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New State Initiatives

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The last one year has been another "mixed" one, for the economy in general and infrastructure in particular. Progress on some fronts, stagnancy on others and deterioration on a few.

For example, we have seen progress in roads, stagnancy in water and, arguably, deterioration in conventional power generation.

While programmes like Saubhagya have mostly met the targets, others like Amrut have, in many cases, failed to achieve them.

While some new sources of finance like sovereign funds and private equity funds are beginning to invest in operational projects, "conventional" sources like commercial banks are simply unwilling to lend any more to greenfield or stalled infrastructure projects.

While there are new dispute resolution processes and avenues, the bureaucracy is still wary of taking or accepting decisions and pushes everything to a judiciary that is overloaded and not always the best "last word". Meanwhile, projects and promoters face increasing costs, leading to unviability and financial distress.

While programmes like UDAY have sought to encourage fiscal discipline, the rush to waive loans or push spending is resulting in the opposite.

The upcoming election is, for sure, casting its shadow. While some fear that there will be no action or reforms for months, others are concerned that the government will throw money on populist but unworthy projects and initiatives.

The lack of political certainty means that once again we are resigned to waiting for the elections to be over, before we can hope for action and change.

The new government, regardless of party and regardless of its numbers, will hopefully be strong or brave or united enough to take bold new steps to push the pace of infrastructure development. Without getting rid of policies and programmes that work.

The mission of this Forum is to discuss what those steps are, by examining what has succeeded and what has failed, in terms of policies and programmes, in a dispassionate and candid manner. The outcomes of these discussions will be presented to the new/next government and, we very much hope, acted upon.



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# AGENDA (Tentative)



### Wednesday - April 10, 2019 (Day 3)

#### State Initiatives in Infrastructure Development

This meet will showcase infrastructure development initiatives and opportunities in states.

It will begin with an overview comparative analysis of infrastructure development in states, focusing on both opportunities and challenges facing state-led projects.

It will be followed by separate sessions with 4 to 6 states. The selection of states will depend partly upon the interest of the state in participating, the level of opportunity presented and its policies and programmes.

Each session will feature:

- A presentation by the state on new initiatives to develop infrastructure, focusing on opportunities for developers, investors and contractors
- \* Interaction among delegates and a top government figure
- There will be an opportunity for one-on-one meetings.



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The aim of the India Infrastructure Forum is to provide and develop a collaborative mechanism for key stakeholders – policymakers, developers, contractors, regulators, investors, etc.

The forum provides a platform to:

- \* Highlight key government initiatives and investment opportunities
- \* Discuss key issues faced by developers and investors
- \* Facilitate partnerships and improve understanding among different stakeholders

The India Infrastructure Forum is an initiative of India Infrastructure Publishing, which is a leading provider of information, analysis and insight on infrastructure sectors in India. We publish six magazines – *Power Line, Indian Infrastructure, Renewable Watch, tele.net, Gujarat Infrastructure* and *Smart Utilities*. We conduct over 50 conferences and produce 35 research reports a year. We have an online tracker and database of infrastructure projects, *India Infra Monitor*. We also have three global publications – *Global Mass Transit, Global Transmission* and *Southeast Asia Infrastructure*. Our products are recognised for their high quality and objectivity.

The forum has year-round engagement and activities, in addition to the flagship annual meeting in New Delhi.

The membership is open to policymakers, project developers, financial institutions and investors/financiers, EPC contractors, regulatory authorities, state government agencies, development institutions, technology providers, management consultants, legal firms, and other stakeholders.

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	After	
	March 18, 2019	
One delegate	Rs. 40,000	
Two delegate	Rs. 70,000	
Three delegate	Rs. 100,000	

Corporate Package\* Rs. 150,000 (\*Corporate package includes, one dedicated table, four delegate passes and one special guest invitation to the Chairman/CEO/MD)

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