



Confederation of Indian Industry



Capital Markets and the Future of Eastern India's Industrial Growth

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0900 - 1000 Hrs	Registration	
1000 - 1130 Hrs	Inaugural Session	
1000 - 1005 Hrs	Welcome Address	Mr Bijay Murmura Chairman, CII ER Financial Services Subcommittee and Director, Sumedha Fiscal Services Ltd
1005 - 1010 Hrs	Theme Address	Mr Samir Agarwal Co-Chairman, CII ER Financial Services Subcommittee and Director, Indcap Advisors Pvt Ltd
1010 - 1012 Hrs	Release of CII Report	
1012 - 1017 Hrs	Address by Chairman, CII West Bengal State Council	Mr Rupak Barua Chairman, CII West Bengal State Council and Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, Woodlands Multispeciality Hospital Ltd
1017 - 1030 Hrs	Perspective from Investor	Mr Vijay Kedia Managing Director Kedia Securities Pvt Ltd
1030 - 1040 Hrs	Perspective from Exchange	Mr Krishnan Iyer Senior Vice President, Head – Issuer Relationships NSE India Ltd
1040 - 1050 Hrs	Perspective from Exchange	Ms Geetha Gangadharan Chief Regulatory Officer BSE India Ltd
1050 - 1105 Hrs	Special Address	Mr Kamlesh Chandra Varshney Whole-Time Director SEBI
1105 - 1120 Hrs	Inaugural Address by Chief Guest	Dr Swapan Dasgupta Minister-In-Charge Department of Finance Government of West Bengal

1120 - 1125 Hrs	Closing Remarks	Mr Ratan Kumar Kesh Co-Chairman, CII ER Financial Services Subcommittee and Executive Director & Chief Operating Officer Bandhan Bank
1125 - 1130 Hrs	Session Changeover	
1130 - 1150 Hrs	Session on Democratising Wealth: Women Leaders Shaping India's Investment Landscape <i>Women are playing an increasingly influential role in shaping India's wealth management and investment ecosystem, both as leaders within the industry and as a growing base of investors. This session will discuss the rise of women-led investment platforms, evolving patterns of financial participation among women investors and the policy and institutional measures needed to widen access and representation across the capital markets landscape.</i>	
In Conversation With	Ms P Karunya Rao Co – Founder Cogent Media Labs	Ms Madhu Lunawat Founder, CEO and MD The Wealth Company AMC
1150 - 1225 Hrs	Fireside Chat on “Geopolitics, Trade Wars and Capital Markets: Navigating an Era of Global Uncertainty” <i>In an era where a single geopolitical flashpoint can move markets overnight, recent data reflects the scale of this shift - FPIs registered net outflows of USD10.0 billion in 2026-27 so far (up to May 20, 2026) driven largely by withdrawals from the equity segment, amid continued tensions in West Asia, while India's merchandise trade deficit widened to USD28.4 billion in April 2026 from US\$ 27.1 billion in April 2025 amid shifting tariff regimes.</i> <i>This Fireside Chat will examine how these parallel shifts in portfolio flows and tariff dynamics are shaping decision-making for investors, discussing what near-term policy and market responses may look like amid this dual stress.</i>	
	Mr Ashok Bhattacharya Editorial Director Business Standard	
In Conversation With	Ms Rajani Sinha Chief Economist CareEdge Ratings	Mr Amit Mehta Executive Board Member LNB Group

1225 - 1315 Hrs

Session on Mainboard Listings: Financing India's Growth Story

As enterprises in Eastern India mature and seek larger avenues for growth capital, mainboard listings are emerging as a critical channel for financing expansion, enhancing corporate visibility and strengthening governance standards. This session will discuss how improved listing readiness, stronger advisory support and deeper investor engagement can accelerate the region's IPO pipeline, while addressing gaps that continue to limit mainboard participation from Eastern India.

Moderator
Mr Sanjeev Sancheti

Founding Partner
Uirtus Advisors LLP

Panellists
Mr Raj K Singh

Managing Director & Chief
Executive Officer
IDBI Capital Markets &
Securities Ltd

Mr Navin Honagudi

Managing Partner
Elev8 Venture Partners

Mr Oishik Bagchi

Partner – Capital Markets
Khaitan & Co

Mr Dharmesh Anil Mehta

Managing Partner & Chief Executive
Officer
DAM Capital Advisors Ltd

Mr Sanjay Banka

Chief Financial Officer
Senco Gold & Diamonds

Mr Sanjay Buch

Senior Partner
Crawford Bayley & Co

1315 - 1415 Hrs

Lunch

1415 - 1500 Hrs

Session on Savings, SIPs & Mutual Funds: The New Investment Imperative

As India's savings pool shifts steadily toward market-linked instruments, mutual funds have emerged as a preferred and trusted route for retail participation in capital markets. This session will discuss expanding distribution reach, growing SIP culture, product innovation across categories and the measures needed to deepen mutual fund penetration across Eastern India.

Moderator
Mr Anindya Paulchaudhuri

Founder-Wealthapp Family Office
Group CEO - Wealthapp Group of Companies

Mr Amit Gupta

President & National Head –
Wholesale Business
SBI Mutual Fund

Mr Vaiibhavv Chugh

Chief Executive Officer
Abakkus Mutual Fund

Ms Shobha Ramchandani

Chief Risk Officer
White Oak Capital Management

1500 - 1530 Hrs

Session on Deeptech – Can India deliver its own Space X?

India's deeptech ecosystem is at an inflexion point, with private capital increasingly backing frontier technologies in space, advanced manufacturing and semiconductors. This session will discuss the capital market instruments and risk capital structures needed to fund long-gestation deeptech ventures, the role of public markets in scaling India's space and technology enterprises, and the opportunities for Eastern India to emerge as a deeptech manufacturing and innovation hub.

Moderator

Mr Vansh Oberoi

Managing Partner
VC Grid

Mr Sunil K Goyal

Managing Director & Fund
Manager
YourNest Venture Capital

Mr Rohit Sarkar

Chairman, CII Eastern Region Startup
Sub-committee & Co-founder
Distronix

Mr Rajeev Mantri

Founder & Managing Partner
Navam Capital

1530 – 1615 Hrs

Session on Scaling Through Markets: Eastern India's Listing Success Story

Eastern India's main board IPO listings reflect a maturing entrepreneurial ecosystem and a growing willingness among regional enterprises to access public capital. This session will discuss the journey of companies that have successfully scaled through the markets, the role of exchanges and intermediaries in supporting this growth and the opportunities ahead for the next wave of listings from the region.

Moderator

Mr Venkatraghavan S

Managing Director
Equirus Capital Ltd

Mr Harsh Binani

Co-Founder
Smartworks

Dr Vikash Agarwal

Chairman & Managing Director &
Promoter
Crizac Ltd

Mr Karan Kishorepuria

Whole-time Director
Regaal Resources Ltd

Programme Concludes

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