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Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) is the new measurement to assess corporate behaviour and determine a company's future performance. Today a company's response to climate change, responsible supply chains effective health and safety policies, transparent business practices, water management and disclosures are just some of the few parameters based on which their ESG scores are determined. ESG has only now begun to play a pivotal role in the decision making of governments, regulators, investors, lenders, and corporates. Organizations across the globe are not just concerned about generating financial returns anymore but are also keen on finding ways to improve the ESG alignment of their investments with a positive impact on the environment and society.

In India, ESG issues have become far more widespread as regulators are stepping up to the changes result of which proposed initiatives, procedures, and action plans for ESG frameworks and other related ESG standards will be turned out in the coming years. ESG will depict Balance Sheet performance with direct P&L benefits. In future, integrating good ESG brings added value to portfolios and increases business sustainability.

The Indian economy is going through a phase of ambiguity coupled by development of several natural and social disruption making Indian companies rethink their business strategy. The COVID-19 pandemic has emphasized the importance of ESG framework as a key approach to long term business resilience. By exposing the vulnerability of the current businesses and economic models, it has forced the companies to look into future proofing of business by enhancing business resilience is what business are looking at presently.

ESG assets aggregates is expected to exceed USD 50 trillion by 2025 which is representing more than one-third of the aggregate projected global assets under management. In India, the Asset Under Management of ESG funds in 2021 totalled to INR 123 billion, nearly five times the AUM from two years ago.

Some organizations already implementing international standards and framework relating to integrated reporting, complying with standards provided by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) or the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) and their alignment to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. From April 2023 onwards, it will be compulsory for the country's top 1,000 listed companies to produce a business responsibility and sustainability report as part of their more traditional annual financial report.

This ESG Conclave will provide a platform for the industry, government and other related stakeholders to discuss the key challenges, learn from the best practices adopted globally with key focus on framework, compliances and regulatory procedures.

## THEMES FOR DISCUSSION

- Evolving ESG Reporting Landscape in India
- Creating Social Value through Health, Safety and Wellbeing
- Investing in ESG: Green finance for sustainable growth
- Circular Economy – Driving Purpose and Creating Value
- Unlocking value with of Governance model
- Decarbonization – Leading towards Net Zero Growth
- ESG as a value creator for India Inc

## TARGET PARTICIPANTS



Business



Academia



Not-for-Profits



Consulting Firms



Central/State  
Governments



Banking & Financial  
Institutions



Rating Agencies



Tech Companies



Bi-lateral and  
Multilateral Agencies



Trade Promotion  
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