

Late Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam, Former president of India speaking at

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“Let me now give my visualization of competitive profile of India in the year 2020 so that you can map the vision for the professional India and corporate India towards the realization of national development goals”.



1. A Nation where the rural and urban divide has reduced to a thin line.
2. A Nation where there is an equitable distribution and adequate access to energy and quality water.
3. A Nation where agriculture, industry and service sector work together in symphony.
4. A Nation where education with value system is not denied to any meritorious candidates because of societal or economic discrimination.
5. A Nation, which is the best destination for the most talented scholars, scientists, and investors.
6. A Nation where the best of health care is available to all.
7. A Nation where the governance is responsive, transparent and corruption free.
8. A Nation where poverty has been totally eradicated, illiteracy removed and crimes against women and children are absent and none in the society feels alienated.
9. A Nation that is prosperous, healthy, secure, devoid of terrorism, peaceful and happy and continues with a sustainable growth path.
10. A Nation that is one of the best places to live in and is proud of its leadership.

The Company Secretaries assembled here can definitely assist the corporate in realizing the competitive profile, I have mentioned in serial numbers one, two, three and seven above. I would request you to analyze these competitive profiles in particular and chart the corporate vision in relation to India vision 2020. Since the 11th plan is targeting to have a GDP growth of over 10% per annum, there is a need for the entire industrial and business establishment being serviced by the company secretaries to increase their present rate of growth and sustain it for at least a decade.”

******Excerpts from Address by Late Dr A P J Adbul Kalam, Former President of India during the inauguration of ICSI Symposium on "Vision for professional India and Corporate India by the year 2020" at New Delhi , On 9 January 2008******