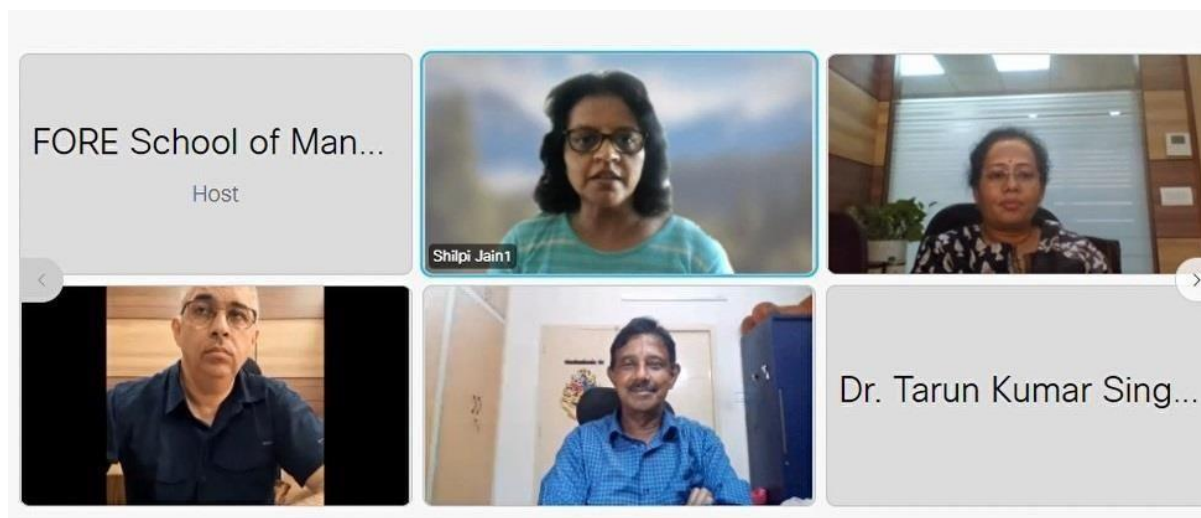


The 8th Global Leadership Lecture Series on “The Evolutionary Journey of e-Governance in India- Where are we?”



The Global Leadership Lecture Series continues to bring thought leaders and experts to the forefront, and the 8th installment promises to be a captivating exploration of India's journey in e-governance. Mr. K. Srinivasa Raghavan, Former Deputy Director General / Scientist G, National Informatics Centre (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, shared his on "The Evolutionary Journey of e-Governance in India- Where are we?".

A Warm Welcome and Introduction

Professor Shilpi Jain, extended a warm welcome to Mr. K. Srinivasa Raghavan. She highlighted Mr. Raghavan's significant contributions, which include pioneering the implementation of scalable, highly resistant e-governance systems in various sectors (Government to Government, Government to Citizen, and Government to Enterprise), as well as his role in promoting e-governance in capacity building.

His involvement in designing GEP NIC, a massive governance initiative for the Government of India, stands as a testament to his commitment to digital transformation.

A Personal Insight

Professor Ashok Kumar Harnal, a long-time acquaintance of Mr. Raghavan, shared personal anecdotes from their collaboration on a groundbreaking project to computerise defence lands records. He praised Mr. Raghavan's humility, patience, and unwavering passion for creating innovative solutions.

The Evolutionary Journey of e-Governance in India

Mr. K. Srinivasa Raghavan's presentation delved into the evolution of e-governance in India, tracing its roots back to 1970.

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting interface. At the top, there are five participant thumbnails: Srinivasa Raghavan (muted), Dr. Tarun Kumar S..., a woman, FORE School of M... (Host), and Ashok Harnal. Below the thumbnails, it says "Viewing Srinivasa Raghavan's screen" and "100%". The main content is a presentation slide titled "Dr. N. Seshagiri – Father of e-governance in India". The slide contains two photographs of Dr. Seshagiri and two paragraphs of text. The first paragraph states: "He was instrumental in setting up of the Software Technology Parks in India and was also the crusader of e-Governance movement in the country." The second paragraph states: "Dr. N. Seshagiri believed in and embraced the power of technology for efficient public service delivery thus making ICT culture palpable in various sectors across the country." The slide number "9" is visible in the bottom right corner. At the bottom of the Zoom window, there are controls for "Unmute", a mute icon, a video icon, a chat icon, and a red "X" icon. On the right side, there are icons for "Participants", "Chat", and a menu icon.

He highlighted the distinction between e-governance and e-government, showcasing the significant changes that have occurred pre- and post-liberalization in the IT sector. The pivotal role played by NIC, established in 1976, in providing network connectivity across India, even in remote areas, was a key milestone.

Overcoming initial apprehensions about computers, Dr. N. Seshagiri, often regarded as the father of e-Governance, laid the foundation for NIC's groundbreaking work.

The post-liberalization era ushered in the democratisation of IT services, with the introduction of the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP) in the 10th five-year plan. Mr. Raghavan emphasised the challenges of language accessibility, leading to the implementation of services in various dialects. The NeGP 2.0, known as e-Kranti, focused on enhancing network infrastructure. In 2015, the Digital India program was launched, and the widespread adoption of Aadhar, at an impressive 99.94%, demonstrated the success of these initiatives.

Mr. Raghavan also shed light on various projects and innovations in e-Governance, including GePNIC's expansion from Tamil Nadu to 32 states and 7 union territories, EHospitals, UPI, digital lockers, and the integration of AI-powered services like Chatbots and AI Face Verification.

Interactive Q&A Session

The session concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where Mr. Raghavan addressed various questions and provided further insights into the fascinating world of e-Governance. The 8th Global Leadership Lecture Series, featuring Mr. K. Srinivasa Raghavan, showcased About the Global Leadership Lecture Series: The Global Leadership Lecture Series aims to provide a platform for leaders and experts to share their insights and experiences, fostering knowledge exchange and growth in various management domains of expertise.

Viewing Srinivasa Raghavan's screen

Dr. Tarun Kumar S... FORE School of M... Host

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The presentation slide displays the following data:

Category	2007-08	2012-13	2017-18	2022-23
#Tenders	10,54	1,30	17,88	17,88
#Bids	8,1	3,03	47,23	47,23
Value (Lakh)	19,22	1,08	1,94,74	1,94,74

Cumulative Figures (as of August 2023)
#Tenders: 111 Lakh | Value: ₹ 1,94,74 Lakh

Percentage share of Tender Category

Works	79%
Services	2%
Goods	17%

Percentage share of Tender Type

Open	60%
Limited	3%
Others	11%

Government eProcurement System of National Informatics Centre (GePNIC)

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