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" CII Delhi gets a New Leadership –
Mr Puneet Kaura, Managing Director & CEO, Samtel Avionics takes over as the Chairman of Delhi State"

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Setting the theme for CII Delhi as '**'Leveraging Technology Towards Realizing Vision 2047 - Sustainability | Competitiveness | Growth | Inclusiveness"**, Puneet added that technology has been playing a significant role towards bringing innovative solutions for various areas such as climate change, fintech, food security and health, amongst others. He said that the integration of technology, innovation & Research will play a critical role in accelerating the development..

He further highlighted that several years ago, Delhi took a bold step of moving manufacturing industries to other neighboring regions to improvise its environment. Since then, Delhi also introduced new policies, new initiatives and focused strategies leveraging its strengths to bring smart infrastructure, transition to green mobility, education, livelihood, business and revenue to the state and its people. Asserting that Delhi's economy is now mainly based on service industry, and economies around the world are pacing to adopt cutting edge technologies

at a massive scale, Delhi has the opportunity as well as potential to become the knowledge and data capital of the country.

Puneet has been instrumental into building Samtel's - a key Indian player in state-of-the-art systems for high-end applications in Defence Avionics, Armoured Vehicles and Railway Applications competence to compete on a global scale, and today Samtel is a supplier and partner to the top global players in the Aerospace and Defence industry. Owing to his initiatives in driving Samtel to contribute towards the 'Make in India' program of the Indian govt., he was hand-picked by Niti Aayog for Prime Minister's Champions of Change 'think-tank'. He is a part of a permanent team of Young CEOs who will share ideas with the Prime Minister and Niti Aayog to lead the transformation of India.

As a Chairman, Puneet will be leading all key initiatives from CII Delhi engaging with policy makers, strategic thinkers and industry leaders.