

INSTITUTE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH

Annual Conference on Finance and Markets 2026

February 26 - 27, 2026

The Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), under the Presidentship of Mr. N. K. Singh and the guidance of the then Director, Prof. Chetan Ghate, initiated the Annual Workshop on Finance and Markets in 2024 in close partnership with the Tata Chair on Information Technology and the HDFC Chair of Banking and Finance. Based on that rich experience and counting on its success, the second edition of the Annual Conference on Finance and Markets 2026 is being held on February 26 - 27, 2026, at IEG. This conference brings together leading academicians, policymakers, and industry experts to discuss key issues related to financial markets and economic development.

The theme of the current edition is calibrated to address the most pressing issues in finance, investment, inclusive growth, and global market dynamics, with particular emphasis on India. Building on its rich experience, the conference has significantly improved both its quality and national presence. The event is organised into multiple sessions covering themes such as banking stability, industrial policy, market behaviour, and financial inclusion. There are two special events, a Panel Discussion on the 26th and a Keynote Address on the 27th of February.

The Panel Discussion on “India at the Crossroads: Policy, Strategy, and Growth in a Changing Global Order” will have Mr. Neelkanth Mishra, Chief Economist, Axis Bank, and Dr. Shekhar Aiyar, Director, ICRIER, as distinguished speakers. The session will be moderated by Prof. Sabyasachi Kar, Director, Institute of Economic Growth.

Prof. Rajesh Chakrabarti, Dean, School of Management and Entrepreneurship, Shiv Nadar University, Delhi-NCR will deliver the Keynote Address on “The Recent Evolution of the Field of Finance”. Among the highlights of the two-day event is a session chaired by Prof. Ram Singh, Member of Monetary Policy Committee of the Reserve Bank of India, and Director, Delhi School of Economics, which will focus on Macroeconomic Policy, Credibility, and Growth Outcomes.