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Esteemed Panelists

Chandra Kumar Bose : Chandra Kumar Bose, son of Amiya Nath Bose and Jyotsna Bose, grandson of Sarat Chandra Bose and grandnephew of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. Scholastic Achievements- obtained the General Certificate of Education from U.K. Studied Economics at Hendon College, London, (UK), Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management, IMM, Kolkata,



affiliated to the Institute of Technology, West Bengal. He also attended a course in Law at the Birkbeck College, University of London. Career – In 1982 started his career as a Management Trainee with Tata Steel. After his internship as a Trainee in Jamshedpur, he joined the Marketing and Sales Division as a Marketing Officer, and thereafter was promoted as the Area Sales Manager. His tenure at Tata Steel was till December 2000 a span of dedicated 18 years. Chandra Kumar Bose started his own Consultancy firm in Human Resource / Skill Development – Bose Information & Technology Pvt Ltd

in Kolkata. Bose Information Technology, Germany has partnered with IBM since 1998. The core

area of work at Bose Information Technology (Hamburg, Germany) is expertise in Software Development and in Kolkata, in the field of Human Resources Development and Skill Training Chandra Kumar Bose worked on social issues, and is associated with Indian Socialist Democratic Forum (ISDF) an organisation conducting awareness programmes for the people on Human Rights in India. ISDF assists people in legal matters where rights have been violated. He has been associated with Netaji Subhas Foundation (NSF) operating out of Kolkata and London. NSF is a Research institute involved with unravelling the true story of the Azad Hind Fauj and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. Chandra Kumar Bose had the privilege and honour to deliver the keynote address at various debates and seminars at Universities in India and abroad, including the Nehru Centre in London on the Vision for the Youth in context to the Indian Freedom Movement Chandra Kumar Bose is the Spokesperson and Convenor of The Open Platform for Netaji since 2012. He spearheaded the 'Declassification of Netaji files movement, which gathered momentum not only in India, but worldwide. He is involved in the documentation and publication of the true history of India's freedom struggle for the period- 1857- 1947. Chandra Kumar Bose joined the Bharatiya Janata Party in January 2016. He contested the Assembly Elections 2016, from the Bhowanipore Constituency on a BJP Ticket. He also contested the Lok Sabha Elections, 2019, from South Kolkata Constituenc

Dr. Bhuvan Lall -- Filmmaker, Entrepreneur & Author, Dr. Bhuvan Lall embodies global cultural exploration & innovative spirit that characterizes the entertainment industry at its best. In a career spanning 30 years over 3 continents, Dr. Lall has enjoyed a wide range of top-level decision making exposure & risk-taking experience in the creative & corporate areas of the dynamic business.



Focused on creating global content with an Indian soul, Dr. Lall has produced 2 feature films, 35 documentary films, 25 world-class events & an international TV series. In 2020, he is producing the film on the life of Gautam Buddha.

Passionate about India's history, Dr. Lall is the biographer of Subhas Chandra Bose & wrote The Man India Missed The Most (2017). His latest book is the inspirational life story of Har Dayal (2020). Dr. Lall has finished his first novel - an espionage thriller & is writing the biography of Sardar Patel. A prolific writer Dr. Lall has published over 1000 articles & his writing interests beyond the study of civilizations extend over Indian spirituality, foreign affairs & the business of entertainment. He worked as a Correspondent for UK's Screen International for 13 years & was a regular columnist in Indian newspapers & British magazines. He contributes a column in BW Business

World.

In addition, Dr. Lall has held leadership positions as the President of a multi-billion dollar Indian conglomerate in Los Angeles, as Executive Director of Indian Broadcasting Foundation established the largest trade body in the Indian media sector, was the Senior VP of a TV Network & Member of the Board of Directors of entertainment companies. Dr. Lall is an investor himself & provides strategic advice on investments to top names in Hollywood, Europe & India.

Dr. Lall served as a member of the International Emmy's council, Indian Planning Commission's working group & Indian rep of the world's largest TV trade body - NATPE. A regular at Cannes for 25 years, he has attended the Oscars & was the guest of NASA for a satellite launch at Cape Canaveral. Dr. Lall is a much sought after jury member for film festivals & was on the jury of Annecy Animation Fest, Babblegum online film fest at Venice & the ENBA TV news awards. In India, Dr. Lall functioned as Co Chairperson of the Assocham Entertainment Council & a member of FICCI & CII committees.

A frequent panelist at international conferences, Dr. Lall is a popular motivational speaker who offers talks about leadership & heroism that inspire audiences. He has lectured at Universities worldwide including UCLA, UCR & USC. Dr. Lall appears as an entertainment industry economist & author on TV & Radio networks.

Dr. Lall graduated with a first-class Master's Degree from Jamia Mass Communication Research Centre in 1988. His documentary film won the 'Desmond Doig Award' for the best graduation film & his science fiction short on nuclear war 'Killing a sunrise on a full moon night' was awarded the highest marks for script writing & direction. Dr. Lall additionally attended advanced courses in entertainment studies at UCLA.

In 2019, Dr. Lall was bestowed with the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Philosophy, (Ph.D.) by the Jharkhand Rai University, Ranchi, India.

Major General (Dr)GD Bakshi, SM, VSM(retd) was commissioned in the 6th Battalion of the Jammu & Kashmir rifles in 1971 and is a decorated



combat veteran who commanded his Battalion, Brigade and Division in active combat environments in J&K. He became a turn-around specialist and turned defeat into victory in very tough assignments. He has authored 38 books and written over 300 papers for prestigious defence journals. A highly popular TV commentator, he lectures extensively on the subjects of Leadership,

Motivation and National Security and is a thought leader on these issues. Currently, he is Editor

of Indian Military Review, the largest circulation defense monthly journal in India. In 2018 he was conferred the Chandra Shekhar Rashtriya Samman award by the Govt of Madhya Pradesh.

Shri Tarun Goswami is a veteran journalist. He is presently Resident Editor at Millennium Post,



Kolkata. He was with The Statesman, Kolkata. He was educated at St. Lawrence High School, where the Jesuit Fathers introduced him to Swami Vivekananda some time at the end of the 1970s. He did his BA in Philosophy from Presidency College, Kolkata and his MA from the University of Calcutta. He has undertaken research on Swami Vivekananda for several decades now and writes regularly on Vivekananda for newspapers and different

magazines; He has spoken on several platforms about the ideals taught by Swami Vivekananda. He is also a well-known practitioner of a rare art form—singing-whistling, which he learnt under the guidance of Shri Salil Chowdhury. Goswami has many public performances and albums to his credit.