



Confederation of Indian Industry



## 5<sup>th</sup> India Tea Forum - “NexGen Tea”

Conference | Innovation, Value addition & Teapreneurs | Tea Tasting | Mini Expo  
7 – 8 September 2018 | Hotel Barsana | Siliguri

Draft Program

Day 1 – 7 September 2018

1600 - 1700 hrs: Registration & Tea Tasting on Specialty Tea

1700 – 1800 Hrs	Plenary Session I – Opportunities and Potential in Tea Tourism.	
1700 – 1750 Hrs	Session Chairman	<b>Mr Raj Basu</b> Chair CII NB Tourism Panel & Founder Director Help Tourism Pvt. Ltd.
<b>Panelist</b>		
<b>Mr Samrat Chakraborty, WBCS, Exe</b> Joint Director, North Bengal Department of Tourism Government of West Bengal Siliguri	<b>Ms. Mrinali Srivastava IPS</b> Managing Director Temi Tea, Department of Commerce and Industry Government of Sikkim	<b>Mr Prabir Seal</b> Past Chairman CII NB Zonal Council & Managing Director Seal & Company Ltd
<b>Mr. Rajah Banerjee</b> Chairman T' Classic (Darjeeling) Pvt. Limited RIMPOCHA HOUSE		
1750 – 1800 hrs	Session Change	

1800 – 2000 hrs	Inaugural Session “Challenges, Opportunities and Way Forward for the Tea Industry “	
1800 – 1805 hrs	Welcome Address	<b>Mr. Kamal Kishore Tewari</b> Chairman, CII NB Zonal Council & Director K Tea Corporation
1805 – 1810 hrs	Theme Setting	<b>Mr. Ravi Agarwal</b> Chair, Tea Panel CII NB Zonal Council & Convener Indian Tea Forum

1810 – 1815 hrs	<b>LAMP LIGHTENING</b>	
1815 – 1840 hrs	<b>Industry Speak by Local Association 2 mins each</b>	<b>STAC, STTA, TIPA, NBTPA, Warehouse, Broker</b>
1840 – 1845 hrs	<b>Address</b>	<b>Mr. Bharat Arya</b> Chairman FAITTA & Director J.V. Gokul & Co Pvt Ltd Kolkata
1845 – 1850 hrs	<b>Address</b>	<b>Mr. Kamal Kumar Mittal</b> Founder Chairman CII North Bengal & Chairman Managing Director PCM Group of Industries
1850 -1900 hrs	<b>Address</b>	<b>Mr. S. Soundararajan</b> Director (Tea Development) & Secretary Tea Board of India
1900 – 1905hrs	<b>Address</b>	<b>Ms. Mrinali Srivastava IPS</b> Managing Director Temi Tea, Department of Commerce and Industry Government of Sikkim
1905 – 1915 hrs	<b>Special Address</b>	<b>Shri P K Bezboruah</b> Chairman Tea Board of India
1915 -1925 hrs	<b>Special Address</b>	<b>Shri Arun Kumar Ray, IPS**</b> Deputy Chairman Tea Board of India
1925 – 1935 hrs	<b>Special Address</b>	<b>Shri Barun Kumar Ray, IAS</b> Principal Secretary Department of NBDD Government of West Bengal
1935 – 1950 hrs	<b>Special Address by Guest of Honour</b>	<b>Shri Gautam Deb</b> Minister – In – Charge Department of Tourism Government of West Bengal
1950 – 2005 hrs	<b>Special Address by Guest of Honour</b>	<b>Shri Rabindra Nath Ghosh</b> Minister – In – Charge North Bengal Development Department Government of West Bengal
2005 – 2010 hrs	<b>Concluding Remarks</b>	<b>Mr Anand Agarwal</b> Vice Chairman, CII NB Zonal Council & Director Chuniajhora Tea Company
2010 hrs	<b>Close &amp; Networking Dinner</b>	



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### Day 2 – 8 September 2018

0930 - 1000 hrs	Registration	
1000 – 1130 hrs	Plenary Session II - Nextgen Tea – Shaping the NexGen Tea for youths - Value addition, Innovation, brewing, blending.	
	Session Chairman	<b>Mr. Bidyananda Barkakoty</b> Chair, CII North East Council Tea Task Force & Chairman Advisory Committee for Small Tea Growers of Tea Board of India, Assam
	Key note Address	<b>Mr. S. Soundararajan</b> Director (Tea Development) & Secretary Tea Board of India
<b>Panelist</b>		
<b>Mr. Paras Desai</b> Executive Director Wagh Bakri Tea Ahmedabad	<b>Mr. Rishit Patel,</b> CEO and Director Tea Lounge Rajasthan	<b>Mr. Yaduveer Singh</b> Director – Development & Innovations Chai Point Bangalore
<b>Mr. Lalit Sinha</b> Goodricke Group Kolkata	<b>Mr. Sourav Mukherjee</b> Tea Buyer/Blender Tata Global Beverage Assam	<b>Mr Gaurav Ghosh</b> Director J.Thomas & Co Pvt Ltd
1115 – 1130 hrs	Interaction	
1130 – 1135	Session Change	

1135 – 1150 hrs	<b>Plenary Session III – Specialty tea on buyers and seller perspective.</b>	
<b>Mr. Dinesh Bihani</b> Secretary Guwahati Tea Auction Buyers Association	<b>Mr. Mangilal Maheshwari</b> Director Sourav Tea Company Assam	<b>Mr. Rajan Lohia</b> Managing Director Manohari Tea Estate Assam
1150 – 1200 hrs	<b>Session Change</b>	

1200 – 1330 hrs	<b>Plenary Session IV– Sustainability of Tea and ensuring Safe Cup for NexGen Tea.</b>	
	<b>Session Chairman</b>	<b>Shri P K Bezboruah</b> Chairman Tea Board of India
<b>Panelist</b>		
<b>Mr. Bharat Arya</b> Chairman FAITTA & Director J.V. Gokul & Co Pvt Ltd - Kolkata	<b>Mr. Umesh Arora</b> President - Marketing Warren Tea Ltd Kolkata	<b>Mr. Paras Desai</b> Executive Director Wagh Bakri Tea Ahmedabad
<b>Mr. Bijay Gopal Chakraborty</b> President Confederation of All India Small Tea Growers Association (CISTA) Jalpaiguri	<b>Mr. Milind Shah</b> Director Girnar Group Coimbatore	<b>Mr. Harkirat Singh Sidhu</b> Consulting Program Coordinator India. Sustainable Landscapes & Livelihoods, Sustainable Agriculture Division Rainforest Alliance -Delhi
<b>Mr. Srawan Chowdhury</b> Managing Director K.B. Tea Pvt Ltd Siliguri	<b>Mr. Netai Majumdar</b> Secretary North Bengal Small Tea Growers Association	<b>Mr. Nepul Saika</b> Chairman North Eastern Tea Association (NETA) Assam
<b>Mr. Manoj Jhavar</b> Tea Taster Siliguri	<b>Tea Board</b>	
1315 – 1330 hrs	<b>Interaction</b>	
<b>1330 – 1430 hrs Lunch</b>		

1430 – 1530 hrs.	<b>Plenary Session V: Moving towards E commerce, Retail and Marketing &amp; Success story of NexGen Teapreneurs.</b>	
	<b>Session Chairman</b>	<b>Mr. S. K. Saria</b> Managing Director Gopaldhara Tea Estate Darjeeling
	<b>Address</b>	<b>Mr. Piyush Desai</b> Chairman Wagh Bhakri Ahmedabad
<b>Panelist</b>		
<b>Mr. Rajiv Lochan</b> CEO Lochan Tea Ltd. Siliguri	<b>Mr. Kiran Shah</b> Director Jivraj Mumbai	<b>Mr Soveet Gupta</b> CEO Udyan Tea Kolkata
<b>Mr Rajeev Baid</b> Director Chai Chun Siliguri	<b>Dr. S.E. Kabir</b> Executive Director Tea Academy	<b>Tea Board</b>
1530 – 1545 hrs	<b>Valedictory Session &amp; High Tea and Close</b>	