The Centre is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. R. K. Pachauri as the Chairman of its Board of Trustees.

Dr. Rajendra Kumar Pachauri is the Chair of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning Climate Intergovernmental Panel on Change (IPCC), the intergovernmental body that provides decision-makers and the public with an objective source of information about climate change. He is also Director General of TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute), a major independent research organisation providing knowledge on energy, environment, forestry, biotechnology, and the conservation of natural resources. Dr Pachauri is a prominent researcher on environmental subjects, recognised internationally for his efforts to build up and disseminate greater knowledge about man-made climate change and to lay the foundations for the measures that are needed to counteract such change. He has been appointed as Senior Adviser to Yale Climate and Energy Institute (YCEI) from July 2012 prior to which he was the Founding Director of YCEI (July 2009 – June 2012). He is active in several international forums dealing with the subject of climate change and its policy dimensions. He was awarded the second-highest civilian award in India, the 'Padma Vibhushan' in January 2008 by the President of India and received the 'Officier De La Légion D'Honneur' from the Government of France in 2006. He has been conferred with 'The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star' by His Majesty Akihito, Emperor of Japan, the 'Commander of the Order of the White Rose of Finland' by the Prime Minister of Finland, the 'Commander of the Order of Leopold II' by the King of the Belgians and Mexican Order of the 'Aztec Eagle' by the President of Mexico in June 2012.

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