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**Dear Sir/Madam,**

As you are aware, this year we are celebrating '*Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav*' on completing 75 years of independence. In these years, the economy of Bharat has grown very fast. There has been significant development in the areas of Health, Education, Science & Technology, Agriculture, Industry etc. However, we have yet to completely eliminate the poverty and unemployment from the country. According to the United Nations Millennium Development Goals Programme, 80 Million people out of 1.2 Billion Indians, roughly equal to 6.7% of India's population lived below the poverty line of \$1.25 in 2018-19. The pandemic has further worsened India's poverty crisis. The unemployment rate which was 8.4% in pre COVID also rose during the pandemic time. At the same time, it is true that India possesses huge potential to be the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest economy after USA and China by 2030.

To discuss these issues, a webinar is being organized jointly by **Swadeshi Shodh Sansthan and Association of Indian Universities from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (6 p.m. to 8 p.m. each day)**. The webinar proposes to explore the strategies for a poverty free Bharat with employment for all and environmentally sustainable \$10 trillion economy by 2030. The webinar shall provide an opportunity to academicians, policy makers, technocrats, industry and business experts to mull over these issues and come up with ideas and suggestions to achieve the target.

May I request you to join the programme and also initiate discussions in your organization on these issues through seminars, workshops and debates. You may also encourage your faculty and scholars to join the webinar and participate in the deliberations. A one-page flyer containing the details of the programme is enclosed. For any query, you may contact Prof. Pradeep S. Chauhan, Mobile: 9416177648, and Mr. Vijay Goyal, Mobile: 9811141501, Email: [10TrillionBharat@gmail.com](mailto:10TrillionBharat@gmail.com).

Please register at the earliest for participation in the webinar.

With warm regards,

  
(Pankaj Mittal)

**Encl: as above**

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