

G20 Series #79

India's G20 Presidency

3rd Infrastructure Working Group Meeting (Rishikesh, Uttarakhand– June 26 - 28, 2023)

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“Infrastructure has a significant role to play in the sustainable development of any country along with development while keeping the needs of the future in mind.”

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi

The 3rd G20 Infrastructure Working Group (IWG) meeting under G20 Indian Presidency took place in Rishikesh, Uttarakhand, from June 26- 28, 2023. A total of 63 delegates from G20 member countries, invitee countries, and international organisations participated in the meeting to further the discussions on the **2023 Infrastructure Agenda** under the Indian G20 Presidency and follow up on the discussions held during the 2nd IWG meeting held in March 2023 in Visakhapatnam.

The G20 Infrastructure Working Group deliberates on various aspects of infrastructure investments, including developing infrastructure as an asset class, promoting quality infrastructure investment, and identifying innovative instruments for mobilizing financial resources for infrastructure investment. The outcomes of the Infrastructure Working Group feed into the G20 Finance Track priorities.

In the 3rd IWG meeting, discussions were held on the substantive progress made towards the various work streams of the 2023 Infrastructure Agenda. The flagship priority discussed in this meeting is “**Financing Cities of Tomorrow: Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable**”, along with other priorities.

Day 1: June 26, 2023

On the first day of the 3rd International Working Group (IWG) meeting, two sessions along with a side event were held, addressing the key priorities of the Working Group agenda.





Session 1: This session initiated deliberations on the key priority areas, **'Principles on Financing Cities of Tomorrow: Inclusive, Resilient & Sustainable'**.

Session 2: Carried forward pivotal deliberations on **'Financing Cities of Tomorrow'**.

On the sidelines of the 3rd IWG Meet, a “High-Level Seminar on Roadmap to Sustainable Cities” was organized in partnership with the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank. **Panel discussions** were held that aimed at **resolving challenges around building sustainable and liveable new cities**. It also focused on **achieving a sustainable & inclusive future, the role of Infratech in urban infrastructure & more**.



Day 2: June 27, 2023



The second day of the 3rd Infrastructure Working Group Meeting started off with crucial deliberations on **'Furthering work on the Implementation of QII Indicators'**.



A session was also held on the second day wherein delegates discussed upon **'Enhancing Access to Urban Services and Opportunities'** to pave the path towards inclusive cities.



As part of the last session of the day, the G20 delegates delved into discussions on **'Complimenting InfraTracker 2.0'**.

On the sidelines of the IWG Meet in Rishikesh, delegates engaged in a discussion on **'Making India an MRO (Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul) Hub'**, highlighting the immense opportunities offered by India in the aviation sector.



Day 3: June 28, 2023

The last day of the meeting commenced with discussions on **'Finalising the Future of the Global Infrastructure Hub'**.





At the closing session of the 3rd IWG Meeting, delegates discussed the framework on '**Capacity Building of Urban Administration for Cities of Tomorrow**'.

Rejuvenating in the serenity of Rishikesh!

- ❖ Lieutenant Governor Gurmit Singh & Chief Minister Pushkar Dhama joined delegates for a [cultural evening](#) at the 3rd IWG Meeting. Through vibrant classical performances & mesmerizing folk music, the G20 India delegates got a glimpse into the rich heritage of Uttarakhand.



- ❖ A “Yoga Retreat” was also organised for the delegates on June 26, 2023. The delegates also enjoyed a friendly cricket match organized at the PTC grounds.

- ❖ Post deliberations, delegates at the 3rd IWG Meeting went on an excursion to the renowned ‘Beatles Ashram’ where they learned more about the serene art of meditation and the famous band’s time there.

- ❖ The G20 delegates joined by Chief Minister Pushkar Dhami, got a glimpse of India's rich culture by witnessing the famous ritual of Ganga Aarti at the Triveni Ghat.



References:

[Third Infrastructure Working Group Meeting to take place in Rishikesh from June 26-28, 2023](#)

[Third G20 Infrastructure Working Group \(IWG\) meeting concludes today in Rishikesh, Uttarakhand](#)

Twitter Links:

[The 3rd IWG Meeting comes to a successful close in Rishikesh!](#)

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[Media Briefing On 3rd Infrastructure Working Group Meeting In Rishikesh](#)

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