











Paving India's Green Path for Sustainable and Inclusive Development

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"When India speaks of becoming self-reliant, it doesn't advocate a self-centred system. In India's self-reliance; there is a concern for the whole world's happiness, cooperation and peace."

- Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India

CONCLAVE'S OVERVIEW

PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI), established in 1905, has been relentlessly working for the socio-economic development of Indian States' with an axiom, "Strong States Make Strong Nation." Under the aegis of its State Development Council (SDC) and State Chapters, PHDCCI essentially carries forward the mission of "Empowering States," to strengthen India's federal structure of governance. To take the momentum further in policy space, the Chamber aspires to stage "one of its kind" flagship initiatives with States' Policy Conclave 2024, wherein the theme is "Paving India's Green Path for Sustainable and Inclusive Development " with Focus Areas: Clean Energy Access; Climate Change & Action; Sustainable Agriculture & Food Processing; Sustainable Manufacturing: Make in India, Make for India and the World; Making India a "Services Hub"; Investment in Indian States; Re-calibrating India's Export Potential; Education & Employable Skilling; Youth Affairs & Sports; Decentralising Entrepreneurship; Boosting MSMEs; BFSIs; Innovation & New Technology; Affordable Healthcare; AYUSH, Culture & Tourism; Reinvigorating Energy & Infrastructure Drive; Disaster Management; Science & Technology; Biotechnology; IT & ITeS; Cooperatives; Fisheries-Blue Economy; Green Mobility & Alternate Fuel Technology; CSR, ESG & Sustainability

The Covid-19 pandemic and a prolong lockdown had severely impacted the lives, livelihood and economy of the country. To overcome these testing times, Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi had come up with "Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan" that aims to foster the local entrepreneurial ecosystem and export potential in India. While relying on self-reliance for realising own actual potential, the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan is not aimed to lessen India's deep engagement with the rest of the world. In fact, the mission is clearly aimed to open the world of opportunities from India.

In this context, the States' Policy Conclave 2024 aspires to support the Prescient Vision and Mission-in-Progress of "India's Sustainable & Inclusive Development" through strengthening the base of government-industry interface under the robust co-operative federalism framework that ensures progressive policies . The Conclave aims to ensure the best desired outcomes in the crucial thrust areas of economy – spanning across Primary, Secondary and Tertiary Sectors.

The Conclave's focus on states' reflects few noticeable facts. Since India is best seen not as a single economy but as an aggregation of very different state economies, thus no grand dialogue on macro economy is possible without getting in fold the states' which form the core of competitive federalism. Remarkably, many of the crucial structural reforms in economy are being carried forward by states. Concerning significantly to the Indian economy, the states' have been witnessing major developments in these spheres ranging from social sector to industry and economic growth.

As per an estimate of International Monetary Fund (IMF), the past three decades have seen the Indian economy grow more than eightfold in dollar terms. A \$293 billion economy 27 years back was a \$3.7 trillion one in 2024. Average incomes have also gone up by a factor of six over the same period – from \$318 to \$1,852. At the cusp of decisive change, if the collaborative efforts of government and industry could continue with the same momentum or increased pace, the next 25 years will end with making India a \$20 trillion

economy or even richer where the average Indian citizen would earn \$7,100 or more.

As a major policy traction, the NITI Aayog Action Plan to boost agriculture as well as job creation in modern activities is clearly in sync with what has happened over the past two-and-half decades. In year 2017, the NITI Aayog had set a balanced Action Plan for the next three years — with the 'fair and square' aim to provide a sound strategic support for individual policies listed out in Action Plan. To create the roadmap for future progress, the Action Agenda to cover nearly all aspects of the economy. That is on track of attaining the goals figured out with "Making New India," and the Conclave keeping the constructive bearing with the government and industry, spearheads the Campaign to transform the way India perceives governance and industrial development agenda supported by a progressive policy making systems at place.

A uniquely significant public policy initiative with focus on government-industry interface in India, the Conclave would support a robust eco-system for businesses, by advocacy for further simplifying the official procedures and making them transparent at decisionmaking levels with greater interface of technology. Also, it proactively supports India's "Economic Reforms Mission," with bringing the highest echelons of government and industry at one powerful platform where who's who of India makes their presence felt. Since 2014, the economic reforms undertaken at the Centre under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi have been "game-changing". Indeed, many promised economic reforms made a way through in recent few years. Noticeably, where the marks were made including, Augmenting Infrastructure, Ease of Doing Business (EoDB), Inflation Control, Fiscal Management, Job Creation, Financial Sector Restructuring, Tax Reforms, Digitisation, Securing Identity with AADHAR, Capacity Building with Energy & Infrastructure, Growth in Services, Revival of Manufacturing and Agri & Allied Sectors; Farm Bill 2020; Women's Reservation Bill 2023.

This is an era where the performance far exceeds the expectations—and the government-industry collaboration reaching to the next level, for scripting a new chapter for the Indian economy. So, India is already moving on the trajectory which will lead it further to the high and sustained economic growth, and that too, superlatively supported by equity and justice emanated through the grace of its remarkable democracy, positive attributes of federalism and success stories from states. With latest vision, mission and further goals and policies, the states are pushing forth the idea of a government which governs, facilitates and encourages the citizens from diverse stratums to participate in economic development activities. Such a vision necessitates innovative means to achieve the desired ends.

Besides showcasing the Best Practices of different states, the Conclave will also offer a powerful platform for different stakeholders from Central & State Governments, Industry, Policy Establishments, Diplomatic Corps (Embassies & High Commissions), International Agencies & Multilateral Institutions, Investors, Civil Society, Media together for constructive idea-exchanges and policy deliberations. The States' Policy Conclave 2024 opens-up immense opportunities for the participants and partners from both the government and industry sides. With a unique amalgamation, it aspires to be the most impactful Policy Conclave of year 2024 in India.

Conclave's Objectives

- To Pave India's Green Path for Sustainable and Inclusive Development.
- To create an "Interactive & Action Platform" for key Policy-makers of all the Indian States, Think Tanks and Industry Captains for making them share their experiences on "Best Practices in Governance and Economic Performance" and their impact as indicators on the businesses and economy.
- To rope in expertise of functional experts with a proven track record in the field.
- To consolidate a 'way-forward' pertinent to the "Strengthening Government-Industry Interface in States".
- To recognise and acknowledge the states' doing well on crucial governance and economic parameters through meticulously-researched "Knowledge Report". The Report with specific suggestions, recommendations and developmental roadmap will be widely used for reference by the policymakers in the government and industry.
- Suggestions for new progressive policies and schemes to sustain the governance programmes and further help them for achieving greater inclusive growth through cluster-based approach.
- To showcase the Partner States' "Aspirational Models" in certain areas as per the spirit of Niti Aayog Action Agenda and present them for replication in other states.

Key Focus Areas

The <u>States' Policy Conclave 202</u>4 dedicates the deliberations to recall and celebrate the jubilant climax of economic reforms mission, which reached to the fruition through match of unprecedented policy support and its reciprocation by the industry. An ever growing interface of government and industry, offers a very progressive and forward-looking prospect for the collective as well individual aspirations.

The Conclave sets its agenda, while coming in terms with the positive fundamental shift, to let the macro indicators speak even more favourably for India.

The current waves of economic reforms are destined to make lasting, rather than transitory changes in the structure of the Indian economy. PHDCCI, as a reform-oriented industry institution, uniquely makes the interface of government and industry for ensuring inclusive growth for the nation and its citizens.

The "States' Policy Conclave 2024" aims to host the decision-makers, to discuss the key growth agendas for "Sustainable & Inclusive Development" under the co-operative federal framework — and it calls for the participation and partnership of concerned stakeholders.





Key Features

- The Inaugural and Policy Sessions of the Conclave essentially focus on "Empowering States", to strengthen India's federal structure of governance and bid of economic self-reliance with a goal to achieving Sustainable and Inclusive Development.
- The sessions are designed to host the dialogues of policymakers, the government officials from states. think tanks and industry captains – to create a new roadmap to make states, the hubs of economic growth and prosperity.
- The dedicated session on Partner States' will offer a platform to the government officials from the states' to be in dialogue with the industry stakeholders' to showcase and share their achievements for industrial development, concerns and further plans.
- Moreover, the Conclave will host focussed meaningful B2G, G2G and B2B Interactions and offer unique business networking opportunities.



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ABOUT PHDCCI

PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) has been working as a catalyst for the promotion of Indian industry, trade and entrepreneurship for the past 119 years. It is a forward looking, proactive and dynamic PAN-India apex organization. As a partner in progress with industry and government, PHDCCI works at the grass roots level with strong national and international linkages for propelling progress, harmony and integrated development of the Indian economy.

PHDCCI, acting as the "Voice of Industry & Trade" with a large membership base of 1,50,000 direct and indirect members consisting of large, medium and small industries, has forged ahead leveraging its legacy with the industry knowledge across multiple sectors to take Indian Economy to the next level. At the global level, we have been working with the Embassies and High Commissions in India and overseas to bring in the International Best Practices and Business Opportunities.

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