

UN Internet Governance Forum 2021 – Hyderabad Remote Hub



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Chief Guest
Sri Jayesh Ranjan
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Information Technology (IT) Departments of the Telangana government

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UN Internet Governance Forum IGF 2021 – Hyderabad Remote Hub is being organized by Internet Society India Hyderabad Chapter and Vardhman College of Engineering.

Each year, IGF annual meeting brings together stakeholders from around the world to discuss some of the most pressing Internet governance issues. Participants represent governments, intergovernmental organizations, the private sector, the technical community, and civil society. First IGF took place in 2006 in Athens, Greece and the third IGF in Hyderabad in 2008.

For the first time, Poland is hosting the Internet Governance Forum organized by the UN. The event, organized by the Ministry of Digital Affairs, is taking place at the Katowice International Congress Centre. The 16th **IGF** is being held under the overarching theme: “**Internet United**”. IGF 2021 has Main Sessions, Workshops, Open Forums, Town Halls, Launches and Awards, Lightning Talks, Networking Sessions, DC Sessions, NRI Collaborative Sessions, Pre-Events and Special Tracks of High-level Leaders Track, Parliamentary Track and Youth Track.

At the IGF 2021 Hyderabad Local Hub, the Chief Guest Mr. Jayesh Ranjan, Principal Secretary IT, Govt. of Telangana has addressed on “**Future of Internet**”. Explaining Digital Telangana programme on the lines of Digital India, he stressed the need of digital governance and to bring the awareness on benefits of internet to rural population. He has advised to adopt the nearby villages and train the villagers on digital literacy. Mr. Jayesh Ranjan has inaugurated the Internet Society Academic Hub at Vardhman College of Engineering, Hyderabad.

The Internet Society is a global organization with worldwide Chapters and it supports and promotes the development of the Internet as a global technical infrastructure, a resource to enrich people’s lives. Goals are to make Internet to be open, globally-connected, secure, and trustworthy.

Internet Society India Hyderabad Chapter was inaugurated on 10-04-2021 by Sri J. Satyanarayana IAS. Focus of the Chapter is on Community Networks, Internet Measurement, IPv6 and Multi Lingual Internet. They work in the Internet Eco System comprising of IETF, IAB, ICANN and IGF and they work through the Academic Hubs in Engineering Colleges.

Mr. K Mohan Raidu President of ISoc India Hyderabad Chapter has spoken about the forthcoming Indian School of Internet Governance- inSIG 2022 at Hyderabad asked the ISoc Academic Hub to get ready for organising it. Dr. JVR Ravindra Principal, Dr. MA Jabbar HOD CSE and Mr. G Srinivasa Reddy from ISoc have addressed the gathering.

Some of the main sessions at IGF 2021 are Digital Cooperation, Policy Network on Meaningful Access, Meaningful Access & Connectivity, Emerging Regulation, Economic and Social Inclusion and Human Rights, Policy Network on Environment, Environmental Sustainability and Climate Change, Trust, Security & Stability, BPF Cyber security, BPF Gender and Digital Rights, The good, the bad and the ugly of the Internet in times of crisis.