

summary report

the future of power

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A series of exclusive conversations exploring the forthcoming 'shifts in power'
and their impact on leadership in the 21st Century

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Shaniwar Wada, Pune

Pune was once the centre of power of the Maratha Empire. It is known to have existed as a town since 937 AD as Punawadi. In 1730, Pune became an important political center as the seat of the Peshwa, the prime minister of the Chhatrapati of Satara; it was during this era that Pune became the centre of Indian politics. After the town was annexed to British India in 1817, it served as the "monsoon capital" of the Bombay Presidency until the independence of India.

Today, Pune is known for its educational facilities and relative prosperity. Pune is the cultural capital of Maharashtra, known for various cultural activities like classical music, spirituality, theater, sports, and literature. These activities and job opportunities attract migrants and students from all over India and abroad, which makes for a city of many communities and cultures.



Pune FOP participants and feedback



“Power is within you and you can give it to the rest of the world. To make the self and everyone around you happy is power.”

Abhay Mutha

President,
Diabetes Care and Research Foundation



“We always believed that whatever happens is for good but we should walk the talk. Today we learnt that we all have that power to walk the talk.”

Ajit Sethiya

President,
The Poona Merchants Chamber



“Power is to first understand yourself and then understand person around you and that is how you will start energizing the future of power.”

Amala Sheth

Chairperson,
Amala Sheth Association



“I used to believe that power was abusive, something that results in corruption but today I understood benevolent power. We need such power for development and upliftment of the individual and the community.”

Anant Sardeshmukh

Director,
Maratha Chamber of Commerce



“Power that is sustainable and comfortable is the power that creates a feeling of love, beneficial to everybody, unselfish or exploitative. This balancing power will make the economy more powerful.”

Anil Lamba

Chairman,
Lamcon Finance and Management Service Pvt. Ltd.



“To me the most powerful power is personal power and that stays with you forever which means invest in yourself and invest in others.”

Anu Aga

Former Chairperson,
Thermax India Pvt. Ltd.



“Actual power is the spiritual power and the future of the spiritual power is very bright.”

Bahri Malhotra

Vice Chairman,
The Weikfield Group



Dhananjay Daithankar

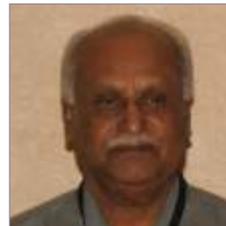
Founder,
Nupur Nad



“Very inspiring and useful program. If one can lead by one's values and principles then that is more effective.”

Farhad Forbes

Chairman,
Forbes Marshall



“I had come with a totally different concept and idea about power. This was an eye opener for me. I have understood what is power, where we can derive this power, the source of power and how we can use this power by changing the self and the environment. It has changed my ways and my future.”

Gajendra Thakarsni Vasa

Managing Director,
Rocket Engine Corporation Pvt. Ltd.





“I realized how important self power is and what it really means. Expressing and cherishing your own values and sharing these with others is power.”

Hans Haiert
Governmental Director,
Bavarian Ministry of Environment and Health



“Power is to be energetic, enthusiastic, empathetic, emotionally intelligent and empowering.”

Haribhai Shah
Chief Central Co-ordinator for Corporate Affairs.
Board Member,
Patanjali Yogpeeth Trust, Haridwar.



“Power is not a good thing or bad thing. It is like a knife, it depends how I use it. Again, I was reminded of this inner power for self change. When I change the world changes.”

Hilda Wick
Director of Administration,
City Planning Department of Munich



Sister Jayanti
European Director,
Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University



“Before coming here, I believed that power is effort against some resistance. I did some introspection here and realized that power is To Be. To be is to what you are and that itself is power.”

Jeetendra Chaturvedi
Chief Commissioner,
Central Excise, Customs & Service Tax, Pune



“Inner power acquired through spirituality will be the only solution for future power and the future of the world. India is the happiest country in the world as the spiritual base of India makes people adaptable.”

Jaysingh G Patil
President
Creative Systems & Consultancy Services



“One need to source spiritual power to change self as a leader. When we change self then the world around us changes.”

Katharina Reimer
Regional Manager, Sales Management,
ING Investment Management Asia Pacific



Kishor Vora
Chairman,
Mapro Industries Ltd



“Power is within and through this power one can achieve one's ambitions and help others.”

Krishnakumar K Goyal
Vice President,
Cosmos Bank



“I used to believe that power is always delegated that's why they say that power is passed on as a legacy within a family. Self-power was realized after coming here today.”

Kruti Lalit Jain
Director,
Kumar Urban development Limited





SP Malhotra
Chairman, Weikfield Group



“Power is positive inner energy. When it is properly directed and guided by a positive vision then it has the capacity to change the world.”

L K Tripathy
Former Chief Secretary for Tamil Nadu



“Inner power is the most powerful expression of power. Power is in being in your inner state of power and empowering others to be their original self.”

Manu Tandon
Director,
Bajaj Allianz Life & General Insurance Cos Ltd.



Narendra Barhate
MD and CEO Seed Infotech Ltd.



Narendra Singh
Chairman Bank of Maharashtra



“We were able to go deep in this dialogue. Many delegates here are very successful in their daily lives but they know that in order to maintain powerful sharing it has to come from very deep inside.”

Nevill Hodgkinson, UK
Chairman,
Janki Foundation for Global Health Care

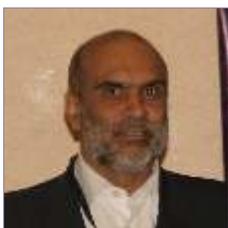


“I understand power in a better way now and I will implement this inner power in my work and in my vision in a better way. My attitude and behavior will change.”

Niranjana Pandya
President,
Poona Blind Man's Association



Nizar Juma
Initiator and Host of the
Future of Power project



“India has not conquered others through violence but created empires of the mind. Empires of the mind will survive.”

Praful Talera
Managing Director,
Dynamic Logistic



“Values like integrity and honesty are also power. Individuals have come out of this dialogue with lots of inner strength by realizing the self.”

Pratima Kirloskar
President,
Innovations





RV Ramani
Member,
Thermax Group Executive Council



“Power is the capacity to work for the self, society and nation. That power we get from a value based system.”

S K Jain
Jain Kinkar & Company



“What can you give from your own self to create comfort, joy and happiness for others around you. I have learnt the art of giving after coming here today. Power is to believe in yourself and believe that you can change the world.”

Sabina Sanghvi
Sabina Sanghvi



“I had got in touch with power earlier also but now I had a different understanding then and now I want to get connected with the source of power.”

Sandip Kulkarni
Film Actor



“Power's positive connotation is the most important thing. Power is going to drive you as an individual and as a leader to change the system and the society.”

Sanjay Chahande
Vice Chancellor, University of Pune



Sanjay Upadhye
Executive Director,
Vishwa Shanti Sangh



Shubhangi Bahulikar
Head, Centre for Performing Art,
University of Pune



“We tend to resort to external power, when we are feeling somewhat empty on the inside. In fact we have this untapped resource within ourselves which we can emerge at any time and it is unlimited.”

Silvana Dimech-Conti
Lectur in Organizational behaviour and theory



“There is so much intelligence in India and India has spiritual base. When we add our spirituality to our actions, that adds value to our life. It is giving joy to others. We get this power from the supreme power.”

Sunita Tandulwadkar
Director, Ruby Hall IVF & Endoscopy Centre



“I correlated power to my dance. I can use my dance as a social reform to make people happy and to take them to the truth.”

Swati Daithankar
Founder,
Nriya Sadhan, Bharatnatyam Institute



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Future of Power Dialogue, 25 February 2012



Invited guests to full capacity
at the 3D Hall



An Evening of Cultural Programme
at 3D Hall



Neville Hodgekinson interviewing Sunita Tandulwadkar
a panelist during the evening event.



Candle Lighting at Evening Programme
(From L-R) - Sis. Urmila, Nizar Juma, Vijay Bhatkar,
Sis. Jayanti, Bro. Neville Hodgkinson



(From L-R) - Nizar Bhai, Sis. Urmila, Sis. Jayanti,
Vijay Bhatkar, Bro. Neville Hodgkinson