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INDIA DAY AT PARLIAMENT

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Boris Johnson
UK Prime Minister
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It’s been a few weeks since UK-India Week, which featured our 6th annual India Inc. Leaders’ Summit, a glittering Awards evening, and the first-ever India Day at the Houses of Parliament. I am delighted to share with you the many highlights and key takeaways from this year’s excellent deliberations.

You will see from the following pages that with the support of friends like you, our landmark events are growing from strength to strength. They have become an established feature in the global Indian business and policy calendar. We also continue to receive extensive media coverage in the UK, India, and now, increasingly, across the world. This year we had over 200 media articles written about our events and quoting our content.

This year, like every year, had over 1,000 participants and many high-quality speakers and discussions across the Week. Keynote addresses and participation included former CIA Director General David H. Petraeus, India’s External Affairs Minister, Dr S Jaishankar, UK Chancellor of Exchequer Sajid Javid, UK Home Secretary Priti Patel, BJP National General Secretary Ram Madhav, Indian Opposition leader and author Dr Shashi Tharoor, and an array of business leaders from over 14 countries.

We have endeavoured to capture the key takeaways from each of the blockbuster interactions. Sessions and speaker interviews are also available in full on the India Inc. YouTube channel.

To coincide with the Week, the influential House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee launched its hard-hitting Report on relations with India, which also generated a lot of interest.

I was especially proud to launch the 3rd edition of our ‘100 Most Influential in UK-India Relations’, which this year was a list comprising entirely of amazing women from all walks of life. I was also delighted to have been able to present a Lifetime Achievement Award to veteran BBC journalist Sir Mark Tully, who has for over five decades covered India extensively and has been known as the ‘Voice of India’.

Another proud moment for me was to announce a contribution by India Inc. to Childline, through our chosen Social Impact Partner, the British Asian Trust, that will support over 500 vulnerable children in India who live in fear of abduction and child slavery.

Building on the success of our work in the UK, I am pleased that in September we will be launching a North America edition of our monthly ‘India Global Business’ magazine, to complement our UK and Global editions. All our publications and event details are available on the India Inc. app, which we launched earlier this year.

Finally, I am pleased to announce that the dates for UK-India Week 2020 have now been confirmed. Please block your diaries for 22 to 26 June 2020. Registration and sponsorship details will be featured on our website www.indiaincgroup.com shortly.

I am sure you will find the following pages of interest. I very much hope that you will be able to spare a few moments to share your ideas and suggestions on how India Inc. can work more closely with you and your organisation to build a great winning partnership.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Manoj Ladwa
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Founder & CEO
India Inc.
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What They Say

“India Inc. provides a great gateway to opportunities between the UK and India. Its publications and events are excellent and unique in bringing the very best of both our countries together.

Hon. Nitin Gadkari
Indian Minister for Road Transport, Highways & Shipping; and Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises

“The UK-India Awards look to the future and gives this amazing partnership between our two great nations a new dimension.

Rt Hon Priti Patel MP
UK Secretary of State for the Home Department

“It is clear from the wealth of topics and debates taking place across UK-India Week that the partnership between these two great nations will continue to develop and grow.

Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP
Former UK Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

“The UK-India Awards are a brilliant initiative by Manoj. Emerging India is the land of opportunity and scale and these Awards will help you to be part of this fantastic transformation.

Hon. Piyush Goyal
Indian Minister for Commerce & Industry and Railways

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Hon. Nitin Gadkari
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Thank you very much for involving me in so much of the India Inc. Leaders’ Summit. I can honestly say that it is the best organised and most useful series of events I have come across in a very long time!

Tim Jones CBE
Executive Director, TATA Limited

This is an excellent initiative by Manoj Ladwa and his team. The UK and India have had a strong bilateral relationship for many decades now; but such an initiative has been long overdue.

Ram Madhav
National General Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party, India

This event is great. We can talk about the things we can be doing together, meet like-minded people and progress some of these ideas into action.

Sunil Patel
COO & Head of Capabilities for Technology & Investments, PwC

The event has been great with fabulous panel discussions. I really enjoyed learning more about the UK-India Partnership.

Anand Verma
CEO, Brilliant Basics, European Head of Digital Services, Infosys

UK-India Week has been very stimulating - seeing the UK-India relationship through various lenses has been great food for thought.

Ged Byrne
Director, Health Education England
At A Glance

- **Business leaders and decision-makers** in attendance across the week: +1000
- **Media articles and interviews** published: +200
- **High-profile speakers**: +100
- **Sponsors and Partners**: 18
- **Business and policy forums/roundtables**: 7
Press Coverage

UK-India Week 2019 was covered by over 200 print and broadcast media across the UK and India, including:

- UK is ‘falling behind’ in race to engage with a ‘rising India’, MPs Warn
- Modi has united India like no other Prime Minister in Decades
- Narendra Modi's India can be a valuable partner for Britain in tumultuous times
- UK-India Week 2019: Setting the pace for winning partnerships
- Mark Tully gets 'Lifetime Achievement Award' for role in UK-India ties
- UK not engaging enough with rising India, says key panel
- Ola, OYO on UK-India awards shortlist
- Nirmala Sitharamn among 100 most influential in UK power list
- Britain is a steadfast friend of India: UK Minister

Other Coverage

- BBC Radio
- Firstpost
- HuffPost
- BusinessCloud
We Need India Like Never Before

Time magazine does a u-turn, says 'Modi has united India'

Ease migration rules for Indians to win post-Brexit deals, say MPs

UK needs to boost India relations to seal trade deals

NHS Digital chief executive listed in 100 most influential women in UK India relations

Pakistan's large-scale terrorism industry prevents it from behaving like normal neighbour: S Jaishankar
Overview

The UK-India Week 2019 set the pace for the two global nations’ bold, winning partnership.

The Week launched with the first-of-its-kind India Day at Parliament, a day of discussion and incisive debate tackling issues central to the future of the global partnership, followed by the launch of the 3rd edition of ‘100 Most Influential in UK India Relations’.

This was followed by the India Inc. Leaders’ Summit, a two-day exchange of enterprise, innovation and dialogue, which brought together over 500 international business leaders, change-makers and entrepreneurs to discuss and debate new and emerging opportunities for investment and collaboration.

The Week concluded with the UK-India Awards, our annual star-studded show celebrating people and organisations who, with their worldwide influence, are creating new frontiers for the UK-India partnership. This year’s Awards brought together over 350 senior leaders from business, politics, philanthropy, arts, culture and media.
India Inc. hosted its first-ever India Day at the Houses of Parliament featuring a full day of lively debate including two roundtables around the Conservative and Labour Party’s respective engagement in the UK-India sphere and vision for transforming the global partnership. It concluded with the launch of the 3rd edition of the UK-India ‘100 Most Influential in UK-India Relations’.

The UK Parliament’s Foreign Affairs Committee (FAC) launched its seminal ‘Building Bridges: Reawakening UK-India Ties’ report to coincide with the launch of UK-India Week 2019.

Two roundtables hosted by the Labour and Conservative parties, respectively.

Special addresses by Rt Hon. Amber Rudd MP, Secretary of State for Work and Pensions; Tom Tugendhat MP, Chair FAC; HE Ruchi Ghanashyam, the Indian High Commissioner to the UK; and Lord Jitesh Gadhia.
UK-India Week is a wonderful reminder of the ties the UK and India share. One thing is certain, that Britain is a steadfast friend of India and vice versa.

Rt Hon Amber Rudd MP
Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, UK

UK-India Week is about bringing out the strength of our mutually beneficial relationship.”

HE Ruchi Ghanashyam
Indian High Commissioner to the UK
India Inc. co-hosted and curated two exclusive policy roundtables with the Labour Party and the Conservative Party

Supported by British Foreign Policy Group

The Labour Party Roundtable

The Labour Party roundtable covered a broad range of strategic and business issues relating to the partnership and was chaired by Barry Gardiner MP, Shadow Secretary of State for International Trade. One of the participants was keen to emphasise the extraordinary cultural and economic ties that London has with India. Some of the other highlights included:

- Migration and flagging existing UK government policies that lead to India questioning if the UK is keen on Indian business but not its people.
- Theresa May’s 2016 trip was highly anticipated, seen as her going to pave the way for a Free Trade Agreement. But in her first press conference she talked about Indians ‘overstaying’ their welcome in the UK.
- The 600,000 people of Indian origin in London are the living bridge between London and India. How can the UK foster this relationship further?

The Conservative Party Roundtable

The Conservative Party roundtable was chaired by Rt Hon Priti Patel MP, who has since taken charge as UK Home Secretary in the Boris Johnson led government. This meeting focused more heavily on many of the missed opportunities flagged in the FAC’s Global Britain & India inquiry report as well as the decision to scrap the post of a dedicated Indian Diaspora Champion. Other specific points included:

- The social impact agenda is gaining momentum in India whilst the UK is already a leader in this area. India is keen to engage with the UK from this perspective.
- London is well poised to become the development finance capital of the world.
- It’s clear India wants more technology for defence. While countries like Russia have been willing to engage in a meaningful partnership, there’s a perception that the UK has not.
- The UK government has consistently tried to justify the policy of getting rid of post-study work visas for Indian students in the UK. This is hugely counter-productive and can cause economic harm through loss of talent.
‘100 UK India’ is an exclusive list of key influencers that enrich and make the UK-India relationship tick. The list is a result of painstaking research by our expert editorial team and profiles influential people in business, policy, the arts, culture and media.
Celebrating Women

The 3rd edition featuring an all-women list of the ‘100 Most Influential in UK-India Relations’ was launched at a special evening reception at the House of Commons. The 2019 list features the pioneers, thought leaders and influencers in the winning partnership between the UK and India.

2019 Highlights

- All-women list.
- Special address by UK Chancellor of the Exchequer, Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP.
- Special addresses by Dawn Butler MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Women & Equalities; Vicky Ford MP; Suneeta Reddy, MD Apollo Hospitals Group; among other business and diplomatic figures on the need for greater gender balance in business.
I am both grateful and delighted to have the opportunity to feature in the first-ever all-women ‘100 Most Influential in UK India Relations’

Poonam Gupta OBE
CEO, PG Paper

It was a real honour to be included in the ‘100 Most Influential in UK India Relations’. Thank you for your ambition, enthusiasm and stirring words at the launch!

Antonia Romeo
Permanent Secretary at the Department for International Trade, UK

Thank you for featuring me in this elite list; I am deeply honoured.

Zarin Darulla
CEO, Standard Chartered Bank

Many many thanks for including me in the ‘100 Most Influential in UK India Relations’ — and congratulations on the great idea of an all women’s list !!! Such a refreshing change.

Lady Kishwar Desai
Chair, The Arts And Cultural Heritage Trust

Thank you for this very prestigious inclusion in the ‘100 Most Influential in UK India Relations’ women leaders list for 2019; it is a shot in the arm for me and our work at British Council, to keep at it and to work with renewed vigour to create opportunities for people worldwide.”

Janaka Pushpanathan,
Director, South India, British Council
The landmark event for global Indian affairs, the India Inc. Leaders’ Summit is an annual, two-day exchange of enterprise, innovation and dialogue convening business leaders, changemakers and entrepreneurs to enhance collaboration. Tackling critical areas of trade, investment and partnership, the Summit is the leading exchange of emerging ideas in every sector.
What They Say

"UK-India Week is a much-needed concept. The Leaders’ Summit brings together thought leaders from both sides to answer some of the toughest questions. I’m very happy to be part of these conversations."

Debjani Ghosh
President, NASSCOM

"Lots of interesting speakers and great debate. Manoj has found a niche and filled it. UK-India Week brings people together from around the world. It’s a winner!"

Fergus Auld
Head, Department of South Asia, Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK

"The UK-India Week 2019 is a great event, full of people looking for opportunity and collaboration. The highlight for me is to see real opportunities coming together with real people to accelerate the pace of this great alliance."

Jacqueline de Rojas CBE
President, techUK

"I really enjoyed the opportunity to hear presentations by leaders from both countries, and to meet people from a very wide range of backgrounds. A very successful event organised by highly professional and helpful staff. Keep up the great work."

Professor Mala Rao
Senior Clinical Fellow, Imperial College London

"What a great event the Leader’s Summit was! I was overwhelmed by the calibre of attendees and quality of conversation."

Shoma Jamil
Head, UK-India Tech Hub International Digital Strategy
About the Moderators

Day one of India Inc. Leaders’ Summit was hosted by BBC presenter, Ben Thompson

Ben has reported from all over the world for the BBC covering stories in Asia, the Middle East, Europe and America. Now based back in the UK, Ben presents on Breakfast as well as co-hosting Business Live, the BBC’s daily business programme which is broadcast around the world on the BBC News Channel and BBC World News.

Day two of India Inc. Leaders’ Summit was hosted by Declan Curry, Former BBC News Presenter

Declan Curry has been a writer and broadcaster for more than twenty-five years. He has presented programmes and reported for BBC radio and television over two decades, in the UK and for global audiences. He has won several awards for his broadcasting and is an honorary doctor of Middlesex University in London.
India’s Big Bang Moment?
New markets and trends driving India’s global aspirations

Summary
India, though one of the fastest growing economies in the world, still has a long way to go before it fulfils its true potential. It is adapting to newer markets, technological opportunities and is evolving in the way it handles its relations with strategic partners such as the UK. How can India truly harness its strengths and opportunities? Is this a big-bang moment for India on the world stage? How can the UK remain relevant in this journey?

• India’s transformation will be its investment in human capital and the transformation of its people. The solutions that India finds can be the template for developing nations around the world.
• India is building itself as a digital superpower whose structure will democratise participation in all aspects of Indian business and society.
• The UK has a huge role to play in India’s transformation through skills exchange. Brexit is an opportunity to reset the tone with which the UK approaches this.

Key Takeaways

Speakers

Shaurya Doval
Managing Director, Zeus Capital

Dr Samir Saran
President, Observer Research Foundation

Catherine McGuinness
Policy Chair, City of London

Crispin Simon
UK Trade Commissioner, Deputy High Commissioner, Western India
Innovation At A Crossroads
Is it time to put limits on innovation?

Summary

Does increased automation present a threat to job creation or does it provide unexplored opportunities? Automation is changing the nature of more and more jobs, with workstations becoming remote and skill requirements changing at rapid speed. How do businesses prepare for the future? What skills does a future workforce need to integrate in order to keep up with this seismic change? Or is it time to put on the brakes?

Speakers

Jacqueline de Rojas CBE
President, techUK

Debjani Ghosh
President, NASSCOM

Lord Jonathan Marland
Chair, Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council

Anand Verma
CEO, Brilliant Basics and European Head of Digital Services, Infosys

Key Takeaways

• The skills gap is one of the biggest challenges and opportunities for almost every country in the world and a much more pressing issue than the ‘Rise of the Robots’.
• Diversity is a must for the workforces of the future.
• Start-ups are the next big focus for job creation in India. As automation increases, new innovations will be required to keep people in work.
Summary

With the Bharatiya Janata Party’s (BJP) recent landslide general election win, Ram Madhav, National General Secretary, BJP discussed the Party’s future plans, Modi 2.0, what lessons the UK can borrow from the Indian General election and the road ahead for the bilateral relationship.

- The Indian election mandate is not a post-truth emotion-based mandate, as projected by some international media; it’s a good governance mandate.
- Don’t look at India just as a market, but a place where you design, develop and manufacture holistically.
- The UK-India relationship is on a robust, strong footing and will continue to grow - but Brexit and political uncertainty are creating challenges.

“Don’t look at India just as a market, but a place where you design, develop and manufacture.”

Ram Madhav
National General Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party
PM Modi’s New India vision sees India at the forefront of the digital manufacturing age.

India has a big opportunity to take the lead in the electric vehicles space.

Data at affordable rates has been instrumental in driving inclusivity across Indian society.

Summary

UK innovators are leading the charge on some of the key components of the so-called ‘Fourth Industrial Revolution’ involving the Cloud, the Internet of Things, and Artificial Intelligence. While India has reaped benefits from the Third Industrial Revolution (digital technology), it is still significantly agrarian, with manufacturing output relatively low as a percentage of GDP. What are the areas where India needs to take a quantum leap? How can a close partnership with countries like the UK help?

Key Takeaways

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Speakers

**Keynote Speaker**

Baba Kalyani
Chairman & Managing Director, Bharat Forge

Patrick Horgan
Director, Global Government Relations, Rolls Royce plc

Tim Jones CBE
Executive Director
Tata Ltd

Sunil Patel
COO & Head of Capabilities for Technology & Investments PwC
Summary

Just three weeks into his appointment as Narendra Modi’s Minister of External Affairs, S. Jaishankar gives a privileged view into the thinking of the new government on a range of foreign policy issues including Brexit, India’s stance on Pakistan and the ongoing rise of Chinese global influence.

Key Takeaways

- The UK a very important economic partner of India; but India is also an is a very important partner investor and job creator in the U.K. – it is a two-way street.
- New demands are coming out of India and not just economic in nature; it will be a more digital India, a more gender conscious India and an India promoting a sharper start-up culture.
- Pakistan does not behave like a normal neighbour for India. But this is not a challenge India should be addressing alone because the effects have global repercussions.

“Digital India is promoting a sharper start-up culture.”

S. Jaishankar
Minister of External Affairs, India
Democratic India will not swoop in and buy up African governments in the way that China is sometimes perceived to have been doing.

Dr Shashi Tharoor
Member of Parliament, India
Summary

The defence and security apparatus of both the UK and India are having to adjust to a rapidly shifting technological and geopolitical landscape. Aggressive innovation in cyber security is the response to unexpected threats that have put democratic powers on the back foot. Similarly, with India’s recent announcement of space defence capability, is this a moment for the UK and India to commit to a more ambitious future relationship in security cooperation? What could be the impediments?

- India is not looking to engage in an arms race in space but is looking to build up a deterrence.
- Cyber power has not only a defensive element – but an offensive element as well. This is going to be a crucial aspect of future digital warfare.
- India is still dependent on the support of many countries for cyber security but is investing in its own capability. The UK has scope to play a key supporting role here.

Key Takeaways

Speakers

Keynote Speaker

Alok Joshi
Member, India’s National Security Advisory Board; Former Head of India’s Research & Analysis Wing

Rahul Roy-Chaudhury
Senior Fellow, South Asia, International Institute for Strategic Studies

Ram Madhav
National General Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party
Globalisation of Indian Media

Summary

In recent years, the size and reach of the Indian media industry has increased significantly due to the increase in local demand. As the media industry matures, its ambitions are now global. Digitisation has also opened the doors for it to meet the demand from Indians and the Indian diaspora. How does Indian media intend to reach out to its audience outside India? Is this the right time for media industry to be looking at global expansion? Are international media companies focusing on India better placed to address the global audience?

Key Takeaways

- India will be the media capital of the world in the next ten years.
- True localisation of news is taking place in India.
- Technology, democracy, youth and the English language are a fantastic concoction for growth.
- Indian language content will be the biggest driver for media expansion in India

Speakers

**Arnab Goswami**  
Managing Director, Republic TV  
(via video conference)

**Umang Bedi**  
President, Daily Hunt

**Manoj Ladwa**  
Founder & CEO, India Inc. Group
The Diaspora: India’s 30th State
Leveraging an untapped global influence

Summary

There are more than 30 million people of Indian origin living in virtually every country outside of India. Representing a diverse geographical spread and skill set, more and more members of the Indian diaspora are keen to contribute to India’s growth story. Can the Indian diaspora go beyond cheering at Wembley Stadium and hold the key to leveraging India’s soft power across the world? How do countries like the UK, which is home to over 1.5 million British Indians, respond and engage?

Speakers

Keynote
Dr Vijay Chauthaiwale
Head of Foreign Affairs, Bharatiya Janata Party & Member Atal Innovation

Nisha Biswal
President, US India Business Council; Former Assistant Secretary of State for South/Central Asia (via video conference)

Fergus Auld
Head, Department of South Asia, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Dipen Rughani
Managing Director, Newland Global Group, Australia

Key Takeaways

- The role of the diaspora is that of informal ambassadors for India on the world stage.
- The Indian diaspora in the United States is now close to 3 million and has seen a remarkable journey over the last couple of decades. Indians are now present in every aspect of American culture and society.
- 700,000 Australians are of Indian origin – the largest group of skilled migrants in Australia which will double in number in next ten years. Yet this group is yet to be properly represented politically and could learn from UK and US in this.
Summary

With India’s drive towards universal quality healthcare through Ayushman Bharat, the UK’s cutting-edge expertise, and the prominence of Indian origin professionals in the NHS, the potential synergies in UK and Indian healthcare are clearly immense. However, are healthcare providers really serious about collaboration? Are the two countries matching up to the pace of global change and innovation? Can they open the doors to truly global opportunities?

Key Takeaways

- Healthcare is one of the largest sectors of the Indian economy. India is looking to invest $200bn in medical infrastructure in the next 5 years.
- Proper induction for international doctors and nurses is crucial if they are to succeed in the NHS.
- India and the UK both have huge demographic challenges coming in their respective healthcare sectors and must create strategies to address these.

Speakers

Keynote
Baroness Dido Harding
Chair, NHS Improvement

Noel Gordon
Chair, NHS Digital

Dr Ramesh Mehta
President, British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin

Ged Byrne
Director, Global Engagement, Health Education England

Dr Aman Puri
Consul General of India, Birmingham

Moderator
Dr Dev Chauhan
National Medical Director’s Clinical Fellow, NHS England & AoMRC
We’re Doing It Our Way
India Inc. Inspiring Journeys Series

Summary

An in-depth discussion filled with insights and banter with the famous mother and son duo who are making waves as they build their business globally and resolve intergenerational conflict points along the way. Businesswoman, Dr Jyotsna Suri, and her business partner and LGBTQ rights activist son, Keshav Suri, talked candidly about their family, Keshav’s coming out, making their business more inclusive and the highs and lows of running a family business.

Key Takeaways

- Bharat Hotels to develop budget hotels and expand into Tier 2 cities in India.
- Lack of effective diversity and inclusion policies in a country can cost it anywhere from 0.1 to 1.7% of GDP in lost productivity.
- Liberalisation of India’s laws regarding homosexuality can now free up exchange of tourism between the LGBTQ communities of the UK and India.

“One way to open minds was to make a change in the boardroom of my own company.”

Keshav Suri
Executive Director, LaLiT Hotels
Summary

Brand India is addressing old challenges and exploring new opportunities. A slew of difficult, but much needed reforms, which have helped break some shackles of legacy laws and red tape, have set the Indian economy on an upward trajectory. The participants in this session are driving big bets on India in their respective ways. What has driven their decision making in the last few years? What do they think will sustain global investor interest in the Indian economy? What are their predictions for the Indian economy in the next two to three decades?

Speakers

Keynote

Dr Rajiv Kumar
Vice- Chair, NITI Aayog
(via video conference)

Sanjay Nayar
CEO, KKR India

Dimitris Tsitsiragos
Senior Advisor Emerging Markets, PIMCO

Sujoy Bose
CEO, National Investment & Infrastructure Fund

Key Takeaways

- The Indian industrial space offers the most attractive opportunities for foreign investment into India.
- Prime Minister Modi has promised that every Indian will have drinking water by 2025. But only 25% of households have that currently. This provides a huge infrastructure investment opportunity.
- A huge demand in air travel offers another major opportunity for foreign investors.
In recent years, digitisation in India has inspired entrepreneurs globally. One of the most prominent by-products of this are the successful tech businesses emerging in the country. A few of these go on to join the elite group of so called “Unicorns”. The average time taken by start-ups to reach the $1 billion club in India is five to seven years, second only to China where it is four to six years. The technology sector in India saw the creation of eight Unicorns in 2018 alone. What aspirations does an India born Unicorn have? Is it global growth or domestic domination? Where will the next wave of Unicorns come from?

Key Takeaways

- The most fundamental change being seen in India is a change of mindset. Mentality is as important as the infrastructure that surrounds it.
- Talent Alignment and Prioritisation (TAP) is a fundamental formula of success.
- The hardest challenge is finding AI and data scientists to keep up with the rapid changes and expansion of tech all over the world. Exchange of people and skills between the UK and India could help both countries stay ahead.

Speakers

**Keynote**

*Debjani Ghosh*
President, NASSCOM

**Umang Bedi**
President, Daily Hunt

**Bhavin Turakhia**
Founder Radix, CodeChef, Founder & CEO Flock & Zeta

**Anand Shah**
Senior Vice President, Ola & Co-Founder, Ola Electric

**Munish Varma**
Managing Partner EMEA, SoftBank Vision Fund
Reform and Transform
The coming of age of India’s financial sector

Summary
The Indian financial sector is going through an upheaval. It is getting integrated with global finance like never before. Indian companies increasingly look towards global sources of capital. At the same time, Indian firms are seeking to compete globally in FinTech innovation and global business banking. What are businesses demanding from financial institutions in order to compete effectively? What are the experiences faced by global financial firms when they dip their toes into the Indian market? What more must the Indian Government do to encourage investment into India?

Speakers

Keynote
Senator Ian Gorst
Minister of External Relations, Government of Jersey

BV Krishnan
Member, Capital Markets, KKR & CEO KKR India Financial Services

Loknath Mishra
Managing Director & CEO, ICICI Bank

Mohit Joshi
President, Infosys UK

Anjalika Bardalai
Chief Economist, TheCityUK

Mihir Kapadia
CEO, Sun Global investments

Key Takeaways
- It is important to have great collaboration between government, business and regulators. Especially in financial services, which is highly regulated.
- If you can marry the strengths of London’s financial sector with the digital infrastructure in India, then you have a unique partnership.
- The India-UK financial partnership has been running since 2014 to deepen cooperation at the bilateral level with fintech at its heart.
Summary

As India seeks to take its place at the top table of world diplomacy and business, how does the world view India? How should the world view India? In this wide ranging and captivating exchange - delving into India-US relations, Brexit, China’s ambitions and the threats of terror and climate change, General David H Petraeus will share his candid insights, drawing on decades of experience on the frontline of business, politics, and conflict.

Speakers

General David H Petraeus
Member & Chairman, KKR Global Institute, Former CIA Director

Lord Jitesh Gadhia
Member of the House of Lords & Investment Banker

Key Takeaways

- From the US perspective, the Indian tiger needs to be very firm with the Chinese dragon but not unduly provocative.
- Pakistan has failed to acknowledge that the existential threat to Pakistan is not India, it is the insurgents within the country.
- UK-India relations need to move beyond the nostalgia and hangover of the Jewel in the Crown era, as India is now poised for its breakout economic moment.
Summary

Successful Indian multinationals, with their global ambitions, need to be on top of frontier technologies in their sector. This requires significant R&D expenditure and strategic investments into the right partners across the globe. How do top executives choose their partners? What are the benefits that the investee companies enjoy?

Key Takeaways

• Ultimately, what comes highest on the list of priorities for investors is synergistic values. It’s about compatibility and what the investor can bring.

• Finding incubators is difficult in India, and there is little mentorship for start-ups. The government has reformed some of these challenges but there is a way to go.

• The value of innovation comes from the value and commercialisation of a start-up’s IP. India’s innovation growth has improved under the Modi government.

Speakers

Babita Ambekar
Partner, Head of India Practice (Corporate) DWF LLP

Dr Vijay Chauthaiwale
Head of Foreign Affairs, Bharatiya Janata Party & Member Atal Innovation

Hemal Shah
Director of International Policy, US Chamber of Commerce’s Global Innovation Policy Center

Roshan Shetty
Head of FS for Benelux, Switzerland and Nordics, Infosys

Anish Patel
Leader, UK-India Group, PwC
The Buzz is Real: the UK, India and Tech Collaborations

Summary

Technology has played a pivotal factor in building the bridge between the UK and India. The UK-India Tech Partnership, which was set up by the two Prime Ministers in 2018, provided a fillip to this activity. How can the UK and India push this relationship to lead on tech? What will be the next frontier in tech for these two nations?

• The focus on technology of Digital India has facilitated a new generation of technology focused start-ups.
• The tech partnership between the UK and India reduces barriers to entry for starting up a business.
• India has become a highly innovative society with a capacity for innovation on very limited comparative resources.

Key Takeaways

Speakers

Keynote

Amitabh Kant
CEO, NITI Aayog
(via video conference)

Amo Kalar
Deputy Director, Trade & Innovation, British High Commission, New Delhi

Gus Bartholomew
Co-founder
SupplyCompass

Tom Adeyoola
Founder & CEO, Metail
Summary
The journey of India has been as fascinating as it has been at times frustrating for its well-wishers. In this blockbuster concluding session of the Summit, two of the biggest commentators and thinkers on India will, through their own personal journeys, debate the irony that is India, and what the future holds for what will soon be the most populous country on Earth.

Key Takeaways
- 21st century India is aspirational, proactive and restless. It has broken many of its old conventions and is not the country it was fifty years ago.
- Innovation need not be at the global level. In India, innovation is happening at the village level today.
- India is India not just because of its tradition of pluralism, but because it validates and celebrates diversity. It is important it never loses sight of this tradition.

Speakers
Ram Madhav  
National General Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party

Sir Mark Tully  
Former Bureau Chief of the BBC, New Delhi
As aid budgets of developed nations get stretched or national priorities change, the role of corporates and family offices in addressing development challenges has hugely increased. Could the Indian experience offer insights and opportunities for more effective giving?

**Key Takeaways**

- Private sector social impact investing is fundamental to economic growth and development.
- Countries need to focus on finding models of development which use technology to ensure a far larger impact.
- UK and India need to combat strategic risks over the next five years by investing in research and adapting their businesses.

**Private sector social impact investing is fundamental to economic growth and development.**
The Observer Research Foundation’s (ORF) session at UK-India Week 2019, the Africa-UK-India Forum, was designed as a forum that explored the trilateral relationship between these three key geographies. The session featured a keynote address and two panel discussions.

**Key Takeaways**

- There is profound neglect of macroeconomic challenges in African countries. Governments and global institutions like the IMF have not addressed them. There is a pressing need to do so, especially today.
- Opportunities in Africa have to be geographically strategic: The countries where prospects for growth and collaboration exist have to be specifically defined.
- The single biggest victory of the Commonwealth will be sharing and learning from stories of failure, which are bigger teachers than success stories.
- Regulatory exchanges between the three geographies are crucial. We need different voices and different actors that come together for the common good. The role of the state, especially the regulatory state, is undergoing a fundamental transformation – a transformation that enables us to rethink the way we envision the state and its policies.
- Growth paths cannot be adhered to without addressing problems of inequality and climate change. When talking about multilateral partnerships, issues of energy transitions, SDGs, and governance must be addressed too.
Legal services are in no way immune to the rapid changes affecting so many industries in the modern global economy. To what extent will technological advancements such as AI and automation impact the delivery of legal services? Will these and other developments force changes in the structure of law firms and is this already happening? Will recent developments to liberalise the Indian legal services market impact the delivery of legal services in India to non-Indian clients and are these expected to take place more rapidly with the new Government?

- There is a question over the relevance of liberalisation of legal services in India due to the ability of international law firms to increasingly operate client relationships remotely, especially with the advent of technology.
- Even with technological advances, human input in sophisticated legal advisory matters will continue to be in demand.
- The value of AI in legal services was acknowledged as a far superior capability to existing manual processes. The need to address inherent programming bias was raised as a point to note in AI’s increasing use.
Healthcare – UK-India Workforce Collaboration
Curated by Health Education England and The British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin

As an in-depth extension of the discussions that took place during the Future of Healthcare session, particularly with regards to workforce, BAPIO chaired a separate roundtable discussed the many changes and challenges that global healthcare professionals are undergoing. They delved the action that the UK and Indian healthcare industries are taking to address these and how they can learn from each other.

- It is estimated the global shortfall of health workers will be 18 million by 2030. The NHS currently has 100,000 vacancies and needs to improve on retention of its existing workforce and international recruitment.
- A more robust induction programme and pastoral support is vital to support international medical graduates. Better integration to the NHS would enable clinicians to deliver high quality and compassionate care.
- The future role and responsibilities of a doctor will be very different given the emerging role of technology and AI. The NHS has embraced this by leading a programme called ‘Building a digital ready workforce’ in addition to creating the NHS Digital Academy.

Key Takeaways

Bridging UK-India the Creative Way
Curated by Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry

The India and UK have a rich and vibrant relationship collaborating on trade, technology, investments. There is a need for the Creative Industry on either side to engage more to understand the perceived challenges of investing in this space and opportunities for leveraging India’s soft power.

- Big players in the visual effects business have opened studios in India due to skill, English language ability and cost.
- There is a need to show the layers of Indian culture more through broadcasts.
- There is a need for more platforms which give British Asian artists an opportunity to represent Indian culture.
The UK-India Awards is an exclusive event celebrating the winning partnership with a star-studded cast of VIP guests, celebrated entertainers and influential figures from business and the public sphere.

Veteran Journalist and former BBC Bureau Chief, Sir Mark Tully KBE wins the Lifetime Achievement Award at UK-India Awards 2019.
2019 Highlights

Biggest Night in the UK-India Corridor
Hosted by Lovelda Vincenzi
10 Sponsors and Partners
13 Winners, including 3 Publisher’s Awards
Over 350 high profile guests
This is the most amazing event ever. Thank you so much for the wonderful recognition.

Kunal Nayyar, Actor

It was such a privilege and honour for me to receive my award – it means so much to me, recognising the 16 years of work I have put into promoting UK-India relations on so many fronts.”

Lord Karan Bilimoria, Chairman, Cobra Beer

Lord Karan Bilimoria accepts a special award for significant contribution to UK-India relations at the UK-India Awards 2019

A performance by Akademi, winner of the Special Arts and Culture Award for Troth at UK-India Awards 2019

Singer Chirag Rao performs at the the UK-India Awards 2019

Hollywood actor Kunal Nayyar wins the Global Indian Icon Award at the UK-India Awards 2019
Thank you for the honour and privilege you bestowed on us. Thank you for creating a memorable event at the UK-India Awards and honouring Akademi’s work. We will cherish these memories forever.

Mira Kaushik
Artistic Director, Akademi

Thank you very much, not only for the Lifetime Award you have given me, but also for the very warm reception I received from the very large gathering at UK-India Awards. Congratulations on an outstandingly successful UK-India Week 2019.

Sir Mark Tully KBE
Former BBC Bureau Chief, New Delhi

On behalf of my team I would like to thank as well as congratulate you for yet another stellar evening. The style and gravitas that you put into anything you do is absolutely above all benchmarks.

Digvijay Singh
Area Director UK and General Manager, Taj Hotels
UK-India Awards Winners and Nominees

Deal of the Year Nominees
- EverSource Capital / Lightsource BP - WINNER
- Energy Efficiency Services Ltd (EESL) / Edina
- Actis
- Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board

Market Entrant of the Year
- OYO Hotels & Homes - WINNER
- Ola UK
- Kolte Patil
- Taj Vivanta

Start-up of the Year
- Maanch - WINNER
- Envopap
- Supplycompass
- BuffaloGrid

Fund of the Year
- The SoftBank Vision Fund - WINNER
- EverSource Capital
- Unicorn Ascension Fund
- APIS Partners LLP
- Ashoka India Equity Investment Trust

Trade & Investment Promotion Agency of the Year
- Manchester India Partnership - WINNER
- techUK
- Trade and Invest Wales
- City of London Corporation
UK-India Awards Winners and Nominees

Law Firm of the Year
- Baker McKenzie - WINNER
- Ashurst LLP
- Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP
- Stephenson Harwood
- DLA Piper

Finance Organisation of the Year
- AXIS Bank Limited - WINNER
- Sun Global Investments Ltd
- Santander Corporate & Commercial
- Barclays India

Social Impact Project of the Year
- BT - WINNER
- John Lewis
- Neev Fund
- BP

Consultancy Firm of Year
- Sannam S4 Ltd - WINNER
- Kingston Smith
- PwC
- Grant Thornton UK LLP
- Deloitte UK

Special Arts & Culture Award
- The Troth – Akademi - WINNER
Shalni Arora is the CEO of Savannah Wisdom, a private family charitable foundation. She is also the winner of the Beacon Award for Philanthropy.

Deborah D’Aubney joined Rolls-Royce in March 2013 and currently holds a senior leadership role heading a team of 200 people within the Group Business Services organisation.

Ruth Davidson is the MSP for Edinburgh Central and the Leader of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist party.

Rt Hon. Patricia Hewitt is currently the chair of the Advisory Board for the Oxford India Centre for Sustainable Development. She is the former Chair of the UK India Business Council and long-serving UK Cabinet Minister.

Gina Miller is a transparency campaigner and businesswoman, who co-founded the wealth management firm SCM Direct. More recently, Gina founded and ran End the Chaos, a campaign seeking to equip members of the public with clarity on the Brexit process.

Falguni Nayar is the Founder of Nykaa.com and the Founding Member of the Asia Society in India and one of Fortune India’s 50 Most Powerful Women in Business in 2018.
Now, in its second successful year, the India Inc. UK Internship Programme is a fantastic opportunity for ambitious young people with an interest in media, public relations, business and international relations to work for a prestigious organisation, which has been at the centre of promoting the UK India bilateral relationship.
"I had a great time working behind-the-scenes of a huge event with a clear amount of international prestige. It was a great experience working with high-level guests and I would like to pursue more of this kind of work in the future!

Barney Weston, City, University of London

"I want to thank Manoj and the team for an incredible chance to work with successful individuals. This internship was very inspiring and helpful to my future. I am also very grateful to be able to observe how you operate and lead.

Atlan Nguyen, City, University of London

"Working for the UK-India Week 2019 was an amazing experience. The team is really understanding, let you take charge, allow you to make mistakes and help you whenever needed. You get to meet influential people and talk to them. This kind of access is only possible if you get a chance to work with a company like this!

Pragya Sood, City, University of London

"My internship experience with India Inc. has been fantastic, I was able to connect with so many different people and engage in a number of exciting tasks!

Azize Perez, Middlesex University

"The internship at India Inc. was an incredibly interesting experience. It allowed me to develop my interest in business. During those intense two weeks I got to meet many high-profile people in the UK-India arena and learn a lot about India. If you’re hard-working and ready for a challenge, I would strongly recommend applying for the India Inc. internship.

Julia Oprzondek, City, University of London

"Thank you for a lovely experience. The internship was very beneficial for me. And also fun and extremely rewarding. I had the opportunity to further enhance the skills necessary for the career that I would like.

Tejal Navnit, University of Roehampton
This splendid event celebrates the best in the UK-India relations and there is much to celebrate...Thank you for enriching the UK-India relationship in so many ways.

Theresa May  
Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

Thank you for all the important work you’re doing to strengthen the ties between the UK, London & India.

Sadiq Khan  
Mayor of London

India Inc. produce the most impactful events. Always a must attend.

Richard Hawkes  
CEO, British Asian Trust

This is a fantastic showcase for Indian business going global.

Lord Marland  
Chairman, Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council

It’s an honour to be recognised by India Inc. I’m truly humbled.

Patricia Hewitt  
Former UK Minister and Chair, UK India Business Council

You are fast emerging as India’s answer to Davos.

Umang Bedi  
President, Dailyhunt; Former CEO, Facebook Asia
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