

Transforming India into a commercial hub

At the 49th National Management Convention of AIMA, goal setting, strategy, and means of sustaining economic growth were discussed by experts

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The second day of All India Management Association's (AIMA) two-day National Management Convention was marked by discussions on how industries can navigate through these times of immense volatility and uncertainty.

On the first day of the convention, the Vice President of India, Jagdeep Dhankhar, talking about India's potential, said, "The Indian economy, the fifth largest in the world now, is poised to become one of the three largest economies by the end of this decade. A series of systemic reforms taken by the government in the last few years to improve the ease of doing business has paid rich dividends." He also expressed his confidence in the country's business leaders and said that they continue to perform their part in the mission to make India Atmanirbhar.

On day one of the convention, Nitin Gadkari, Minister of Road Transport and Highways for the Government of India, said, "Sourcing fuel from farmers will lift India's agriculture economy while reducing pollution and fossil fuel imports." He said that he had a target of Rs 2 lakh crore revenue for the ethanol industry. He also stressed the need for innovation in construction materials to reduce costs of infrastructure building.

Minister of Civil Aviation and Steel, Government of India,

Jyotiraditya Scindia, also addressed the audience and said, "We are looking at capacity building and creating an ecosystem similar to that of the auto sector." On reducing carbon intensity of steel sector, the minister said that use of carbon-limiting raw material and the technology of blast furnaces are the keys to making green steel.

Admiral R Hari Kumar, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, ADC, Chief of the Naval Staff, on the first day of the convention, said that Indian Navy has committed itself to giving 88% of its future contracts to Indian enterprises, which would also generate employment and build skills in the domestic economy. "In addition to national security, Indian Navy is committed to Atmanirbharta," he said.

The keynote address on India's changing role in G20 was delivered by Amitabh Kant, India's Sherpa for the G20. He stated that India's



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growth model is different from the western model and it needs to be emulated by the world, and that is a narrative that India would like to put before the world at G20.

C K Ranganathan, President of AIMA and Chairman and Managing Director of CavinKare Pvt Ltd; Shrinivas Dempo, Senior Vice President, AIMA & Chairman, Dempo Group of Companies, Nikhil Sawhney, Vice President of AIMA and Vice Chairman and Managing Director of Triveni Turbine Ltd., and Rekha Sethi, Director

General of All India Management Association; also addressed the gathering.

During a fire side chat on leading with purpose, Rishad Premji, Executive Chairman of Wipro Limited, and Sunil Kant Munjal, Chairman of Hero Enterprise, highlighted the need for cultural transformation in the industries and businesses. Premji said that India needs to maintain its edge as a 'talent destination'. Talking about future, he also stated that organisations must focus more on diversity and



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Convention speakers and other dignitaries with Nitin Gadkari, Minister of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India

making the workplaces more inclusive.

A panel discussion, moderated by Vikram Chandra, founder of Editorji Technologies, was held on the challenges faced by corporate leaders. The panelists

included Harshavardhan Neotia, Chairman of Ambuja Neotia Holdings Pvt Ltd; Harsh Pati Singhania, Vice Chairman and Managing Director of JK Paper Ltd; and Rajive Kaul, Chairman of Nicco Engineering Services Ltd. P

Balaji, Chief Regulatory and Corporate Affairs Officer of Vodafone Idea Ltd, made the concluding remarks.

The LMA awards ceremony also took place on the concluding day of the convention.

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