

India Internet Governance Forum to be held in Nov 2021

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rtain-raiser event of the Index Internet Governance Forum (IIGF) concluded with an interesting insight into the roadmap for Digitisation in dia. The curtain raiser ever, is precursor to India Internet Governance Forum (IIGF), which will be conducted jointly by Ministry of ed<mark>tron</mark>ics and IT, NIXI <mark>and</mark> Malti-stakeholder Group from 8th to 11th of November, 2021. The theme of IIGF 2021 is â€̃Empower India through

Power of Internet. The event will witness enlightening discussions on the road to Digitization in India. The salient feature of the event will be the three plenary sessions on themes- India &Internet- India's Digital Journey and Her Global Role, Equity, Access & Quality â€" High-speed Internet for All and Cyber Norms and Ethics in Internet Governance.

India Internet Governance Forum(IIGF) has been constituted in conformance to IGF-Paragraph 72 of the Tunis Agenda of the UN-based Internet Governance forum (IGF). Through an open and inclusive process, IIGF brings together all stakeholders in the Global Internet governance ecosystem, including government, industry, civil society, academia - as equal participants of the larger Internet Governance discourse.

The objective of the curtain raiser event was to discuss and deliberate on the roadmap to Digitisation and reaffirm India as an essential participant on the global stage by highlighting its role and importance in the International Policy development on Internet Governance. The event commenced with the lighting of the inaugural lamp by Chief Guests Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Minister of State, Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, Dr. Ajay Data, Chairman UASG, Dr. Jaijit Bhattacharya, President C-DEP, Amrita Choudhury, Director CCAOI and Shri Anil Kumar Jain, CEO, NIXI.

Speaking on the occasion, Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Minister of State, Electronics & Information Technology said,

"lIGF is being held at an extremely important time in the history of evolution of Internet in India. As we are emerging from a pandemic, it is becoming increasingly visible that there have been disruptions and reinventions of businesses, Governance and Governments across the world. The rate of Digitalization has increased and accelerated tremendously.―

