

## Connect. Co-Create. Grow

Boardroom Session 15th June, 2023 10.00 am – 12.30 pm Guchhi, Hyatt Regency, Kolkata

(\*Tentative Programme Structure)

BIMSTEC represents a very important maritime geography and 2022 marks 25<sup>th</sup> year of its inception. To strengthen regional economic integration and promote B2B, B2G & G2G interactions, the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in association with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India is hosting the BIMSTEC Business Conclave in Kolkata, India during 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Hyatt Regency. As part of the main BIMSTEC event, we are organizing the 'BIMSTEC Start-Up Forum' on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023, from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM. It is a prime opportunity for startups to connect with leading ecosystem partners in BIMSTEC.

## **Inaugural Session**

10.00 am to 10.10 am	Welcome Address	Mr. J B Pany, Chairman, ICC Odisha State Council
10.10 am to	Guest of Honour	Shri Debashis Sen, IAS (Retd), Managing Director,
10.25 am	West Bengal: the Innovation	WBHIDCO Ltd
	Hub of Eastern India	
10:25 am to	Special Guest	Mr. Manjit Kumar Nayak, Director, STPI,
10:40 am	Building the next Unicorn:	Ministry of Electronics & Information
	Enabling tech startups for a	Technology, Government of India
	cross border footprint	
10:40 am to	Special Guest	Mr. Ravi Narasimham, Director, Investments,
10:55 am	Cross border VC funding:	Caspian Impact Investment Adviser Private
	Opportunities and	Limited, India

	Challenges in BIMSTEC	
10:55 am to	Vote of Thanks	Mr. Rajarshi Ghosh, Head, Economic Affairs &
11:05 am		Policy, ICC

11:10 am to 12:30 pm: Panel Discussion: "BIMSTEC Start-up Ecosystem: Creating value for Customers, Investors and the Economy"

Session Chair: Mr. Raghav Kanoria, Partner, Anchor Group Switzerland

## **Panelists:**

- Dr. Subhrangshu Sanyal, CEO, IIM Calcutta Innovation Park, India
- Mr. Worakan Kosolpisitkul Director of the Competitiveness Enhancement Division, Thailand Board of Investment
- Md. Moniruzzaman Khan, Head of Digital Business, Green Delta Insurance, Bangladesh
- Mr. Rikesh Gurung, Founder & MD, The Green Road, Bhutan
- Mr. Nalin Jayaraj Welgama, Founder & Executive Chairman, Ideal Group, Sri Lanka
- Mr. Subhadeep Sanyal, Partner, Omnivore, India
- Ms Juna Mathema, Chairperson, Startup & Innovation Forum, FNCCI Nepal
- Ms. Chuencheewan Ananthothai, Co-Founder and Chief Growth Officer at Globish Committee at Thai Startup Association, Globish Academia (Thailand) Co.
- Dr. Tej Chingtam, CEO, Atal Incubation Centre SMUTBI, India
- Syed Sadat Almas Kabir, MD, AyAl Corp Limited, Bangladesh

<sup>\*\*</sup>The programme will be followed by lunch

<sup>\*</sup> Indian Standard Time (IST)