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Dr. Ajay Data shared valuable insights at the India Internet Governance Forum 2021

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The first Chapter of IIGF held at The Imperial, Janpath, New Delhi

India Internet Governance Forum 2021 recently hosted their first chapter at The Imperial, Janpath, New Delhi, with the theme 'Empower India through the Power of the Internet'. Dr. Ajay Data , an IT veteran & founder of Made in India videoconferencing app VideoMeet and linguistic email platform XgenPlus was present at the event and delivered an insightful speech on the subject 'Importance of Universal Acceptance in Digital Economy'. The event was also graced by the renowned personalities in IT industry and Govt senior officials such as Ajay Sawhney, Secretary, MeitY, Jyoti Arora, FA Meity , & Shri Anil Kumar Jain, Chair IIGF.

The event began with a lamp lighting ceremony by the honorable Chief Guest Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Honourable MoS, Electronics and Information Technology, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of India. The introduction behind constituting IIGF was shared with the audience. This forum is aimed to fill up the gap between India and IGF, and also bring all communities – government, industry, academia, technical community, and civil community together and have a meaningful discussion. India is the second-largest broadband subscription country in the world and also has the highest data consumption per user per month. Forum will catalyze this growth in the right direction, and reflect the aspirations for this burgeoning Internet user population of India in International policy formation and stakeholder discussion.

Dr Ajay data emphasized on breaking the language barrier to bring people online then only the mission of our PM for 'Digital India' can really be achieved. This event will proceed with workshops on digital economy, digital governance, trust, security, stability and digital sustainability. Elaborating more on his association and importance of a body like IIGF, **Dr. Ajay Data, Founder, VideoMeet** said, "In India we have 19,000 dialects, 121 Languages and 22 official languages. Indian citizens should have a domain name of its choice. Under universal acceptance, all domain names must be accepted. Only 11% of email servers support Hindi. We should be able to consume content in the language of our choice. This is an apt time for IIGF to be launched and we hope more people participate. This is a journey we have just begun. It is just the beginning not the end and we hope to see more such deliberations."