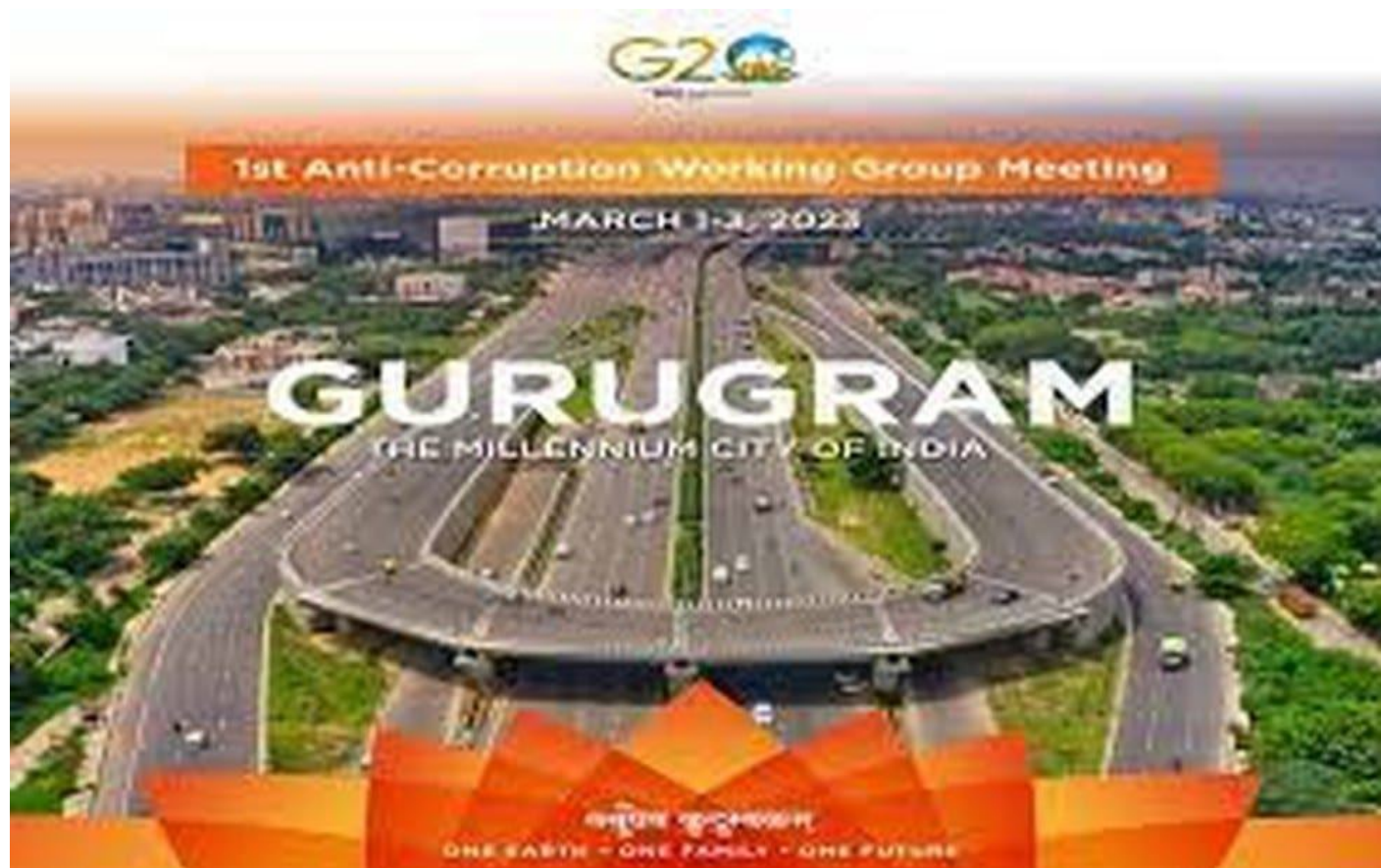


First G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group Meeting (ACWG)

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About the first G- 20 ACWG Meeting:

- It is under India's chairpersonship, and **Italy is the co-chair country**.
- Over 90 delegates from 20 member countries, 10 Invitee countries, and 9 International Organizations will engage in **detailed deliberations on strengthening International Anti-corruption mechanisms**.
- **Focus areas:**
 - Enhancing the effectiveness of **asset-tracing and identification mechanisms**;
 - Developing mechanisms for **rapid restrain of illicit assets**;
 - Promoting **effective use of open-source information and asset recovery networks**;
- **The theme** of India's G20 Presidency is – "**VasudhaivaKutumbakam**" or "One Earth. One Family, One Future".

Background of ACWG:

- The G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group (ACWG) was **set up in June 2010 at the Toronto Summit**.
 - G20 ACWG has been at the **forefront of guiding the anti-corruption initiatives of G20 countries**
 - **Primary Goal:** To prepare “comprehensive recommendations for consideration by leaders on how the G20 could continue to make practical and **valuable contributions to international efforts to combat corruption.**”
 - ACWG will explore the **proactive sharing of information, improving** the existing **Mutual Legal Assistance framework** and simplifying mechanisms for **sharing of information** between domestic law enforcement authorities in criminal matters.
 - The ACWG actively works with the **World Bank Group, OECD, UNODC, IMF, and FATF**, as well as with Business 20 (B20) and the Civil Society 20 (C20).
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Q1) What is OECD?

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development is an intergovernmental organisation with 38 member countries, founded in 1961 to stimulate economic progress and world trade.

Source: [G-20 meeting of Anti Corruption Working Group begins in Gurugram; India says, multilateral action required more than bilateral coordination for timely disposal of cases](#)

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