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17th National Convention **SUSTAINABLE** **DEVELOPMENT** **GOALS**

**Collaboration to Close the
Commitment-Action Gap
to Achieve Agenda 2030**

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It comes without saying that running a profit-driven business is no longer an option. The planet has reached its strict boundaries which are radically bending from its joints. Ticking the boxes isn't enough now. We can't continue with the same old practices especially when we have reached a stage where the aftermath of climate change events are becoming evident, crisis like covid has befallen the entire world, carrying capacity of the planet is decreasing, Earth offshoot day is advancing way before its Scheduled. We are facing the 6th mass extinction of the Earth and that is majorly because of anthropogenic factors. We can't only show good and sound good, we have to do good and shift from a profit oriented model to a profit with purpose model. Achieving the Agenda is more than a goal in itself as we are the first generation to feel its effects & possibly the last to do something on it.

- The Bloomberg survey highlighted that during Covid, Companies with higher scores on SDG inclusion in their Businesses performed 50 % better than their peers.
- The Social Progress Index estimates we are 62 years behind the schedule of Agenda 2030.
- UN Global Compact-Accenture Strategy 2019 CEO Study says that 99 percent of ceos from companies with more than us \$1 billion in annual revenues believe sustainability will be important to the future success of their business
- It also highlights that there will be a 71 percent increase in the brand value of companies working for SDGs, an additional revenue growth of 57 percent , a risk mitigation of 52 percent & a cost reduction of 51 percent in the 5-10 years of SDG timeline.

With the Global & the national Agenda shifted proficiently towards SDGs, collective sustainability is going on at institutional and policy levels. But sustainability needs to be a habit rather than a project. The years between 2020-2030 have been identified as the 'Decade of Action' and it is emphasized that action needs to be accelerated in order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals as part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. While events like COP26 nudge all stakeholders to take note of the progress, there is significant inconsistency between the commitments made at such platforms and the action taken to work towards achieving the targets. This has led to a significant gap between the commitments and action and has led to delayed progress on achieving the goals. Hence, it is critical now, more than ever, to work towards closing the widening gap to ensure continuous progress to be able to attain the global goals and ensure prosperity for the people and the planet. Individual efforts by countries, organizations, businesses have always played a major role in the path to achieving the Agenda 2030. It is becoming increasingly evident that collaborative efforts can provide remarkable outcomes by creating shared value for all stakeholders.

India has entered into Amrit Kaal, the 25-year-long leadup to India@100. Being one of the fastest-growing markets globally, India plays a key role in achieving the SDGs Agenda 2030.

are expected to come from progress made in transformations today and hence keeping in Global Compact Network India's 17th the theme of "Sustainable to close the commitment-action gap

According to UNGC, 50% delivery of the Global Goals

India. The country stands at the cusp of major view the global & national narratives, National Convention we have chosen Development Goals: Collaboration to achieve Agenda 2030".



17th National Convention

UN-Global Compact Network India is pleased to announce its 17th National Convention as a part of its continuous effort of bringing up and highlighting the most prudent issues of our times. This year the theme is "Sustainable Development Goals - Collaboration to Close the Commitment Action Gap to achieve Agenda 2030". The Convention calls for crucial engagements from the side of government, public institutions, private sector, not for profits, sustainability leaders, practitioners, small & medium enterprises, entrepreneurs, academicians and other relevant stakeholders.

The Convention will focus on the thematic areas surrounding the subject of SDGs and unequivocally highlight how vital the health of the planet is for our individual and collective well-being as well as the growth of our economies. In addition to addressing the underlying issues of policy deficits, financial/investment models, social - economic gap, lack of opportunity, technological limitations, the event shall also develop a roadmap for approaching the midpoint of the SDG target in the Decade of Action thereby accelerating the transition towards sustainable, equitable, inclusive and just development models.

Key Objectives

Understanding mechanisms for tracking progress on SDGs & ways to scale up action

Exchange of best practices, innovations championed by stakeholders and creating an integrated forum for the advancement of SDG ladder

Providing an exemplary platform for Businesses and other relevant Stakeholders for dialogue and deliberation on SDGs & its progression

Thinking through the Target 2030 Lens and crafting an actionable plan on SDGs

Promoting Collective learning & fostering collaborations for Inclusive & Sustainable Development

Unique Features

**Launch of
UN GCNI-Accenture
CEO Study on
sustainability trends
in India**

**Felicitation of
Young Sustainable
Winning Champions
of India's Future
Tycoons (IFT#4)**

**Launch of
Joint Annual Calender
by UN GCNI &
Citizens Foundation
of India
"GOALKEEPERS -
Landmarks in India's
SDG Journey"**

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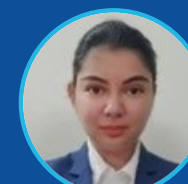
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17th National Convention

‘Sustainable Development Goals: Collaboration to Close the Commitment Action Gap to Achieve Agenda 2030’.

PROGRAMME AGENDA

TIME	SESSION
1000 Hrs. – 1100 Hrs.	PLENARY SESSION I Closing the Commitment Action Gap to achieve Agenda 2030: Key Enablers and Accelerators – CEO perspective
1100 Hrs. – 1200 Hrs.	PLENARY SESSION II Scaling SDGs in uncertain times: Role of Technology & Innovation
1200 Hrs. - 1215 Hrs.	TEA/COFFEE BREAK
1215 Hrs. – 1330 Hrs.	INAUGURAL SESSION
1330 Hrs. – 1415 Hrs.	LUNCH BREAK
1415 Hrs.– 1515 Hrs.	PLENARY SESSION III ‘Scaling SDGs in uncertain times: Financing SDGs, Job Creation and Inclusive Growth’
1515 Hrs. – 1545 Hrs.	TEA/ COFFEE BREAK
1545 Hrs. – 1645 Hrs.	PLENARY SESSION IV ‘Governance mechanisms for tracking progress on SDG’
1645 Hrs. – 1730 Hrs.	VALEDICTORY SESSION

SPEAKERS

PLENARY SESSION I

Closing the commitment-action gap to achieve Agenda 2030: Key enablers and accelerators– CEO perspective



Vishvesh Prabhakar
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Kulmeet Bawa
President & Managing Director,
SAP India



Mahendra Singhi
Managing Director &
Chief Executive Officer,
Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited

PLENARY SESSION II

Scaling SDGs in uncertain times: Role of Technology & Innovation



Sundeep Singh
Managing Director,
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INAUGURAL SESSION



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Executive Director,
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PLENARY SESSION III

Scaling SDGs in uncertain times: Financing SDGs, Job Creation, and Inclusive Growth



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PLENARY SESSION IV

Scaling SDGs in uncertain times: Financing SDGs, Job Creation, and Inclusive Growth



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VALEDICTORY SESSION

Key Takeaways & Next Steps



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Academicians, Researchers & Students	Business Leaders/ Industry Experts	Entrepreneurs & Young SDG Professionals

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