preferences are shifting and the launch of e-commerce platforms and social media influencers are creating a boom in consumer markets. In this session, Damodar Mall will talk about these trends not only in metropolitan India but significantly in the tier 3 and tier 4 towns. With a ring side view, he brings to the table immense knowledge about Indian consumption.

Friday, 8th December, 2023

Discussion Break

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

AI Reshaping Business Models

4:30 PM - 5:45 PM

Kalpana B, CEO and Chief Thinker, Grant Thornton dGTL

The launch of Artificial Intelligence is expected to in the very least have the same impact on productivity as the internet itself. Consequently, business enterprises need to adapt both their strategies and functional processes to take advantage of this new development. In this session, Kalpana will explain the evolving scenario on generative AI and how companies are responding.

When They Rise Far and Beyond the Call of Duty

7:00 PM - 8:15 PM

Col Sonam Wangchuk, Retired Colonel, Maha Vir Chakra

On the 30th of May 1999, Major Sonam Wangchuk led a column of the Ladakh scouts to occupy the ridge line on the LOC at a height of 18,500 feet. Following a sudden ambush and the loss of one of his men, Major Wangchuk led a daring counter-offensive. His actions were far and beyond the call of duty. For the display of exceptional valour, he was awarded the Maha Vir Chakra. This session will be an engagement with Colonel Wangchuk to determine what motivates men to fight for their cause, and if required, to make the ultimate sacrifice.

Note: This will be hosted as a joint session, with spouses invited to participate.

Friday, 8th December, 2023

Dinner - *Banti Bhojanam*

8:15 PM

Attire: **Men** - Kurta and Dhoti | **Women** - Saree

Banti Bhojanam is a traditional South Indian meal style where food is served on a banana leaf and enjoyed together as a community. Delegates and their spouses are requested to wear traditional clothing to make the most of this experience.

At V Convention Centre

Saturday, 9th December, 2023

Election Update: The Emerging Policy Scenario Post-Election

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Raghavan Jagannathan, Editorial Director, Swarajya Magazine



R Jagannathan's session will examine the various political scenarios that may present themselves as an outcome of parliamentary elections. He will briefly examine the economic and social agendas of the two main blocs- NDA and INDIA. He will look at the implications on investment and trade and the policy framework. Jagannathan is the Editorial Director of Swarajya Magazine, previously he was editor in chief of Network 18 and Forbes India. He has held senior editorial positions in Financial Express and the Business Standard newspaper.

Discussion Break

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Countdown to Elections

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Rajat Sethi, Political Analyst, IMA India



In this session, Rajat will explore the various issues that will impact parliamentary elections scheduled for 2024. He will examine social and economic manifestos of various political parties and provide a perspective on India's emerging policy environment.

Lunch

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Saturday, 9th December, 2023

The Impact of Rising Nationalism on Trade and Supply Chains

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Adit Jain, Chairman and Editorial Director, IMA India



As several countries including US and India go in for national elections, political uncertainties will spill over on the policy framework, financial markets and trade. In his session, Adit Jain will present a global overview on the economic and policy environment and its impact on India.

Cocktails & Dinner

At Pool Deck

7:30 PM

Sunday, 10th December, 2023

Lessons in Pioneering – Stories from the Tata Group

9:00 AM- 10:30 AM

Harish Bhat, Chairman, Tata Coffee and Brand Custodian, Tata Sons



Since the early years of industrialisation in our country, the Tata group of companies have been pioneers of sorts across a wide spectrum, including the first steel plant in India, hotels, scientific research, amongst an endless list. The Tatas, above everything else have displayed and consistently so, the highest levels of social responsibility and accountability to serve society, decades before this became fashionable. In this session, Harish Bhat, Chairman, Tata Coffee and Brand Custodian, Tata Sons, will relate some remarkable anecdotes and stories of the Tata Group. These have been both for the enrichment of society, better governance and business practices.

Note: This will be hosted as a joint session, with spouses invited to participate.

Brunch and Close

11:30 AM

At Pool Deck

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