



INDIA CANADA FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

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announces its lecture event  
**Creative Mechanics**

by **H.E. Vikas Swarup**

**on Sunday, 26 November 2017, 3:00 – 5:00 PM**



**Synopsis:** High Commissioner Swarup will talk about his personal journey as a writer and the creative process. Using practical examples from everyday life, he will show that creativity is not the exclusive preserve of a few, but lies in all of us. One only needs the tools to tap into its source. The aim of the lecture is to inspire the audience to express themselves especially in today's day and age where everyone has a voice and readymade platforms are available online. HC Swarup will also speak about how he is able to balance his life both as a busy diplomat and as a writer in his spare time.

**About the Speaker:** His Excellency Mr. Vikas Swarup joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1986. In his career spanning more than 30 years, he has served in diplomatic assignments in Ankara, Washington DC, Addis Ababa, London, Pretoria and Osaka-Kobe. At Headquarters, Mr. Swarup served as Desk Officer for Southern Africa, US & Canada, Director (Pakistan), Director (Nepal & Bhutan) and Director in charge of the Office of the Minister of External Affairs (MEA). After serving as Joint Secretary United Nations (Political), he was appointed the official spokesperson of the MEA in April 2015 and in March 2017 became High Commissioner of India to Canada. Mr. Swarup is also the author of three novels: *Q&A*, which was adapted as the multiple Oscar-winning film *Slumdog Millionaire*; *Six Suspects*; and *The Accidental Apprentice*. His books have been translated into more than 40 languages.

**Location: Rockcliffe Park Community Centre Hall, 380 Springfield Road, Ottawa**

**About India Canada Friendship Circle**

India Canada Friendship Circle (ICFC), a non-profit Canadian organization, operating in Ottawa since 2004 and conducting lectures by prominent speakers, encourages dialogue on India in a non-religious, non-partisan and harmonious environment. The words "friendship" and "circle" in its name, convey an explicit desire to forge and maintain close ties among Canadians with an interest in India.

ICFC's mission is to promote an intercultural relationship between India and Canada in the areas of philosophy, history, literature, the arts and sciences through prominent speakers.

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