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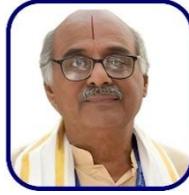
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From the Desk of Managing Editor

Dear Reader,



On behalf of the Editorial Board, I am pleased to present the 228th (Feb 2026) edition of *PreSense*, featuring another rich array of meaningful content.

I am happy to share with our readers that from this month, we have reconstituted the Editorial Board, by inducting three Senior Professionals from different domains. They will add value to the contents of this eMagazine PreSense. I welcome the new professionals.

Recently, India hosted the AI Summit 2026 in Delhi successfully. Many global political and technology leaders participated and positioned India as a leader in Technology. Our Editorial deals with the impact of AI Summit.

We also observe that opinion polls and exit polls are unable to predict or study the mindset of voters. The cover story analyses the reasons for such a phenomenon, comparing with highly accurate Image audit or Perception Audit.

Other Highlights:

Exclusive interview with Dr Sandeep Marwah

Prince Cartoon

Freedom Fighter: Haipou Jadonang, Nagaland

Review of the Feb 2011 edition of PreSense

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See you next month with more inspiring content.

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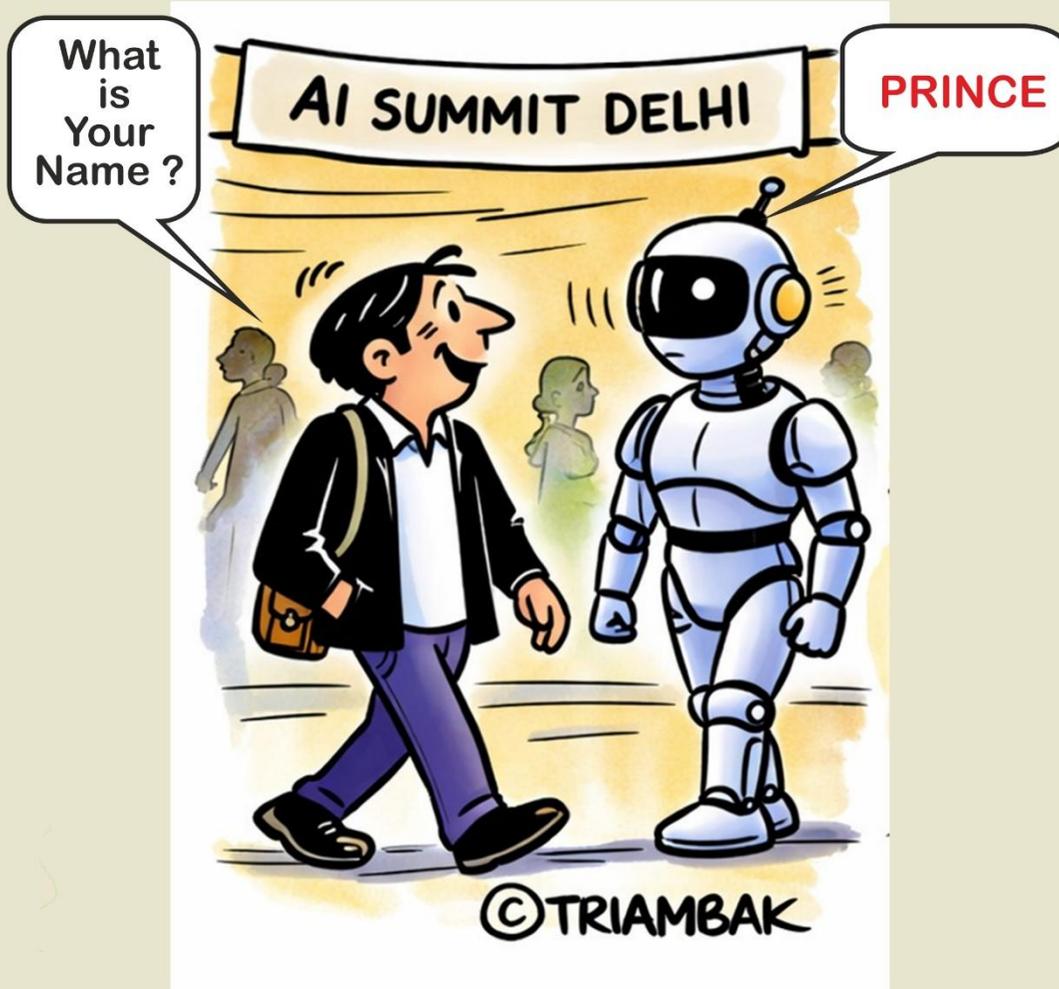
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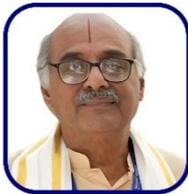
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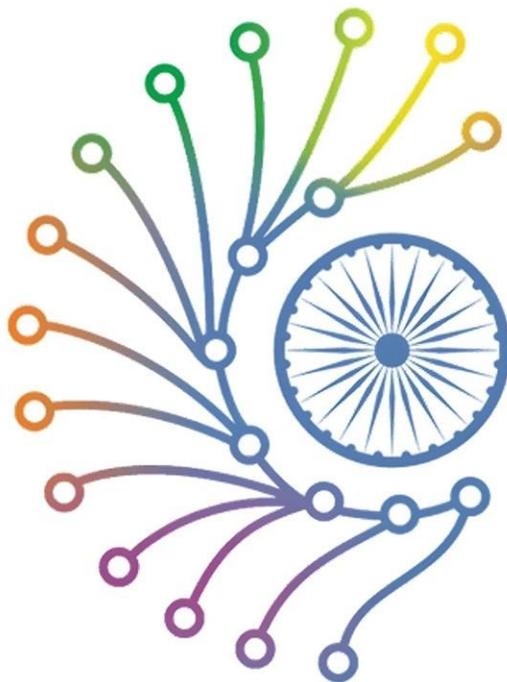
Editorial



India's AI Ascendancy: From the Global South to the Global Stage

By Prime Point Srinivasan, Managing Editor, and Ramesh Sundaram, Joint Managing Editor

(Witness India's historic leap from the sidelines to the centre stage of global AI. Discover how the 2026 Summit redefined technology to empower billions, not just elites.)



AI IMPACT SUMMIT

भारत 2026 INDIA

The historic **India AI Impact Summit 2026** recently concluded at the magnificent Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. It has left behind a legacy that will be studied for many decades. As a chronicler for *PreSense*, I feel it is my duty to record this event not just as a news report but as a historic reference document. This was a moment when India moved from the sidelines of technology to the very centre of the global stage. It was a victory for every Indian.

The Global Journey to New Delhi

To understand why this summit mattered so much, we must look at the path that led here. The global conversation on Artificial Intelligence began at **Bletchley Park** in the United Kingdom in 2023. At that time, the focus was mostly on 'Safety' and the fears of the unknown.



The talk then moved to **Seoul** in 2024 and **Paris** in 2025. However, those meetings were largely about the worries of wealthy nations.

The Delhi Summit was a landmark for a very special reason. It was the first time a nation from the **Global South** took the lead in this vital conversation. India took the baton and shifted the focus from the fears of the elite few to the aspirations of the billions. While previous summits were about "what if," India made it about "how much impact" and "how many lives can we change."

A Confluence of Power and Intellect

The scale of participation was nothing short of staggering. Over **135 countries** sent their delegations to our capital. More than **20 Heads of State** and **60 ministers** descended upon New Delhi. The summit was a rare bridge between political power and technological prowess.

From the tech world, the biggest names were all in attendance. **Sundar Pichai of Google**, **Sam Altman of OpenAI**, and **Jensen Huang of Nvidia** shared the stage with Indian titans like **Mukesh Ambani**. These leaders did not just come to talk. They came to see the "India scale" in action. The **AI Impact Expo** featured over **840 stalls** across thematic pavilions. It showcased everything from AI-driven surgery to satellite-based crop monitoring for our villages.

The MANAV Vision: Stealing the Show

Prime Minister Narendra Modi stole the show with a keynote address that was both wise and practical. He introduced the **MANAV** framework. In our language, *Manav* means human. This vision stands for Moral, Accountable, National sovereignty, Accessible, and Valid AI. He made it clear that technology must serve humanity. It must not reduce human beings to mere "data points."



His speech was a masterclass in balancing big dreams with careful thought. While he called for "Design and Develop in India, Deliver to the World," he also gave a stern warning. He spoke about the dangers of **Deepfakes** and the need for global standards. He compared AI to **nuclear power**. It is a force that can either light up a home or destroy a city. It all depends on the "command in our hands." His words resonated deeply. French President **Emmanuel Macron** even ended his speech with a spirited "**Jai Ho India!**" He was acknowledging our lead in making technology available to everyone.

Sarvam AI: The Sentinel of Indian Intelligence

A defining highlight of the summit was the extraordinary showcase by **Sarvam AI**. This Bengaluru-based startup has become the poster child for India's digital independence. In a move that signalled our shift from a consumer to a pioneer, Sarvam AI unveiled models heavily trained on Indian language data.



Most global models ignore our linguistic diversity. However, Sarvam has ensured that AI finally speaks the language of the Indian heart. They trained their systems on **18 trillion tokens**. A huge part of this was dedicated to Indian languages.

The societal impact is profound. Their '**Sarvam Kaze**' AI smart glasses were a star attraction. Prime Minister Modi personally demoed them. These glasses allow a person to interact with the world through voice in their mother tongue. They also showed how AI can work on basic button phones. This means a villager in a remote area can use AI just as easily as a professional in London. Sarvam AI proves that India is no longer just a "back-office hub." We are frontier creators.

A Nation Unified in Progress: States Taking the Lead

This summit was a triumph of "Competitive Federalism." States across India competed to show their best. While **Bihar** secured a significant investment of **₹468 crore** for a Research Park at **IIT Patna**, many other major States also achieved historic gains.

The **Tamil Nadu Government** demonstrated a masterclass in strategic engagement. They moved beyond traditional IT services to secure high-value deals. They signed a landmark **₹10,000-crore agreement with Sarvam AI** to establish India's first **Sovereign AI Park**. This project will integrate AI infrastructure and secure data frameworks. Tamil Nadu also secured a **₹1,980-crore investment** from the Japanese major **MinebeaMitsumi** for a semiconductor research centre. These initiatives will create over **8,400 high-skilled jobs**.

In **Andhra Pradesh**, the government signed seven crucial agreements to develop **Amaravati as a "Quantum-AI Hub."** They partnered with international organisations to train 100,000 youth. **Uttar Pradesh** also made a big move by announcing two major **AI Hubs in Gurugram and Panchkula**. They plan to train 50,000 students in emerging technologies.

The State of **Kerala** launched its own "**Kerala AI Mission.**" They are using AI to automate local government services to make life easier for the common citizen. Meanwhile, **Odisha** focused on using AI to help people in tribal areas. They are building voice-based systems so that citizens can access government benefits by speaking in their local dialects.

Harvesting Intelligence: The Farmer and the Youth

The most moving part of the summit was the focus on **Agriculture**. In India, the farmer is the backbone of the economy. The summit showed how AI is being used on the ground level. Through platforms like **Kisan E-Mitra**, AI is now predicting weather and identifying and finding crop diseases.

The Prime Minister shared a heartwarming example of how AI tracks the health of livestock. This is the real "India story." It is not just about fancy labs. It is about AI in the hands of a dairy farmer. India has a natural strength that no other country has. We have a massive number of educated and tech-savvy young people. Globally, our youth have a great reputation. The summit showed that our "brain power" is now building a self-reliant India.

The Shadows: Enemies Within and Global Jealousy

Unfortunately, no great Indian achievement is free from attempts to tarnish it. While the world watched in awe, some groups chose to stage a shameful "half-naked" protest inside the exhibition hall. This was a clear attempt to damage India's reputation in front of international guests.

It is fine to have political differences. However, it is a "big sin" to demean the nation on a global platform. To stage such a spectacle before world leaders and CEOs is a disgrace. One cannot help but wonder if these actions are fuelled by **global jealousy**. There are those who cannot stomach India's rise. Sadly, some local actors seem to be operating as proxies for them.



The Power of the People: Neutralising the Sabotage

The sheer scale of public enthusiasm proved that in India, technology is not just for the elite; it is a **mass movement**. While the organisers planned for a large turnout, the actual attendance exploded to over **5 lakh people**, far exceeding all expectations. Certain sections of the international media, often critical of India, seized upon minor initial hiccups caused by this massive crowd to blow matters out of proportion, completely ignoring the summit's historic success. While our primary technological competitor, the Chinese media, remained predictably critical, nations like Russia and France were high in their praise, with President Macron particularly lauding our UPI infrastructure. These attempts by jealous parties and their local proxies to malign India were ultimately neutralised by the overwhelming movement of the people. The organisers managed the surge with great efficiency, and the massive turnout became the strongest shield against any effort to sabotage our glory.

Conclusion: Owner's Pride, Neighbour's Envy

Despite these distractions, the India AI Impact Summit was a resounding success. We have proved that we are no longer just a market. We are the **architects** of the future. Our progress is a matter of "**Owner's Pride**," even if it remains the "**Neighbour's Envy**." This grand success is a profound testament to the synergy between Prime Minister Narendra Modi's far-reaching vision and the meticulous execution by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. Union Minister **Ashwini Vaishnav**, bringing his unique blend of administrative experience and political leadership, played a pivotal role. He ensured that India's technological prowess was showcased with great sophistication and scale.

PreSense congratulates the Minister and his entire team of dedicated officials. Their collective effort did more than just host a conference. It strengthened India's standing in the global tech community. It set a new, high benchmark for how Bharat welcomes the world. This summit has proved that when visionary leadership and professional expertise align, our nation does not just participate—it truly shines. The future is bright, the future is intelligent, and the future is Indian.

Editorial Board Reconstituted

We are pleased to announce that the Editorial Board has been reconstituted (with effect) from February 2026. Badri, who was the Editor-in-Chief, is now being elevated as "Joint Managing Editor". Priyadarshini Rahul, presently the Editor, is being promoted as "Editor-in-Chief".

Dr Sarika Takhar (Dean, NIJMC, NIMS University, Jaipur), Suresh G (Financial Services professional at Delhi), and Dhiba Lenin (Author, Freelance Journalist and Senior HR Professional at Chennai) have joined the Editorial Board as new Members.

Prime Point Srinivasan (Publisher & Managing Editor), Ramesh Sundaram (Joint Managing Editor), R Nurullah (Consulting Editor), and Triambak Sharma (Cartoon Editor) continue to be on the Editorial Board in the same posts.



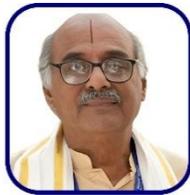
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Cover Story



The Mirage of the Ballot: Why Perception Audits Succeed Where Exit Polls Fail

By Prime Point Srinivasan, Managing Editor, and Priyadharshni Rahul, Editor in Chief

(As major State Assemblies prepare for elections, we explore the fundamental mechanics of human perception, the 'Trinity of Truth', and why even the most scientific polling methods struggle to mirror the final reality of the ballot box effectively.)

The human mind is the most complex landscape any researcher can navigate. Whether in a boardroom or in a voting booth, the decisions people make are driven by a force that is often invisible but always absolute: perception. To understand why predictions often falter, we must first understand how this "mental impression" is construed, constructed, and, more importantly, how it is captured.

The Five Pillars: The Architecture of Perception

Perception is not an overnight phenomenon; it is a slow, cumulative process built on five distinct foundations. The first is **Performance**, the bedrock of what an individual or organisation actually does. The second is **Experience**, based on the direct, personal interactions a stakeholder has with an entity. The third is **What Others Say**, where we rely on reports from friends, contacts, or media reviews to form our view. The fourth, and perhaps most volatile, is **Rumours**, where misinformation and false reports spread through social media or word of mouth like a wildfire, and can damage a reputation even when performance is strong. Finally, there are **Illusions**, the manufactured narratives and "brand values" that are created to project an organisation or individual as the best, often through repeated media narratives.

Together, these pillars create a "Hidden Perception"—a deep-seated view that people often hesitate to share openly due to fear of retribution, professional consequences, or social embarrassment.

The Trinity of Truth and the Image Audit Process

To unlock these "locked minds," a revolutionary research tool known as the **Image Audit** is employed. It is a **Master Perception Check-up** designed to evaluate the soul of an organisation. However, capturing the truth requires a specific clinical environment that leverages the **Trinity of Truth**. Experience has shown that individuals are only "brutally frank" on three specific occasions: when they are **Anonymous**, when they are in a **Group**, and when they are speaking to a **Third Person**.

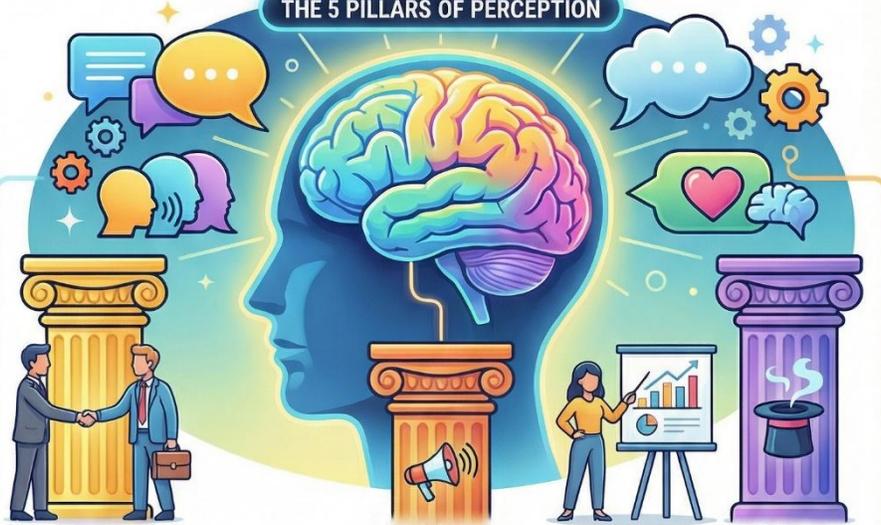
The Image Audit process begins with a confidential discussion with management to identify the real areas of concern and the specific "publics" to be studied. We then design a precise questionnaire that avoids seeking the respondent's name, address, or any other finer identity to ensure they feel safe. During administration, stakeholders are assembled in a group. We act as the neutral "Third Person," ensuring they do not consult each other. This creates a sense of collective safety where respondents feel free to share their "first perception"—the rawest form of truth—without overthinking.



THE SECRET SCIENCE OF HOW WE THINK: Understanding Perception and Polls

How Our Minds Form Opinions and Why 'Image Audits' are More Accurate Than Election Polls

THE 5 PILLARS OF PERCEPTION



Performance & Experience

Foundation of opinion is based on actual actions and personal interactions.

What Others Say & Rumours

Heavily influenced by reports of friends, images* created by clever marketing to appear as the best choice.

Illusions

Feelings and inherent prejudices influence how information is interpreted.

IMAGE AUDIT (The Master Check-up)



CALM ENVIRONMENT

Succeeds in quiet, stable times. Nearly 100% Accurate.

USES TRINITY OF TRUTH

Ensures honest answers through secure methods.

HOW WE FIND THE TRUTH

THE TRINITY OF TRUTH



People are only "brutally frank" when these three conditions are met.

ELECTION POLLS (Opinion/Exit Polls)



NOISY, EMOTIONAL, VOLATILE

Fail due to distractions, last minute emotions, money, and "noise".

THE EXECUTION GAP & FAKE DATA

Student workers may submit "fake" response sheets to meet targets. Often wrong.

TRUTH FACTOR COMPARISON

IMAGE AUDIT

✓ NEARLY 100% ACCURACY

USES "TRINITY OF TRUTH" TRUTH FACTOR

ELECTION POLLS

OFTEN WRONG ✗

SUBJECT TO "FENCE-SITTERS"



The Significance of the Calm Environment and Emerging Patterns

The most vital component of a successful Image Audit is the environment. I always choose a **"calm day"** for administration. This means avoiding periods immediately following salary hikes, promotions, or internal crises. Perception is a variable that can oscillate wildly due to temporary emotions, and by waiting for the situation to settle, we capture the realistic, baseline perception.

In such a controlled, tranquil setting, the Image Audit has proven to achieve nearly 100 percent accuracy in unearthing the hidden mindset of stakeholders. One fascinating aspect of this process is that even when respondents do not consult each other and give their views in different groups, a clear pattern or trend always emerges. In my experience, even if I am studying 5000 responses, the same trend or pattern of perception will be visible after analysing just 500 random sheets. This uniformity reveals that while perception is individual, the collective mindset of a group reacting to a shared environment is remarkably consistent.

The Political Mirror: Opinion and Exit Polls

When we shift our focus to politics, we see that opinion and exit polls are essentially attempting the same task: an audit of hidden perception. However, the study of perception in the political arena faces a vastly different challenge. While the formation of perception follows the same five pillars, the context differs significantly.

Unlike the calm environment of a corporate office or a college hall, elections are held in a **noisy environment**. Till the very last minute, the voter's mind is a battlefield of religion, caste, cash for vote, local emotions, and last-minute sympathy factors. This constant noise makes it almost impossible to find a settled baseline before the vote is cast. Recent history in States like **Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, and Bihar** has shown that even the most anticipated predictions can go entirely wrong because they fail to account for this volatile, last-minute shift in the voter's perception.

Understanding Trends and Waves

Just like in an Image Audit, political perceptions often follow a broader trend or pattern. We can see this when entire blocks of districts vote for a particular party. A classic example is the 1977 general elections. Despite the absence of a high-profile campaign following the Emergency, a clear pattern emerged: the entire South voted for Indira Gandhi, while the entire North voted against her, leading to her own defeat. Similarly, emotional impacts were reflected in the voting pattern after the assassinations of Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi.

In the world of polling, we refer to these emerging patterns as a "wave" or "anti-incumbency." While opinion and exit polls may not achieve the 100 percent accuracy of a controlled Image Audit, they can still help researchers feel the general trend or pattern in favour of or against a particular party. The challenge lies in accurately predicting the final outcome when that trend is subjected to the extreme noise of an election.

The Execution Gap: The Reality of the Field

It is pertinent to state here that the administrators of major opinion and exit polls are often highly reputed professionals who follow rigorous, scientific sampling methods. Their inability to predict results accurately is rarely a failure of their science, but rather a failure of execution and the human element at the ground level.

The agencies, in good faith, often entrust the data collection to colleges, which in turn engage students. These students are typically paid based on the number of completed response sheets they submit. I was a personal witness to a scene that reveals the flaw in this chain. During a recent election, two media students were assigned to an exit poll at a booth near



my house. I observed them standing at only one entrance of the street, stopping voters as they returned.

The booth had 1200 registered voters, but being an educated middle-class area, the actual turnout was only 450. However, the students had been given a target of 600 response sheets. At the end of the day, I discovered they had submitted the full 600 sheets to their professor. Since only 450 people had voted—and many of those had walked past the students without responding—it was clear that hundreds of these sheets were fake, filled out by the students themselves to ensure they were paid. This "Execution Gap" means that the highly scientific models of the agencies are often being fed "fake" data from the ground, rendering the final predictions useless.

The Human Mind versus the Algorithm

The most unpredictable factor in any election is the "fence-sitter." Many Members of Parliament have shared that approximately 15 percent of voters remain undecided until they are standing before the ballot box. Many Sansad Ratna Award winners use their final hours of campaigning to project their independent recognition as a "seal of performance," which can tilt these crucial undecided voters at the very last second.

Ultimately, poll predictions struggle because no scientific method can truly enter the mind of a voter in those final, influenced moments. In an Image Audit, the controlled environment allows us to see the reflection clearly. In an election, the mirror is constantly shaking.

We must conclude that as long as voters do not feel the safety required to come out frankly, even the most advanced technological tools and scientific models will have limited value. Before the depth and mystery of the human mind, every algorithm must eventually bow. The only poll that can ever be 100 percent accurate is the one counted when the noise finally stops, and the boxes are opened.



Sri Ramakrishna Mutt, Thanjavur, and Aduthurai Town Panchayat conducted a sports programme on 5th February 2026, for the children of various Schools. Prime Point Srinivasan was the Guest of Honour to present the prizes. Swami Vimurtananda Maharaj, Chief of Sri Ramakrishna Mutt, Thanjavur, released the eBook titled "PreSense Speaks on Swami Vivekananda", a compilation of articles published in the eMagazine PreSense on Swami Vivekananda. M K Stalin, Chairman of Aduthurai Town Panchayat, Dr Sathyamurthy, District Judge and Ramanathan, Senior Journalist, were also present. This book can be downloaded from the link

<https://tinyurl.com/Swami-vivekananda-presense>

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Visionary Titans

The Magic of Media: A Masterclass in Vision and Resilience with Dr Sandeep Marwah



By Priyadharshni Rahul, Editor in Chief

(Dr. Sandeep Marwah, the "Man of Many Firsts," overcame bureaucratic resistance to build Noida Film City and AAFT, training 35,000 professionals while pioneering AI and digital storytelling in global media.)

Introduction



Dr Sandeep Marwah presenting the book to Priyadharshni Rahul

Last month, *PreSense* launched an exclusive series dedicated to the "Great Visionaries of India", seeking to uncover the grit behind the glory and the struggles behind the success. In this second instalment, we are honoured to feature Dr Sandeep Marwah, a titan of the global media landscape whose life's work defines visionary leadership. Often referred to as the 'Man of Many Firsts', Dr Marwah is the architect of Noida Film City, the founder of the world-renowned Marwah Studios, and the visionary behind the Asian Academy of Film & Television (AAFT). Having trained over 35,000 professionals across 145 countries, he has turned a once-silent region of North India into a global media hub. In this deep-dive interview with Priyadharshni Rahul, Editor-in-Chief of *PreSense*, Dr Marwah shares his harrowing early struggles against bureaucracy and his unwavering belief in the future of digital and AI-driven storytelling.

Priyadharshni Rahul: Good afternoon, Sir. As part of our series on great visionaries, I want to explore the foundation of your success. Looking at the vast media empire you have built over 40 years, it is easy to see the achievement, but I want to know about the struggles. Where did the spark—and the resistance—begin?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: Well, let me start by clarifying—it is not an empire; I prefer to think of it as a humble place of learning. The achievement you see today was born from immense dissatisfaction. Back in 1986, while working in Bombay, I was frustrated by how scattered the industry was—studios were miles apart, and there was no cohesive planning.

After visiting Hollywood and seeing their efficient "colony" of studios, I envisioned a dedicated Film City for North India. But the struggle was immediate. In the mid-80s, there was no film culture in the North. Proposing a Film City was treated as a joke; it was like looking for water on Mars. I wanted 100 acres in New Delhi, but officials were incredibly reluctant and, frankly, dismissive. They wouldn't even read my file. People were ruthless in their rejection.

Priyadharshni Rahul: Visionaries often face the most pushback when they try to bring structure to chaos. How did you break through that wall of "No"?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: I had to pivot. I turned to the Noida Authority. Luckily, the Chairman was looking for a fresh, "charming" project to define the city. Even then, it was a bureaucratic marathon. It took a full year of formalities, moving from Noida to Lucknow, through the Finance Board and the Chief Minister. When I finally got word in December 1987 that the Noida Film City project was cleared, I could not hold back my tears. It wasn't just a business win; it was a victory over everyone who said it was impossible.

Priyadharshni Rahul: The mark of a true visionary is seeing a problem and building the solution. You didn't just build a studio; you built a school. Was that because you couldn't find the talent you needed?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: Exactly. When we started Marwah Studios—the first professional studio in North India—we had the buildings but no people. We didn't even have a qualified lightsman. I had to pick up local labourers, electricians, and vegetable vendors and train them myself.

Then, the "channel invasion" hit in 1991. Zee, Star, NDTV—they were all launching and needed space and staff. I realised that to sustain the Film City, I had to create the workforce. That is how AAFT (Asian Academy of Film & Television) was born. We turned the studio floor into a classroom. My students were getting three years' worth of professional experience in just three months because they were working with national broadcasters every single day.



Priyadharshni Rahul: Today, Noida Film City is a behemoth. What does the "achievement" look like in numbers now?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: It is currently the fastest-growing film city in the world. We have 100 acres—75 for outdoor sets and 25 for indoor. There are 16 studios here, and from this ground,

350 channels are broadcast to 162 countries around the clock. We have roughly 17,000 media professionals working in three shifts, and approximately 150,000 people earn their livelihoods because of this ecosystem.

Priyadharshni Rahul: You have always been ahead of the curve, particularly with mobile cinema and now AI. What drives you to keep innovating when you have already achieved so much?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: A visionary cannot stop at one success. Twenty years ago, people laughed when I mentioned flying cars or shooting cinema on a mobile phone. Today, those are realities. I never want my students to be "aliens" to new technology. We introduced AI into our curriculum four years ago. While others are still debating its impact, we have already produced a film using AI. You have to reinvent yourself constantly; the only constant is change.

Priyadharshni Rahul: Looking into your crystal ball, where is the media industry headed in the next two decades?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: We are entering a "magical world" that is actually a reinvention of ancient technical soundness. The next leap is laser technology—where chips in your hand will project "air computers," and physical devices will become obsolete. We are even seeing research into "past-viewing" technology, where we can reconstruct past events at a location through advanced imaging.

However, I also see a necessary correction. We are reaching a point of digital excess. Much like the "idiot box" (television) obsession eventually faded, people are starting to get "sick" of being glued to mobiles. A "digital detox" is coming.

Priyadharshni Rahul: Beyond technology, your work has a deep spiritual and diplomatic side. How does your philosophy of "Love, Peace, and Unity" fit into a ruthless media world?

Dr Sandeep Marwah: Art and culture are the only ways to bring the world together. I chair the International Chamber of Media and Entertainment Industry, and we have reached a consensus with 92 countries. Political conflicts like Israel-Palestine or Russia-Ukraine exist, but in the world of art, we remain united. I have been honoured as a cultural ambassador by many nations because they recognise that the media has a responsibility beyond just profit—it creates perceptions.

Priyadharshni Rahul: To conclude, what is your advice to the young visionaries who look at your 40-year journey as their blueprint?

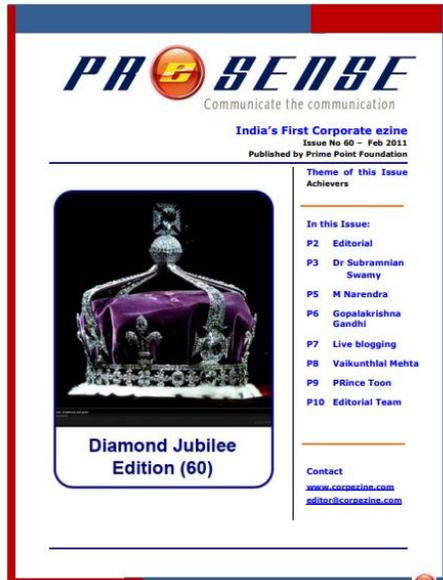
Dr Sandeep Marwah: Understand that media is a sacred responsibility. Our first job is to ensure that we don't make our audience feel "sick" or hopeless. To be a visionary, you must be truthful, genuine, and deeply patriotic. Sustainability in any field—but especially media—comes only when you keep your country and your countrymen at the heart of everything you do.

Priyadharshni Rahul: Thank you, Dr Marwah, for sharing the struggle and the incredible vision behind Noida Film City.

Dr Sandeep Marwah: Thank you.



Time Capsule Chronicles: Revisiting PreSense - 15 Years Ago – Feb 2011 "Achievers"



The February 2011 edition of PreSense (Issue No. 60) stands as a significant milestone, marking five years of uninterrupted monthly publication since March 2006. Dubbed the Diamond Jubilee Edition, it serves as a masterclass in chronicling leadership, integrity, and the evolution of digital communication in India.

Leadership and Ethical Insights

The issue is anchored by profound interviews with contemporary achievers. Dr Subramanian Swamy offers a compelling discourse on 'perseverance', rooted in the Bhagavad Gita's Law of Karma. His perspective that one should act as an "instrument of the divine" to avoid stress and ego-driven tension remains timelessly relevant for today's high-pressure corporate world.

Similarly, Mr M. Narendra, then CMD of Indian Overseas Bank, emphasizes that "institutional leadership is more important than individual leadership". His focus on social development and the "urge to excel" provides a

grounded blueprint for success that transcends the materialistic gains he warns against.

Historical Integrity and Political Reform

A standout feature is the coverage of the National Conference on Electoral and Political Reforms. Through the speech of Mr Gopalakrishna Gandhi, the edition bridges the past and present by recounting the startlingly prophetic 1921 jail diary of Rajaji, who foresaw the "tyranny of wealth" in future elections. The anecdote of Lal Bahadur Shastri and Jawaharlal Nehru searching their pockets for tea money in 1937 serves as a poignant reminder of the austerity and probity that once defined Indian politics.

Digital Pioneering

The edition also highlights its role as a digital pioneer, serving as a media partner for major events and utilising live blogging—a cutting-edge tool in 2011—to engage a younger audience. Even the whimsical marriage of the cartoon character PRince adds a touch of human warmth to the corporate discourse.

Fifteen years later, this edition remains a vital archive of values, reminding us that while technology evolves, the foundations of integrity and selfless service are permanent.

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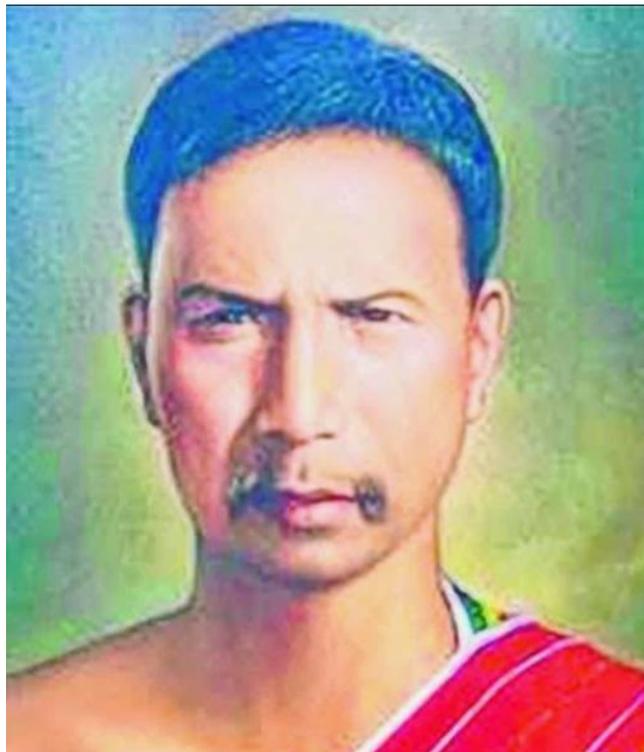
Freedom Fighters of India

Haipou Jadonang (Nagaland)



By C. Badri, Editor in Chief

(Haipou Jadonang was a visionary Zeliangrong Naga leader who challenged British colonialism through spiritual renewal and the Heraka movement, fighting for political sovereignty and the preservation of indigenous cultural heritage.)



Nestled in the verdant hills of the present-day Northeast India lies a tale of resistance, faith, and vision. The story of Haipou Jadonang, a revered leader among the Zeliangrong Nagas, is one of courage and conviction in the face of the oppressive tides of British colonial rule. While many freedom fighters are celebrated across the Indian subcontinent, Jadonang's legacy is often overlooked, despite his profound impact on the political and spiritual awakening of the Nagas. His struggle was not just a fight for political independence but also a crusade to reclaim the cultural and spiritual heritage of his people.

Haipou Jadonang was born in 1905 in the small hill village of Kambiron, now in the Tamenglong district of Manipur. He belonged to the Zeliangrong community, an amalgamation of three Naga tribes: Zeme, Liangmei, and Rongmei. Growing up, Jadonang displayed remarkable intelligence, spiritual sensitivity, and a

deep connection to his land and people. From a young age, he was drawn to the oral traditions, rituals, and folk songs that formed the tapestry of Naga life.

Jadonang was raised in an environment where colonial influence was rapidly eroding traditional practices. The British, through their policies and Christian missionaries, sought to reshape Naga society, often undermining indigenous faiths and customs. Witnessing these changes, Jadonang felt a calling to defend and revitalise the spiritual life of his community. He began to spend long periods in meditation and prayer, claiming to have visions that guided his path. These spiritual experiences would later become central to both his leadership and the movement he inspired.

The early 20th century was a period of profound transformation for the Nagas. The British Raj, intent on consolidating power over the Northeast, introduced new taxes, land regulations, and administrative structures. Traditional chieftainships were weakened, and local autonomy was undermined. The imposition of forced labour, called 'potang,' and other exploitative practices led to widespread resentment. The Zeliangrong Nagas, fiercely independent and proud of their customs, were particularly affected.



The British administration, unfamiliar with Naga lifeways and often dismissive of their institutions, created a climate of suspicion and unrest. The influx of Christian missionaries further threatened traditional belief systems, as conversions increased and customary laws were replaced by foreign norms.

Against this backdrop, Jadonang emerged as both a spiritual and political leader. With his reputation for healing, prophecy, and wisdom, he attracted a devoted following among the Zeliangrong people. Jadonang's vision went beyond spiritual renewal; he aspired to unite the Nagas and restore their sovereignty. He preached about the imminent end of British rule and the coming of 'Makam Gwangdi'—a promised land of freedom and justice for the Nagas.

His teachings combined traditional Naga beliefs with elements of resistance. He called for the rejection of colonial taxes, the boycott of forced labour, and the restoration of village autonomy. Jadonang drew inspiration from Naga mythology, prophesying that the British would soon be driven out. His followers began to see him as a messianic figure, a deliverer who would lead them to liberation.

Central to Jadonang's campaign was the revival of the Heraka faith, an indigenous religion that emphasized faith in Tingkao Ragwang, the supreme god. The Heraka movement sought to purify Naga practices, eliminating what were seen as superstitious elements while preserving core rituals and values. Jadonang's religious reforms were both a form of spiritual renewal and a vehicle for political mobilization.

The Heraka movement rapidly gained momentum, with thousands of Zeliangrong Nagas gathering at Jadonang's headquarters in Kambiron. His followers constructed temples, organized mass prayers, and openly denounced colonial authority. The growth of this movement unsettled the British, who saw in it the seeds of a wider anti-colonial uprising.

Alarmed by Jadonang's popularity and the Heraka movement's challenge to their authority, the British authorities began to crack down. They accused Jadonang of inciting rebellion, defying colonial laws, and conspiring against the state. In 1931, Jadonang was arrested on charges of sedition and murder—charges widely believed to have been fabricated.

Despite the lack of concrete evidence, Jadonang was tried by a colonial court and found guilty. On August 29, 1931, he was executed by hanging in Imphal, an event that sent shockwaves throughout the region. His death, however, did not crush the movement he had inspired. Instead, it became a rallying point for Naga resistance.

Haipou Jadonang's martyrdom marked a pivotal moment in the history of the Nagas. His vision of unity, self-respect, and freedom lived in the hearts of his followers. The mantle of leadership soon passed to his disciple, Rani Gaidinliu, a young woman who would continue the Heraka movement and the struggle for Naga rights.

Jadonang's legacy remains profound. He is remembered not just as a freedom fighter, but as a spiritual guide and visionary who challenged the twin oppressions of colonial rule and cultural erasure. His life and message have inspired generations of Nagas to assert their identity and fight for justice. Today, monuments, folk songs, and annual commemorations in Manipur, Nagaland, and Assam keep his memory alive.

To speak of Haipou Jadonang is to invoke the spirit of resistance and renewal that defines the Northeast's struggle against colonialism. Guided by faith and fired by a dream of justice, he united his people and gave them hope in a time of darkness. In the annals of India's freedom movement, Jadonang stands as a beacon—a visionary whose fight for the soul of his land deserves to be remembered and celebrated. As the hills of Nagaland echo his name, the message endures: freedom is both a right and a sacred duty, and the legacy of Haipou Jadonang continues to light the path for generations yet to come. JAI HIND



International

From Aimers to Achievers: A Bridge Across Oceans

The spirit of innovation knows no borders, but opportunity often does. This profound truth is the heartbeat of Sukruti Narayanan's (Photo) latest mission. A long-time associate of the Prime Point Foundation and Sansad Ratna Awards, Sukruti has transitioned from her impactful work in India to launch the AIMERS Foundation in Sydney.



A Historic Launch

The Foundation was recently inaugurated in a prestigious online ceremony by Shri T S Krishnamurthy, former Chief Election Commissioner of India, alongside dignitaries from both India and Australia. The significance of this bridge between nations was further cemented when AIMERS was officially acknowledged in the New South Wales Parliament. Members Hon. Jacqui Munro MLC and Ms. Robyn Preston MP both rose in their respective Houses to commend the foundation for its commitment to future-focused education and inclusion.

Purpose & Vision

AIMERS stands for Artificial Intelligence, Media, Emerging Fields, Robotics, and STEAM. Sukruti's vision is to ensure that multicultural communities are not just passive consumers of technology, but confident creators. The foundation is already making waves with the historic all-female-led Lunar Space Mission ShakthiSAT, empowering 12,000 girls from 108 countries globally with free 120 hours of Satellite building – Founded by Dr Srimathy Kesan. In Australia, there are over 140 girls between age 14 and 18 who are learning how to build a satellite.

Aimers to Achievers

To mark this journey, Sukruti will release her book, "Aimers to Achievers," on March 6th in Sydney—coinciding with International Women's Day. The work celebrates teenage women trailblazers in science and technology, proving that when we bridge the gap between talent and opportunity, the sky is no longer the limit.

This book celebrates the silent architect of progress – extraordinary women across AIMERS pillars whose foundational work continues to power today's technological world. It is a reminder that innovation is not limited by visibility or background – with discipline and determination, anyone can shape the future.

The Speeches of Parliamentarians can be watched from the links



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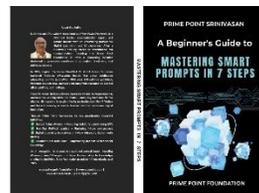




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