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Dr. Arvind Virmani, an esteemed expert in Macroeconomics and Policy Reform and Hon'ble Member of Niti Aayog addressed a gathering of business leaders, policymakers, and professionals in an event organised by The Calcutta Chamber of Commerce. He shared his insights on the macro trends shaping the Indian economy and his vision for a resilient, selfsufficient 'New India'.

Dr. Arvind Virmani brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the discussion, having played a crucial role in shaping economic policies and reforms in India. With an illustrious career and extensive expertise, he has been instrumental in formulating strategies to foster economic growth and stability in the country. The press conference will provide a unique opportunity for attendees to gain valuable insights into the current state of the Indian economy, its growth trajectory, and the challenges and opportunities it faces in the global economic landscape.

Dr. Virmani shed light on the achievements made over the past 75 years, while also highlighting the areas that require further attention and improvement, such as agriculture, health, education, and regional inequalities. Furthermore, Dr. Virmani outlined his vision for a resilient and self-sufficient 'New India,' emphasizing the importance of technology-driven and knowledge-based sectors, strong public finances, and a robust financial sector. He will discuss the government's efforts in facilitating ample opportunities for citizens, promoting growth and job creation, and strengthening macroeconomic stability.

Arvind Virmani, Hon'ble Member, NITI Aayog said "I am pleased to note that GDP growth has accelerated, indicating a positive trajectory for the Indian economy. The growth momentum continues across various sectors, including agriculture, which is a vital component of our economy. Additionally, the vision of Amritkaal, with its focus on a technology-driven and knowledge-based economy, is set to propel India's manufacturing sector, making it a significant player in the global market. Moreover, as India strengthens its manufacturing capabilities and focuses on exporting, we have the potential to reap the benefits irrespective of what China does. Furthermore, the digital transformation of India is evident, with a remarkable 70% of transactions now happening online, showcasing the immense potential of the e-commerce sector in our country."