



Welcome to the February 2024 edition of our newsletter, featuring our G20 Roundup, recent events, publications, and insightful op-eds from January 2024.

ICRIER, with UNDP India and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), launched the Network on 'Economic Policies for Women-Led Development' (EPWD) and hosted a Roundtable on 'How Budget 2024 can give an impetus to Women-Led Development.'

Our third episode of the Podcast features Mr. Pramod Bhasin, Chairman, addressing the potential of artificial intelligence (AI) and its challenges. In addition to the dissemination event on 'Net Zero Transition and Clean Energy Employment,' we also published a policy brief on "How Budget 2024 Can Provide an Impetus to Women-led Development."

As our newest Visiting Professor, we are pleased to welcome Rajesh Aggarwal. Read op-eds written by our esteemed faculty members on topics ranging from "GoI, G20fy for reforms" to India's Poverty Riddle.

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Why Reforms Crucial For Multilateral Development Banks? Experts Decode

NDTV speaks to NK Singh, Co-convener, G20 Independent Expert Group on Multilateral Development Banks' Reforms and Lord Nicholas Stern, a member of the group share insights on the need for a realistic strategy to reform Multilateral Development Banks and the need for inclusive growth whilst harnessing evolving technology. ICRIER is privileged to serve as the Secretariat to the Expert Group.

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Launch of Network on 'Economic Policies for Women-Led Development' (EPWD) And Roundtable on 'How Budget 2024 can give an impetus to Women-Led Development'

ICRIER, with UNDP India and BMGF, launched the Network on 'Economic Policies for Women-Led Development' (EPWD) and hosted a Roundtable on 'Budget 2024 and Women-Led Development.' Focused on integrating gender into India's economic growth strategy, discussions highlighted the role of fiscal policies, especially Budget 2024, in promoting Women-led Development.

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Podcast | The foundation stones for sustained high growth India needs to become a developed economy

In the third episode of the ICRIER Podcast, Mr. Pramod Bhasin, Chairman at ICRIER, engages in a dialogue with Ms. Puja Mehra, Senior Fellow (Consultant) at ICRIER, delving into the potential of artificial intelligence (AI) while also examining the various challenges it presents. They discuss how AI has the potential to revolutionize industries such as healthcare, finance, and transportation, offering opportunities for increased efficiency, innovation, and decision-making capabilities.

Click here to [Watch](#) the Podcast.

Net Zero Transition and Clean Energy Employment: A Modelling Approach for the Indian Economy

ICRIER held a dissemination event on 'Net Zero Transition and Clean Energy Employment: A Modelling Approach for the Indian Economy' on January 25, 2024, at Juniper Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Key Takeaways: If India achieves its target of 500 GW of non-fossil fuel capacity by 2030, associated employment could increase by 2.8 times from 2021-22 levels. Achieving the 2030 energy saving target of 150 Mtoe could increase EE-relevant employment by 3.8 times.

Click here to [Watch](#) the Event.



How Budget 2024 Can Provide an Impetus to Women-led Development

Prepared by: Dr. Radhicka Kapoor, Dr. Deepak Mishra, Ms. Shravani Prakash

Under its G20 presidency, India shifted focus from women's development to women-led development, viewing women as growth drivers. ICRIER, BMGF, and UNDP India launched the Network on 'Economic Policies for Women-Led Development' to remove barriers and create an enabling ecosystem. The launch event included a roundtable on "How Budget 2024 Can Provide an Impetus to Women-led Development", and its outcomes are compiled in the policy brief.

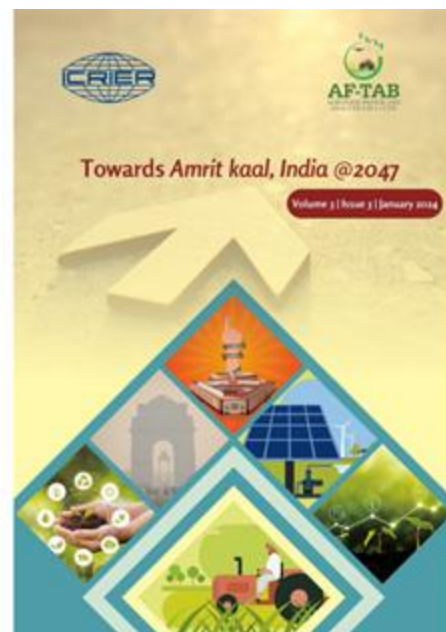
Click here to [download](#) the policy brief.

Towards Amrit Kaal, India @2047

Author(s): Dr. Ashok Gulati, Dr. Shyma Jose, Dr. Ranjana Roy, Dr. Reena Singh, Dr. Raya Das

The nation focuses on 'Amrit Kaal @ 2047', emphasizing youth opportunities, growth, and job creation. The upcoming 2024 elections are pivotal for this vision. The ruling BJP eyes a third term after recent state wins. Analyzing past development strategies of Modi's NDA and Singh's UPA could offer insights for future governance.

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SPOTLIGHT

Welcome Rajesh Aggarwal to ICRIER

ICRIER welcomes Rajesh Aggarwal as our newest Visiting Professor. With extensive experience in international trade policy, negotiations, and economic diplomacy, his expertise in WTO negotiations and assisting developing countries adds immense value. Formerly with the International Trade Centre (UN-WTO) and the Government of India, his knowledge enhances our research and policy efforts. To learn more about our faculty members, please [click here](#)



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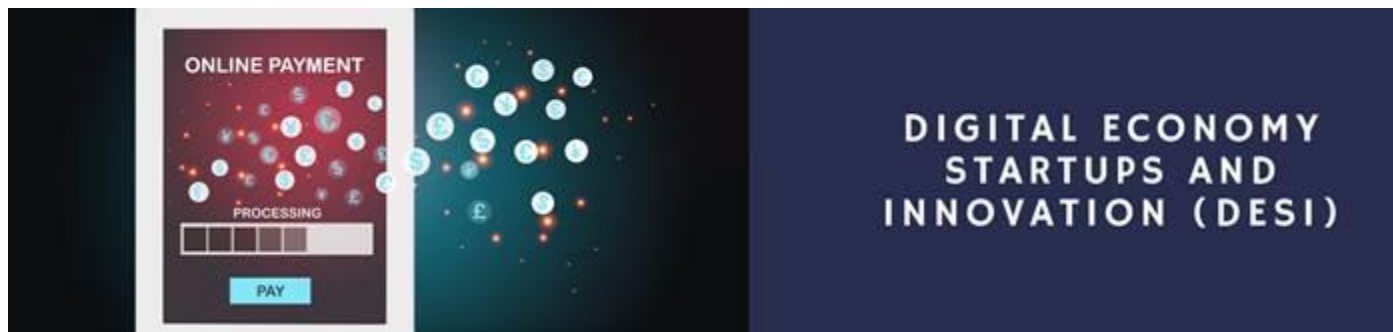
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