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He obtained his Ph.D in economics from Princeton University. He is a regular contributor to Indian newspapers/magazines/TV on financial markets, economics, politics and cricket. He has a widely read weekly column, No Proof Required, published jointly in the Indian Express and Financial Express. During 2008/9, he was the anchor of his own TV talk/interview show, Tough Talk, on NDTV Profit. Since Sept. 2011, he appears in a new show on NDTV Profit, "The Bottomline with Surjit Bhalla", a daily show on financial markets.

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