



# The St. Stephen's Young Leaders, Neighbourhood-First Fellowship Programme

**ST. STEPHEN'S CENTRE FOR ADVANCED  
LEARNING (SCAL)**

**SUPPORTED BY**

**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

The Government of India wishes to encourage the concept of Vasudeva Kudumbagam or the idea of the Universality of Man. To this end, India is keen on sharing its immense intellectual wealth with its neighbours in the South Asian region with the aim of a more equitable and peaceable world.

THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (MEA)

The Ministry of external affairs (MEA) also known as the Foreign Ministry, is the government agency responsible for the conduct of foreign relations of India. The Ministry comes under the Government of India and is responsible for India's representation in every country and in the United Nations. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla is the Foreign Secretary, Government of India.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, DELHI

St Stephen's College is one of the oldest Colleges in North India. Established In 1881 by missionary scholars from Cambridge, UK the College has to its credit global leaders of repute and acclaim extending from academics, architecture, the arts, the armed forces, the civil services, law, corporate establishments, governance, sports, to social service, media, politics and education. In every field of human endeavour, the College has made a contribution of significance.

Two qualities that sets the College apart are its undiluted commitment to excellence and the value it places on service, honed through years of keeping these priorities clearly in focus. The College has a heritage architecture within its 28-acre campus. Faculty members and students alike enjoy a one-of-its-kind relationship that is based on a common pursuit of knowledge and the Truth. The best taught by the best.

Today, St Stephens College is one of the most sought-after destinations for students from across India. The college invest heavily in its students and provides them with unmatched academic learning experiences and practical training for professional and personal improvement. Its alumni network is one of the best in the world and includes heads of states, ministers, politicians, senior bureaucrats, policy shapers and corporate heads.

THE ST. STEPHEN'S CENTRE FOR ADVANCED LEARNING (SCAL)

The St Stephen's Centre for Advanced learning SCAL is a fully constituent part of St Stephen's College, specifically created to further post-graduate education for graduates from College and for others who are seeking to further knowledge, scholarship and skills in niche areas from both theoretical and practical perspectives.

The Centre offers a slew of short, Certificate and Diploma Level courses in Public Policy with a special focus on areas ranging from International Law, Economic Theory, Finance and International Relations to more general, skills & development-oriented courses like Communications skills, data analytics including career-oriented programmes like the Civil Services Conclave and preparing for Entrepreneurship. The courses are tailor-made to suit the requirements of a generation of learners who seek theoretical and practical inputs to scale up their professional knowledge and skills to become more effective in personal and professional areas.

The courses are taught by seasoned and eminent instructors who bring with them a range of theoretical knowledge and practical experience ranging from policy conceptualization, policy preparation, on-the-ground implementation, administrative and legal knowledge and expertise. In the past resource persons and instructors included current and former Members of Parliament, ambassadors, members of the Judiciary, current and serving bureaucrats, government officials, functionaries from NGOs, administrators and experts in each of the fields that the courses are offered in.

Each course is tailor-made to suit a set of requirements. Courses are advertised on the College website under the SCAL page. Those interested in applying for a course will have to register using the online application form and wait to be short-listed for an interview. Once interviewed and cleared for admission they can pay the required fees and join the course. Courses are offered in online and physical mode and successful applicants will be intimated on further details regarding the mode and frequency of instruction. Wherever possible, SCAL will encourage physical academic interaction. Participants will be expected to turn in a 3500-4000 word-long end of term paper/assignment.

SCAL is headed by Dr. Geetanjali Sethi, Director, who is a qualified and full-time faculty of the Department of Physics, St Stephen's College. She is assisted by a team which comprises two Coordinators who handle academics and operations respectively.

You can check out more details about the St Stephen's Centre for Advanced Learning at <https://www.ststephens.edu/scal>



*The St. Stephen's Young Leaders, Neighbourhood-First Fellowship Programme*

In keeping with the spirit of Vasudeva Kudumbagam the MEA, Government of India and SCAL, St Stephens College offer this unique Fellowship programme with the intention of sharing India's best practices with the neighbourhood.

The St. Stephen's Young Leaders, Neighbourhood-First (YLNf) Fellowship Programme is offered from St Stephen's College, Delhi through its Centre for Advanced Learning (SCAL) and with the support of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

The Fellowships are designed to offer eligible young professionals from friendly countries in the South Asian region an opportunity to study Public Policy and its implementation through classroom interaction and practical study visits. The intention is to help young leaders, with potential from these countries, address situations and issues in their respective countries by learning from best practices in India offered through the best teachers, leaders and professionals in their respective fields.

The St Stephen's fellowships are offered to young professionals in the governments of Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Mauritius, Maldives and Sri Lanka who are keen on increasing their knowledge, widening their network, augmenting their skill sets and refining their administrative potential through a structured program of study and interaction including site-visits and a short research paper.

Programme Fellows are expected to carry the training and experience gained over the three months to their home countries for adaptive implementation as per their own cultural, economic and social needs.

DURATION:

Three-month long, residential programme, inclusive of two study trips.



METHODOLOGY:

Lectures, interactive presentations, hand-on learning from Policy initiators, implementors and practitioners are the main processes by which instruction is carried out. Through extensive classroom teaching, interaction and hands-on experience in Public Policy, Negotiations, Diplomacy, Law, Energy & Education, the Fellowship will give participants an intimate understanding and experience of these subjects which can then help them adapt the knowledge gained to local situations and issues in their country. The Fellowships are intended to help nurture future leadership in these countries.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

1. Leadership and Administration.
2. Public Policy and Law.
3. Sessions on Education, Environment and Energy.
4. Exposure visits to Delhi and one neighbouring state.
5. Interactions with Ministers and Ministries.
6. Training on negotiations and diplomacy.
7. Field visits at District Collectorates.
8. Site visits to projects.
9. Understanding Indian cultures protocol, networking and tourism and traditions.
10. Identification of a relevant research topic, preparation and thesis submission.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

- Citizen of a friendly South Asian country. Must hold a Graduate degree.
- Not more than 35 years old.
- Must have a minimum of five years of work experience in a relevant field.
- Demonstrate potential to benefit from the Fellowship and demonstrate personal, intellectual and interpersonal attributes reflecting this potential.
- Have a commitment to implement the learnings of the Fellowship in the home country.
- Meet all program-specific requirements including the St Stephen's Language Proficiency Test.
- Must not hold Indian citizenship.
- Should not have received any Indian government funding in the last five years.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

The St Stephen's YLNF Fellowship applicants must ensure that they meet the minimum work experience requirement for the fellowship program before submitting their application. The types of work experience that are eligible for the St Stephen's fellowship can include full-time employment and part-time employment.



APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications are to be made through the ITEC portal. Indian Embassies/Missions in each country will provide necessary support. Once the application is made candidates will then go through a Language Proficiency Test and an interview. These are essential components of the selection process and successful candidates for the Fellowships are expected to clear both with at least a 50% score in each of the components.

TIMELINE:

1. Applications open 10 December, 2022
2. Applications close 15 January 2023
3. Announcement of selected candidates 04 February, 2023
4. Arrival in Delhi 27-28 February, 2023
5. Inauguration of the course 1 March, 2023
6. Classroom instructions begin
7. Research paper submission 24, 25 & 26 May, 2023
8. Valedictory 31 May, 2023
9. Return to parent country 1 June, 2023

SOME OF OUR DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS:

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| Shri Harshvardhan Shringla       | Shri Jamini Bhagwati   |
| Dr Shashi Tharoor                | Shri Swashpawan Singh  |
| Shri Amitabh Kant                | Dr Sudipto Mundle      |
| Shri Vikram Duraiswamy           | Ms Ilma Afroz          |
| Ms Usha Thorat                   | Shri Rajesh Kumar      |
| Dr Rajiv Kumar                   | Shri Ajay Bisaria      |
| Dr KP Krishnan                   | Shri Mohan Menon       |
| Shri CK Mishra                   | Shri PB Nooh           |
| Shri Shiv Shankar Menon          | Dr Allwyn Didar Singh  |
| Shri J K Dadoo Shri Sanjay Sahay | Shri Ajay Dua          |
| Shri Salman Khurshid             | Lt Gen Satish Nambiar  |
| Lt General PJS Pannu             | Shri Prajapati Trivedi |
| Shri Ashok Swain                 |                        |



Shri Harshvardhan Shringla  
Chief Coordinator  
G20 Presidency 2023



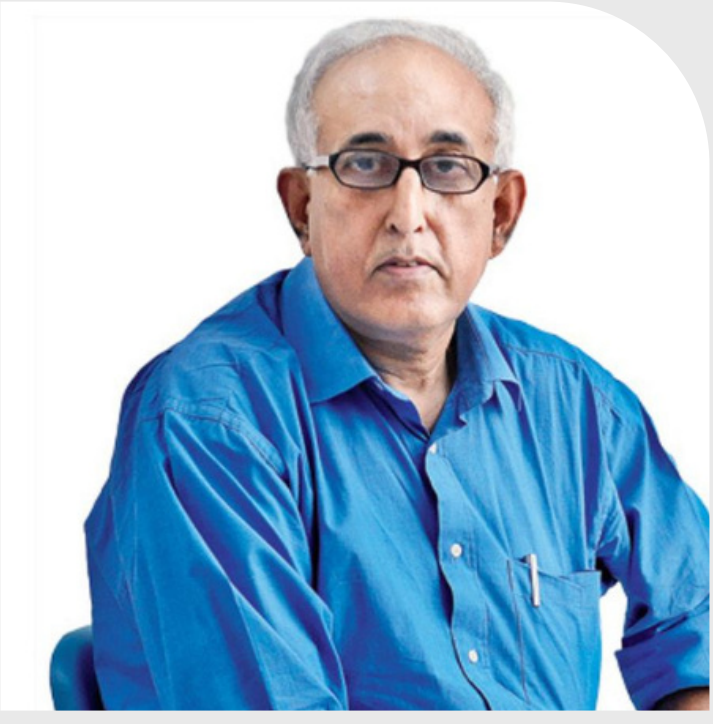
Shri Amitabh Kant  
Former CEO  
NITI AYO



Ms. Simmi Puri  
Co-Founder  
DigiProctor



Ms Ilma Afroz  
Indian Police Service  
2018 Batch



Prof V S Chauhan  
Padma Shri,  
Rhodes Scholar



Dr. Shashi Tharoor  
Member  
Lok Sabha



Dr TCA Raghavan, IFS  
Former High Commissioner  
of India to Pakistan



Ms Usha Thorat  
Former Deputy Governor  
RBI Bank

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:

- Fully funded, three month-long, residential Fellowship programme from St Stephen's College.
- Public Policy and Administration as thrust areas. 25 fellows from friendly neighbourhood countries.
- Classroom instruction with dedicated sessions on Leadership Management.
- Exposure and interaction with Indian Ministers, bureaucrats and thought-leaders.
- Field visits and exposure to the best in India.
- Engagements with Members of Parliament to understand the origin and structure of Policy formulation and interaction with District-level administrators to understand the implementation of Policy.
- Opportunities to understand Indian culture, traditions and tourism.
- Enhance personal knowledge and improve professional performance.
- St Stephen's Fellow and SCAL alumni status on successful completion of the Fellowship programme.



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