Securing Borders, Cities, and Cyberspace

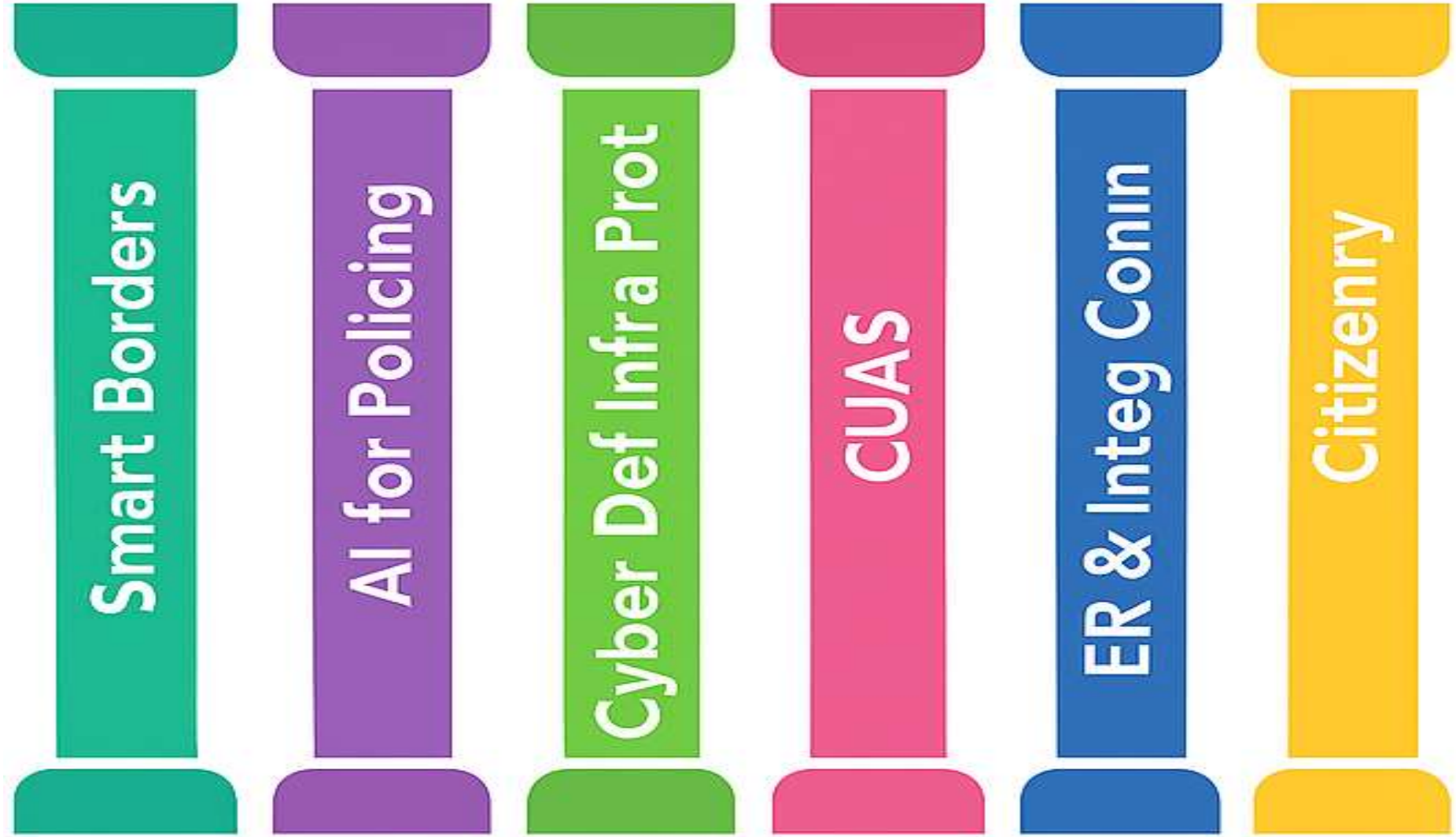
The Internal Frontline

“शत्रुः परोऽपि न भयाय, स्वजनो दुष्टः भयाय।”

(Śatruḥ paro’pi na bhayāya, svajano duṣṭaḥ bhayāya.

An external enemy is not as fearful as a corrupt insider.”

Pillars of Internal Security



Speaking about Smart Border Surveillance

Borders demand vigilance

Army's **counter-infiltration grid in Jammu & Kashmir**

Operation SINDOOR

Pahalgam attack

🧠 AI for Predictive Policing & Urban Security

- Cities are the nerve-centres of our economy and democracy.
    - The **Hyderabad Police's AI-driven Hawk Eye system**
- But the **Delhi blast** exposed vulnerabilities in policing and intelligence fusion
- How do we harness AI for security while safeguarding civil liberties and ensuring accountability?

Cyber Defence & Critical Infrastructure Protection

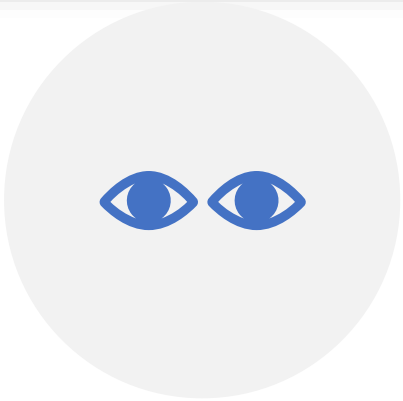
India’s digital backbone — under constant threat.

Yet resilience cannot be built by government alone.

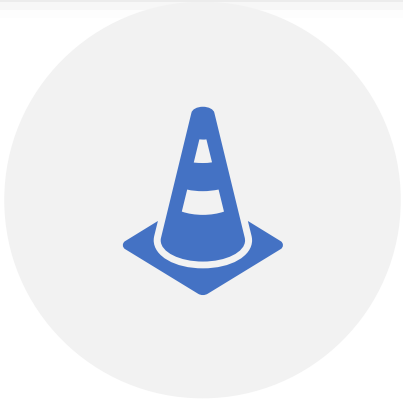
Counter-UAV Systems

- The skies are contested.
  - **DRDO’s anti-drone system**,
  - Deployed during Republic Day and G20,
  - Has proven its ability to detect and neutralize rogue UAVs.
- India must scale these defences from ceremonial events to everyday urban and border security.

Emergency Response & Integrated Communication



IN CRISES, CLARITY SAVES LIVES.



C-DOT'S COMMON ALERTING PROTOCOL (CAP)

BUT INTEROPERABILITY GAPS REMAIN

Citizen’s Role in Resilient Security

The role of citizens.

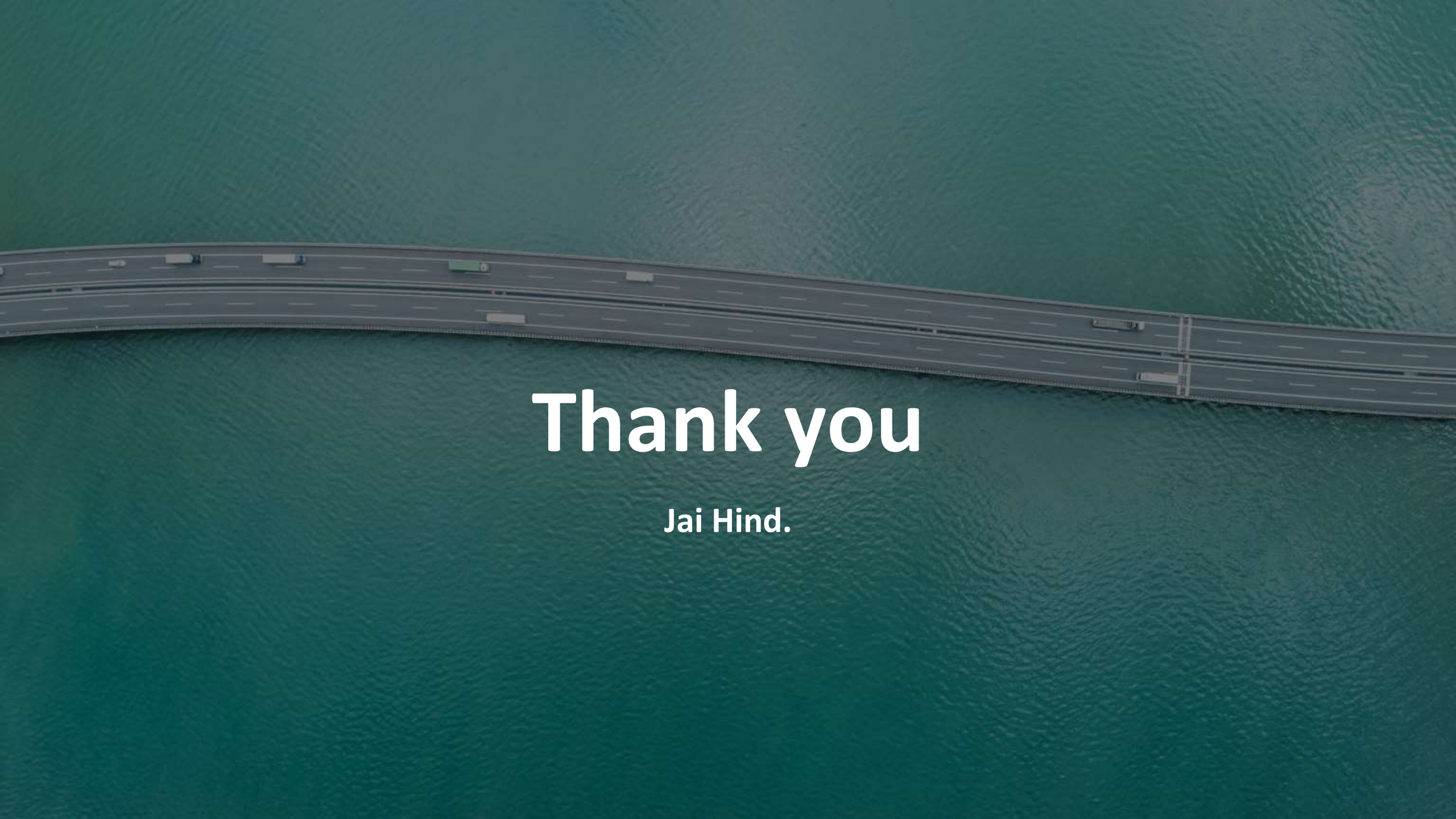
At the **borders**, first sensors.

In **cities**, citizens contribute to predictive policing.

In **cyberspace**, every individual is a stakeholder in hygiene.

Concluding Remarks

- **Let us use this platform to interrogate assumptions, share breakthroughs, and chart actionable pathways. I invite our panellists to be candid, bold, and forward-looking.**



Thank you

Jai Hind.

? Challenging Questions

How do we balance high-tech surveillance with boots-on-ground intelligence in border zones?

Can predictive policing scale without infringing on civil liberties?

Are our critical infrastructure operators truly prepared for zero-day cyber threats?

How do we distinguish hostile drones from civilian ones in real time?

What are the biggest interoperability gaps in emergency response — and how do we close them?

Finally, how do we embed the citizen as a proactive partner in national resilience?