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Abhimanyu Gahlaut is an officer of the Indian Foreign Service currently serving at the Embassy of India in Washington D.C. as First Secretary (Political). Prior to this assignment, Abhimanyu served at the Ministry of External Affairs in Delhi working on China-related issues, and at the Embassy of India in Beijing, where he also learnt Mandarin.

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Abhimanyu holds a Master's in Economics degree from the University of Cambridge, and a Bachelor's in Economics from Shri Ram College of Commerce at the University of Delhi. He is married to Ms. Aarushi Khatri, an architect specializing in sustainability.

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