

Day 1: 07 February 2025 (WelcomHeritage Fernhills Royal Palace)

1230 hrs	Arrival of Delegates & Lunch
1330 – 1345 hrs	Welcome Address by Mr Shankar Vanavarayar , Convenor, Nilgiris Economic Dialogue
1345 – 1355 hrs	Special Address by Dr Nandini Rangaswamy , Chairperson, CII Southern Region
1355 – 1400 hrs	Context Setting by Mr Srivats Ram , Chairman, CII Tamil Nadu State Council
1400 – 1420 hrs	Special Address on <i>Enchanting Nilgiris</i> by Ms Lakshmi Bhavya Tanneeru IAS , Collector- Nilgiris District
1420 – 1425 hrs	Video on <i>The Essence of Nilgiris: Journey through the Blue Hills</i>
1425 – 1515 hrs	Special Plenary on <i>Remaking India: One Country, One Destiny----Learning, Listening, Localising</i> with Mr Arun Maira , Former Chairman, Boston Consulting Group

Track I: Strengthening Digital Frontiers

(Data, Tech & Digital Economy)

1515 – 1545 hrs	Context Setting	Mr N K Ranganath Director Strategy Catalysts Pvt Ltd	
1545 – 1630 hrs	Panellist	Dr Timothy A Gonsalves* Former Director- IIT Mandi & Founder- Nilgiris Networks	Mr Rajesh Subramaniam Founder & CEO embedUR systems
		Mr S Swaminathan CEO GS1 India	Ms Vanitha Venugopal CEO Tamil Nadu Technology Hub (iTNT)
1630 – 1645 hrs	Break		
1645 – 1800 hrs	Curated Roundtables with Participants		
1800 – 1845 hrs	Mr Kamal Bali , Past Chairman, CII Southern Region and President & Managing Director, Volvo Group in India in conversation on <i>Fifth Largest Economy: The Mountains to Conquer</i> with Mr TN Ninan , Former Editor, Business Standard & The Economic Times		
1845 – 1900 hrs	Special Address by Lt Gen Karanbir Singh Brar, PVSM, AVSM , General Officer Commanding (GoC), Dakshin Bharat Area, Chennai		
1900 hrs onwards	Networking Dinner		

Day 2: 08 February 2025 (Madras Regiment Centre Wellington)

0730 – 0800 hrs	On Arrival Tea/ Coffee
0800 – 0930 hrs	Special Live Army Drill Demonstration
0930 – 1000 hrs	Breakfast
<u>Track II: Winds of Change: Strategies for an Evolving World</u>	
<i>The track explores the impact of Geopolitics & deglobalisation on Global Security, Economic Realignments and Strategic Affairs. Experts will analyze India's defence preparedness, China's Rise, Regional Conflicts, Multilateralism and emerging technologies in warfare. The discussion will highlight how nations adapt to shifting power dynamics and security challenges in an evolving global order.</i>	
1000 – 1045 hrs	Mr AR Unnikrishnan , Vice Chairman, CII Tamil Nadu State Council in conversation on <i>India@2050</i> with Lt Gen Ananthanarayan Arun , PVSM, YSM, SM, VSM, Former Chief of Staff, South Western Command, Jaipur
1045 – 1130 hrs	Mr Stanly Johny , International Affairs Editor, The Hindu <i>in conversation with</i> Amb Pankaj Saran , Convenor, NatStrat & Member, National Security Advisory Board
1130 – 1215 hrs	Mr Happymon Jacob , Founder & Honorary Director, Council for Strategic and Defence Research in conversation on <i>China's Rise and Its Impact on the World: Implications for India-China Relations</i> with Lt Gen S L Narasimhan , PVSM, AVSM*, VSM, PhD (Retd), Adjunct Distinguished Fellow, Gateway House & Emeritus Faculty, Rashtriya Raksha University
1215 – 1330 hrs	Curated Roundtables with Participants
1330 – 1500 hrs	Networking Lunch at MRC & Travel to WelcomHeritage Fernhills Royal Palace

<u>Track III: Closing the Loop: Strategies for Sustainable Growth</u> <i>(Resource Efficiency & Circularity)</i>	
1500 – 1545 hrs	Special Plenary on <i>Radical Vision for a Decarbonized Resource Efficient India</i> by Mr Padu S Padmanaban , Founder Member & Mentor, Indian Alliance for Energy Efficient Economy
1545 – 1615 hrs	Keynote Address Dr Mukund Rajan Chairperson ECube Investment Advisors Pvt Ltd
1615 – 1715 hrs	Mr P Ravichandran , President, Danfoss Industries Pvt Ltd <i>in conversation with</i> Dr Thomas Garvey , President, World Design Organization & Mr Hans Raj Verma , Advisor (CR) TVS Motors & Director General, Council of State Industrial Development and Investment Corporations Of India
1715 – 1730 hrs	Break & Tea Tasting Session
1730 – 1845 hrs	Curated Roundtables with Participants
1845 – 1945 hrs	Mr Shankar Vanavarayar <i>in conversation with</i> Dr Montek Singh Ahluwalia , Economist & Former Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission India

1945 hrs onwards	Networking Dinner
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Day 3: 09 February 2025 (Lawrence School, Lovedale)

Track IV: Growth for All: Strategies for Equitable Progress <i>(Inclusive Growth)</i>			
0900 – 1000 hrs	Mr Unni Krishnan , Chairman, Living Machine Institute in conversation on <i>the Importance of Long Living institutions in National Development</i> with Mr R Gopalakrishnan , Author & Business Commentator		
1000 – 1010 hrs	Context Setting	Dr Kezevino Aram President Shanti Ashram	
1010 – 1100 hrs	Panellist	Dr Swaran Singh IAS (R)* Chairman Srinivasan Services Trust	Mr Giridharan Ramasubramanian Chief Operations Officer Ramco
		Mr M Vijayabaskar Add. Fulltime Member TN State Planning Commission	Ms Artei Sianni Chief of Mission United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
		Mr Vikram Kapur IAS* Additional Chief Secretary / Director, Anna Administrative Staff College & Director General of Training	
1100 – 1215 hrs	Curated Roundtables with Participants		
1215 – 1230 hrs	Break		
1230 – 1330 hrs	Mr Srivats Ram in conversation with Mr Suresh Prabhu , Former Union Minister, Government of India & Global Expert on Academia, Skills & Social Challenges		
1330 hrs	Lunch & Conclusion of Nilgiris Economic Dialogue 2025		