



The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)
is proud to honour

His Excellency Dr. Bharrat Jagdeo

Hon'ble Vice President of Guyana
with the

Sustainable Development Leadership Award 2025



In recognition of his visionary leadership in championing sustainable development and climate action, while advancing the aspirations of his country and safeguarding its natural wealth for future generations, TERI acknowledges the remarkable contributions of His Excellency Dr Bharrat Jagdeo towards the three pillars of sustainable development.

As one of the world's youngest heads of government, Dr Jagdeo ushered in transformative policies through his leadership, including the launch of the groundbreaking Low Carbon Development Strategy (LCDS) in 2009 in Guyana. Under his stewardship, Guyana became a global trailblazer in forest conservation by initiating one of the world's first national-scale payment systems for ecosystem services. This initiative serves as an exemplar for other nations through programmes such as Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+).

As a member of the United Nations Secretary-General's Advisory Group on Climate Finance, he played a pivotal role in mobilising billions annually to support climate action in developing countries. From 2005 to 2006, he served as Chair of the Board of Governors of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group, significantly influencing global financial policies. In October 2012, he was elected as the first President of the Assembly of the Global Green Growth Institute.

A distinguished leader and global advocate for environmental stewardship, Dr Jagdeo has fostered international partnerships, including South-South cooperation and broader global collaborations. His leadership has been recognised worldwide, including being named a 'Champion of the Earth' by the United Nations Environment Programme.

TERI salutes and celebrates this inspiring leader for his pioneering initiatives, unwavering commitment to environmental sustainability, and transformative vision—bridging the gap between development and conservation, not only for Guyana but as a beacon of hope for the world.