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Session 6 - Rebooting the Economy – A Global Perspective

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1900 – 1945 Hrs

In dialogue with



Ruchir Sharma

A Global Investor and Author

Ruchir Sharma is Head of Emerging Markets and Chief Global Strategist at Morgan Stanley Investment Management. He typically spends one week every month traveling the world, visiting different countries, meeting with leading politicians, CEOs, and other local characters.

Sharma has been a writer for longer than he has been an investor. At age 17 he started writing for India's largest economic daily, *The Economic Times*. His commentary has since appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Financial Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, *Bloomberg* and *The Guardian*, among others. He has been a contributing opinion writer at *Newsweek International* and the *New York Times* and is currently a contributing editor at the *Financial Times*.

Sharma is the author of four decades. His most recent, *The 10 Rules of Successful Nations*, was published by Norton in 2020. It is an updated and abridged adaptation of *The Rise and Fall of Nations: Forces of Change in the Post-Crisis World*, which was released in 2016 and instantly became a *New York Times* best seller. In 2012, his first book, *Breakout Nations: In Pursuit of the Next Economic Miracles*, debuted as the number one bestseller in India, and earned Sharma the Tata Literature Live! First Book Award for 2012. *Breakout Nations* also made the *Wall Street Journal* hardcover business bestseller list, and was chosen by *Foreign Policy* as one of its "21 Books to Read in 2012".

Bloomberg named Ruchir one of the top 50 Most Influential people in the world in October 2015. In 2012, Sharma was selected as one of the top global thinkers by *Foreign Policy* magazine and in June 2013, India's premier weekly magazine *Outlook* named Sharma as one of The World's 25 Smartest Indians. The World Economic Forum in Davos selected him as one of the world's "Top Young Leaders" in 2007. *GQ India* named Ruchir the Global Indian of the Year in 2016.

Ruchir is passionate about politics and has covered every national election in India, and many major state contests, going back to 1998. He led the first trip with three journalist friends, and the pack has since grown to 20 regulars and a few guest travelers. They typically travel a 1,000 miles over a week, and have interviewed everyone from local voters to national leaders, including Narendra Modi and the Gandhis. These travels are captured in his 2019 book, *Democracy on the Road: a 25-year Journey Through India*.

Ruchir's other interests include athletics and he continues to train for the 100 and 200 meters sprints. No matter where he is in the world, or how hectic his schedule, Ruchir tries not to miss a single day of training. In 2011, he represented India in the World Masters Athletic championship in Sacramento. Ruchir also has a keen interest in wildlife and in international cinema and attends major film festivals when he can find a moment away from investing, writing and running.