



2021-2022

Name of the Department/Society: **The Economics Society**

Name of the Event 2: Vaktavya'21

Date of the Event: 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

The historic success of our first annual speaker summit in 2019 saw the beginning of an initiative with massive potential. Carrying forward a rich legacy, The Hansraj Economics Society organized the third edition of “Vaktavya”. The event was held online (Zoom). The three-day session witnessed a plethora of prolific speakers from distinguished areas of expertise in the field of Economics from across the world, coupled with a promise of an enriching experience for our viewers.

The event was graced by ten senior economists, professors, and bureaucrats who shared their research with the attendees. The speaker line-up consisted of Mr. Ashok Lavasa (Vice-President for Private Sector Operations and Public-Private Partnerships, Asian Development Bank), Dr. Mark R. Rosenzweig (Professor, Economics Department of Yale University), Mr. Steve Pischke (Professor, Economics Department at the London School of Economics), Mr. Simon Quinn (Associate Professor, the University of Oxford), Ms. Rachna Ranade (Teacher, Chartered Accountant and YouTuber), Dr. Sara Ellison (Senior Lecturer, MIT Economics Department), Dr. Subodh Mathur (Economist- Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology), Mr. Subhash Garg (former Economic Affairs Secretary and Finance Secretary of India; former Executive Director in the World Bank), Ms. T. Rajeswari, and Dr. Matthew Elliot (Professor of Economics, University of Cambridge).

Each speaker brought to the table interesting topics and discussed all things finance and economics. Several professors discussed their areas of research, others discussed the stock market and the Indian economy and its prospects.

The poster for 'Vaktavya 2021' features a dark background with the title in white Hindi script. It lists speakers for three days:
 

- 15 OCT:** Prof. Simon Quinn, IAS Ashok Lavasa, Dr. Mark Rosenzweig, Dr. Steve Pischke.
- 16 OCT:** CA Rachna Ranade, Dr. Sara Ellison, Dr. Subodh Mathur.
- 17 OCT:** IAS Subhash Garg, Ms. T. Rajeswari, Dr. Matthew Elliot.

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The audience primarily consisted of students, educators, and economics enthusiasts from across India and abroad.

