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## **PRESS-RELEASE**

### **IIT (ISM) Dhanbad Alumnus Shri Amitabh Ranjan Joins the Advisory Board of Solar Future Alliance**

IIT (ISM) Dhanbad is proud to announce that Shri Amitabh Ranjan, a distinguished alumnus of the B.Tech. Petroleum Engineering program (1993 batch), has been selected to serve on the Advisory Board of the Solar Future Alliance. This leading forum is dedicated to driving Asia and the Global South's energy transition by harnessing the transformative power of solar energy.

Shri Ranjan's extensive experience in governance, public administration, and energy transition makes him an invaluable asset to the mission of climate action. With over 25 years of professional experience across diverse fields, including civil services, he has demonstrated a consistent commitment to innovation, leadership, and sustainability.

Currently serving as the Registrar at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi, Shri Ranjan is at the forefront of capacity building for civil servants in India. The IIPA, one of the premier training and research institutions of the Government of India, operates under the guidance of the Hon'ble Vice President of India, who serves as its President, and the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, who chairs its Governing Board. In this role, Shri Ranjan has been instrumental in advancing the institute's mission to strengthen governance and administrative practices.

Prior to his tenure at IIPA, Shri Ranjan held several key positions, including Deputy Director at the STQC Directorate, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), and as a Provincial Civil Services (PCS) Officer in the Government of Uttar Pradesh. His notable contributions include spearheading the computerization of the Transport Department in Uttar Pradesh, where he played a pivotal role in the pilot implementation of the "Vahan" and "Sarathi" projects for vehicle registration and driver licensing, respectively. These initiatives are now fully operational and widely regarded as benchmarks in e-governance.

Shri Ranjan's global academic engagements have taken him to countries including the USA, France, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand, Vietnam, Thailand, Bangladesh, and Bhutan. His exposure to international best practices enriches his vision for a sustainable and renewable energy-driven future.

As a Petroleum Engineer with significant experience in the transport sector, Shri Ranjan has a keen interest in renewable energy, particularly solar energy, energy transition, net-zero initiatives, and climate change. His deep knowledge and strategic insights will be instrumental in shaping the Solar Future Alliance's vision and accelerating the global shift towards sustainable energy solutions.

The IIT (ISM) Dhanbad community celebrates this remarkable achievement and extends its best wishes to Shri Amitabh Ranjan as he embarks on this prestigious role, contributing to a brighter, cleaner, and more sustainable future.

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