

The 14th Neemrana Conference December 14-16, 2012

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2012

- 12:30 PM Lunch hosted by Nandan Nilekani & Isher Ahluwalia at the Nilekani residence, 2 Safdarjung Lane, New Delhi
- 2:45 PM Departure by cars from 2 Safdarjung Lane for Neemrana
- 5:30 PM Check in at the Neemrana Fort Palace

Opening remarks 6.15 PM

Session I: 6:30–8:00 PM

Connecting the dots: India and the World Economy

Chair: N. K. Singh, Member of Parliament

Speakers: Martin Feldstein, Harvard
Montek S. Ahluwalia, Planning Commission

Lead discussant John Lipsky, Johns Hopkins

Open discussion

8.00 PM Cocktails and Opening Dinner



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2012

Session II: 9:30–11:00 AM

Health and Education Policy: All Well, Limping, or Broken?

Chair: Rajat Kathuria, ICRIER

Speakers: Heidi Williams, MIT
Sonal Desai, NCAER
Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, ISI
Karthik Muralidharan, UC, San Diego & NCAER

Open discussion

11:00–11:30 AM Tea

Session III: 11:30 AM– 1:00 PM

Productivity Growth: What's holding us back?

Chair: Anne O. Krueger, Johns Hopkins

Speakers: Nick Bloom, Stanford
Pronab Sen, Planning Commission
Penny Goldberg, Princeton
Krishnamurthy Subramanian, ISB

Open discussion

1:00- 2:00 PM Lunch

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2012 (CONTINUED)

Session IV: 2:00–3:15 PM

Urbanisation, housing, and land: Congestion, Crisis, or Catalyst?

Chair: Isher Judge Ahluwalia, ICRIER

Speakers: Daniel Fetter, Wellesley
Rajiv Lall, IDFC
Ram Singh, Delhi School of Economics
Rajesh Chakrabarti, ISB

Open discussion

3:15-3:30 PM Tea

Session V: 3:30–5:00 PM

Growth and Inflation

Chair: Arvind Mayaram, Ministry of Finance

Speakers: Jacob A. Frenkel, JP Morgan Chase
Surjit Bhalla, O[x]US Investments
Ricardo Caballero, MIT
Prachi Mishra, Ministry of Finance

Open discussion

Session VI: 5:00-6:45 PM

The Neemrana 2012 Keynote Address

Chair: Shekhar Shah, NCAER

Speaker: P. Chidambaram, Union Minister of Finance

Q & A

7:00 PM Cocktails and Cultural performance

8:30 PM Neemrana Gala Dinner



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2012

Session VII 9:30–11:00 AM
A Time for Reinventing Financial Regulation?

Chair: Raghuram Rajan, Ministry of Finance

Speakers: Markus Brunnermeier, Princeton
U K Sinha, SEBI
Douglas Diamond, Chicago
Ajay Shah, NIPFP

Open discussion

11:00–11:30 AM Tea

Session VIII: 11:30 AM-12:45 PM
Special Address: The Journey to a Billion Unique IDs

Chair: Pramod Bhasin, Genpact

Speaker: Nandan Nilekani, UIDAI

Q & A

12:45-1:30 PM Lunch

Session IX: 1:30-3:00 PM
Media and Governance

Chair: T. N. Ninan, *Business Standard*

Speakers: Abhijit Banerjee, MIT
K P Krishnan, Govt. of Karnataka
Meghnad Desai, LSE*
Swaminathan Aiyar, *Economic Times*

Open discussion

Closing Session: 3:00-4:15 PM (To be confirmed)
Roundtable: *Of gridlock, paralysis, and the politics of reform: Prospects for 2013?*

Chair: Montek S. Ahluwalia, Planning Commission

Panelists: B J Panda, Member of Parliament
Martin Feldstein, Harvard
Uday Kotak, Kotak Mahindra Bank

4.15 PM High Tea, followed by
Departure for Delhi (for guests not staying overnight)



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