

ISID-IDRA Fourth National Conference

# India's Industrial Transformation: Reimagining Industrial Strategy Amidst Global Economic Uncertainty

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## CALL FOR PAPERS

The Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID), jointly with the newly established Industrial Development Research Association (IDRA), and supported by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), invites papers for the Fourth National Conference on India's Industrial Transformation.

India's aspirations for inclusive and sustainable economic development hinge on accelerating industrialisation, particularly through a revitalised manufacturing sector that generates productive employment. In a rapidly evolving global landscape, a forward-looking industrial strategy must be complemented by robust industrial financing frameworks to mobilise long-term capital and support firm-level growth. Building on the past three conferences, the Fourth National Conference will provide a platform to engage with pathways of industrialisation in the context of changing production systems and technological shifts in an increasingly complex and uncertain global economic order.

Papers are invited on broad themes, including but not limited to:

- Industrial policy, FDI, and global value chains
- Financing industrial transformation and green transition
- Technology, innovation, and sustainable industrialisation
- MSMEs and balanced regional dimensions of industrialisation
- Employment, automation, and the future of work

Travel support and accommodation will be provided to select young researchers. Selected papers will be considered for publication with reputed publishers.

Researchers are requested to submit extended abstracts (800–1000 words) outlining the research question, methodology, and key findings by **30 June 2026** via Google Form (<https://forms.gle/EeTmt8gfpSKehttk9>).

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