A Grim but Not Necesarily Hopeless Picture

An Exclusive interview with Dr. Rajendra Kumar Pachauri



"The World must not be permanently divided between the haves and the have-nots."

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Dr. Rajendra Kumar Pachauri is one of a rare breed of scientists who have the knack of explaining complex scientific phenomena in everyday terms. He is credited with bringing the effects of climate change home to the masses. As head of the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, he has led an intense effort by the scientific community to better understand climate change and global warming. The IPCC, along with Al Gore, was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007 for their work in building up and disseminating "greater knowledge about man-made climate change, and to lay the foundations for the measures that are needed to counteract such change."

Dr. Pachauri, who has PhDs in both Industrial Engineering and Economics, is not only an environmental scientist but also an expert on sustainable development. The Star Magazine caught up with him at the DCCI International Business Conference where he was one of the keynote speakers.