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STATES' POLICY CONCLAVE 2021

Role of States' in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat

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PROGRAM AGENDA

Time	Program Details
09:15-10:00 am	Registration & Tea / Coffee
10:00 am-12:15 pm	Inaugural Session & Conclave's Central Theme <i>Celebrating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav: Role of States' in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat</i> KEY FOCUS AREAS: Financial Inclusion & Deepening; Progressive Farming; Make in India, Make for India and the World; Making India a "Services Hub"; Invest in India; Re-calibrating India's Export Potential; Employable Skilling; Decentralising Entrepreneurship; Boosting MSMEs; Innovation & New Technology; Sustaining India's Soft Power—and Focus Sectors of Economy: Agriculture & Food Processing; Education Skill Development & Employability; Healthcare; Culture & Tourism; Energy & Infrastructure; Science & Technology; Information Technology (IT) & Information Technology Enabled Services (ITeS); Water Management & Sanitation (Swachh Bharat Mission/Jal Jeevan Mission)
10:00-10:10 am	Anchor's Opening Remarks; Lamp Lighting; National Anthem; Felicitations
10:10-10:15 am	Welcome Address by Session Chair: Mr Rajeev Talwar , Former President, PHDCCI
10:15-10:20 am	Presidential Address by Mr Pradeep Multani , President, PHDCCI
10:20-10:30 am	Address by Mr Peter Rimmele , Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS), Germany
10:30-10:35 am	Release of PHDCCI Report, "Role of States' in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat"
10:35-10:50 am	Address by "Guest of Honour": Mr Shivraj Singh Chouhan , Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh
10:50-11:00 am	Address by "Guest of Honour": Mr Bhupesh Baghel , Chief Minister, Chhattisgarh
11:00-11:10 am	Address by Mr Sanjay Kumar Jha , Minister for Water Resource Department & Information and Public Relations Department (WRD & IPRD), Government of Bihar
11:10-11:20 am	Address by Dr Amar Patnaik , Member of Parliament-Rajya Sabha & Member, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance
11:20-11:30 am	Address by Dr Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan , Head-Trade & Commerce, NITI Aayog
11:30-11:40 am	Address by Mr Bharat Lal , Additional Secretary & Mission Director, National Jal Jeevan Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India
11:40 am-11:55 pm	Address by "Distinguished Guest": Mr Amitabh Kant* , CEO, NITI Aayog
11:55 am-12:10 pm	Address by "Chief Guest": Mr Ajay Bhatt , Minister of State for Defence & Tourism, Government of India
12:10-12:15 pm	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks by Mr Sanjay Aggarwal , Immediate Past President, PHDCCI

12:15-02:00 pm	<p>State Partnership Session <i>Strengthening Centre & States' Camaraderie for Enhancing Investment, Economic Competitiveness and Export Potential</i></p> <p>Key Discussion Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies to enable the Sustainable Industrial Development in States. • Impact of States' Progressive Policies on Sectoral Development (with Case Studies). • Vision of the States; Sustainable Development Goals; New Technology; Inclusive Growth
	Session Moderator: Mr Dushyant Thakor, Vice President, Invest India
12:15-12:20 pm	Welcome Address by Mr Saket Dalmia, Senior Vice President, PHDCCI
12:20-12:35 pm	Partner State Presentation (Madhya Pradesh) by Mr Rishi Garg, Executive Director, MP Industrial Development Corporation (MPIDC)
12:35-12:50 pm	Partner State Presentation (Chhattisgarh) by Mr Manoj Pingua, Principal Secretary, Department of Commerce & Industries, Government of Chhattisgarh
12:50-01:00 pm	Address by Mrs Kalpana Srivastava, Principal Secretary, Department of Horticulture & Food Processing, Government of Madhya Pradesh
01:00-01:20 pm	Address by "Chief Guest": Mrs Meenakshi Lekhi, Minister of State for External Affairs & Culture, Government of India
01:20-01:30 pm	Address by Mr Sham Lal Goyal, ACS & Resident Commissioner, Government of Maharashtra
01:30-01:40 pm	Address by Mr Sheo Shekhar Shukla, Principal Secretary, Department of Culture, Tourism and Public Relations, Government of Madhya Pradesh
01:40-01:50 pm	Address by Mr Ranjan Prakash Thakur, Principal Secretary, Department of Industries, Commerce and Civil Aviation, Government of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir
01:50-02:00 pm	Address by Mr Vivek Pandey, Secretary-cum-Commissioner (Industries), Government of NCT of Delhi
02:00-02:05 pm	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks: Mr Saurabh Sanyal, Secretary General, PHDCCI
02:05-02:45 pm	Networking Lunch, Desire Hall
02:45-03:45 pm	<p>International Outreach Session <i>India and the World: Enhancing Economic Partnership & Cooperation</i></p>
02:45-02:55 pm	Opening Remarks by Session Chair: Amb Mr Manjeev Singh Puri, India's Former Ambassador to Nepal, EU, Belgium and Luxembourg
02:55-03:10 pm	Address by H.E. Mr Ram Prasad Subedi, Chargé D'Affaires ad Interim, Embassy of Nepal in India
03:10-03:25 pm	Address by H.E. Mr Jason Hall, High Commissioner of Jamaica in India
03:25-03:40 pm	Address by H.E. Mr David Pine, High Commissioner of New Zealand in India
03:40-03:45 pm	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks: Mr Saurabh Sanyal, Secretary General, PHDCCI
03:45-05:00 pm	<p>Policy Session <i>Braving A New Post-Pandemic World: The Way Ahead for "India Growth Story"</i></p>

	Opening Remarks by Session Moderator: Mr Atul K Thakur , Joint Secretary, State Development Council, PHDCCI
03:45-03:55 pm	Address by Mr Anukool Bhatnagar , Chief General Manager, Chandigarh Local Head Office, SBI
03:55-04:05 pm	Address by Dr Aruna Sharma , Development Economist & Former Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India
04:05-04:15 pm	Address by Ms Riya Sinha , Research Associate (Foreign Policy & Security), Centre for Social and Economic Progress
04:15-04:25 pm	Address by Dr Niranjana Sahoo , Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation



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INTRODUCTION



Under the aegis of its State Development Council (SDC) and in Partnership with the India Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) and supported by Invest India, the Government of Madhya Pradesh and Government of Chhattisgarh, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) organised States' Policy Conclave 2021 in hybrid mode (both physically and virtually) on 7th December 2021 at Hotel Le-Meridien, New Delhi.

SESSION DETAILS

INAUGURAL SESSION & CONCLAVE'S CENTRAL THEME: Celebrating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav: Role of States' in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat



The Conclave witnessed the presence of Mr Ajay Bhatt, Minister of State for Defence & Tourism, Government of India as the “Chief Guest” of the “Inaugural Session” of the Conclave. Mr Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh; Mr Bhupesh Baghel, Chief Minister, Chhattisgarh; Mr Sanjay Kumar Jha, Minister for Water Resource Development & Information and Public Relations Department (WRD & IPRD), Government of Bihar; Dr Amar Patnaik, Member of Parliament-Rajya Sabha & Member, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance graced the occasion as the “Guest of Honours”. Mr Peter Rimmele, Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) addressed and Mr Rajeev Talwar, Former President, PHDCCI chaired the “Inaugural Session” of the Conclave. Mr Pradeep Multani, President PHDCCI delivered the “Presidential Address” and thanked the Chief Ministers, Ministers of States from Government of India, Diplomats, government officials and leaders from the corporate world for attending States’ Policy Conclave 2021 both physically and virtually and making it a grand success. Mr Sanjay Aggarwal, Immediate Past President, PHDCCI delivered the concluding remarks in the “Inaugural Session”. Mr Saket Dalmia, Senior Vice President, PHDCCI gave the formal “Vote of Thanks” in the “Inaugural Session” and also delivered the “Welcome Address” in the “State Partnership Session” of the Conclave.



“Gujarat tops the position as most resilient State in FY2021 according to PHDCCI Report “States’ Policy Conclave 2021: Role of States’ in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat (Self-reliant India” released during the Conclave on the macroeconomic resilience of the States’ in the pandemic times for FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21 on the basis of broad macroeconomic parameters of the States. The report brings together the profiles of the socio- economic developments of all Indian States, ease of doing business in States, startup ecosystem of States, macroeconomic resilience of the States and highlights the suggestive measures for the growth and development of the States,” said Mr Pradeep Multani, President, PHDCCI.



In his address, Mr Peter Rimmele, Resident Representative to India, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, stated that “In the midst of every crisis lies great opportunity. The need for breaking down monopolies and strengthening the supply chain is the need of the hour.”

Mr Rajeev Talwar, Former President, PHDCCI & Session Chair shared that “The policies by all the states in the country would be instrumental in making India self-reliant or Atmanirbhar.” All people irrespective of the trade or business they are into are aligned to the goal of becoming a US\$ 5 trillion economy. He stated that India lives next to a new superpower which has achieved a status of becoming a US\$ 15-20 trillion dollar with a US\$ 10000 per capita income. India needs to look beyond the US\$ 5 trillion economy status and should try to become a US\$ 20 trillion by year 2050. He added that India needs to keep a target of becoming among the top 3 super-power with the USA and China.

Shri Sanjay Aggarwal, Immediate past president, PHDCCI assured the dignitaries that India’s National Apex Chamber PHDCCI would continue to provide support to the government in making India a US\$ 5 trillion economy.

The Report was made on the basis of five broad macroeconomic parameters including Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) growth rate, Consumer Price Index (CPI) Inflation, Fiscal Deficit as percentage of GSDP, Industrial Investment Proposals and Unemployment. According to the performance in key economic indicators, the top States in 2021-21 came out to be Gujarat, Karnataka, Odisha, Maharashtra, NCT Delhi, Telangana, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

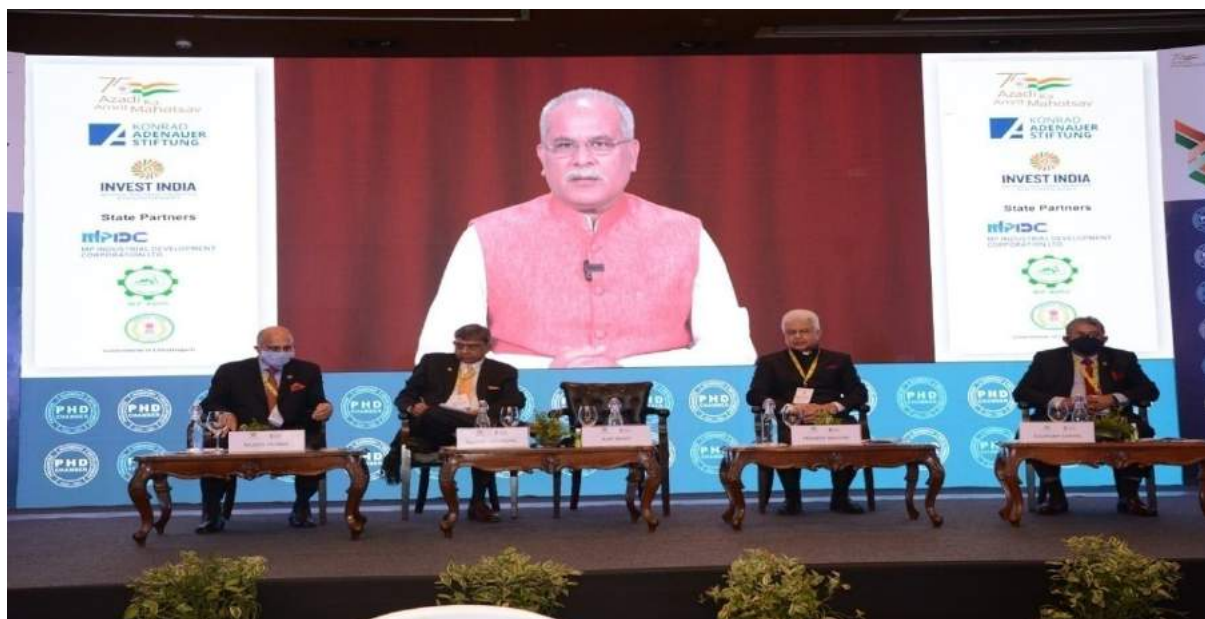
“India has eliminated all the bottlenecks in the defence manufacturing sector. Opening the defence sector has led to increased transparency and efficiency. Transacting with states has become easier now due to the ease of doing business measures taken by the individual states now. The central government is setting up two defence corridors at Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu,” said Mr Ajay Bhatt, Minister of State for Defence & Tourism, Government of India. He also added that around 200 defence products which were earlier imported from other countries are now reserved for manufacturers from India. This step would give a huge boost to

the local industries. He also informed that the country is exporting defence products to around 75 countries at present.



Addressing the Conclave, Mr Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Chief Minister, Madhya Pradesh said, “India managed to convert the COVID 19 crises into opportunities for growing its business and expanding its local brands at global level. Madhya Pradesh had already created the road map of becoming self-reliant as soon as the Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi set the goal of becoming Atmanirbhar in the year 2019. Unless states become self- sufficient themselves first, it would be very difficult for the nation to become one.”

He further added, “Madhya Pradesh has come out with several policy changes to boost the local businesses. He explained that the state has been stressing on sectors like infrastructure, good governance, health, and education and connectivity—and has thus made the environment conducive for attracting investments.” Explaining the Udyam Kranti Yojana, he stated that while the state has been taking steps to attract large companies, they have taken initiatives to make the business ecosystem conducive for even the micro, small and medium business units. He said that “Madhya Pradesh is fast becoming hubs for several industries like pharmaceuticals and garments. The industrial growth in the state has increased to almost 49 percent, land allotment has gone up by 33 percent, investments in the state have gone up by 67 percent and the employment opportunities have grown to the tune of 39 percent, he informed. The state government is stressing on initiatives like ‘Ek Zilla, Ek Utpad’ through which opportunities are created for districts which are popular for particular products by increasing investments there. This increases entrepreneurship and job opportunities in those districts.” He also shared that the state produces around 2 lakh crore litres of ethanol every year and has an ethanol policy in place. The MP government has also set up an initiative through which any person can set up his own business in 30 days. A single window clearance for all approvals and have set the timelines for the same..



In his address, Mr Bhupesh Baghel, Chief Minister, Chhattisgarh shared that “For any society to become self- sufficient, the government needs to take steps to develop its rural economy. He informed that even Mahatma Gandhi advocated the same and that is what Chhattisgarh is doing. He informed that under the Gram Swaraj Yojana, the Chhattisgarh government has taken several measures in the past to provide a boost to the village-level businesses. These initiatives have borne fruit and the government has managed to generate huge employment opportunities with around 80000 women getting jobs.” He added that the government is also working on projects to generate power from animal manure and manufacture traditional paints; this would also give employment to a lot of farmers. A lot of forest produce from Chhattisgarh is sold online today.

Mr Sanjay Kumar Jha, Minister of Water Resource Department & Information and Public Relations Department (WRD & IPRD), Government of Bihar stated that due to the prudent planning of the state government, they have achieved a double- digit growth rate. He shared that the state gets round the clock power, has transparent governance, and has improved its ease of doing business ratings. He said that “When the government came in power, the state budget was to the tune of Rs 23885 crores in the year 2005-06 which has gone up to 211,761 crores for the year 2020-21. He added that the budget for the next financial year would be around 218303 crores which is around Rs 6000 crores than the last financial year’s budget. The state registers around 17 percent industrial growth rate which is the highest in the country. The per capita income is around Rs 43,822 now which was around Rs 7900 in 2005.” Reflecting on the other achievements of the government, he added that “The state has 95 percent pukka or permanent roads leading to the national highways. There is 100 percent electrification in the state. The state government has also been focussing on increasing their green cover and in the last 16 years, the green cover has gone up from 9 percent to 17 percent. Today, Bihar is among the top four states which provide clean drinking water to its people. The state government spends around Rs 35000 crore on education in all 38 districts.”

Dr Amar Patnaik, Member of Parliament-Rajya Sabha, & Member, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance shared that “Odisha has achieved leadership position in several segments like women empowerment and disaster management. In the last 21 years due to the efforts of the government, the state has one of the lowest crime ratios in the country. The

government has increased its focus on six sectors like infrastructure, and ports by coming out with policy changes.”

Dr Badri Narayan Gopalakrishnan, Head-Trade & Commerce, Niti Aayog said that “Due to the government initiatives, the products and services manufactured are not just made for India but also made for the World. Niti Aayog is working on various policies to help increase exports and ensure Free trade agreements with many countries. There is a need to reduce barriers which will help in reducing the cost of intermediate inputs, based on tariff reductions.”

STATE PARTNERSHIP SESSION: Strengthening Centre & States’ Camaraderie for Enhancing Investment, Economic Competitiveness and Export Potential



Mrs Meenakshi Lekhi, Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs & Culture, Government of India was the “Chief Guest” of the “State Partnership Session”. Mr Dushyant Thakor, Vice President, Invest India moderated the “State Partnership Session” and with the speakers: Dr Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan, Head-Trade & Commerce, NITI Aayog; Mr Rishi Garg, Executive Director, MP Industrial Development Corporation (MPIDC); Mr Manoj Pingua, Principal Secretary, Department of Commerce & Industries, Government of Chhattisgarh; Mrs Kalpana Srivastava, Principal Secretary, Department of Horticulture & Food Processing, Government of Madhya Pradesh; Mr Sham Lal Goyal, ACS & Resident Commissioner, Government of Maharashtra; Mr Sheo Shekhar Shukla, Principal Secretary, Department of Culture, Tourism and Public Relations, Government of Madhya Pradesh; Mr Ranjan Prakash Thakur, Principal Secretary, Department of Industries, Commerce and Civil Aviation, Government of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir; Mr Vivek Pandey, Secretary-cum-Commissioner (Industries), Government of NCT of Delhi.

“India managed to convert the COVID-19 crises into opportunities for growing its business and expanding its local brands at global level,” said Mrs Meenakshi Lekhi, Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs & Culture, Government of India during her address. She further shared that under the able leadership of Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi, India was not only able to produce the vaccine, but export it to neighbouring countries, too. The central government has

understood the problems faced by the states and worked on them. She added, “If we want to grow, all states should replicate the vision given by the centre to make India a US\$ 5 trillion economy.”



In Partner State Presentation (Madhya Pradesh), Mr Rishi Garg, Executive Director, MP Industrial Development Corporation (MPIDC), Government of Madhya Pradesh explained that Madhya Pradesh would be a strategic location for doing ease of business as the state’s main focus is to develop sectors like infrastructure and connectivity. He added, “In a further boost to industrial sector, under the leadership of Hon’ble Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, the state is also developing sectors like Automobile and Engineering, Textile & Garmenting, Pharmaceuticals, Agribusiness & Food Processing and Information Technology/Information Technology Enabled Services & Electronics System Design & Manufacturing (IT/ITes & ESDM). The state government has ensured a single window system to cater to the needs of the investors—right from allocation of land to approvals of incentives, acting as a one-stop solution for any business/industry.”

In the next Partner State Presentation (Chhattisgarh), Mr Manoj Pingua, Principal Secretary, Department of Commerce & Industries, Government of Chhattisgarh shared in detail how the state of Chhattisgarh is a power capital of India and it provides a powerful platform for sustainable development growth. He said that, “The state government has come up with a new industrial policy which will create a positive environment for the capital investment in the state. The state has officially got three serving airports, which makes it easy to connect with any city within 90-minutes. Chhattisgarh was the first state to sign MoU for the country’s first ethanol plant to be set up in the state under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model.”

In her presentation, Mrs Kalpana Srivastava, Principal Secretary, Department of Horticulture & Food Processing, Government of Madhya Pradesh, explained that the state has a major potential in horticulture export and is a major producer of food grains. The state government also provides a supportive infrastructure and value for chain development under the One District One Product (ODOP) scheme.

Mr Sham Lal Goyal, Maharashtra, Additional Chief Secretary & Resident Commissioner, Government of Maharashtra shared that to ease the doing of business, Maharashtra has created

Maitri Platform, a single window system where they have solved the problems of 3 lakh visitors. Citing the progressive policies in the state, he called for the investment.

Mr Ranjan Prakash Thakur, Principal Secretary, Department of Industries, Commerce & Civil Aviation, Government of Union territory of Jammu & Kashmir, shared that, “Unlike in the past, today one can own land in Jammu & Kashmir. The conditions have improved much and if someone wants to invest in a large industry can invest in Jammu. And some one wants to invest in horticulture, the hospitality sector one can invest in Kashmir. The new policy provides adequate incentives and best packages for the investors.”

In his presentation, Mr Sheo Shekhar Shukla, Principal Secretary, Department of Culture, Tourism and Public Relations, Government of Madhya Pradesh highlighted Madhya Pradesh’s rich cultural and tourism legacy and how the state attracts as a major destination for greater engagements with the industry.

Mr Vivek Pandey, Secretary-cum-Commissioner (Industries), Government of NCT of Delhi shared his perspectives on the progressive industrial policies with focus on sustainable and inclusive development.

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH SESSION: India and the World: Enhancing Economic Partnership & Cooperation



Amb Mr Manjeev Singh Puri; India’s Former Ambassador to Nepal, EU, Belgium and Luxembourg chaired the “International Outreach Session” with the speakers: H.E. Mr Ram Prasad Subedi, Chargé D’Affaires ad Interim, Embassy of Nepal in India; H.E. Mr Jason Hall, High Commissioner of Jamaica in India; H.E. Mr David Pine, High Commissioner of New Zealand in India.

International Outreach Session hosted the pertinent perspectives from the eminent diplomats on India’s commitment for enhancing the economic partnership and cooperation in the world. On positive notes, the diplomats assured to continue working with India and further deepening their countries’ economic partnership and cooperation with India.

Besides summing up the proceedings, Mr Saurabh Sanyal, Secretary General, PHDCCI shared his perspectives on India’s global outreach initiatives that are resulting with promising outcomes.

POLICY SESSION: Braving A New Post-Pandemic World: The Way Ahead for “India Growth Story”



Mr Atul K Thakur, Joint Secretary, State Development Council, PHDCCI moderated the “Policy Session” with the speakers: Mr Anukool Bhatnagar, Chief General Manager, Chandigarh Local Head Office, SBI; Dr Aruna Sharma, Development Economist & Former Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India; Mr Bishal Thapa, India Director, Collaborative Labeling and Appliance Standards Program (CLASP); Ms Riya Sinha, Research Associate (Foreign Policy & Security), Centre for Social and Economic Progress; Dr Niranjana Sahoo, Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation; Mr Utkarsh Amitabh, CEO, Network Capital; WEF Global Shaper & Writer, Harvard Business Review.

As the economic rebounding is the most pressing challenge in the post-pandemic times, the Policy Session dealt with the way ahead for “India Growth Story”. The speakers’ presented the outlines of challenges and opportunities with the economic rebounding processes.

Mr Naveen Seth, Assistant Secretary General, International Affairs & Trade Fair Division delivered the Concluding Remarks and final “Vote of Thanks”.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- *Through its deliberations, the Conclave organised by PHDCCI and the India Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) aimed to take the momentum further in policy space and celebrate “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav” on 75th year of India’s independence and the glorious journey.*
- *Policies should be directed to enable the Sustainable Industrial Development in states.*
- *Impact of states’ progressive policies on sectoral development (with case studies of success stories) should be made the basis of good governance and industrial development.*
- *The Conclave put forward the growth vision for the states: Ease of Doing Business (EoDB); Sustainable Development Goals; New Technology; Inclusive Growth*
- *Economic rebounding in the post-pandemic world should drive the policies and the States’ in India should play pivotal roles for a successful transition.*
- *Centre and the states should continue to work under a robust federal system and further strengthen the coordination for streamlining the public policies to impact on ground.*
- *While economic growth is important, equally important is environmental protection. Hence, sustainable development should drive the policymaking and implementations on ground.*
- *To mitigate the challenges of the public health crisis, the public health system should be made more efficient.*
- *Uniformity in the development is needed, as the gaps in the developmental performances among the states in India are glaring.*
- *New avenues of growth should be explored with giving impetus to the local area development, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and improved mobility and market linkages.*
- *Need for monitoring business reforms at the state/Union Territory (UT) level:*
 - *India being a federal economy, businesses, besides the Central Government regulations, also have to comply with several rules, laws and procedures enforced by the respective State Governments in the form of obtaining a large number of licenses, registrations, among others which add to the compliances.*
 - *Further, World Bank’s Ease of Doing Business Index ranking of India is based on the reforms undertaken by only two major states/UTs of India namely Mumbai and Delhi. Ranking is not based on reforms undertaken by other states’ and UTs.*
 - *In the light of the above arguments, it is necessary to assess and monitor the performance of other states’ and UTs on business reforms undertaken by them.*
- *India lives in its States with cultural diversity and homogenous policy implementation towards a common agenda of a higher economic growth trajectory.*
- *Under the federal set up, the Indian states’ and UTs are the key movers of economic growth and have continued to make achievements in socio-economic and industrial development.*

- *Over the years, the states' have proactively focused on overall economic development, bolstering the social welfare, spurring the manufacturing sector, strengthening the agriculture sector, vitalizing the services sector, women empowerment, health and education, fostering entrepreneurship ecosystem, handholding the MSMEs and enhancing the infrastructure development.*
- *Each State of India possesses its own unique characteristics, which makes every State a leader in itself.*
- *Over the years, the States have been undertaking effective reform measures to reduce the regulatory burden on businesses, inculcate entrepreneurship spirit, promote conducive business environment and make their respective States the desirable investment destinations.*
- *According to Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) Rankings of Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Andhra Pradesh has retained its 1st rank since the last three years' rankings. Uttar Pradesh has ranked 2nd in the ease of doing business in 2018-2019, up from 12th rank in 2017-18. On the Start-up ecosystem front, Gujarat has been a best performer in DPIIT's startup rankings of 2019 and Karnataka and Kerala have been among the top performing states.*
- *The states' collective efforts contribute in laying the solid foundation for the growth of the country.*
- *At this juncture, when the Indian economy is affected by the daunting impact of Coronavirus, the role of states has become increasingly more crucial in sustaining the overall growth and development of the country.*
- *Highlights of PHDCCI Report Released During the Conclave (States' Policy Conclave 2021: Role of States' in Making Atmanirbhar Bharat (Self-reliant India): A comparative analysis on the macroeconomic resilience of the States in the pandemic times for FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21 on the basis of 5 broad macroeconomic parameters of the States including Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) growth rate (at current prices), Consumer Price Index (CPI) Inflation, Fiscal Deficit as percentage of GSDP, Industrial Investment Proposals and Unemployment, has been conducted. According to the analysis, Gujarat has emerged as the most resilient State in FY 2020-21 and maintained its highest position among the top 10 States as Gujarat was also at the top in FY 2019-20. Karnataka has emerged as the second most resilient State, whose position has improved from 4th rank in FY 2019-20 to 2nd rank in FY 2020-21. Similarly, Odisha has improved from 7th position in top 10 most resilient States in FY 2019-20 to 3rd position in FY 2020-21. Maharashtra, NCT Delhi, Telangana, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh are the other strong States in top 10 resilient States in FY 2020-21.*
- *As the states' are on their way to rapid industrialization, coordinated development of small, medium and large scale enterprises are necessary as they offer a favorable environment for attracting industrial investments through user friendly policies and better infrastructural support.*

- *The states should enhance their existing capacities of specialized areas and at the same time should adopt best practises of other states' for the improvement in various segments of their respective economies.*
- *Further, in order to boost the growth of the industrial sector, the states' must focus on skill development, research and innovation and good governance along with the State of the art infrastructure so as to improve the competitiveness of businesses.*
- *At the socio economic front, the states' have taken effective measures towards the implementation of reforms in healthcare, education and other socio-economic segments.*
- *To bolster the growth of the service sector, the State Governments must design & develop services led growth strategy focusing on health, education, IT, logistics, knowledge based and non-polluting services, sports, among others. Further, new business ventures in the services sector should be encouraged by the states for which easy availability of loans and simplification of the regulatory process should be promoted.*
- *Development of the services sector would inculcate the spirit of entrepreneurship within the states' economy, which would aid the economy in reaching a higher growth trajectory.*
- *Exports play a vital role in economic growth. Hence, there is a need to provide more facilities/incentives to the exporting units for increasing exports from the States.*
- *The State Governments should constantly work towards improvement in infrastructure, as it is an important growth driver and its development is essential for long term growth prospects of the economy.*
- *The states should seize the true spirit of the Business Reform Action Plan and further enhance their performance in ease of doing business to provide a conducive business environment, attract investments, foster competition, among others.*
- *Encouraging and incentivizing the private sector would uplift the industrially backward regions of the states.*
- *Other states should adopt the best practices set by the top rankers to promote ease of doing business. Similarly, the reforms undertaken by the states to spur the startup ecosystem is laudable and it is commended that aspiring performers and emerging performers should adopt the model practices set by the best and top performers to foster the startup ecosystem.*
- *Further, focus on use of environment-friendly technologies would enable sustainable development of the States. Encouraging efficient use of waste land and water vis-à-vis promoting usage of alternate sources of energy would bring further efficiency in states' industrial sector.*
- *MSMEs sector has potential to drive growth of the manufacturing sector and boost employment in the states. Assurance of easy loans for MSMEs at low interest, initiatives to encourage private participation, basic problems, such as R&D/Innovation, access to technology, marketing support, among others would boost MSMEs in the states.*

- *The mutual learning among all the states should be encouraged as it provides support in policy formulation towards the national development agenda. It is suggested that states should share the best practices and capacity development. These collaborative and cooperative practices are evident during the pandemic period. All States have been at the forefront in providing support measures and respective fiscal stimulus packages during the covid-19 pandemic.*
- *Land reforms are seen to be the most important focus areas for all states' since land is a major ingredient in the four factors of production, so the availability of land becomes crucial for industrialisation.*
- *The State Governments will have to play a proactive role in making land available for setting up of industries in their respective territories. The states can do so by creating a "land bank" for the use of the industry or by giving long-term leasing in states' where outright purchase is not possible.*
- *Infrastructure development in all states' wherein provision of social infrastructure such as education and health and physical infrastructure such as hospitals in every district is the key to improve the industrial setup within the state.*
- *The State Governments should also focus on reforms in the power sector by giving high priority to transmission and distribution networks. Tourism sector could also be improved by constructing better roads, well managed tourist lodges and updated websites having information about day to day climate and information about the state.*
- *The role of states' is expected to be increasingly more critical in sustaining the overall development of the country in coming times. Several challenges to their growth, such as easing the supply side constraints in the economy, upskilling the workforce and increasing manufacturing competitiveness are still the major areas of concern.*
- *The state policies should be focusing on diversifying the beneficiaries of the socio economic development programmes to ensure an all-inclusive growth in the country.*
- *Enhanced focus on the ease of doing business, particularly for the MSMEs with reduced cost of doing business, reforms for the growth of manufacturing, development of the state-of-art infrastructure, investments conducive policies along with focus on socio- economic development such as health and education, would go a long way to enhance the resilience of the states' and to achieve a level of strong and sustainable economic growth trajectory in the coming times.*

States' Policy Conclave 2021 was well-attended physically and virtually besides getting the positive press.

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Regardless of income, all homes breathing poor air: Study

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 8

BOTH HIGH and low-income households in Delhi recorded poor indoor air quality, according to a study by researchers at the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago.

The study involved deploying indoor air quality monitors in households across varying socio-economic strata (SES) to record indoor air pollution levels during winter.

In households, both in the high and low socio-economic strata, PM2.5 levels were 20 times more than the World Health Organisation (WHO) standards, listed the study by Michael Greenstone, Kenneth Lee and Harish Saha.

The average indoor PM2.5 level was 229 µg/m3 for households in the low socio-economic strata and 289 µg/m3 for the high-income ones. The WHO standard is 10 µg/m3 annually, while the country's standard is 40 µg/m3.

Although the average figure is lower in low SES households, other concerning factors, including outdoor particulate matter, time of day and the day of the week, the low SES sample was found to have higher indoor particulate matter levels. After controlling these other factors, the study arrived at the conclusion that indoor PM2.5 levels were 10X higher for low SES households.

According to a communication issued by the institute, the lead author of the study, Kenneth Lee, said, "In Delhi, the bottom line is -- whether someone is rich or poor, no one gets to breathe clean air."

He further said, "It's a complex vicious cycle. When you do not know about the pollution levels inside your homes, you do not worry about it, and hence you are less likely to take corrective actions. Only with increased awareness, demand for clean air may gain momentum."

Around 18% of the low SES households owned air purifiers. This figure rises to 4.3% for the medium and high SES households, and 24.1% for high SES households.

The low SES households mostly belong to clusters in the city, while they were scattered between October 2018 and March 2019.

The medium and high SES households were surveyed between 2019 and 2021.

A total of 1,902 households falling in the low SES category were part of the study, while 703 were from the medium and high SES, and 55 were in the high category.

Individually medium and high SES households, the researchers performed walk-around welfare assessments.

A total of 95.5% of respondents among the low SES households use LPG as the primary cooking fuel, while 100% of the medium and high SES households said they use LPG as their cooking fuel. The data from the study suggested,

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India has eliminated all the bottlenecks in the defence manufacturing sector. Opening the defence sector has led to increased transparency and efficiency states. India managed to convert the Covid-19 crises into opportunities for growing its business and expanding its local brands at global level.

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SOCIAL MEDIA COVERAGE



Twitter Analysis

Parameters	Avg of 1st Dec - 7th Dec - 21	On 7th Dec-21
Number of tweets	13	94
New Followers	14	43
Profile Visits	5,542	20,700
Tweet impression	3,115	29,945

There is an overall increase in all parameters to Live tweeting on State Policy Conclave Event

Top Posts - States Policy Conclave 2021



Sanjay Kumar Jha
Impressions - 2,875
Engagement - 46



Shivraj Singh Chouhan Video
Impressions - 6,857
Engagement - 108



Sanjay Kumar Jha
Impressions - 2,717
Engagement - 26



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@ChouhanShivraj

Looking forward to my participation as we celebrate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. We would share glimpses of our progressive policies with you and seek your views. I look forward to interacting with members of @phdchamber on ideas for #AtmanirbharMP.



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Top Tweets - States Policy Conclave 2021



Sanjay Kumar Jha Video

Number of Likes - 89

Retweet - 31

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Top Tweets - States Policy Conclave 2021



Meenakshi Lekhi

Number of Likes - 106

Retweet- 43

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Top Tweets - States Policy Conclave 2021



New Zealand In India

Number of Likes - 9

Retweet - 6

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TWEET HIGHLIGHTS



LinkedIn Analysis

Parameters	Avg of 1st Dec - 7th Dec - 21	On 7th Dec-21
Number of posts	10	84
New Followers	29	222
Unique Visitors	70	526
Total Followers	4	52

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Top Posts - States Policy Conclave 2021



Dr Badri Narayan Gopalakrishnan
Impressions - 221
Engagement - 12



Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Impressions - 208
Engagement - 10



Mr Rajeev Talwar
Impressions - 159
Engagement - 3

facebook

Facebook Analysis

Parameters	Avg of 1st Dec - 7th Dec - 21	On 7th Dec-21
Number of total Posts	24	84
Reach(Organic)	1,342	4,221
Page Likes	12	56
Engagements	11	44
Page Followers	13	97

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Top Posts - States Policy Conclave 2021



H. E David Pine
Impressions - 310
Engagement - 10



Rajan Prakash Thakur
Impressions - 190
Engagement - 2



Mr Saurabh Sanyal
Impressions - 166
Engagement - 3



Instagram Analysis

Parameters	Avg of 1st Dec - 7th Dec - 21	On 7th Dec-21
Number of posts	11	84
Impressions	5,104	8,283
Total Followers	1,208	1,221

There is an overall increase in all parameters to Live tweeting on State Policy Conclave Event.



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Top Posts - States Policy Conclave 2021



Mr Peter Rimmele
Impressions - 43
Engagement - 4



Sanjay Kumar Jha
Impressions - 28
Engagement - 3



Meenakshi Lekhi
Impressions - 22
Engagement - 2

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MP leaving no stone unturned to fight Covid, says Chouhan

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Madhya Pradesh is leaving no stone unturned to fight Covid-19 under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's able leadership, state chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said.

Addressing the inaugural session of the States' Policy Conclave 2021 through video conferencing, the Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister said, "We have intensified our preparations to rule out any possibility of a negative impact of the third wave."

Thanking PM Modi for his clarion call to build Atmanirbhar Bharat, he said, "The idea of Atmanirbhar Bharat has inspired us to set a target to build Atmanirbhar Madhya Pradesh, and contribute to PM Modi's dream."

Further elaborating on the efforts being taken by the Madhya Pradesh government towards this end, the state chief minister said, "We have set four major pillars on our way to building a self-reliant Madhya Pradesh. These are infrastructure, good governance, health and education and economy and employment."

"Along with the target of building self-reliant Madhya Pradesh, our Government has two major goals: First is to develop the quality of entrepreneurship among the youth of Madhya Pradesh. This way we will be able to turn them into job creators from job seekers. Second is to build Madhya Pradesh as the most attractive state for investment in the world," he said. The event was hosted by the **PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry**, New Delhi, and highlighted the role that the states can play in building Atmanirbhar Bharat.

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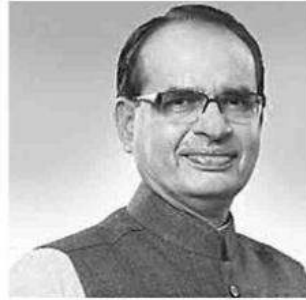
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मंगलवार को पीएचडी चैंबर ऑफ कॉमर्स द्वारा आयोजित स्टेट पॉलिसी कॉन्क्लेव 2021 को वीडियो कांफ्रेंसिंग के जरिए संबोधित करते हुए मुख्यमंत्री चौहान ने कहा कि देश तभी आत्मनिर्भर बनेगा जब राज्य आत्मनिर्भर हों। उन्होंने कहा कि आत्मनिर्भर मध्य प्रदेश के लिए चार बिंदुओं पर आधारित रोड मैप बनाया गया है: ये बिंदु हैं भौतिक अधोसंरचना, सुशासन, स्वास्थ्य और शिक्षा तथा अर्थव्यवस्था एवं रोजगार।



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चौहान ने कहा कि वह यह सुनिश्चित करना चाहते हैं कि निवेशक नियमों के मकड़जाल में न उलझें। उन्हें राज्य में निवेश का उपयुक्त माहौल मिले। यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए प्रत्येक सोमवार का शुरुआती आधे दिन का समय निवेशकों के साथ आमने-सामने की मुलाकात के लिए निर्धारित किया जा रहा है।

चौहान ने कहा कि निवेशकों

को निवेश के लिए बेहतर माहौल मुहैया कराने के लिए अटल एक्सप्रेस वे और प्रदेश के पूर्व से पश्चिम तक नर्मछा एक्सप्रेस वे का निर्माण किया जा रहा है। इन एक्सप्रेस वे के आसपास औद्योगिक केंद्र और टाउनशिप विकसित किए जाएंगे।

उन्होंने कहा कि मध्य प्रदेश सरकार उद्योग लगाने के लिए नियम कायदे सहज बनाने का काम किया है और वह कारोबार शुरू करने की लागत कम करने तथा कारोबारी सुगमता को और आसान बनाने पर काम कर रही है।

मुख्यमंत्री ने कोविड-19 महामारी से निपटने में प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी के कुशल नेतृत्व की तारीफ करते हुए कहा कि मध्य प्रदेश ने तीसरी लहर की किसी भी संभावना को खारिज करने के लिए अपनी तैयारियां मजबूत कर ली हैं।

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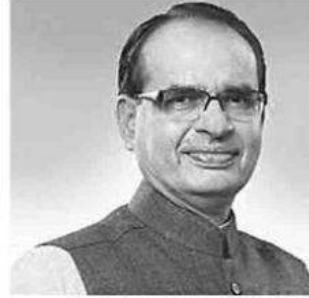
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Chamber and was attended by about 100 exporters representing various industries from all over Punjab.

PHDCCT's event was supported by Annual Sponsors such as, Multani Pharmaceuticals Ltd; P G Industry; Uflex Ltd; DLF Ltd; Continental Carriers Pvt Ltd; Belair Travel & Cargo Pvt Ltd; Radico Khaitan Ltd; Crystal Crop Protection Ltd; Paramount Communications; Superior Industries Ltd; JK Tyre & Industries Ltd; Comtech Interio; R E Rogers; AYUSH Herbs Private Ltd; Apeejay Sitya Group; DCM Shriram; EaseMyTrip; Blossom Kochhar Beauty Products Pvt Ltd; MV Cotspin Ltd; Synergy Environics Ltd; Ajit Industries Pvt Ltd; P S BEDI & Co.; Indian Farmer & Fertilizers Corporation Ltd; Jindal Steel; Hindware Sanitary; Modern Automobiles; Livit Ltd.

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"The [MP government](#) wants to develop entrepreneurship qualities among youth and make it the most attractive state for investment. A country can become self-reliant only when the states are self-reliant," Chouhan said while virtually addressing the State Policy Conclave-2021 organised by [PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry](#) in New Delhi.

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