

*Speakers Profile:*

Mr Jayant Dasgupta has been working as Secretary, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister since January 2009. He has dealt with the Doha Round negotiations at the WTO between 2006 and 2008 in his capacity as Joint Secretary in the Department of Commerce. Earlier, in the nineties, he had been Director (Exports) in the Ministry of Textiles, dealing inter-alia with Uruguay Round issues.

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