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Gita Gopinath - IMF's 1st Female Chief Economist

Gita Gopinath has been named the 1st female Chief Economist of International Monetary Fund. Indian-born Gita Gopinath will succeed Maurice Obstfeld by the end of 2018 as the Chief Economist of IMF. Questions based on this are likely to make an appearance in the upcoming exams like Railways, Government or Banking exams. Therefore, it is important for you to stay updated on this topic. Read this article to know all about the 1st female Chief Economist of IMF. You can also download the PDF for this article for future reference.

What Is International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

International Monetary Fund is an International organization which comprises of 189 countries which works to encourage global growth and economic stability. Gita Gopinath will be joining the IMF by end of 2018. She is a professor of International Studies & Economics at Harvard University. She was also named one of the Top 25 Economist among 45 by IMF.

Gita Gopinath's Journey to IMF

Gita Gopinath completed her primary education from Lady Shriram College and the Delhi School of Economics and later moved to the US for her higher studies at Princeton University. She worked as an assistant professor at the University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business before joining Harvard. She sculpted her way and played several major roles one which included being the Financial Advisor for Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan.

This is a very proud moment for India and for women all over the world. Gita Gopinath made history when she was announced as the Chief Economists for IMF. This move shows how far Gita, who holds an PhD from Princeton University, has come from her childhood in Kerala.



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GITA GOPINATH

FIRST WOMAN CHIEF ECONOMIST OF IMF

- Born in Kolkata on 8 December 1971, Gita is an Indian-American economist.
- Professor of International Studies & Economics at Harvard University, she's also the co-director of the International Finance & Microeconomics programme at the National Bureau of Economic Research.
- Has been serving as Economic Advisor to the Chief Minister of Kerala.
- Named one of the top 25 economists under 45 by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in 2014.
- Chosen as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2011.

ONLY THE 2ND INDIAN TO BECOME IMF CHIEF ECONOMIST BEING PRECEDED BY RAGHURAM RAJAN (2003 - 2007).



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