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Uddishta – Pathway to a \$1 Trillion Sustainable Maharashtra

August 08, 2025 | 10:00 AM to 01:30 PM | Taj Santacruz, Mumbai

<p>10.00 am to 10.05 am</p>	<p>Welcome Address Mr. Sudhanshu Vats, Sr. Vice President, Bombay Chamber & Managing Director, Pidilite Industries Ltd.</p>
<p>10.05 am to 10.20 am</p>	<p>Infrastructure, Inclusion and Innovation: Charting Maharashtra's Growth Trajectory Special Guest: Shri. Praveen Pardeshi, Chief Economic Advisor to Maharashtra CM and CEO, MITRA</p>
<p>10.20 am to 10.40 am</p>	<p>Address by Chief Guest Theme: Transforming Maharashtra into a Global Powerhouse by 2030 Shri. Eknathji Shinde, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Maharashtra State*</p>
<p>10.40 am to 11.50 am</p>	<p>Powerhouses' behind Maharashtra's growth Session Chair & Moderator: Dr. Ajit Ranade, Senior Fellow, Pune International Centre; Economist and a member of the Maharashtra Economic Advisory Council Special Guest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Dhiraj Relli, MD & CEO, HDFC Securities Ltd. • Mr. Puneet Chhatwal, MD & CEO, The Indian Hotels Company Limited • Mr. Ashish Pherwani, Partner, M&E, EY India • Dr. Niranjana Hiranandani, MD, Hiranandani Group • Mr. Avinash Joshi, Chief Executive Officer, India, NTT DATA.
<p>11.50 am to 12.05 pm</p>	<p>Tea Break</p>
<p>12.05 pm to 1.15 pm</p>	<p>Driving MMR's Growth through Strategic Infrastructure development Moderator: Mr. Sachin Kalbag, Editor-in-Chief, Mid-Day Special Guest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Sanjay Mukherjee, IAS, Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA • Shri. Rajiv Jalota, Retd. IAS, Former Chairperson, MbPA • Dr. Shirish Sankhe, Director and Founding Partner, ISEG Foundation • Mr. Shrinath Rao, Co-Chairman, Power and Infrastructure Committee, Bombay Chamber Senior Vice President and Head Special Assignments – L&T Transportation Infrastructure Business, Larsen & Toubro Limited • Mr. Prabhat Mahapatra, COO, Navi Mumbai International Airport
<p>01.15 pm to 01.25 pm</p>	<p>Concluding Remarks Mr. Amit Kekare, Chairman, Power and Infrastructure Committee, Bombay Chamber; Vice President – Head of eMobility, Siemens Ltd.</p>
<p>01.25 pm to 01.30 pm</p>	<p>Vote of Thanks Mr. Sandeep Khosla, DG, Bombay Chamber</p>




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INAUGURAL SESSION



Chief Guest

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Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Maharashtra State*



Welcome Address

**Sudhanshu Vats, Sr. Vice President, Bombay Chamber &
Managing Director, Pidilite Industries Ltd.**

An Alumnus of IIM Ahmedabad and NIT Kurukshetra, Sudhanshu has a career spanning 33 years across sectors with a strong track record of propelling significant business growth and creating long-term value for all stakeholders of the company.

He is an inspirational leader and mentors many young CEOs and CXOs, some of whom started their careers with him. Before joining Pidilite, he was the Managing Director and CEO at EPL Limited (formerly Essel Propack Limited). Under his leadership, the company grew in double digits and developed a well-articulated strategy of "Leading the Pack" with Sustainability at its core. As the Managing Director and Group CEO of Viacom18 Media Private Limited, he transformed the company into the fastest-growing full-play media organization with strong Digital footprint, expanding its presence across multiple screens and platforms. Viacom18 quadrupled its top line to \$ 600 m with consistently positive PAT delivery in this period. Sudhanshu began his professional journey as Management Trainee at Hindustan Lever (now Hindustan Unilever) in 1991, where he spent 20 years across Sales & Marketing and General Management roles shaping, and elevating popular household brands like Lipton, Surf Excel, Rin, Wheel, Dove, Lifebuoy and Lux. He successfully launched Domex, Lipton Iced Tea, and Comfort in the Indian market.

In his last role at Unilever, as Vice President - Laundry South Asia and Global Vice President - Radiant (Rin Brand), Sudhanshu grew these businesses by 20%+ crossing the € 1 Billion milestone. During 2004-2005, Sudhanshu worked with BP in India as VP Marketing, Castrol India Limited and successfully relaunched the Castrol Master Brand. Sudhanshu is the Senior Vice President and Director on the Board of Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is the Co-Chair of National FMCG Committee of CII. He is the Director and Vice President of ASCI. He is also on the Global Advisory Board of Columbia University, New York.

Sudhanshu is an NTSE Scholar (1983). He holds the Governor's Medal for All Round Best Student at MNSS Rai (1985) and Gold Medal for All Round Best Student at NIT Kurukshetra (1989).

Sudhanshu is a Six Star (World Marathon Majors) Sub-4-hour marathon runner. His philanthropic focus is on education. He serves on the advisory board of several NGOs.



Infrastructure, Inclusion and Innovation: Charting MMR's Growth Trajectory

Special Guest:

Mr. Praveen Pardeshi, Retd. IAS

Chief Economic Advisor to Maharashtra CM and CEO, MITRA

Mr. Praveen Pardeshi is a Retired Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer with over 34 years of experience in the services of 1985 batch Maharashtra Cadre. He has served in various senior executive roles including Additional Secretary to the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, the Principal Secretary of Revenue and Forest Department, Maharashtra, and Municipal commissioner of Greater Mumbai. He has worked as a Member (Administration), Capacity Building Commission, Government of India (New Delhi), overseeing the Honorable Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi's flagship initiative "Mission Karmyogi". Mr. Pardeshi led the training of 100,000 citizen-facing railways staff and over 400 UT police personnel to impart citizen-centric values. At present he is working as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the think tank Maharashtra Institution for Transformation (MITRA) since July 2023. MITRA is being overseen by the Hon Chief Minister of Maharashtra and is formed on the lines of Niti Aayog, Govt. of India. MITRA is committed to enabling Maharashtra's district-level data collection and analysis, thus generating insights to catalyze necessary policy formulation. MITRA-led transformation will drive the target of making Maharashtra State a \$1 trillion economy by FY 2028. In this pursuit, Mr. Pardeshi has been appointed as Chief Economic Advisor (CEA) to Hon. Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

Mr. Pardeshi was all India first rank holder in the Indian Administrative Services batch of 1985. During his stint, Mr. Pardeshi also held various senior leadership positions within the United Nations as the Chief of the Transition Recovery Unit, UNDP Geneva, and Senior Coordinator of the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR). He has subsequently headed the regional offices of the Support and Coordination Unit of UNISDR. Mr. Pardeshi was the Global Program Coordinator for the Defeat-NCD Partnership within the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR). Mr. Pardeshi has been a key player in post-disaster and conflict recovery programs of UNDP and the public administration, governance reform, wildlife conservation, and public health efforts against COVID-19 in Maharashtra, India.

Mr. Pardeshi has worked as the District Collector and District Magistrate for Latur District, and supervised law and order, along with drought management. In September 1993, Latur District was devastated by an earthquake of 6.7 Richter scale with Killari village as the epicenter. Mr. Pardeshi managed the Earthquake relief works following the Killari Earthquake and successfully implemented a Killari Earthquake reconstruction project. Mr. Pardeshi holds an M.Sc. degree in Social Policy, Participatory Planning, and Economic Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Before getting a master's degree in development economics from DSE, he was an Economics graduate from Delhi University.



PANEL DISCUSSION ON POWERHOUSES' BEHIND **MAHARASHTRA'S GROWTH**



Session Chairman and Moderator:

Dr. Ajit Ranade,

Senior Fellow, Pune International Centre; Economist and a member of the Maharashtra Economic Advisory Council

Dr. Ajit Ranade is presently Senior Fellow with the Pune International Centre. His thirty-five year career has spanned academic, research and corporate assignments.

He served as the Vice Chancellor of Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, a deemed University in Pune from February 2022 till October 2024. Prior to that he was Group Executive President and Chief Economist with the Aditya Birla Group, an Indian multinational conglomerate. Ranade has been a member of the executive committees of apex industry chambers such as Confederation of Indian Industry, FICCI and MCCIA, and has served on several committees of the Reserve Bank of India. He has earlier been a faculty member at universities in the U.S.A. and in India. He serves on the board of several companies and trusts, and has been a newspaper columnist for over two decades, writing on economics and current topics. He is a co-author of an award winning book "Rising to the China Challenge" (2021).

Ranade is co-founder and trustee of Association for Democratic Reforms, a citizens' watchdog body. Ranade was educated at Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay and Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. He received his PhD in Economics from Brown University, USA. He received the Distinguished Alumnus award from IIT Bombay in 2009.



Mr. Dhiraj Relli,

MD & CEO, HDFC Securities Ltd.

Mr. Dhiraj Relli leads HDFC Securities—one of India's most trusted financial services brands—driving its evolution into a diversified financial services powerhouse.

He is a transformative leader steering the organization toward a future defined by innovation, inclusivity, and intelligent technology.

With over three decades of experience, Mr. Relli has cultivated a profound understanding of capital markets, investments, and the banking and financial landscape, resulting in substantial growth for HDFC Securities. Under his guidance, the firm has become a comprehensive financial solutions provider, evolving from the traditional broking model of RM-serviced clients through physical branches to a completely digital offering, catering to seasoned investors as well as new-age customers such as millennials. Before joining HDFC Securities, he served as Senior Executive Vice President and Head of Branch Banking at HDFC Bank, where he oversaw a network of over 800 branches, helping to transform retail operations and enhance customer focus within India's banking sector.

His prior roles also include serving as the Country Head of Branch Banking at Centurion Bank of Punjab and holding key leadership positions at ICICI Bank. His extensive experience has positioned him as a key player in India's financial sector, and he is an active member of multiple advisory committees across leading stock exchanges.

A B.Com. (Honours) graduate from Delhi University, Mr. Relli is a qualified Chartered Accountant from The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. He has further enriched his expertise through an Advanced Management Program at the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, as well as the AI Applications for Growth program at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. These educational experiences empower him to effectively harness technology and data-driven insights to foster business development.

With a relentless focus on customer experience, digital innovation, and financial inclusion, Mr. Relli continues to shape the future of investing in India, ensuring HDFC Securities remains a market leader in the country's rapidly expanding financial ecosystem.



**Puneet Chhatwal,
MD & CEO, Indian Hotels Company Limited**

Mr. Puneet Chhatwal joined The Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL) as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer in November 2017. During his tenure, IHCL has undergone a remarkable transformation, achieving responsible and profitable growth.

The company's turnaround 'Leading Transformation at IHCL' is now a case study at Harvard Business School. IHCL has also been recognized as the Turnaround Star at Forbes India Leadership Awards (FILA) 2025.

Today, IHCL stands as a global benchmark in the hospitality industry, with the iconic Taj brand being recognized by Brand Finance three times as the World's Strongest Hotel Brand and named India's Strongest Brand across sectors for the fourth time. IHCL also made history as the first Indian hospitality company to surpass a Market Capitalization of ₹1 trillion. IHCL today ranks 4th globally in market cap amongst all listed hospitality management companies.

Mr. Chhatwal serves as the leading voice of the industry in India in his capacity as the Chairman of the National Committee of Tourism and Hospitality, CII, and Chairman of Federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality (FAITH).

Prior to this, Mr. Chhatwal was the Chief Executive Officer and Member of the Executive Board of Steigenberger Hotels AG – Deutsche Hospitality based out of Frankfurt, Germany. He was also the Chief Development Officer of The Rezidor Hotel Group – Carlson Hotels Worldwide based out of Brussels, Belgium. Mr. Chhatwal is a graduate of both, Delhi University and Institute of Hotel Management, Delhi. He has completed an MBA in Hospitality from ESSEC, Paris and an Advanced Management Program from INSEAD.

Throughout his international career, Mr. Chhatwal has received several acclaimed awards and is the First Alumnus included in the ESSEC-IMHI Hall of Honour 2014. He has been honoured with induction into the prestigious Global Travel Hall of Fame by Travel Weekly UK, Hall of Fame Award at the 39th IATO Annual Convention and Rotary Club of Bombay's Ramkrishna Bajaj Award for good governance.



**Ashish Pherwani,
Partner, M&E, EY India**

Ashish Pherwani is the Media & Entertainment sector leader at EY India. He has been associated with the media and entertainment industry since 1995, where he started his career as a copywriter in an advertising agency.

At EY, Ashish has been associated with over 100 media companies across TV broadcasting, TV distribution, radio, content production, out of home, mobile, events, print and gaming. He has written several articles on the Indian media sector and is the lead author of the FICCI-EY Annual M&E report.



**Dr. Niranjan Hiranandani,
MD, Hiranandani Group**

A visionary entrepreneur and transformative business leader, Dr. Niranjan Hiranandani has redefined urban real estate through a blend of innovation, integrity, and inclusive development.

As the Co-Founder and Chairman of the Hiranandani Group, he has pioneered the concept of integrated townships in India. His journey is a classic case study in entrepreneurial foresight, where he moved beyond traditional real estate thinking to shape future-ready communities, create long-term economic value, and set benchmarks in quality and planning. From Powai to Panvel, Thane to Chennai, his projects reflect a deep understanding of how infrastructure fuels opportunity, both for industry and for citizens.

Dr. Hiranandani also plays a key role in shaping policy as National Vice Chairman of NAREDCO, driving dialogues between industry and government to improve ease of doing business, sustainability standards, and urban governance. Beyond real estate, he has made entrepreneurial forays into education, healthcare, data centres, and energy infrastructure, each driven by his belief that businesses must solve real-world challenges and build a better tomorrow. At the Bombay Chamber platform, Dr. Hiranandani brings not just decades of experience but a rare entrepreneurial lens that connects macroeconomic vision with on-ground execution, making him a compelling voice on India's growth story, urban transformation, and enterprise-led nation-building.



**Mr. Avinash Joshi,
Chief Executive Officer, India, NTT DATA**

Avinash Joshi is Chief Executive Officer of the India business of NTT DATA, a USD 30 billion global technology services provider. He is responsible for growing NTT DATA's business in India, its P&L management, end-to-end go-to-market, sales, delivery, operations, and client experience.

A seasoned leader, Avinash has over 34 years of extensive experience working in the IT and telecom industry in client-facing roles and P&L management. He joined NTT DATA after being with IBM for more than 18 years, where his core expertise was in P&L management, Strategic Business Development, Key Account Management, Sales, and Delivery. In his last role, he was the Senior Partner and Vice President of 5G – APAC at IBM Services.

He holds a Bachelor in Electronics and a PG Diploma in Marketing Management. He has also completed a certified course in Design Thinking from Stanford University.

Avinash is an avid traveler, keen on skills transformation. He is also interested in learning and appreciating multiple languages and cultures.



SESSION ON “DRIVING MMR’S GROWTH THROUGH STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT”



Moderator:
Mr. Sachin Kalbag,
Editor-in-Chief, Mid-Day

Sachin Kalbag, 51, is Editor-in-Chief of Mid-Day, one of India's largest selling English tabloids. He has served in senior editorial positions at The Hindu, Hindustan Times, and the India Today Group.

He's been a journalist since 1994, and in these 31 years, he has been stationed in Mumbai, New Delhi and Washington, DC. He began his career as a trainee features writer at Mid-Day in 1994. In 1999, he became the newspaper's youngest online content head. In 2003, he took over as the Executive Editor of Digit, India's largest technology magazine. In 2005, he joined DNA as its news editor and Washington correspondent where he covered the US Congress, the White House, and the US State Department. He came back to India in 2007 to join Hindustan Times as its Online Editor and later the India Today group where he was the Front Page editor at Mail Today. He joined Mid-Day as its editor in 2011. In 2015, he joined The Hindu as its Mumbai edition's founding editor. He joined Hindustan Times as its executive editor in 2018. In 2022, he left the media world and joined academics as a public policy consultant at a think tank. He took over as Mid-Day's editor-in-chief in 2024 where he currently works.

Since 2002, Sachin has taught at three colleges affiliated to Mumbai University and is currently on the advisory board of HSNC University. He currently teaches at St Xavier's College's Institute of Communications. He is an avid quizzer and has appeared on BBC Mastermind, considered one of the world's toughest TV quizzes. He is also an award-winning wildlife photographer, with a specialisation in butterflies. Sachin has a degree in mathematics and statistics, and a post-graduate diploma in public policy.



Dr. Sanjay Mukherjee, IAS
Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA

Dr. Sanjay Mukherjee, GMC 89 batch, is an IAS officer of 1996 batch, Maharashtra Cadre. The youngest incumbent of each of the assignments he has held, with a huge passion in Nation Building, Dr. Mukherjee is widely respected as the Project Man of Maharashtra.

Most of the notable projects of Maharashtra, especially the Mumbai Metropolitan Region bear his signature. From the Mumbai Coastal Road Project to the Mumbai Trans harbour Link, from the Metro Projects in MMR to the suburban railway projects and the Navi Mumbai International Airport, he has been one of the guiding forces resolving various issues and making the project move full steam ahead.

The man behind the fastest building in the world as a part of Mission 96, the person who executed the largest housing project in the country, resolved and set into motion the time bound implementation of the Navi Mumbai International Airport, the Mumbai Trans Harbour Link, the Mumbai Metro Rail projects, several new towns across MMR, and several more, Dr. Mukherjee has been a trailblazer wherever he has served. Very recently, the Mumbai Trans Harbour Link, also known as the Atal Setu, was completed under his leadership 9 months before schedule and commissioned by the Hon. Prime Minister of India. Under his leadership, MMRDA has become the largest Special Planning Authority of the country, along with being the county's largest and one of the biggest amongst the Development Authorities of the world. Dr. Mukherjee is also credited with increasing the State Excise Revenues by three times during his tenure of 3 years, and also for his role in spearheading the MIHAN project of Nagpur in it's early days, notably the land aquisition part. As an IAS officer, he has been the Collector of 2 districts, Notably of Nagpur, Municipal Commissioner of 2 cities and the Chief of 3 Urban Development Authorities, including the Nagpur Improvement Trust, CIDCO and MMRDA. He is the person who had led the DPR of Nagpur Metro Rail, envisioned the Nagpur Metropolitan Area and was one the pioneers working in the MIHAN project. Dr. Mukherjee is currently serving as the Metropolitan Commissioner of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region, when he is striving to take MMR to a trillion dollar economy. One of the driving forces in management of the COVID pandemic, Dr Mukherjee is a nationally and internationally awarded officer. His awards include recognition from UNESCO, the British Commonwealth, FIFA, Government of India and Government of Maharashtra, in addition to many from various social organisations. His hobbies include singing, golfing and reading.



**Mr. Rajiv Jalota, Retd. IAS,
Former Chairperson, MbPA**

Rajiv Jalota is a Master of Science in Chemistry from Lucknow University and a Masters in International Development Policy from Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University, USA.

He joined Indian Administrative Service in 1988 and superannuated, as Chairperson, Mumbai Port Authority in the rank of Secretary to GoI, and Chairman, Indian Ports Association (IPA) in September 2024

He introduced the Capital Value System in Property Tax in Mumbai. Rajiv was awarded with the PM Award for excellence in Public Administration in 2017 for his work on GST. Rajiv was instrumental in developing the largest International Cruise Terminal of the country at Mumbai Port, served as national coordinator for cruise tourism, represented India in the Quad Shipping Task Force and chaired the India Advisory Committee of Maritime Anti-Corruption Network (MACN). A distinguished civil servant with 35+ years of leadership in governance, infrastructure, finance, budgeting, taxation, social reform and change management. Recognized for strategic vision and streamlining systems for transparency and efficiency. Focused on delivering equity and long-term impact through his decisions.

A pioneer in environmental sustainability, digital transformation, ensuring ease of doing business and effective public service delivery. Expert in contract management, financial oversight, and public-private partnerships, with a strong track record in large-scale development, tax reforms, maritime, urban and industrial development and rehabilitation policies. Committed to inclusive governance, human rights, and data-driven decision-making, with extensive capability in collaborating across government, NGOs, and global stakeholders.



**Dr. Shirish Sankhe,
Director and Founding Partner, ISEG Foundation**

After stepping out from McKinsey & Company in December 2022, Dr Sankhe has been driving ISEG Foundation (Institute for Sustainability, Employment and Growth), a non-profit multi stakeholder Institute focused on job creation and net zero transition in India.

Currently, ISEG Foundation is working on five projects – blue-printing and implementation of economic plans for 3 city-regions (Mumbai, Varanasi and Visakhapatnam) with NITI Aayog and comprehensive energy transition blue-print/implementation for 2 Indian states – Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh.

In over 26 years at McKinsey, Dr Sankhe worked on the transformation and turnaround of several companies and helped them achieve significant and sustained performance improvements. He worked with energy, metals/mining, manufacturing and infrastructure companies in India and across the world. He led McKinsey's Energy and Materials Practice in Asia as well as the Restructuring/Transformation practice during his time at McKinsey.

Dr Sankhe has also worked on the topics of net zero transition, economic growth and urbanization in India. He has worked with state and central governments on urbanization policies and the development of new cities. He was closely involved with the McKinsey Global Institute (MGI) on economic research for over 20 years. He has authored several landmark reports on India's economic growth and urbanization. His latest report is on India's net zero transition – "Decarbonising India: Charting a pathway for sustainable growth" (October 2022). His latest in the economic growth area was MGI's 2020 report "India's Turning Point: An economic agenda to spur growth and jobs" which he lead-authored. The report highlights the actions needed to return the economy to a high-growth path and create gainful jobs for 90 million people by 2030.



**Mr. Shrinath Rao,
Co- Chairman, Power and Infrastructure Committee,
Bombay Chamber Senior Vice President and Head Special
Assignments – L&T Transportation Infrastructure Business,
Larsen & Toubro Limited**

Mr. Shrinath Rao has over 40+ years of extensive experience in the Construction Industry with LARSEN & TOUBRO LIMITED. He has held various Senior Management positions including 22 years + with international business segments (Middle East & ASEAN countries) and 18+ years within India. He holds a degree in Civil Engineering and is a fellow from Oxford University. Currently, he is associated with the Transportation Infrastructure Business of Larsen & Toubro Limited. His experience is rich, varied and spans domains like Project Management, Construction, Contracts, and inter-disciplinary domains for large-scale projects.



**Mr. Prabhat Mahapatra,
COO, Navi Mumbai International Airport**

Prabhat Mahapatra stands as a leading figure in the aviation landscape, known for his transformative leadership and pioneering contributions to airport management.

With over three decades of experience in the aviation industry, Prabhat brings a wealth of strategic insight, operational expertise, and visionary thinking.

Currently serving at Navi Mumbai International Airport as the Chief Operating Officer, Prabhat has been instrumental in positioning airports as dynamic economic engines — not just transit points but strategic regional assets. His leadership style is deeply rooted in transformation, collaboration, and innovation, having successfully led initiatives that optimized airport capacity, redefined stakeholder engagement, and elevated operational excellence. Prior to switching over to airport management, Prabhat worked in Air Traffic Control and served at major ATC centers of Mumbai and Delhi.

Prabhat's unique blend of business acumen and technical proficiency has earned him recognition as a thought leader and mentor in the aviation industry.





Concluding Remarks

**Mr. Amit Kekare,
Chairman, Power and Infrastructure Committee, Bombay
Chamber; Vice President - Head of eMobility Siemens Ltd.**

Amit Kekare is Vice President in Siemens Ltd and currently heading the eMobility business for India and Middle East region.

In his more than 18 years of experience in Energy Industry, he has worked across various geographies such as US, Europe, and Asia. He has led business and strategy functions and actively led multiple power systems engineering, HVDC design projects globally. He holds Masters in Power Systems Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (New York) and MBA from Indian School of Business (Hyderabad).



Vote of Thanks

**Mr. Sandeep Khosla,
DG, Bombay Chamber**

Sandeep Khosla is the Director General of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry since February 2020. Sandeep has over 33 years of overall experience in the Media & Entertainment industry.

He has 20+ years experience in Leadership roles having spent 23 years as Group Vice President with the Indian Express Newspapers (Bom) Ltd., 6 years as CEO with Network 18 and 4 years as CEO at Mid-day Infomedia Ltd.

Sandeep was also the Producer of the Annual Star Screen Awards for 10 years. He has successfully built and led top performing teams nationally. He has in-depth knowledge of the Publishing industry with expertise in Advertising & Marketing.