Faultlines 2014, the first conference by the Centre for Public Affairs and Critical Theory (C-PACT) was organized on March 6, 2014 at the India International Centre. The session chaired by Prof. Dipankar Gupta, Distinguished Professor, Sociology and Director, C-PACT saw the senior fellows, Kiran Karnik, Gopal Gandhi and Siddharth Varadarajan come together and discuss the current political and socio-economic conditions of the country.

Dr Nikhil Sinha, Founding Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University commenced the Session by informing the audience about the University and the vision behind the setting up of the Centre. Welcoming the gathering Prof Dipankar Gupta, introduced the panelists and invited them to present their views on the current conditions and the road that lay ahead for the country. With the General Elections round the corner the discussion addressed the pressing problems of the Country without being partisan or biased towards any political or academic persuasion. An interactive discussion followed with thought provoking questions from the audience that included Mr Natwar Singh, Former Minister for External Affairs, India, Prof. SN Balakrishnan, Pro-Chancellor, SNU and academicians and people from the media.