



Colloquium: Getting the DNA right in our City Governance Eco System

Speaker:

V. Ravichandar, Chairman, Feedback Consulting

Date / Time:

February 27, 2014 - 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Venue:

10th Floor, Pixel A, Azim Premji University

Abstract:

The talk will briefly dwell on the issues and challenges facing city governance. It will then go on to discuss what can be done to achieve sustainable improvement through three case studies involving roads, waste management and mobility. Collaborative work between the government and other citizen stakeholder groups is imperative if we are to see change.

A Note on the Speaker:

V. Ravichandar is Chairman of Feedback Consulting, a leading research and consulting firm in India that has been part of over US\$ 6 bn investments in India. He has a Mechanical Engineering degree from the Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani and an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad with over 33 years industry experience. V. Ravichandar is an active advocate of the idea of corporates and civil society coming together to work with government on a City Connect platform (catalyzed by CII) to improve the quality of life in their city. The platform is operational in Bangalore, Chennai, Pune, Trivandrum and Panjim. In Bangalore, he is engaged with road improvement (Tender SURE), Solid Waste Management initiatives through Wake Up Clean Up (WUCU) and Imagine Bangalore. He was a key member of the Bangalore Agenda Task Force from 2000-04. He along with three others was involved in evangelizing the setting up of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JN-NURM) fund by the Union Government for 63 cities in India. He has assisted with multiple social and cultural initiatives – Bangalore International Centre; Education for the underprivileged through Vidya Poshak, Samhita Academy; Bangalore Literature Festival; Senior citizens through Senior Experts, Dignity Foundation; Media watch like the Hoot, etc.