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### G20 Series #83

## India's G20 Presidency

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting**  
**(Hampi, Karnataka – July 13 - 16, 2023)**

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**4<sup>th</sup> Sherpa Meeting**  
**(Manesar, Haryana – September 03 - 06, 2023)**

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*“Our efforts must be comprehensive, inclusive, fair, and sustainable, and attempts should be made to increase investment in fulfilling the SDGs and also finding solutions to address the debt risks faced by many countries.”*

[- Prime Minister Narendra Modi](#)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of G20 Sherpas, chaired by the Indian G20 Sherpa Shri Amitabh Kant, was held in Hampi, Karnataka from July 13-16, 2023. The Meeting witnessed the participation of over 120 delegates led by their respective Sherpas and Heads of Delegations from G20 members, invitee countries, and International Organisations (IOs), who deliberated and engaged in co-authoring the Leaders Declaration that is to be eventually adopted by the G20 leaders in the New Delhi Summit.

The Sherpa Meeting has been facilitating building consensus on diverse global issues and key priorities. Prior to this meeting, two other Sherpa Meetings have been held. The [1<sup>st</sup> Sherpa Meeting](#) took place in Udaipur from December 4-7, 2022. This meeting witnessed productive deliberation on an action-oriented decisive agenda and helped forge key priorities of India's G20 presidency. The [2<sup>nd</sup> Sherpa Meeting](#) was held in Kumarakom, Kerala from March 30 to April 2, 2023. During this meeting, delegates engaged in multilateral discussions on G20's Economic and developmental priorities and addressing contemporary global challenges. The meet showcased India's innovations towards enabling a pro-planet lifestyle.

Inspired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of the Leaders Declaration to be inclusive, ambitious, decisive, and action-oriented, the Sherpas negotiated the text reflecting the Indian Presidency's key priorities of Green Development, Climate Finance, Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE); Accelerated, Inclusive and Resilient Growth; Accelerating Progress on

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); Technological Transformation and Digital Public Infrastructure; Multilateral Institutions for the 21st Century; Women-Led Development and also incorporates the outcomes from the various G20 Working Groups.

Guided by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision, in a momentous move towards inclusivity, the **Indian Presidency proposed the African Union's membership to the G20**. The African Union, comprising 55 nations, if admitted, would further amplify the voices from emerging countries and the global south in the G20 forum

### **Day 1: July 13, 2023**

The first day of the meeting began with an inaugural segment where G20 India Sherpa, Shri Amitabh Kant welcomed the Sherpas, Head of Departments, and delegates to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting and invited them to co-draft the Leaders Declaration in the spirit of cooperation, collaboration & consensus.



Later in the day, a press conference was held followed by the Delegates' visit to an immersive exhibition showcasing India's rich & diverse weaving traditions. Capturing the evolution of cultural & creative industries, it displayed contemporary hand-woven textiles.

### **Day 2: July 14, 2023**

Strengthening ties and global cooperation, Sherpa's kickstarted Day 2 with the sofa talks which set the tone for in-depth deliberations to foster collaboration and address key challenges.





The sofa talk was followed by drafting session. The substantive deliberations during the session accelerated the vision to achieve a robust and resilient global economy and echoed the need for sustained efforts to ensure a future with Women led Development.

Discussions on the second day shed light on how India's presidency has advanced global efforts to attain resilient growth, by accelerating progress towards achieving SDGs through exchange of best practices among G20 nations.



## Day 2: July 15, 2023

On the third day of the Sherpa Meeting, the deliberations highlighted that G20 India acknowledges sustainable development can be achieved by ensuring gender equality. It stands committed to initiatives that will enable women in diverse situations and conditions.



## Discovering the architectural marvels & unique cultures of India!

The G20 Sherpas and the delegates were enthralled with the vibrant and unique culture of the historical city Hampi, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, during the three-day G20 Sherpa Meeting.



1. Delegates were welcomed with Dollu Kunitha, a traditional Indian drum dance at Kaladham where they experienced India's historic and cultural heritage at the Hampi Place Digital Museum.
2. Delegates at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting [embarked on an extraordinary excursion & explored historical wonders](#) such as the Queen's Bath, Mahanavami Dibba, Hazara Rama Temple, Lotus Mahal, and Elephant Stables.
3. Post deliberations on the second day of the meeting, [delegates gathered at the majestic Vijaya Vittala Temple](#) in Hampi. They were indeed mesmerised by India's traditional medley of tunes by Padma Bhushan awardee, Vikku Vinayakram.
4. Delegates visited grand structures like the Virupaksha Temple. They also witnessed the graceful dance performances & learned about the rich history of the iconic city, Hampi.
5. Nestled in the serenity, on the last day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting, delegates started their day with a [yoga session at Purandaradasa Mantapa](#). They also enjoyed the Coracle Boat Ride in the mighty Tungabhadra River.



## **4<sup>th</sup> Sherpa Meeting**

**(Manesar, Haryana– September 03-06, 2023)**

The fourth and final meeting of the G20 Sherpas was held in Manesar, Haryana from September 3 - 6, 2023.

The meeting saw fruitful negotiations and constructive deliberations as the Sherpas progressed towards drafting the Leaders' Declaration in the first session of the day.



Crucial Sherpas' Sofa talks were also held. With complete dedication to global cooperation, Sherpas deeply immersed in negotiations, working to address urgent challenges such as climate and energy, etc.

Amidst intense day-long discussions, delegates were provided with yoga session for mental clarity, stress relief, and enhanced productivity. Sunrise Yoga in the serene lawns of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sherpa Meeting brought delegates much-needed rejuvenation and focus.



The last day of the meeting saw a Joint Sherpas and Finance Deputies Meeting which saw deliberations on drafting the Leaders' Declaration for the G20 Summit to be held in New Delhi from September 09-10, 2023.



### **References: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting**

[Curtain-Raiser Press Release on 3rd G20 Sherpas' Meeting, Hampi](#)

[3rd Sherpa Meeting concludes: Sherpas jointly start work on co-creating the New Delhi Leaders' Declaration](#)

### **Twitter Links:**

[Set in scenic locations of India, here's a glimpse of #G20 delegates sharing their takeaways from the previous meetings.](#)

[Delegates are all set to experience the beauty of Hampi through its captivating landscape, architectural marvels & glorious history.](#)

[Here's a quick recap of the previous meetings!](#)

[Hampi unravels the stories of history that come alive through the imprints of time & people.](#)

[Showcasing the transformative power of emerging technologies, Karnataka has firmly established itself as a global destination for fostering innovation & growth.](#)

[Sherpas, Heads of Delegations & Delegates at the ongoing 3<sup>rd</sup> Sherpa Meeting were captivated by the beauty of Hampi's renowned Vijay Vittala Temple.](#)

[Enjoyed by delegates, Coracle Ride in Hampi is a distinct experience from the Vijayanagar Kingdom.](#)

[The 3rd Sherpa Meeting chaired by G20 India Sherpa Shri Amitabh Kant, concluded today in Hampi.](#)

### **Video Links:**

[Inaugural segment of the 3<sup>rd</sup> G20 Sherpa Meeting](#)

[Press Briefing on the 3<sup>rd</sup> G20 Sherpa Meeting, Hampi](#)

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