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5TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE IN AHMEDABAD

25TH APRIL 2026
TAJ SKYLINE, AHMEDABAD

CHIEF GUEST

Hon'ble Justice Sunita Agarwal
Chief Justice, High Court of Gujarat

GUEST OF HONOUR

Hon'ble Justice Bhargav D. Karia
Judge
High Court of Gujarat

Hon'ble Justice J. C. Doshi
Judge
High Court of Gujarat

Hon'ble Justice J. L. Odedra
Judge
High Court of Gujarat

Hon'ble Justice Tejas Karia
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Time	Description
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Registration
10:00 AM – 11:10 AM	Plenary Session
10:00 AM – 10:05 AM 10:05 AM – 10:15 AM 10:15 AM – 10:30 AM 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM 10:45 AM – 11:05 AM 11:05 AM – 11:10 AM	Opening Remarks – Mr. Vyapak Desai, Co-Chair, MCIA Council Address by Mr. Kamal Trivedi, Advocate General of Gujarat Address by Mr. Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General of India Address by Justice Bhargav D. Karia, Judge, High Court of Gujarat Address by Justice Sunita Agarwal, Chief Justice, High Court of Gujarat Closing Remarks – MCIA
11:10 AM – 11:30 AM	Tea/Coffee Break
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Session 1
	The One-Year Deadline: Does Section 29A Promote Efficiency or Procedural Chaos?
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Session 2
	Institutional Arbitration – Decoding Complexity in Pharma & Construction Disputes
1:30 PM – 1:40 PM	Expert Comment – Justice J.C. Doshi, Judge, High Court of Gujarat
1:40 PM – 2:30 PM	Lunch
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Session 3
	The Arbitration Council of India: Has Delay in Notification Undermined India's Arbitration Vision?
3:30 PM – 3:40 PM	Expert Comment – Justice J. L. Odedra, Judge, High Court of Gujarat
3:40 PM – 4:00 PM	Tea/Coffee Break
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Session 4 (Debate)
	This house believes that in-house counsels and lawyers are better suited than retired judges to serve as arbitrators in commercial arbitration disputes
5:00 PM – 5:15 PM	Valedictory Address

SPEAKERS

Justice Harsha Devani (Retd.)
Judge, High Court of Gujarat

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