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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

Dear Readers,

It gives me great pleasure to present this special edition of AIMA News, bringing you highlights from AIMA's 53rd National Management Convention, held during its Platinum Jubilee year.

The Convention has long been an important platform for bringing together leaders from business, government and academia to discuss the issues shaping management and the economy. This year's theme, 'Transforming for Tomorrow: Growth with Resilience', was particularly relevant at a time when organisations are navigating technological change, economic uncertainty and shifting global priorities.

Held over two days in New Delhi, the Convention brought together a distinguished gathering of speakers and participants from India and abroad. Amongst the speakers were Ms Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs; Mr Amitabh Kant; Mr V Anantha Nageswaran; Mr Saurabh Garg; Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla; Mr Naveen Jindal; Ms Shallu Jindal; Mr Sanjiv Mehta; Ustad Amjad Ali Khan; Mr Shekhar Gupta and Ms Navika Kumar, amongst several other leaders and experts from industry, government, academia, media and the arts.

AIMA's leadership was also well represented, with Mr T V Narendran, Mr Vishal Kampani and Mr Vineet Agarwal participating alongside Past Presidents Mr Sunil Kant Munjal, Dr Suneeta Reddy, Mr Shrinivas V Dempo, Mr Sanjay Kirloskar, Mr Nikhil Sawhney, Mr Sudhir Jalan and Mr Rajiv Vastupal.

The discussions brought different perspectives to the challenges and opportunities facing businesses today, from economic growth and technology to leadership, resilience and India's place in a changing global environment.

The Convention was also an occasion to recognise contributions to management through the presentation of AIMA Awards and Fellowships. With over 600 delegates attending and livestreams across AIMA's social media channels recording more than 1.6 million views, the proceedings reached a much wider audience beyond the venue. This special edition carries detailed reports on the sessions, speakers and other highlights of the Convention.

September also marked an important transition in AIMA's leadership, with Mr Vishal Kampani taking over as President for 2026–27 from Mr T V Narendran. Mr Vineet Agarwal has assumed the role of Senior Vice President, while Dr Lakshmi Venu joins as Vice President. Mr P Dwarakanath continues as Treasurer. The new leadership takes charge at an important point in AIMA's journey, as the Association moves through its Platinum Jubilee year and looks ahead to its next phase of work.

Beyond the Convention, AIMA's activities during the month covered several areas of management development and professional learning.

The 13th Business Responsibility Summit and CSR Project Excellence Recognition brought attention to changing approaches to corporate social responsibility, social impact and ESG priorities. In a related initiative, AIMA's

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Engaging younger professionals remained an important part of AIMA's work. The 52nd National Competition for Young Managers brought together 65 teams from different organisations, providing participants an opportunity to apply their management skills to business challenges in a competitive setting.

Professional development initiatives also continued through AIMA Training, Learning & Advanced Solutions (ATLAS), which conducted the 17th edition of its programme on Behavioural Skills for Executive Assistants / Secretaries. Specialised programmes included TANMATRA, a Business Leadership Programme for women executives of SAIL-Bokaro Steel Plant, and a Business Acumen & Simulation Programme for Solar Industries, Nagpur.

AIMA's engagement with its Local Management Associations (LMAs) also featured during the month. An interaction between LMA CEOs and incoming President Mr Vishal Kampani provided an opportunity to discuss the AIMA-LMA partnership, while Regional Coordination Group Meetings across the Southern, Western and Northern regions brought members together to share experiences and discuss common priorities.

This edition brings you reports on these initiatives, along with news from Local Management Associations and articles on contemporary management themes.

I hope you enjoy reading this edition of AIMA News and look forward to your feedback and suggestions.

Warm Regards,



Rekha Sethi  
Director General

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## 53rd National Management Convention



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AIMA organised its 53rd National Management Convention (NMC), themed 'Transforming for Tomorrow: Growth with Resilience', on 21st–22nd September 2026 at New Delhi. With AIMA's Platinum Jubilee celebrations lending added significance to the occasion, the convention brought together ministers, government officials, industry leaders, international experts, academics and cultural figures to discuss India's growth and leadership priorities.

Addressing the convention, Ms Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Government of India, highlighted India's nearly 8% growth and R&D spending of 0.83% of GDP. She urged the industry to improve trust, quality and R&D and move from "Made in India" to "Imagined in India".

The Chief Guest for the occasion, Mr Amitabh Kant, Former G20 Sherpa (India); Former CEO, NITI Aayog and Senior Adviser, Fairfax, SMBC & Warburg

Pincus, outlined priorities for Viksit Bharat 2047, emphasising competitiveness, lower business costs, technology and human capital.



*Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Government of India*



*Amitabh Kant, Former G20 Sherpa (India); Former CEO, NITI Aayog and Senior Adviser -Fairfax, SMBC & Warburg Pincus*

In his keynote address, Mr V Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Adviser, Government of India, said, “Growth changes the country only when it is shared honestly,” emphasising jobs, wages and shared prosperity.

AIMA’s leadership featured prominently across the convention. Mr T V Narendran, then

President, AIMA and CEO & Managing Director, Tata Steel Ltd; Mr Vishal Kampani, then Senior Vice President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Ltd; Mr Vineet Agarwal, then Vice President, AIMA and Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd; and Ms Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA, also addressed the gathering.

Data for growth was another focus. Mr Saurabh Garg, Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India, emphasised trusted, integrated data systems and measures of well-being alongside GDP. Mr Vineet Agarwal and Mr Shiv Siddhant Kaul, Managing Director, Nicco Engineering Service Ltd, also addressed the session.

Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, AC, Distinguished Pilot, Indian Air Force (IAF) and Astronaut, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), shared lessons from his space journey and insights into India’s growing space ecosystem. Mr Nikhil Sawhney, Past President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Triveni Turbine Ltd, and Dr Suneeta Reddy, then Immediate Past



*(L-R) Kewal Nohria, Past President, AIMA; Vineet Agarwal; Amitabh Kant; Vishal Kampani; T V Narendran; Rekha Sethi and Sanjay Kirloskar, Past President, AIMA and Managing Director, Kirloskar Brothers Ltd inaugurating the Convention*



*(L-R) P Balaji, Group Head-Governance, Risk, Compliance, Air India Limited; V Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Advisor, Government of India and T V Narendran*

President, AIMA and Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd, also addressed the session.

A session on India's place in the changing global order featuring Mr Stephen D Mull, Vice Provost for Global Affairs, University of

Virginia and Former Acting Under Secretary for Political Affairs, U.S. Department of State; Lt Gen Deependra Hooda (Retd), PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM & Bar, Co-Founder, CSDR and Distinguished Fellow for Military Strategy, Delhi Policy Group; Mr Ajay Bisaria, Former High Commissioner of India to Canada and Pakistan; Mr Pramit Pal Chaudhuri, Head-South Asia Practice, Eurasia Group and Mr Sunil Kant Munjal, Past President, AIMA and Chairman, The Hero Enterprise, examined geopolitics, strategic autonomy, defence technology, diplomacy and economic diversification.

Conversations across generations explored leadership and legacy. Mr Naveen Jindal, Chairman, Jindal Steel and Member of Parliament, and Ms Shallu Jindal, Chairperson, Jindal Foundation and Chancellor, O P Jindal University, Raigarh, discussed values and institution building with Ms Navika Kumar, Editor-In-Chief, Times Group. A separate panel featured Dr Lakshmi Venu, Vice Chairman, TAFE-Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited; Ms Rama Kirloskar, Joint



*T V Narendran, then President, AIMA and CEO & Managing Director, Tata Steel Ltd*



*(L-R) Shiv Siddhant Kaul, Managing Director, Nicco Engineering Service Ltd; Saurabh Garg, Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), Government of India and Vineet Agarwal*

Managing Director, Kirloskar Brothers Limited; and Mr Laxit Awla, Executive Director & CEO, SAEL Industries Ltd. Moderated by Ms Nayantara Rai, Worker, Eternal Limited, it explored legacy, innovation and inclusive leadership.

A CEO panel featuring Mr Vishal Kampani; Mr Shrinivas V Dempo, Chairman, Dempo Group of Companies; Mr Rajiv Vastupal, Group Chairman

& Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd; Ms Vinita Bajoria, Chairperson, Nicco Cables Pvt Ltd; Mr N Satish Reddy, Pro-Chancellor, Aditya University; and Mr Raj Chengappa, Group Editorial Director (Publishing), India Today Group and Editor, India Today Magazine, discussed competitiveness, technology, talent, AI and resilience.



*(L-R) Dr Suneeta Reddy, then Immediate Past President, AIMA and Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd; Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, AC, Distinguished Pilot, Indian Air Force (IAF) and Astronaut, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and Nikhil Sawhney, Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Triveni Turbine Limited*



*(L-R) Naveen Jindal, Chairman, Jindal Steel and Member of Parliament; Shallu Jindal, Chairperson, Jindal Foundation and Chancellor, O.P. Jindal University, Raigarh and Navika Kumar, Editor-In-Chief, Times Group*

Mr Sanjiv Mehta, Executive Chairman, L Catterton India; Mr Sudhir Jalan, Chairman, Neo Foods Pvt Ltd; Mr Yezdi Nagporewalla, CEO, KPMG in India; Mr Gaurav Chiplunkar, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, UVA Darden School of Business; and Dr Nalin Mehta, Managing Editor, Moneycontrol; Chief AI Officer–Editorial Operations, Network18; and Non-Resident Senior Fellow, ISAS, National University of Singapore, explored resilience against external disruptions through stronger domestic capabilities, cost, quality, service and innovation.

Music and legacy came together in a conversation with Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, Sarod Maestro and Composer, and Mr Amaan Ali Bangash and Mr Ayaan Ali Bangash, Sarod Players and Composers, on sustaining cultural traditions through discipline, practice, creativity and adaptation. The conversation was moderated by Mr Shekhar Gupta, Founder & Editor-in-Chief, The Print.

Several awards and recognitions were also conferred at the convention. Dr Suneeta Reddy received the AIMA Honorary Life Fellowship,



*(L-R) Sarod Players and Composers Ayaan Ali Bangash and Amaan Ali Bangash; Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, Sarod Maestro and Composer and Shekhar Gupta, Founder & Editor-in-Chief, The Print*



*(L-R) Sanjay Kirloskar; Pramit Pal Chaudhuri, Head of the South Asia Practice, Eurasia Group; Stephen D Mull, Vice Provost for Global Affairs, University of Virginia and Former Acting Under Secretary for Political Affairs, U S Department of State; Sunil Kant Munjal, Past President, AIMA & Chairman, The Hero Enterprise; Ajay Bisaria, Former High Commissioner of India to Canada and Pakistan; Lt Gen. Deependra Singh Hooda (Retd), PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM & Bar, Co-Founder, The Council for Strategic and Defense Research (CSDR) and Distinguished Fellow for Military Strategy, Delhi Policy Group*



*(L-R) Nayantara Rai, Worker; Eternal Limited; Rama Kirloskar, Joint Managing Director, Kirloskar Brothers Limited; Laxit Awla, Executive Director and CEO, SAEL Industries Ltd and Lakshmi Venu, Vice Chairman, TAFE-Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited*

while AIMA Fellowships were presented to Mr Richard Rekhy, Vice Chair, Grant Thornton Bharat, and Mr Arun Kumar, Managing Partner, Celesta Capital.

The AIMA–Kewal Nohria Award for Academic Leadership in Management Education was conferred on Dr Biswajeet Pattanayak, Founder & President, ASBM University, and the AIMA–R K Swamy High-Performance Brand Award was presented to Trent Limited.

Local Management Associations were recognised through the AIMA Best LMA Awards, and the NMC Souvenir was released.

More than 600 delegates from industry, government, media and academia attended the Convention, including participants from Local Management Associations. Live streams on AIMA's social media channels exceeded 1.6 million views.

## Fortifying Growth Building the Economy Against External Disruptions



(L-R) Gaurav Chiplunkar, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, UVA Darden School of Business; Sudhir Jalan, Chairman, Neo Foods Pvt Ltd; Sanjiv Mehta, Executive Chairman, L Catterton India; Yezdi Nagporewalla, CEO, KPMG in India and Nalin Mehta, Managing Editor, Moneycontrol; Chief AI Officer- Editorial Operations, Network18 and Non-Resident Senior Fellow, ISAS, National University of Singapore



Dr Suneeta Reddy, then Immediate Past President, AIMA and Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd, recipient of AIMA Honorary Life Fellowship



Arun Kumar, Managing Partner, Celesta Capital, recipient of AIMA Fellowship



Richard Rekhy, Vice Chair, Grant Thornton Bharat, recipient of AIMA Fellowship



(L-R) N. Satish Reddy, Pro-Chancellor, Aditya University; Rajiv Vastupal, Past President, AIMA & Group Chairman & Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd; Vishal Kampani; Vinita Bajoria, Chairperson, Nicco Cables Pvt Ltd; Raj Chengappa, Group Editorial Director (Publishing), India Today Group & Editor, India Today Magazine and Shrinivas V Dempo, Past President, AIMA & Chairman, Dempo Group of Companies



*Kewal Nohria, with Biswajeet Pattanayak, Founder & President, ASBM University, recipient of the AIMA-Kewal Nohria Award for Academic Leadership in Management Education*



*Srinivasan K Swamy, Past President, AIMA and Executive Group Chairman, R K Swamy; Hansa Manish Kumar, HR Director, Trent Limited and Krupa Anandpara Company Secretary, Trent, recipient of the AIMA- RK Swamy High Performance Brand Award*



*AIMA Past Presidents and Office Bearers*



*Session in progress*



*(L-R) Amandeep Johl, Rekha Sethi, Kapil Dev and T V Narendran*



*T V Narendran and Muzaffir Ali*



*Suneeta Reddy and Sanjiv Mehta*



*T V Narendran and Vishal Kampani*



*T V Narendran, Amitabh Kant and Anurag Jain*



*Suhel Seth and Ritu Beri*

*(L-R) Vineet Agarwal, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, AC, Amitabh Kant and Rekha Sethi*



*(L-R) Sudhir Jalan, Raj Chengappa, T V Narendran, Saurabh Garg and Ruchi Narendran*



*Yezdi Nagporewalla, Arvind Lal and Richard Rekhy*



*(L-R) Sunil Alagh, Vineet Agarwal, Vishesh C Chandiok and Vishal Kampani*



(L-R) Vishal Kampani, Arun Kumar, Madhu Kampani and Lakshmi Venu



Shivani Wazir Pasrich and Rekha Sethi



Shovana Narayan and Sundari Nanda



Pratima Kirloskar, Rama Kirloskar and Sanjay Kirloskar



(L-R) Vinita Bajoria, Lakshmi Venu, Rekha Sethi, Vishal Kampani, Madhu Kampani, Ruchi Narendran, T V Narendran, Rama Kirloskar, Pratima Kirloskar, Sanjay Kirloskar and Vineet Agarwal



*Krishan Kalra, Shovana Narayan and Gaurav Chiplunkar*



*P Dwarkanath and Pankaj Bansal*



*Shiv Siddhant Kaul and Yezdi Nagporewalla*



*N Satish Reddy and Dr Bhimaraya Metri*



*Raj Chengappa and Rajiv Vastupal*



*Shrinivas V Dempo, Sudhir Jalan and Vineet Agarwal*

## AIMA's New Office Bearers



*(L-R) P Dwarakanath, Treasurer, AIMA and Former Chairman, GSK Consumer Healthcare Ltd; Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA; T V Narendran, Immediate Past President, AIMA and CEO & Managing Director, TATA Steel Ltd; Vishal Kampani, President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Ltd; Vineet Agarwal, Senior Vice President, AIMA and Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd and Lakshmi Venu, Vice President, AIMA and Vice Chairman, TAFE- Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited*

AIMA announced the new Office Bearers for the year 2026-27. Mr Vishal Kampani, Non-Executive Vice Chairman, JM Financial Ltd has been elected the new AIMA President by the AIMA Council. He succeeds Mr TV Narendran, CEO & Managing Director, TATA Steel. Mr Vineet Agarwal, Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd is the new Senior Vice President of AIMA, a position

that was occupied by Mr Vishal Kampani. Dr Lakshmi Venu, Vice Chairman, TAFE- Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited joins the ranks of AIMA office bearers as Vice President. Mr P Dwarakanath, Former Chairman, GSK Consumer Healthcare Ltd., continues in his role as Treasurer, AIMA and Ms Rekha Sethi continues to serve as the Director General of AIMA.

## Best LMA Awards

AIMA conferred the Best LMA Awards 2025–26, recognising Local Management Associations for their contributions to institutional excellence and the advancement of management practices.

Overseeing the evaluation of nominees for the LMA Awards, Mr Nikhil Sawhney, Past President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Triveni Turbine Limited chaired this year's Award Jury. The other members of the jury included Mr Vineet Agarwal; Mr P Dwarakanath, Treasurer,

AIMA and Former Chairman, GSK Consumer Healthcare India; Mr Vijay Kumar Thadani, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, NIIT Limited; Mr Balaji P, Group Head- Governance, Risk, Compliance, Air India Ltd; Mr Krishan Kalra, Past President, AIMA; Dr Bhimaraya Metri, Director, IIM Nagpur; Mr Ajey Mehta, CEO-Educational Outreach, IIT Bombay; Ms Vinita Bajoria, Chairperson, NICCO Cables Pvt Ltd and Mr Shiv Siddhant Kaul, Managing Director, Nicco Engineering Services Ltd.



### Best LMA Awards 2025-2026

#### CATEGORY I

**Winner- Madras Management Association**

#### CATEGORY II

**Winner- Indore Management Association**

#### CATEGORY III

**Winner- Thrissur Management Association**

#### CATEGORY III

**Runners up- Jamshedpur Management Association**

#### CATEGORY IV

**Winner- Coimbatore Management Association**

#### CATEGORY V

**Winner- Navsari Management Association**

#### CATEGORY V

**Runners up- Faridabad Management Association**

#### Most Improved LMA

**Navsari Management Association**



## LMA CEOs' Interaction



*LMA CEO's with Vishal Kampani, Incoming President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Limited, and Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA*

AIMA organised the LMA CEOs' Interaction on 22nd September 2026 in New Delhi, bringing together representatives from over 40 Local Management Associations (LMAs) to interact with Mr Vishal Kampani, Incoming President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Limited, and Ms Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA.

Mr Kampani addressed the representatives, followed by discussions on strengthening the AIMA-LMA relationship and taking the partnership forward. Ms Sethi welcomed the participants and delivered the introductory remarks. The interaction provided an opportunity to exchange views and was well received by the representatives.

Over 175 LMA representatives also participated in the 53rd National Management Convention held on 21st–22nd September 2026.



*Vishal Kampani, Incoming President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Limited*



*Dr Bhaskar Chatterjee, Former Secretary, GOI & Former DG, IICA receiving a memento from Ashok Kumar Gupta, CEO, Dalmia Bharat Foundation as Neeraj Kapoor, Director, AIMA looks on*

## 13th Business Responsibility Summit

AIMA organised the 13th Business Responsibility Summit and CSR Project Excellence Recognition on 10th September 2026 at AIMA's Lajpat Nagar Office, New Delhi, bringing together CSR and sustainability experts and corporate leaders to discuss evolving CSR practices, social impact assessment and the integration of CSR with ESG.

The summit commenced with the inaugural session, featuring a Special Address by Mr Ashok Kumar Gupta, CEO, Dalmia Bharat Foundation, who highlighted the importance of sustainability and CSR in driving meaningful social impact.

Programme Advisor Dr Bhaskar Chatterjee, Former Secretary, GOI & Former DG, IICA, chronicled the journey of CSR and spoke about its changing role, with greater focus on strategic alignment, measurable impact and sustainable development.

Speakers included Mr Rohan Sarma, Prof, Social Scientist & CSR and Sustainability Expert; Mr Achintya Singh, Head CSR, Nayara Energy; Ms Smita Sharma, DGM CSR, Hero MotoCorp; Mr

Khurram Naayab, GM-CSR, Vedanta Group | Head-Governance, Anil Agarwal Foundation; Mr Bibhuti Ranjan Pradhan, Executive Director, CD & CSR, Indian Oil Corporation Ltd; Mr Ravindra Kumar, Executive Director HR, Rail Vikas Nigam Limited and Mr Suresh Reddy, Lead CSR & Director, SRF Foundation.

Discussions examined the way forward for CSR, including strategic and impact-driven approaches, data- and evidence-based assessment of community outcomes, and greater alignment between CSR, ESG, sustainability goals and community needs.

The event also recognised winners of the CSR Project Excellence Contest across the Corporates (PSUs & Private Sector) and Implementation Partner categories, highlighting effective approaches to social development and CSR implementation. CSR and sustainability professionals, corporate representatives and implementation partners participated in the summit.

# 52nd National Competition for Young Managers



*Winners of the 52nd National Competition for Young Managers (NCYM) with the AIMA team*

AIMA successfully concluded the 52nd National Competition for Young Managers (NCYM) on 30th September, 2026 which brought together young management professionals from across the country to address real-world business challenges across four tracks- Manufacturing, Operations & Supply Chain, Digital & AI, and Sales & Marketing.

A total of 65 teams participated in the 52nd edition, with 23 teams advancing to the National Finale held on 30 September 2026 at AIMA, New Delhi. The finalist teams presented their strategic solutions before an eminent jury.

In the PSU Category, IOCL R&D emerged as the Winner, followed by NTPC as the 1st Runner-Up and BPCL as the 2nd Runner-Up. In the Private Category, Tata Steel was adjudged the Winner, with Larsen & Toubro as the 1st Runner-Up and BOSCH Ltd. as the 2nd Runner-Up.

The Best Young Manager Awards recognised the top two individual performers in the competition, with one outstanding young manager recognised from each of the PSU and Private sectors.

## AIMA- ICRC Workshop



*Participants and faculty with Dr Bhaskar Chatterjee, Father of Indian CSR and Sustainability*

AIMA-India Case Research Centre (ICRC) has launched a new initiative to develop authentic teaching cases based on Indian CSR experiences. The initiative commenced with a two-day case development workshop held on 14th-15th September 2026, aimed at bringing real-

world Indian experiences into management classrooms and deepening understanding of CSR and sustainability practices.

The workshop focused on documenting not only successful outcomes but also the strategic choices, partnerships and implementation realities involved in CSR projects. The cases will capture perspectives across funding organisations, implementing agencies and grassroots partners.

The initiative was led by Dr Bhaskar Chatterjee, Father of Indian CSR and Sustainability, whose guidance

and mentorship will continue to support the case development effort. Through this initiative, AIMA-ICRC will work towards building a credible body of Indian CSR cases that captures ground realities and provides future CSR and sustainability leaders with practical insights.

## Training



*Participants at the training*

AIMA Training, Learning & Advanced Solutions (ATLAS) concluded the 17th edition of its training programme, 'Behavioural Skills for Executive Assistants / Secretaries', on 17th-18th September 2026 at AIMA, New Delhi.

Designed for executive assistants, personal secretaries and senior administrative professionals, the two-day programme focused on behavioural, communication and managerial competencies relevant to modern corporate administration. The sessions covered dynamic calendar and workspace management, assertive communication, emotional intelligence, time optimisation and high-impact decision support

through interactive sessions, case studies and practical exercises.

The workshop saw participation from administrative professionals representing public and private sector organisations across the country. Participants travelled from Bengaluru, Delhi, Gurgaon, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Mumbai, Nagpur and Shillong, providing opportunities for networking and cross-learning among professionals from diverse organisations.

## Business Acumen & Simulation Programme



*Participants of the training programme*

AIMA conducted a two-day Business Acumen & Simulation Programme for Solar Industries, Nagpur, on 24th- 25th September 2026 at Nagpur. The programme focused on strengthening business acumen and cross-functional decision-making through an experiential learning

approach.

Through the Business Simulation, participants applied managerial concepts in a practical setting and gained insights into the interdependence of Marketing, Finance and Production and their collective impact on business performance.

The programme was inaugurated by Mr Shailendra Tiwari, Chief Technology Officer, and witnessed the presence of Mr Femin Bennedict, Plant Head, and Mr Ashish Khole, Head- HR. It brought together over 36 mid-to-top management professionals representing Finance, HR, Quality, Marketing, Projects, Production and Sales, who participated in 12 teams.

## TANMATRA- Business Leadership Programme

AIMA conducted TANMATRA, a Business Leadership Programme exclusively for women executives of SAIL- Bokaro Steel Plant (BSL), on 28th- 30th September 2026 at Bokaro. The programme focused on strengthening business acumen and enhancing participants' understanding of Marketing, Finance and Production Management, with emphasis on revenue generation, cost optimisation and savings.

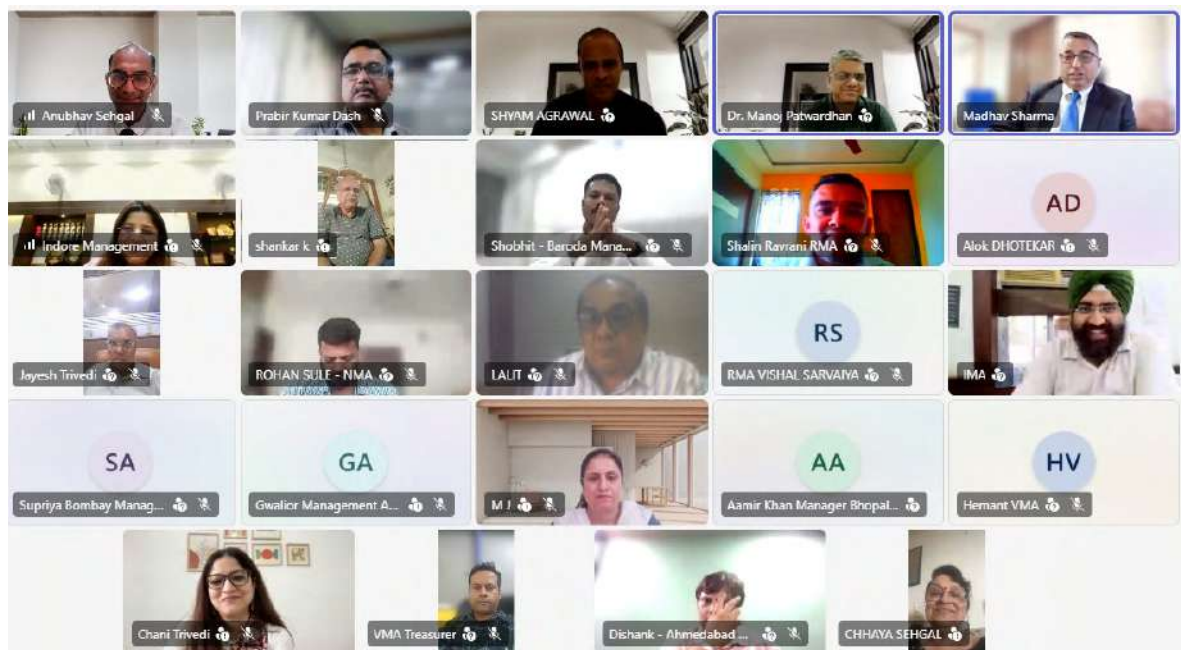
The programme was inaugurated by Ms Rajashree Banerjee, Executive Director (HR), SAIL BSL, and concluded in the presence of Dr Vibhuti Bhushan Karunamai, Executive Director (Medical & Health Care). TANMATRA was part of SAIL BSL-HR & L&D's women leadership interventions.



*Programme in progress*

The programme brought together over 36 participants in 12 teams from E4-E7 management grades, representing Finance, HR, Quality, Sales & Marketing, Projects, Production and Medical Services. Participants engaged in activities focused on strategic thinking, collaborative decision-making and leadership.

# LMA Regional Coordination Group Meetings



## Western Regional LMA meeting in progress

AIMA conducted the LMA Regional Coordination Group Meetings in September 2026, bringing together Local Management Associations (LMAs) from across the country on a common virtual platform. The meetings were organised for the Southern Region on 7th September, the Western Region on 10th September and the Northern Region on 30th September.

The meetings are part of AIMA's efforts to strengthen coordination and collaboration among its LMA network. The LMAs are organised into four regional clusters- North, South, East and West – to facilitate knowledge sharing, exchange of best practices and stronger engagement among LMAs, particularly supporting the growth of small and medium-sized LMAs.

The Southern Region meeting was chaired by Gp Capt R Vijayakumar (Retd), Chairperson, Southern Region LMA Coordination Group, who addressed the LMAs on 'Best Practices for Managerial Excellence'. Ms Chani Trivedi, Honorary Secretary, Indore Management Association, shared the best practices and initiatives of the Indore

Management Association during the Western Region meeting, chaired by Ms Chhaya Sehgal, Chairperson, Western Region LMA Coordination Group.

During the Northern Region meeting, chaired by Ms Saloni Kaul, Chairperson, Northern Region LMA Coordination Group, Ms Meenakshi Singh, President, Faridabad Management Association, shared the best practices of the Faridabad Management Association.

Mr Madhav Sharma, Director- LMA Relations & Membership, Young Leaders Council, HR, AIMA, encouraged the participating LMAs to make use of the sessions as an interactive platform to exchange experiences, review key initiatives and discuss strategies for strengthening collaboration and future engagement.

The meetings witnessed participation from LMAs across the three regions, reflecting continued engagement with AIMA's LMA network and the importance of regular regional interactions in strengthening coordination and knowledge sharing.

# POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MANAGEMENT (EXECUTIVE)

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# Global Advanced Management Programmes (GAMP)

## USA Edition

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### Programme Background

The rapid pace of change in the global economy continues to redefine business leadership. Organisations are facing growing demands to align with digital transformation, sustainability goals, dynamic customer behaviours, and ever-evolving regulatory frameworks. Leaders are expected to drive innovation while balancing resilience, agility, and growth in increasingly competitive and interconnected markets.

AIMA's Global Advanced Management Programme (GAMP) is tailored to equip business leaders with insights into emerging trends and strategies to address these challenges effectively.

### Programme Objectives

- Identify opportunities for profitable growth.
- Respond and adapt to the challenges in the changing landscape due to rapid global economic trends.
- Examine the latest concepts, ideas and tools to help them align their business practices with global economic developments and conditions.
- Learn to build sustainable and innovative business models.

### Programme Framework

- Class Room Lectures and Interactions
- Keynotes by Silicon Valley Startups and CEOs

### Global Companies that have shaped the GAMP Learning Experience



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## The GenAI Divide: Who's Using ChatGPT to Save Time at Home

Younger, wealthier households are more likely to use AI to boost efficiency and enjoy more downtime.

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Many people mistake corporate culture for perks like free food and retreats. | credit: iStock/Tijana Simic

Who's using AI at home and how do they use it? And is it making them more efficient?

These are questions Michael Blank, an assistant professor of finance at Stanford Graduate School of Business, wanted to answer in his recent research. "Much of the research and policy focus around AI has been about labor markets," he says. "But adoption of AI has become more rapid and persistent among households than at work. To change how people work takes changing a lot of things — like teams agreeing on a chatbot — but adopting these tools at home means just typing in a request, like finding the cheapest airline tickets."

As tools, large language models (LLMs) could "be transformative for society," Blank says, "enabling people to do technologically sophisticated things and learn new, marketable skills without formal education, like coding." But achieving that kind of democratization of learning would require equal access to — and usage of — AI tools across socioeconomic groups.

To understand who's using AI and how they're benefiting from it, Blank and his collaborators Gregor Schubertopen in new window of the University of California, Los Angeles, and Miao Ben Zhangopen in new window of the University of Southern California analyzed how thousands of U.S. households use their online time. They found that younger, higher-income households use

generative AI, specifically ChatGPT, to improve their productivity and use the time they're saving for leisure activities.

"We see that people are using ChatGPT to improve from a productivity standpoint, giving them more time to spend on things they enjoy. But it's not happening in an equal way across the income and age distributions," says Blank, a faculty fellow at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research.

The researchers analyzed the browsing history of more than 200,000 households between 2021 and 2024. Among the data points they examined were when a household first used ChatGPT and which sites it visited around the time it was using AI.

#### Quote

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#### Author Name

— Michael Blank

By the end of the period studied, 16% of all households had used ChatGPT at least once. The researchers found that people between the ages of 18 and 34 and those with annual incomes over \$100,000 (especially over \$200,000) were much more likely to use ChatGPT. "They have the most aggressive adoption," Blank says. By late 2024, 24% of households headed by someone 34 or younger had used ChatGPT, versus 11% of older households. Younger, wealthier households also began using ChatGPT sooner and were more likely to continue using it than other demographics.

This pattern of findings suggests a clear digital divide in GenAI adoption and usage, a gap that the authors note has widened over time.

#### More Time for Leisure

The researchers also looked at how people use AI and how it impacts their available time. "We were especially interested in understanding whether unequal adoption leads to unequal benefits for different types of households," Blank says.

That meant first distinguishing between types of activities, Blank notes. "There are things we do with our computers or smartphones that economists call 'home production,' like paying bills or figuring out travel arrangements, that are productive but don't result in intrinsic enjoyment. Then there are intrinsically enjoyable things like going on social media or watching movies or browsing sports information — these are leisure activities," he explains.

Blank and his collaborators found that people were using ChatGPT for more productive tasks, as suggested by the sites they visited during, before, and after their LLM sessions: for example, IRS.gov and TurboTax during tax season, or Canvas and Blackboard when doing educational tasks. "Presumably they're finding LLMs more efficient than traditional means," Blank says.

The next question, then, is what people did with the time gained from using AI. Here, the researchers found that people used that time for leisure activities. Much of that activity was online, including time spent on nonproductive tasks on ChatGPT and social media sites. "ChatGPT adopters are able to use the time freed from efficiency gains there to do things they get intrinsic enjoyment out of," Blank says.

By the numbers, the research shows that households using ChatGPT increased the proportion of time they spend on leisure activities by 31 percentage points and decreased the share of time on productive sites by 21 percentage points. While overall browsing time went up for households using ChatGPT, the time they spent on productive tasks remained unchanged while

leisure time rose dramatically, suggesting they were getting more done — up to an estimated 176% improvement in efficiency.

Understanding the use of GenAI at home helps paint a fuller picture of AI-related productivity and value. “So far we haven’t seen a noticeable uptick in AI-related productivity for businesses in terms of output and revenue per unit of labor or unit of capital,” Blank says. “But the fact that people can do more enjoyable activities after adopting ChatGPT suggests a beneficial impact on productivity: People can consume more of what they want because they don’t have to spend as much time on what they see as chores.”

The challenge is that not everyone is experiencing these gains. “There’s a pretty stark gradient across income and age distributions of who’s adopting these tools at home and experiencing related quality-of-life gains,” Blank says. “If there were more equitable take-up at home, these gains would be shared more equally rather than potentially worsening inequality.”

Despite its transformative potential, AI is following an age-old story of technological adoption, Blank notes: “Throughout the history of technological improvements, it tends to be higher-income people who are able to adopt improvements most rapidly.”

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## Duration

The duration of the programme is 6 months

## Programme Fees

The programme fees for the course is ₹ 55,000 (including GST 18%) which include cost of Course Learning Material & Examination fees

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## Ahmedabad Management Association

### Electoral Excellence and Democratic Governance

On 10th September, in Ahmedabad, a distinguished session on 'Conducting Elections in India – The Largest Democracy in the World' brought together leaders, scholars, and citizens to examine the democratic process. The event featured Chief Guest Mr Gyanesh Kumar, Chief Election Commissioner of India, who delivered an insightful lecture highlighting the immense operational scale, technological innovations, and meticulous planning required to conduct free, fair, and transparent democratic elections nationwide.



Mr. Gyanesh Kumar addressing



Inauguration of the exhibition

### Celebrating Sustainable Artistry and Craftsmanship

From 11th to 13th September, AMA hosted 'The Exclusive Natural Dye Handmade Festival Exhibition,' bringing together artisans, designers, and enthusiasts to celebrate the art of traditional craftsmanship. The event provided an engaging platform to explore sustainable practices, indigenous techniques, and the meticulous skill required to produce authentic natural dye handloom and handcrafted creations.

### Spiritual Wisdom and Right Action

On 11th September, an inspiring session featuring a 'Discourse on KARMAYOG' brought together seekers, scholars, and citizens to reflect upon the path of selfless action and ethical duty. The event featured revered Educationist and Spiritual Guru Bhaishri Rameshbhai Oza, who delivered an insightful lecture illuminating the timeless philosophy of Karmayog, emphasising how dedicated action, moral clarity, and spiritual mindfulness can guide purposeful living in modern society.



Bhaishri Rameshbhai Oza addressing

### Geopolitical Dynamics and Regional Futures

On 12th September, a distinguished session featuring a 'Book Talk and Discussion on CHINDIA – Journey to an Asian Century' brought together scholars, policy observers, and citizens to examine the evolving geopolitical landscape. The event presented an engaging conversation with Mr. Shastri Ramachandran, Author, Independent Journalist & Editorial Consultant,



Mr. Shastri Ramachandran and Dr. Sunil Parekh

moderated by Dr. Sunil Parekh, Member of the AMA Executive Committee.

### Philosophical Wisdom and Well-Being

On 12th and 13th September, an enriching lecture series on 'Vyakhyanamala Darshanshastra: A Key to Manage Happiness in Our Lives' brought together scholars, seekers, and citizens to explore the foundational traditions of Indian thought. The two-day discourse featured prominent speakers delving into classical philosophical systems, with Muni Satyajit elaborating on the profound principles of Vedānta Darśana and Sāṅkhya Darśana, and Acharya Prashant Sharma elucidating the practical wisdom of Yoga Darśana and Nyāya Darśana, offering participants timeless perspectives on mental equilibrium, self-realisation, and meaningful living.



Muni Satyajit addressing



Mr. Jigar M. Patel addressing

### Navigating Financial Transitions and Global Mobility

On 15th September, a special talk on 'Happy Home-Coming for Returning NRIs' featured Mr. Jigar M. Patel, International Tax Attorney and Weekly Columnist at Ahmedabad Mirror. The session guided non-resident Indians through the essential legal, financial, and tax complexities of relocating to India, highlighting cross-border compliance, residential status transitions, and strategic asset planning for a smooth repatriation.

### Cultural Heritage and Living Traditions

On 17th September, an engaging session on 'GARBA – Grace, Glory & Glamour Celebrating the World's Longest Dance Festival' brought together cultural enthusiasts, scholars, and citizens to celebrate the vibrant spirit and heritage of Garba. The event featured distinguished panel members Dr. Hemant Bhatt, Consultant Gynaecologist & Motivational Speaker; Dr. Utpala Desai, Convener, INTACH Ahmedabad Chapter and Ms. Falguni Hiren, Founder Director & Managing Trustee, Spandan Sanskrutik Trust.



Panelists at the event



Mr. Ganesh V. Sawaleshwarkar inaugurating the event

### Preserving History and Postal Heritage

On 18th September, the inaugural exhibition 'Chitthi Aayi Hai – Postal Heritage of India,' curated by Dr. Dhimant Purohit, Editor-in-Chief of Newzviewz.com, celebrated the rich evolution of Indian communication. The event was graced by Chief Guest Mr. Ganesh V. Sawaleshwarkar, Chief Postmaster General, Gujarat

Circle, and Guest of Honour Dr. Shivang Swaminarayan, highlighting the enduring historical significance and cultural legacy of postal traditions.



*Felicitation and recognition of AIMA faculty members*

### Honouring Educational Excellence and Mentorship

On 18th September, the 'Ramanbhai Patel – AMA Shreshtha Shikshak Award 2025' was presented by Chief Guest Som Tyagi to Ms. Varda Pratikkumar Raval and Dr. Deepak Mahakul for their outstanding pedagogical contributions. On this occasion, AMA also felicitated esteemed faculty members Mr. Sanjay Chakraborty, Ms. Swapna Sai, Mr. Ankit Majmudar and Mr. Francis Lobo in recognition of their valuable, decades-long association with the institution.

### Operational Excellence and Sustainable SME Growth

On 19th September, a panel discussion on 'Business Excellence and Productivity Improvement – Operational Excellence for Sustainable SME Growth' featured Chief Guest Ms. Kshipra Suryakantrao Agre, IAS, Commissioner, MSME Commissionerate, Government of Gujarat, with welcome remarks by Dr. Jaimin Vasa. Moderated by Dr. Jainil Shah, the session brought together industry experts Mr. Vijay Shah, Dr. Munjal Dave, and Mr. Dhruv Shah to outline strategies for enhancing productivity, operational efficiency, and competitiveness across SMEs.



*Panellists at the event*



*Panellists at the event*

### Corporate Strategy and National Transformation

On 20th September, a session on 'Corporate Affairs, Geopolitics & Atmanirbhar Bharat: Transforming India for the Future' featured Mr. Chintan Thaker (Welspun Group & ASSOCHAM), Dr. Kuldeep Arya, IAS (Secretary, Industries & Mines and CEO, Dholera SIR), and Mr. Ved Prakash, IRTS (DRM, Ahmedabad Division). The leaders shared key insights on aligning corporate leadership, policy, and infrastructure to drive national self-reliance and sustainable growth.

### Cognitive Health and Neurological Well-Being

On 23rd September, marking World Alzheimer's Day, a panel discussion and Q/A on 'Decoding Dementia' brought together clinical experts to raise awareness around cognitive decline and patient care. The

panel featured leading specialists Dr. Sudhir V. Shah, Dr. Heli Shah, Dr. Chetsi Shah, and Dr. Ravi Soni, who shared critical clinical and psychiatric insights on early detection, therapeutic interventions, and holistic caregiver support for managing dementia.



*Panellists at the event*



*Mr. Sachin Sharma (R) with the moderator*

### Youth Leadership and Nation Building

On 24th September, a special talk on 'My Bharat: A Platform for Youth Engagement and Nation Building' featured Mr. Sachin Sharma, State Director, MyBharat Gujarat, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. The session

highlighted the transformative role of digital empowerment, leadership opportunities, and community-driven initiatives in mobilising youth to actively contribute toward national development.

### 69th Annual General Meeting

On 24th September, AM convened its 69th Annual General Meeting, marking the successful re-appointment of its key office bearers: Mr. Rajiv Gandhi (MD & CEO, Hester Biosciences Ltd.) as President and Mr. Mohal Sarabhai (MD, Ambalal Sarabhai Enterprises Ltd.) as Vice President. As AMA enters its 70th year, the leadership announced a series of flagship events and distinguished speaker sessions across 2026–27 to celebrate its Platinum Jubilee (70 AMAzing Years), reaffirming the institution's commitment to advancing Dr. Vikram Sarabhai's founding legacy and fostering management excellence.



*Mr. Rajiv Gandhi addressing*



*Panelists at the event*

### Modern Parenting and Child Well-Being

On 25th September, a panel discussion on 'Parenting in the Digital Age – Raising Smart, Safe & Emotionally Strong Children,' moderated by Ms. Rajasi Gajjar, brought together experts to address the evolving challenges of modern child-rearing. The panel featuring Dr. Nishchal Bhatt, Ms. Asha Vagharia, Mr. Kumar Manish, Ms. Naisargi Shah and Ms. Falguni Patel, shared valuable insights on digital safety, emotional resilience, adolescent health, and mindful parenting strategies for nurturing well-rounded children in a connected world.

## AIMA 53rd NMC

On 21st and 22nd September, AIMA's 53rd National Management Convention was held in New Delhi, convening industry leaders, policymakers, and management professionals from across the country. AIMA was represented at the prestigious national forum by Mr. Unmesh Dixit, Mr. Dishank Panchal, and Mr. Nishant Parmar.



(L-R) Mr. Unmesh Dixit, Mr. Nishant, Parmar and Mr. Dishank Panchal



MOU signing of AMA and TCGL

## Strategic Collaboration and Tourism Development

On 27th September, marking World Tourism Day, the Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Ltd (TCGL) organised a special event at GIFT City Club, Gandhinagar, featuring the formal signing and revival of the MOU between TCGL and AMA. The Ahmedabad Management Association was represented at the ceremony by Mr. Unmesh Dixit and Mr. Dishank Panchal, reaffirming joint institutional efforts toward skill development and sustainable growth in the tourism sector.

## Baroda Management Association

### Hon'ble Prime Minister's Visit to Vadodara

Baroda Management Association was honoured to be invited to the official visit of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modiji to Vadodara on 8th September. This initiative was taken by Dr Mangla Chouhan, President, BMA. BMA representatives had the



Hon'ble Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi at the event



BMA representatives at the event

opportunity to be part of this significant occasion and witness the Hon'ble Prime Minister's visit, further strengthening BMA's connect with key stakeholders and the wider community. The visit also highlighted Vadodara as an emerging industrial and economic hub and reinforced the broader vision of strengthening connectivity, manufacturing capabilities, and opportunities for sustainable economic growth.



*Participants at the MDP*

## MDP

BMA conducted a one-day Management Development Programme on 'Talk. Trust. Lead – Transactional Analysis (TA) for High-Impact Decisions' on 5th September at the BMA Gurunarayan Centre for Leadership, Vadodara. The programme was facilitated by Dr Sunil Acharya, PhD (hc), Founder of Gujarat Transactional Analysis (TA) Centre, ICTA. Key takeaways included effective communication, better decision-making, stronger leadership skills, improved team relationships, higher self-awareness and

conscious leadership. A moment of gratitude was presented by Dr Arpit Shah, Hon. Secretary. The whole event was coordinated, managed and anchored by Ms Shivani Mathur, Programme Manager, BMA.

BMA organised an MDP on 'Sell Without Selling' on 19th September at Gurunarayan Seminar Hall, Vadodara, led by Mr. Vishwas Jambu. The programme was organised under the leadership of Dr Mangla Chouhan, President, BMA. The session highlighted relationship-driven sales, customer psychology, trust-building, understanding customer needs and effective value communication. Participants gained practical insights into handling objections, nurturing long-term client relationships, generating repeat business and referrals, and converting meaningful conversations into business opportunities.

Dr Arpit Shah, Hon. Secretary, BMA, proposed the vote of thanks.



*Mr. Vishwas Jambu being felicitated with a memento*



*Mr. Rohan Lele receiving a memento*

## Friday Evening Talk

On 11th September, Programme Manager Ms. Shivani Mathur welcomed the gathering, followed by FET Chair Dr Manoj Shukla, who formally welcomed Mr Rohan Lele, Founder and Principal Consultant, Amaltas Consulting. The session explored the journey from good performance to excellence, highlighting the mindset, behaviours and leadership capabilities required to achieve greater impact. Participants gained insights into developing a growth-oriented mindset, enhancing self-

awareness, identifying opportunities for personal and professional improvement, and strengthening leadership effectiveness. The programme encouraged participants to move beyond routine performance, embrace new opportunities for growth, and cultivate a culture of continuous development and leadership excellence.

## World Manager's Day at ITM SLS University

On 18th September, ITM SLS collaborated with BMA to commemorate World Manager's Day, celebrating the vital role of managers and leaders in shaping successful organisations. The event brought together

professionals and management enthusiasts to reflect on the importance of effective leadership, people management, and continuous learning in today's evolving business landscape. BMA was represented by CA Chintan Popat, Vice President, who delivered the address note, sharing valuable perspectives on leadership, management excellence, and the role of managers in driving organisational growth.



CA Chintan Popat being presented with a memento

### 11th Convocation Ceremony of ITM Vocational University

Dr Mangla Chouhan, BMA President was invited as the Chief Guest at the 11th Convocation Ceremony of ITM Vocational University, where she graced the occasion with her esteemed presence. The ceremony celebrated the academic achievements and accomplishments of post-graduate students, marking an important milestone in their educational journey. Her presence added prestige to the occasion, and her inspiring words encouraged the postgraduates to embrace future opportunities with confidence, dedication, and a commitment to excellence.



Dr Mangla Chouhan at the convocation ceremony

### AIMA 53rd NMC

BMA actively participated in AIMA's 53rd National Management Convention through its leadership team, gaining valuable insights from distinguished national and international speakers while strengthening professional networks with leaders from business, government, academia and other sectors. The convention featured an engaging programme covering diverse areas, including economics, diplomacy, defence, technology, business and the arts. Eminent speakers included Ms Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Government of India; Mr Amitabh Kant, former CEO of NITI Aayog; Dr V. Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Adviser, Government of India and Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla AC, Indian Air Force pilot and ISRO astronaut, among other distinguished personalities. BMA also benefited from the valuable guidance and encouragement of Ms Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA, which provided meaningful direction for the association's continued growth and development.



BMA representatives with Ms Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA and Mr. Madhav Sharma, Director, LMA & Membership and YLC

## Bharuch District Management Association

### In-house MDP

As part of its continuous learning and employee development initiatives, BDMA organised an In-house Management Development Programme on 6th September for Canteen Staff of Indofil Industries on 'Food Hygiene & Personal Hygiene' at the Indofil Canteen. The programme was conducted by Ms. Pooja Mishra, Dietitian – Clinical Nutrition & Hospital Dietetics, who shared valuable insights on maintaining high standards of food safety, personal hygiene, healthy practices, and workplace well-being.



*Ms. Pooja Mishra addressing*



*Participants of the MDP at Toyolnk India Pvt. Ltd*

BDMA successfully organised a Management Development Programme at Songwon Specialty Chemicals-India Pvt. Ltd., on ERT Safety Training. The programme was conducted at the company's site with the objective of strengthening employees' preparedness for emergency situations. Mr. Anil Choumal from Quest Management Solution served as the faculty and conducted the training.

BDMA conducted an In-house MDP at Toyolnk India Pvt. Ltd., on 'AI-Supported Advanced Excel' on 12th September. Mr. Nilay Shah, Corporate Excel Trainer served as the faculty, who shared practical knowledge on advanced Excel techniques, AI-assisted data analysis, automation, reporting, and productivity enhancement.



*Safety training being conducted during the MDP*



*Mr. Nitin Tailor addressing*

BDMA organised an In-house MDP at Bal Bharati Public School – NTPC, Jhanor, on 22nd September, as part of the 'Swachhta Campaign 2026 – Swachhta Mein Sahbhag' initiative. The session was conducted by Mr. Nitin Tailor, CEO & Founder – Serve Happiness Foundation, who engaged students through an informative and interactive session on the importance of cleanliness, personal hygiene, responsible citizenship, and active community participation.

## MDP

BDMA organised a two-day MDP on 'Power BI' on 10th and 11th September. The programme was conducted by Mr. Nilay Shah, Corporate Excel Trainer, who provided participants with practical insights into Power BI, data visualisation, reporting, and data-driven decision-making. The interactive training enabled participants to enhance their analytical capabilities and understand how Power BI can be effectively used for transforming data into meaningful business insights and impactful reports.



*Mr. Nilay Shah addressing the participants*



*Mr. Darshan Vyas addressing*

## 270th Book Lover's Forum

BDMA organised its 270th Book Lover's Forum on 26th September, featuring a review of the acclaimed book 'Why We Sleep' by Matthew Walker. The session was led by Dr. Sunil Shrotriya, Neuroscientist, who shared valuable insights from the book on the science of sleep, its importance for physical and mental well-being, brain function, memory, and overall health. The engaging discussion encouraged participants to explore the importance of healthy sleep habits and appreciate the role of reading and knowledge-sharing in personal and professional development.

BDMA organised an MDP on 'AI Tools Workshop' on 19th September. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Darshan Vyas, Training Partner – Zenith Quest, who provided participants with practical insights into the use of Artificial Intelligence tools for workplace productivity, automation, content creation, data analysis, and smarter decision-making.



*Dr. Sunil Shrotriya, Neuroscientist addressing*



*Participants with Mr. Suketu Sheth at the programme*

## Collaborative MDP

BDMA, in collaboration with UPL University, organised a MDP on 'Machine Health – A Step Towards Sustainability' on 30th September. The session was conducted by Mr. Suketu Sheth, Mechanical Engineer and Former Head – Engineering, Hikal Ltd., who shared valuable insights into machine health, predictive maintenance, equipment reliability, energy efficiency, and sustainable engineering practices. The programme highlighted how effective machine health management can help

industries reduce downtime, optimise resources, improve operational efficiency, and contribute to long-term sustainability.

## Bhopal Management Association

Bhopal Management Association, in association with Truba College of Science & Technology – MBA Programme, Bhopal, organised an informative and interactive session on 'AI and Future Skills' on 8th September at Truba Group of Institute, Bhopal. The Guest Speaker at the programme, Mr. Rachit Jaish, MD & Founder, Soft Block Pvt. Ltd, familiarised students with the growing role of Artificial Intelligence in the field of education. On the occasion, Mr. Shankar Krishnan, Hon. Secretary, BMA, highlighted the role of BMA in enhancing students' knowledge and skills. He further stated that 'Technology and AI are powerful tools, but the real foundation of a student's development is continuous learning, critical thinking and the ability to acquire knowledge.' Mr. N. K. Chhibbar, Executive Committee Member, and Mr. Aamir Khan, Manager, BMA were also present at the programme. At the conclusion, Dr. Rajeev Jain, Director, Truba College, expressed his gratitude to the BMA and the Guest Speaker for organising the informative session for the students.



*Dignitaries at the event*



*Distribution of certificates*

## Certificate Distribution Programme and an Awareness

BMA organised a Certificate Distribution Programme and an awareness session on 'AI Tools for Data Analytics' at the School of Management, SAGE University, Bhopal, on 16th September. Mr. Bharat Bhati, HOD, welcomed the BMA delegation and appreciated its initiatives in promoting student learning and professional development. Certificates were distributed by faculty members and BMA office-bearers. Mr. Shankar Krishnan, Hon. Secretary, BMA, congratulated the students and acknowledged Dr. Apoorv Bhatnagar and his team. Mr. Rachit Jaish, MD and Founder, Soft Block Pvt. Ltd., conducted the technical session, covering Generative AI, Agentic AI, data cleaning, coordination and analysis, and demonstrated how AI tools enable faster, informed management decisions.

## Calcutta Management Association

### Webinar

On 14th September, CMA organised a webinar titled 'From Climate Crisis to Action – Macro-Level Measures for a Resilient World', featuring Dr Sudeb Mandal, Director – ESG, Sustainability & Climate Advisor, Quvia Labs Pvt. Ltd. The session was moderated by Mr Himadri Das, Member, CMA Sustainability Task Force, and



*Webinar in progress*

commenced with a welcome address by Mr Indranil Banerjee, President, CMA. Dr Mandal discussed the growing impact of climate change, citing extreme weather events such as floods and heatwaves. He highlighted human activities, particularly fossil-fuel consumption and deforestation, as key contributors to climate change. The interactive discussion covered groundwater management, data centres' water consumption, fugitive emissions in the oil and gas sector, and geoengineering. The webinar emphasised awareness, collaboration and practical action to address climate challenges. Mr Gautam Mukhopadhyay, Executive Committee Member, CMA, proposed the vote of thanks. Other CMA office-bearers and members also attended the session.



*CMA delegation at the event*

### **Delegation at the 4th Indo Pacific Economic Council**

CMA was invited to the 4th Indo Pacific Economic Conclave (IPEC), organised by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) in association with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The event focused on regional collaboration, bringing together diplomatic representatives and business leaders for an engaging exchange on Indo Pacific Issues. Under 'Prashant Bharat ka Purvodaya – Indo-Pacific's Purvodaya,' the Conclave brought together policymakers,

diplomats, business leaders, economists, multilateral institutions, academia, and global industry to explore Eastern India's economic and strategic role in the Indo-Pacific. Mr Vibhor Tandon, Vice President CMA, Dr Arijit Banerjee and Mr Gautam Mukhopadhyay, EC Members, CMA were also present at the event.

### **68th AGM**

The 68th Annual General Meeting of CMA was held on 26th September, at the Williamson Magor Hall, with Mr Indranil Banerjee, President, CMA, as the Chair. In his address, the President reflected on CMA's work and progress during the past year, highlighting the Association's continued efforts towards strengthening its activities, member engagement and institutional foundations. A significant achievement highlighted



*CMA members at the 68th AGM*

was the substantial increase in Membership, reflecting growing member confidence and long-term engagement with the Association. Following the election of the Executive Committee for 2026–27, the office-bearers selected from among the elected members are: President: Mr Indranil Banerjee, Vice President: Mr Vibhor Tandon, Treasurer: Ms Sohini Gooptu, Secretary: Mr Gautam Mukhopadhyay. The elected corporate representation includes ABP Ltd, Tata Steel Ltd, Exide Industries Ltd, Heritage Business School, Patton International Ltd and Balmer Lawrie & Company Ltd. The eight individual members include the four office bearers and Mr Jimmy Tangree, Mr Anirban Banerjee, Dr Arijit Banerjee and Dr Rana Bandyopadhyay. The occasion also witnessed a special acknowledgement of CMA's former Presidents in recognition of their association and contribution to the Association.

## Chandigarh Management Association

### AIMA 53rd NMC

The 70th Platinum Jubilee National Management Convention of AIMA brought together management professionals, business leaders, academicians and representatives of management associations from across the country, providing an important platform for knowledge sharing, networking and discussion on emerging challenges and opportunities in management. President CMA, Dr. Jatinder Pal Singh Sehdev, expressed

his appreciation to all the delegates for representing CMA at this prestigious national convention and congratulated them for their active participation. CMA remains committed to promoting professional excellence, meaningful networking and greater participation of its members at national and international management forums.



CMA President Dr. Jatinder Pal Singh Sehdev with CMA representatives at AIMA's 53rd NMC



Panelists being felicitated

Coach, as panelists. President CMA, Dr. Jatinder Pal Singh Sehdev, and Secretary CMA, S. Sukhwinder Singh Bhatia, Dr. Navjot Kaur felicitated the panelists in recognition of their valuable contribution to the programme.

### Wellness Within: Transform Your Lifestyle Through Meditation

CMA organised an insightful programme on 'Wellness Within: Transform Your Lifestyle Through Meditation' on 26th September. The session focused on the importance of meditation, mindfulness, stress management and maintaining a healthy balance between personal and professional life. The programme was moderated by Prof. (Dr.) Ramandeep Saini, EC Member CMA, with Honey Grewal, Wellness Coach, and Madhu Pandit, Wellbeing

## Coimbatore Management Association

### Monday Musings Session

Coimbatore Management Association, through its 630th Monday Musings session, hosted Mr. Arun Prasad GS on 'Moments of Magic: The Essentials of Customer Service'. He emphasised that exceptional service goes beyond efficiency to making customers feel valued through empathy, respect and personalised attention. Key takeaways included leadership ownership in building a service-oriented culture, empowering frontline employees to respond with flexibility and understanding, and transforming complaints into opportunities to strengthen customer loyalty. The session highlighted that creating memorable customer experiences requires deliberate, consistent efforts at every touchpoint, ensuring customers feel recognised as individuals rather than transactions.



Speaker- Mr. Arun Prasad GS



Speaker- Mr. Ravi Kumar R

CMA, through its 631st Monday Musings session, hosted Mr. Ravi Kumar R on 'Dark Factories in the World'. He explored the evolution of fully automated manufacturing facilities capable of operating with minimal human presence, highlighting the integration of robotics, data systems and cloud analytics. The session challenged the perception that automation eliminates jobs, emphasising its role in reducing dangerous, repetitive and monotonous tasks. Mr. Ravi Kumar underscored the need for industrial workers to transition from operators

to orchestrators by developing advanced troubleshooting, cross-functional knowledge and software proficiency. The discussion highlighted how technological adaptation can elevate human roles towards strategic oversight and complex problem-solving.

CMA, through its 632nd Monday Musings session, hosted Mr. R. Ramasubramaniam on 'AI & Data as a Growth Lever: Moving from Dashboards to Decisions that Move Revenue'. He emphasised that competitive advantage lies not in generating more dashboards but in enabling faster, smarter decisions embedded in everyday workflows. He highlighted the importance of business-led ownership, cross-functional AI and data teams, and trusted platforms supported by robust governance. The session also explored transforming AI Centres of Excellence into decision-product studios and enterprise intelligence platforms. Stressing governance as a growth enabler, he advocated integrating data privacy, model validation, security and regulatory compliance into workflows, alongside unified performance measurement to track business outcomes, accountability and trust.



Speaker- Mr. R. Ramasubramaniam



CMA members at the 71st AGM

## AGM

CMA held its 71st Annual General Meeting on 25th September. The Chief Guest, Dr. Ram Subramaniam, Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer of My Money Karma, USA, delivered an address on the theme 'Co-Designing the Future: Industry Partnering Academia.' Dr. N. Raveendran, Vice President - Enterprise-wide Solutions (CIO), Sakthi Finance Ltd., was unanimously elected President of CMA for the term 2026–28. Mr.

N. Krishnakumar, CEO of Akarsh Advertising Consultants and S. Meena, Chartered Accountant were unanimously elected Vice Presidents. Mr. Puneet Krishnan was re-elected Secretary, while Dr. Vandana Madhav Kumar and Mr. M. K. G. Anandakumar were unanimously elected Joint Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. The members of CMA expressed their sincere appreciation to the outgoing President, Dr. Nithyanandan Devaraaj, for his exceptional leadership. Under his guidance, the Association secured two prestigious awards from AIMA at the 53rd National Management Convention held on 21st -22nd September at New Delhi.



Speaker- Dr Nithyanandan Devaraaj

Amrita School of Business, Coimbatore organised a programme as part of their CEO series on 8th September. Dr Nithyanandan Devaraaj, President-CMA was the speaker at the programme, and he spoke on the topic 'Imagineering the Future.'

## Faridabad Management Association

Echelon Institute of Technology, Faridabad invited Ms. Saloni Kaul, Director – Faridabad Management Association as Chief Guest for Prize Distribution of their National Level Hackathon Closing Ceremony on 22nd August. Ms. Saloni Kaul gave a motivational Speech and presided over the Award Distribution Ceremony.



Ms. Saloni Kaul felicitating the winners



Ms. Meenakshi Singh, President, FMA, being felicitated

On 3rd September, Ms. Meenakshi Singh, President, FMA, addressed MBA and MCA students at DAV Institute of Management, Faridabad, during its orientation programme, 'SRIJAN'. In her session, 'Creating Value beyond Degree', she highlighted the importance of knowledge application, positive attitude, learning agility, adaptability, curiosity, ownership and essential capabilities for career success.

On 10th September, FMA launched its MANTHAN Series with its inaugural virtual session, 'Cyber Crimes – Are You Really Protected?' FMA President Ms. Meenakshi Singh, Executive Director, JIVA Ayurveda, welcomed the participants and introduced the guest speaker, Advocate Anuj Bhardwaj, Cybersecurity and Legal Expert. He discussed common digital threats, cyber frauds, legal and regulatory perspectives, and ways to recognise and prevent cyberattacks. The session also highlighted preventive safeguards for individuals and organisations and the steps to take when cybercrime occurs. Ms. Meenakshi Singh delivered the vote of thanks.

On 21st September, FMA received the Runner-up Award for Best LMA under Category V at AIMA's Platinum Jubilee National Management Convention (NMC). The award was presented by Mr. Amitabh



Advocate Anuj Bhardwaj addressing the participants

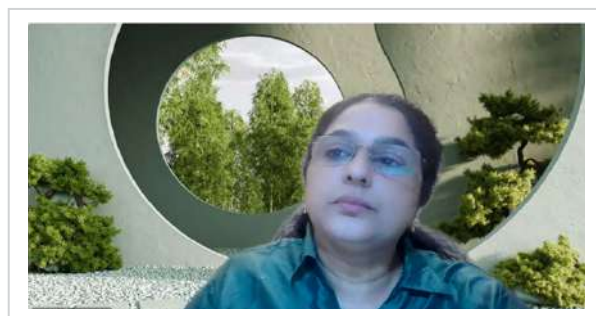


*FMA receiving the Award*

Kant, former CEO of NITI Aayog and former G20 Sherpa, and received by Ms. Saloni Kaul, President, FMA (2025–26); Ms. Meenakshi Singh, current President, FMA and Mr. V. Thyagarajan, Executive Director. The certificate was presented to the FMA team by Mr. T. V. Narendran, then President, AIMA, and Managing Director and CEO, Tata Steel Ltd.

## Ghaziabad Management Association

Ghaziabad Management Association organised an online session on 'The Future of Manufacturing: Emerging Technologies and Innovation' on 1st September, featuring Ms Latha Chembrakalam, Founder and CEO, AutoAscend Pvt Ltd. The session explored key manufacturing trends, including smart factories, artificial intelligence (AI), augmented and virtual reality, predictive maintenance, 3D printing, cybersecurity and data-driven operations. Ms Chembrakalam highlighted the emergence of 'dark factories', where robotics, AI, machine vision and IoT enable continuous, autonomous production. She also discussed how generative AI can accelerate design, improve productivity and optimise costs. Emphasising the future of the sector, she underscored the importance of digital transformation, sustainability, workforce capabilities and ecosystem partnerships. The informative session witnessed participation from 99 attendees.



*Ms. Latha Chembrakalam addressing*

## Workshop

GMA organised a Management Development Programme on 'PLC Programming and Networking' on 8th and 10th September at the AKGEC Skill Foundation, Ghaziabad. The programme was conducted by Mr Mahendra Dutt Dwivedi of Ajay Kumar Garg Engineering College. It covered PLC architecture, digital electronics, logic circuits, industrial networking, PROFINET communication, Human-Machine Interface (HMI) design, troubleshooting and the integration of sensors and drives with PLCs. The hands-on sessions equipped



*Participants of the MDP at AKGEC Skill Foundation, Ghaziabad*

participants, including non-electrical engineers, with practical knowledge of industrial automation and control systems. A total of 13 participants attended the programme.

## Industrial Visit

GMA organised an Industrial visit at Ghaziabad Precision Products Pvt Ltd., on 10th September for the students of RKGIT, Ghaziabad. 27 students visited the industry. GPP is engaged in supplying the engine parts to all OEMs including in international market. It has world class manufacturing set up and a training centre of DOJO to train new induction. Students appreciated the visit and expected such type of regular visits of the industries, who are member of GMA.



*Students at Ghaziabad Precision Products Pvt Ltd*



*Dignitaries at the HR conclave*

## National HR Conclave 2026

GMA, in association with KIET School of Management, organised the National HR Conclave 2026 on 12th September under the theme 'The Workforce Renaissance: Shaping Resilient, Futuristic and Sustainable Organisations'. The conclave brought together over 400 delegates and students for insightful discussions on the evolving workplace. The sessions explored three key areas: digital transformation and AI's impact on HR systems and employee experience; labour codes and the

Digital Personal Data Protection Act; and HR's strategic role in advancing sustainability and responsible organisational practices. Mr Atul Sobti, Director General, SCOPE, and former CMD, BHEL, graced the occasion as Chief Guest, while Dr Indrajit Ghosh, Global Chairman, MSME CII, India, was the Guest of Honour. Distinguished speakers included Mr G.D. Bhatnagar, Ms Anjali Khanna, Mr Abhijeet Kumar, Mr Dinkar Prasad Singh and Dr Poonam Singh Parihar. The conclave encouraged meaningful industry-academia engagement on the future of work.

## 45th Foundation Day

GMA's 45th Foundation Day was celebrated at Wika Instruments India Pvt Ltd., on 25th September. Founder member Mr. IC Agrawal, Dr NK Dhooper, Mr V N Grover, GC members: Mr Arun Aggrawal, CA (Dr) Rakesh Chharia, President Dr TR Pandey, Sr Vice President Mr Umang Gupta and other GMA members planted trees. Blood donation camp was also organised by Vardan to celebrate GMA' Foundation Day. 12 trees were planted and 15 units of blood collected.



*Founder members at GMA's 45th Foundation Day*

GMA organised a session on 'Intellectual Property Rights: Registration Process and Judgments' on 28th September at Indraprastha Engineering College, Ghaziabad. The session was conducted by Advocate Neeraj Gogia, who provided practical insights into Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and their role in protecting intellectual creations. The discussion covered key forms of IPR, including patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, industrial designs and geographical indications, with relevant examples illustrating their scope and application. The interactive session witnessed enthusiastic participation from MBA students and aspiring entrepreneurs at the institution's incubation centre, with lively discussions and questions on IPR registration and protection.

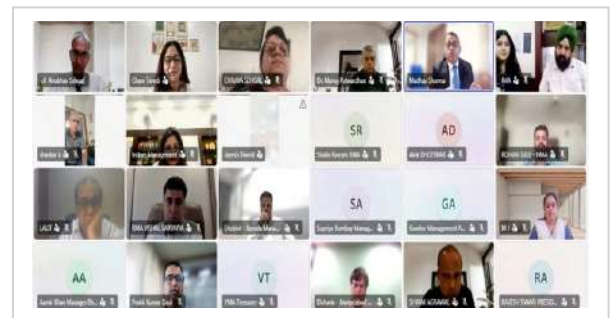


*Participants at the session*

## Gwalior Management Association

### Western Region LMA Group Meeting

The AIMA Western Regional LMA Group Meeting was held virtually on 10th September. Prof. (Dr) Manoj Patwardhan, Executive Director, and Shyam Agrawal, Honorary Secretary, represented Gwalior Management Association. Representatives from various Local Management Associations shared their activities, achievements over the previous three months and future plans. Prof. Patwardhan presented an overview of GMA's key programmes, initiatives and engagement efforts, highlighting the Association's recent progress and strategic direction. The meeting also provided a platform for discussing regional collaboration, strengthening inter-association relationships and promoting knowledge sharing among Local Management Associations.



*AIMA Western Regional LMA Group Meeting in progress*



*Executive Director and Executive Vice President, GMA, receiving the Best LMA Award Participation Certificate from Mr. Vishal Kampani, President AIMA and Ms. Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA*

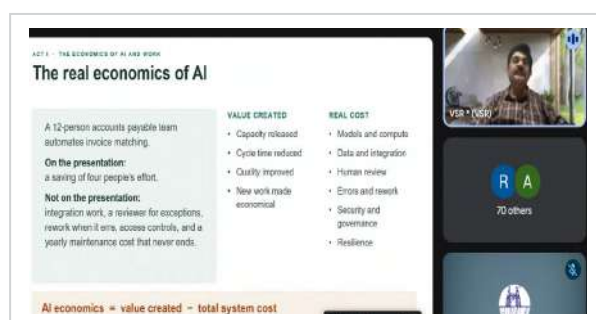
### AIMA 53rd NMC

An eight-member delegation from GMA attended AIMA's Platinum Jubilee 53rd National Management Convention in New Delhi, led by Dr. Manoj Patwardhan, Executive Director, GMA. The youth delegation was led by Mr. Akash Sharma, Co-Chair, AIMA Young Leaders Council, Gwalior Chapter. The delegation interacted with industry leaders, management experts and policymakers, gaining

valuable insights into leadership and contemporary management practices. The two-day convention explored India's global competitiveness, economic resilience, artificial intelligence, data-driven decision-making, geopolitics, structural transformation, space and future-oriented growth. The discussions offered valuable perspectives for GMA to strengthen local leadership development, industry engagement and AI awareness initiatives. At the convention's conclusion, Dr. Patwardhan received the Best LMA Award Participation Certificate. Dr. Patwardhan and the GMA team also invited Ms. Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Government of India, to visit Gwalior.

## Hyderabad Management Association

Hyderabad Management Association organised an insightful online lecture on 'AI Will Not Take Your Job, But Someone Using AI Might' on 16th September. The session explored how Artificial Intelligence is transforming tasks, roles and organisational decision-making. VSR highlighted that AI is more likely to change or eliminate specific tasks and vacancies than immediately replace entire jobs. The session also highlighted the changing role of humans. Professionals will increasingly focus on reviewing, validating, governing and making decisions on AI-generated outputs, while retaining accountability for outcomes.



Mr. V. Srinivasa Rao (VSR) addressing the webinar



MOU signing between HMA and Anurag University

## MOU Signing ceremony

On 30th September, HMA established a Student Chapter at Anurag University in collaboration with the School of Management, which also provided the venue for the Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP). The initiative was marked by the launch of Samarth, an entrepreneurship development programme for 100 students. These collaborative initiatives aim to strengthen industry-academia engagement by providing students with structured opportunities to interact with industry professionals, develop entrepreneurial capabilities and gain practical insights before graduation, while further enhancing institutional capacity.

## Jamshedpur Management Association

### Educational Tour

On 1st and 2nd September, Jamshedpur Management Association organised experiential learning visits for 100 BBA students from Arka Jain University to the Centre for Excellence (CFE) and the P.N. Bose Geological Centre. The visits aimed to familiarise students with Tata Steel's industrial heritage and its contribution to India's development. Students explored CFE's Art Gallery and historical archives, gaining insights into the region's industrial evolution. They also learned about geologist P.N. Bose's pioneering discovery of iron ore deposits, which laid the foundation for Jamshedpur's industrialisation and the establishment of Tata Steel. The initiative connected classroom learning with historical and industrial perspectives, helping students appreciate the role of visionary discoveries in shaping industrial growth and national progress.



*Students at the Centre for Excellence*



*Students at the Centre for Excellence*

On 11th September, JMA conducted an experiential exposure tour for students from BACET, visiting both the Centre for Excellence (CFE) and the P.N. Bose Geological Centre. The initiative sought to deepen the students' understanding of Tata Steel's industrial legacy and its contributions to the nation's economic landscape.

### Training

On 4th September, JMA conducted an insightful training on 'Effective Communication Skills at Workplace' attended by professional of Tata Power. The session aimed to empower professionals and young learners with essential practical tools to enhance personal and professional interaction in modern workplace environments. Participants gained valuable perspectives on active listening, impactful speaking techniques, body language, and managing constructive dialogue.



*Trainer conducting the training*



*Participants with the trainer*

On 9th September, JMA organised a specialised one-day training programme titled 'Finance for Non-Finance' for the employees of Tata Pigments. The workshop provided non-financial professionals with essential financial literacy and a practical understanding of core economic concepts vital to corporate decision-making. Participants gained hands-on insights into reading

financial statements, budgeting, cost management, and evaluating project viability.

### Spandan- Hindi Poetry Competition

On 18th September, in celebration of Hindi Diwas, a self-composed Hindi poetry competition 'Spandan' was organised in collaboration with Jamshedpur Women's College, bringing together talented students to recite their original poetic works. Centered around the theme 'Aaj Ka Yuva, Kal Ka Bharat' & 'Udaan Abhi Baaki Hai', the event provided a platform for participants to express their vision, and aspiration in shaping the nation's future. Renowned writer Dr. Arun Sajjan and Dr. Pushpa Kumari, HOD Hindi Department in Jamshedpur Women's College had graced the occasion as the distinguished judge, evaluating the entries on original thought, thematic relevance, and expression while offering constructive guidance to the aspiring student-poets.



*Celebration of Hindi Diwas*



*Participants at the training*

### Training

On 22nd September, a specialised workshop on 'Effective Communication Skills at Workplace' was organised for professionals from TSUISL, TSDPL, and Tata Steel Colors. The session focused on equipping mid-level and senior officers with essential tools to refine interpersonal communication, practice active listening, and deliver assertive professional messaging.

### AIMA 53rd NMC

On 21st and 22nd September, JMA, led by its Honorary President, Mr. Chaitanya Bhanu, VP Operations, Tata Steel Ltd., participated in AIMA's National Management Convention in New Delhi. JMA secured the runner-up position in Category III for AIMA's Best LMA Award, recognising its contributions to management development and organisational excellence.



*JMA team receiving the Award*

### AIMA NCYM

JMA participated in AIMA's NCYM on 24th and 25th September, fielding four competitive contingents. Highlighting the event was the standout performance of one JMA team, which secured a winning distinction among strong national competition. The two-day event provided an ideal platform for JMA's young professionals to demonstrate high-level business strategy, execution, and executive presentation skills.



*Winning team receiving the Award*



*Participants at the event*

## Talk

On 30th September, JMA, in collaboration with Arka Jain University, hosted an insightful session on Disaster Management & Resilient Infrastructure. The talk, titled 'Integrating Disaster Risk Reduction with SDGs, Climate Change, and Health Risks,' was delivered by Mr. Tirtha Sapkota, Senior Area Manager – Decarbonisation Strategy & Projects at Tata Steel. The session provided participants with a comprehensive understanding of aligning disaster risk reduction frameworks with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## Kerala Management Association

### KMA Launches Young Leaders Forum

Kerala Management Association organised the inaugural Young Leaders Forum on 4th September, featuring Ms. Swapna Abraham, Multiple World Record Holder, Singer-Songwriter, Author, Actor and Educator. The session, themed 'Who Says It Can't Be Done?', focused on determination, resilience and the courage to challenge limitations. The session was presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, with Mr. Thomas Varghese and Mrs. Lekha Balachandran facilitating the proceedings.



*Ms. Swapna Abraham inaugurating the KMA Young Leaders Forum*



*KMA President Algiers Khalid addressing*

### Startup Enablement Summit

KMA, in association with MSME-DFO Thrissur, Chinmaya Vishwa Vidyapeeth and Maker Village, participated in the Startup Enablement Summit – National Workshop to Empower Startups & MSMEs on 10th September at Chinmaya Vishwa Vidyapeeth, Kochi. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. Manoj Kumar Arora, Vice Chancellor, Chinmaya Vishwa Vidyapeeth, with sessions on funding, government schemes, compliance, IP and startup growth.

### KMA MSME Forum – Capacity Building of MSMEs

KMA MSME Forum conducted a session on 'Capacity Building of MSMEs' on 11 September, featuring Ms. Grace Reji, State Head, National Small Industries Corporation Ltd., Department of MSME, Government of India. The session focused on strengthening the capabilities of MSMEs and enabling them to access opportunities for



*Ms. Grace Reji addressing*

sustainable growth and development. The session was presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, with Mr. K. V. Jose and Ms. Lekha Balachandran facilitating the proceedings.

### KMA News 'Insight' – Third Edition

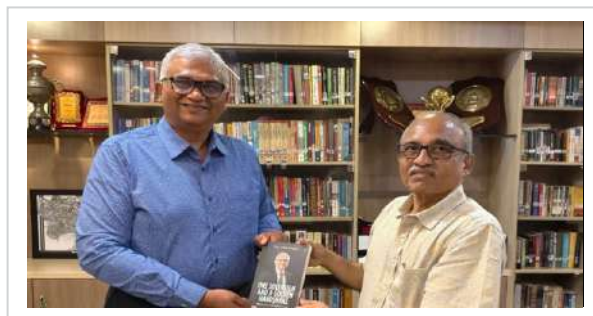
The third edition of KMA News, titled 'Insight,' was released on 14th September by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA. On the occasion, the President formally handed over a copy of the publication to Mr. S. Sakthimani, Chairman and Managing Director (CMD), The Fertilisers and Chemicals Travancore Ltd (FACT). The latest edition highlights KMA's activities, initiatives and programmes, reflecting the Association's continued efforts towards sharing knowledge and strengthening its engagement with the management community.



*Releasing the 'Insight' – Third Edition*

### Book Release

KMA organised a book release ceremony on 15th September at Management House, Kochi. Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, released the book titled 'One Sovereign and a Golden Handshake,' authored by Mr. T. K. Prakash. The event marked a celebration of literature and knowledge sharing, reflecting KMA's commitment to encouraging intellectual engagement and meaningful discussions within the management community.



*Mr. Algiers Khalid releasing the book*



*Mr. Aju Jacob with Dr. K. N. Raghavan, IRS*

### A new initiative of KMA - Podcast Learn from the Leaders

KMA launched 'Learn from the Leaders,' a new podcast initiative featuring conversations with accomplished leaders. The inaugural episode featured Mr. Aju Jacob, Managing Director, Synthite Group, in conversation with Dr. K. N. Raghavan, IRS on 16th September. The initiative aims to provide young professionals and aspiring leaders with practical insights into leadership, business and decision-making.

### KMA Insight Session

KMA organised an insightful session on 'Insight into the Nuances of the DPDP Act' on 18th September, focusing on the legal, business and technical implications of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act and Rules. Hon'ble Justice Gopinath P was the Chief Guest. Expert sessions were delivered by Adv. CS. Siji Abraham, Corporate Lawyer; Shawn Jeff Christopher, Partner – Compliance, JVR & Associates; and Sangeeth K. Mohan, Associate Vice President, MANE Group. The session was presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, with Mr. Joy Thattil and Ms. Lekha Balachandran facilitating the proceedings.



*Justice Gopinath P lighting the lamp*



*Mr. Algiers Khalid addressing*

### KMA President Felicitated at CUSAT Graduation Ceremony

Mr. Algiers Khalid, President of KMA, was felicitated at the Graduation Ceremony of Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT) held on 19th September. The recognition marked an occasion to acknowledge his contributions and leadership. The ceremony brought together members of the academic community and graduates to celebrate academic achievements and recognise distinguished individuals.

### Leader Insight Session

KMA organised a session on 'Brand Insights That Solve Real-Life Problems' on 18th September, featuring Mr. Swarup B. R., Brand Strategist and Communications Expert. The session explored how brands can understand real-world challenges, connect meaningfully with consumers and create solutions through effective communication and strategic thinking. The session was presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, with Mr. Anil Joseph and Ms. Lekha Balachandran facilitating the proceedings.



*Mr. Swarup B. R. addressing*



*Dignitaries inaugurating the programme*

### KMA Leaders' Lab: AI, Applied

KMA organised 'Leaders' Lab: AI, applied' on 23rd September, featuring Mr. Arun Jagannathan, Founder, Cyborg Mindset and Co-founder, Crackverbal. The session explored the practical applications of Artificial Intelligence and its growing relevance for leaders and organisations. The session was highly informative and provided participants with practical perspectives on AI adoption, innovation and leadership. The programme was presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, with Mr. Tom George and Ms. Lekha Balachandran facilitating the proceedings.

### KMA Digital Summit 2026

KMA conducted the KMA Digital Summit 2026 on 24th September at Lulu Twin Towers, Kochi, under the theme 'AI, Applied. Real Deployments. Real Results.' The Inaugural Session featured Dr. Saji Gopinath, Vice Chancellor, Kerala University of Digital Sciences. The summit brought together technology leaders, business professionals and AI practitioners for a day of insightful discussions on the practical applications of Artificial Intelligence. The programme featured the On the Ground – Business Leaders Panel, with Prof. Sreejith A., Amal Dev, Anil Menon and Feroze Rehman; Built with AI, featuring Karthic Chandran and Dr. Roshy John; The AI Clinic, with Mr. Arun Jagannathan, Mr. Anish Aravind and Mr. Pankit Desai; and The Human Layer, featuring Dr. Siby Abraham and Mr. Anish Aravind. The summit, presided over by Mr. Algiers Khalid, President, KMA, was coordinated by Mr. Tom George, Chair – KMA Digital Summit, and Ms. Lekha Balachandran, Honorary Secretary, KMA.



*Dr. Saji Gopinath lighting the lamp*

### KMA MSME Forum – Free MSME Clinic

#### MSME discussion in progress at the MSME Clinic

KMA MSME Forum organised its first Free MSME Clinic on 26th September, in association with The National Small Industries Corporation Ltd., (NSIC) and ICAI. The initiative was designed to provide MSMEs with expert guidance and practical solutions on finance, taxation, technical and professional matters. Mr. Rojan Chacko, Manager, The National Small Industries Corporation Ltd., was among the experts available to guide participating entrepreneurs and address their business-related challenges. The clinic offered MSMEs an opportunity to walk in and discuss their concerns and seek practical solutions from experts.



*MSME discussion in progress*

## Meerut Management Association

MMA, in collaboration with Shobhit University, Meerut, organised a panel interaction titled 'Future @Work – What Nobody Tells You in the Classroom' on 1st September as part of the DiscoverU 2026 New Students Orientation Programme. The session brought together 400 students to explore workplace realities, career opportunities and evolving industry expectations. The distinguished panel comprised Mr Rakesh Kohli, Former President, MMA and Chairman, Stag International; Ms Monika Kohli, Actress, Model and Mentor; Mr Rajesh Tripathi, Co-founder and CEO, Retina HR/Anefact Technologies; Mr Vipendra Singh, Founder and CEO, Qollabb Edutech Pvt. Ltd. and Mr Vasu Shobhit, Vice President–Technology, Shobhit University. Moderated by Prof. (Dr.) Devinder Narain, the discussion highlighted entrepreneurship, career reinvention, adaptability, innovation, continuous learning and practical skills, strengthening industry–academia engagement.



*Panellists at the event*



*Mr. Vishnu Sharan presenting a memento to Ms. Monika Kohli and Mr. Rakesh Kohli*

## Industry-Academia Interaction

MMA organised an orientation programme for newly admitted students at Meerut Institute of Engineering & Technology (MIET) on 2nd September, with over 120 students participating. Mr Rakesh Kohli, Chairman, Stag International, shared insights from his entrepreneurial journey, highlighting the importance of education, management principles, internships, practical exposure and hard work. Ms Monika Kohli, actress, model and mentor, emphasised the role of a positive mindset, personality development and perseverance in achieving

success. She encouraged students to pursue their dreams and passions while practising the three magical words—'Sorry, Please and Thank You'—to build meaningful relationships. Both speakers underscored that hard work has no substitute and that a positive attitude can make a lasting difference in personal and professional life.

## AGM

MMA elected its new leadership team unanimously at its Annual General Meeting held at Management House, Meerut, on 25th September. The AGM was attended by over 125 guest including members and their family members, along with senior members. The new team comprises Maj. Gen. Pankaj Kaushik (Retd.) as President, Mr. Anurag Agarwal as Sr. Vice President, Ms. Madhu Dang as Vice President; Mr. Utkarsh Jain as Hony. Secretary and Mr. Pradeep Kumar Gupta as Treasurer.



*Mr. S. P. Singh, President, MMA, and the senior office bearers releasing the President's Report for 2025–26*

The team will focus on expanding membership and activities, strengthening industry academia interaction, promoting professional development and creating meaningful learning and networking opportunities for members and students. Mr. S. P. Singh, who served as President during the preceding term, will continue to be associated with the Association as Immediate Former President.



*Mr. Ankur Jaggi addressing*

### Interactive Session

MMA organised an interactive session on 'Reflections on Challenges and Opportunities as an Entrepreneur' on 29th September at Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay Management College, Meerut. Mr. Ankur Jaggi, Director, Circle CBG India (Pvt) Ltd., shared insights from his entrepreneurial journey, with the central message of 'Learn, Unlearn and Relearn.' He emphasised the importance of continuously updating knowledge, adapting to changing circumstances and being open to

new ideas and approaches. Around 100 participants attended the session and engaged with the speaker, gaining practical perspectives on entrepreneurship, adaptability and continuous learning.

## Noida Management Association

### Health & Wellness Workshop

Noida Management Association organised a Health & Wellness Workshop on 5th September at NMA House for its members and their family members. The session was led by Prof. (Brig.) Ramesh Chandra, a senior Army veteran and one of NMA's oldest Life Members. The workshop focused on preventive health, nutrition, healthy lifestyle choices, stress management and practical ways to improve overall well-being. The programme provided members and their families with useful insights into maintaining a healthier lifestyle and taking preventive measures for better long-term well-being.



*Participants at the workshop*



*Winning team with the dignitaries*

### ETHOS 2026

Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Noida, in association with NMA, organised ETHOS 2026 on 18th September. The two-day, team-based ethical case competition challenged students to analyse real-world business dilemmas, assess stakeholder perspectives and defend ethically responsible decisions. The final presentations were evaluated by a distinguished jury comprising Mr. V. N. Rai, Former MD, KRIBHCO, and Mr. Durgesh Garg, President, NMA. Mr. Rai also conducted

an insightful session on 'Ethics in the 21st Century', highlighting the importance of ethical leadership in contemporary business.

## Pala Management Association

The Management Club of VISAT College of Arts and Science, Elanji, was inaugurated on 14th September by Mr. P. G. Mukundan, President, Pala Management Association. The programme was attended by the students and faculty members. The inauguration also included the launch of the Club Logo, followed by a keynote address by Executive Committee Member, Prof. Dr. Pious Thomas, HOD, Department of Management Studies, SJCTET, and an interactive session with the students. The programme marked the beginning of a proposed continuing association between PMA and VISAT, with opportunities for expert sessions, mentoring, entrepreneurship initiatives, industry-academia interaction and the possible establishment of a PMA-VISAT Student Chapter.



*Inauguration of Management Club- VISAT College, Elanji*

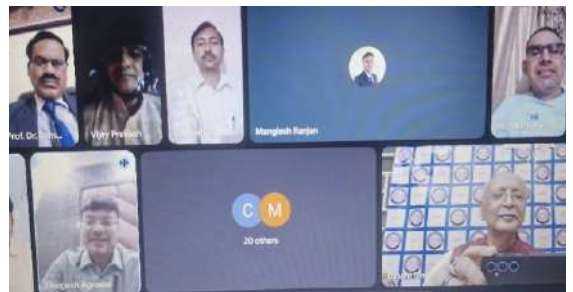


*Mr. Tom Jose IAS (Retd.) addressing*

PMA conducted its Monthly General Body Meeting on 18th September at the River Valley Club, Pala, with the participation of PMA members and guests, and MBA students from the Department of Management, SJCTET. The meeting was presided over by Mr. P. G. Mukundan, President, PMA. The highlight of the programme was the keynote address by Mr. Tom Jose IAS (Retd.), Former Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala, on 'Ethical Leadership and Good Governance: The Foundation of Sustainable Organisations.'

## Patna Management Association

Patna Management Association and Ranchi Management Association jointly organised a webinar on 27th September on 'Digital Agenda and AI to Redesign Tourism: Shaping the Future of Indian Tourism'. Adv. B.K. Sinha, President, PMA, delivered a special talk on 'Youth as Change Masters: Building the Next Generation of Tourism Destinations', highlighting youth entrepreneurship, digital skills and responsible tourism. He discussed AI applications in personalised travel planning, destination recommendations, digital marketing and visitor services. Mr. Mangesh K. Ranjan from Startup Jharkhand represented RMA as a speaker. Participants discussed leveraging digital innovation to promote lesser-known destinations and build a future-ready tourism ecosystem integrating technology, sustainability, youth leadership and India's rich cultural heritage.



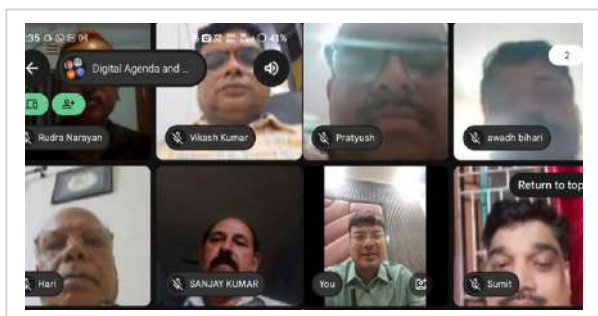
*Webinar in progress*

## Quilon Management Association

Quilon Management Association organised a talk on 28th September at Quilon Beach Hotel, Kollam, about the development of Kollam. The meeting brought together members of the Association for an interactive session focusing on the development of Kollam city, ongoing civic projects, infrastructure development, tourism, waste management, traffic management and other matters of importance to the city. Mr. A. K. Hafees, Hon'ble Mayor of Kollam, was the Chief Guest and the principal speaker of the session. The meeting commenced with a welcome address by Mr. Jayachandran, Secretary General, QMA, who welcomed the Chief Guest, office bearers, members and other participants. Dr. Hari Kumar B., President of QMA, chaired the session and facilitated the proceedings. His leadership helped ensure that the meeting remained focused on matters of importance to the city and provided adequate opportunity for members to interact with the Chief Guest. He highlighted the importance of regular interaction between the management community and civic authorities and expressed appreciation for the Mayor's participation in the meeting. Improved cleanliness, effective waste collection and treatment, and better-maintained public spaces are essential for enhancing the experience of both residents and visitors and requested the Mayor to give more importance to the same. Mr. A. K. Hafees, Hon'ble Mayor of Kollam, spoke in detail about the development initiatives being undertaken and planned for Kollam. He outlined various infrastructure and civic projects aimed at improving the quality of life of residents, easing traffic congestion, strengthening tourism infrastructure and making Kollam a cleaner and more attractive city. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. R. S. Chippy proposed a vote of thanks and expressed gratitude to Mr. A. K. Hafees, Hon'ble Mayor of Kollam, for taking the time to participate in the QMA monthly meeting and for sharing information about the city's development initiatives. A memento was presented to the Mayor by QMA President Dr. Hari Kumar B.



*Participants at the event*



*Webinar in progress*

## Ranchi Management Association

Ranchi Management Association, in collaboration with the Patna Management Association, ISM Ranchi, i-Hub Startup Jharkhand Foundation, Pragya Research Association and Paisamantra.com, organised an online webinar on 27th September to mark World Tourism Day. The theme was 'Digital Agenda and AI to Redesign Tourism – Shaping the Future of Indian Tourism'. Keynote speaker Mr. Basant Kumar Sinha, President, PMA, and Advocate, Legal and Management Consultant, Patna,

encouraged Indian youth to develop local tourism destinations. Guest speaker Mr. Manglesh Kumar Ranjan, Startup Ecosystem and Technology Advisor, highlighted the role of digital platforms and Artificial Intelligence in enhancing the global visibility and competitiveness of Indian tourism. Dr. Sushil Kumar, General Secretary, RMA, emphasised efficient tourism management and entrepreneurship promotion. The webinar attracted 31 participants and was coordinated by Mr. Deepesh Agrawal, Joint Secretary, RMA, who also proposed the vote of thanks.

## Rohilkhand Management Association

Rohilkhand Management Association organised a round table discussion on India's GDP on 9th September, bringing together RMA members, professionals and economics professors. Participants discussed India's GDP growth, its historical trends and the methodology used to calculate it. Concerns were raised regarding the impact of changes in the base year on reported growth figures. The discussion emphasised the need to curb corruption, promote innovation, boost investment and implement comprehensive structural reforms under competent, well-educated leadership to strengthen India's economic growth and global competitiveness.



*Roundtable discussion in progress*

## Thrissur Management Association

### MDP Session

Thrissur Management Association organised an engaging MDP session on 1st September focused on developing effective group discussion skills among participants. Dr. Nowshaja P. T., MC Member, TMA, guided participants on the importance of active listening, clear thinking, constructive communication, and meaningful contribution in group discussions.



*Dr Nowshaja P. T., Managing Committee Member, TMA with the students*



*Er. Amith Raman addressing*

On 11th September, the MDP Session at ICMAI Thrissur Chapter brought together 100 participants for an engaging discussion on 'AI & BI.' Er. Amith Raman, Co-Founder & CEO, Inker Robotics, shared valuable insights on the applications of Artificial Intelligence and Business Intelligence, highlighting their role in data-driven decision-making, innovation, and improving business efficiency.

On 11th September, at Government Engineering College, Thrissur, the MDP Session brought together 100 participants for an insightful session on 'Cracking the GD Code: Think Smart, Speak Well, Stand Out.' Dr. Nowshaja P. T., Managing Committee Member, TMA, guided the participants on effective communication, confidence, active listening, and presented ideas clearly to make a strong impact in group discussions.



*Dr Nowshaja P T with the students*



*Dr. Nowshaja P. T., with the participants*

## Workshop

TMA organised a Placement Training Workshop on 14th September at Government Engineering College, Thrissur, equipped 100 participants with essential skills and practical guidance for successful career opportunities. Dr. Nowshaja P. T., Managing Committee Member, TMA, led the session, focusing on interview preparation, effective communication, confidence building, and workplace readiness.

On 18th September, the Placement Training Workshop at Government Engineering College, Thrissur, engaged 100 participants in a focused session on career preparation and professional development. Er. George Paul, Managing Committee Member, TMA and Former Executive Director, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), shared practical insights on workplace expectations, communication, leadership, and building a successful professional career.



*Placement Training Workshop in progress*



*Mr. Ramesh Kuruppath addressing*

On 16th September, at Jyothi Engineering College, Thrissur, the MDP Session brought together 100 participants for an engaging exploration of the 'Growing Role of AI in Software Development.' Mr. Ramesh Kuruppath, Managing Director, Jaldee Soft Pvt Ltd, shared valuable perspectives on how AI is reshaping software development, enhancing productivity, and creating new opportunities for technology professionals.

## Wellness Wisdom

TMA Women's Forum organised Wellness Wisdom, a CPR Training Programme, at Sun Hospital, Thrissur, on 17th September, with 100 participants. The programme provided participants with practical awareness and essential life-saving skills to respond effectively during medical emergencies.



*Demonstration at the Wellness Wisdom CPR Training Programme*



*Er George Paul addressing*

On 25th September, at Government Engineering College, Thrissur, the session 'Building the Professional You' brought together 100 participants for an engaging interaction on developing a strong professional identity. Er. George Paul, Managing Committee Member, TMA and Former Executive Director, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL), shared practical perspectives on professional conduct, leadership, communication, and preparing for a successful career.

### Quiza TMA

Quiza TMA, the 5th edition, in association with ESAF Bank brought together 300 participants at Sahridaya Engineering College, Thrissur, for an engaging celebration of knowledge, teamwork, and competitive spirit on 28th September. The University of Kerala team, comprising Adithyan D. M. and Sreehari S. G., secured the first prize, followed by Austin Lazar and Daniel Joseph of the National University of Advanced Legal Studies in second place, and Sreehari M. and Anujith K. of MES Asmabi College in third place.



*Winning team at the 5th Edition of Quiza TMA*

### Joint Programme with Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Centre & Kerala Startup Mission

On 28th September, the joint IEDC Summit programme, organised in association with the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Centre and Kerala Startup Mission, drew 5,000 participants to Sahridaya Engineering College, Thrissur, for a thought-provoking session on 'Arise Keralam: Growing Beyond Boundaries.' The session featured Dr. K. Paul Thomas, MD & CEO, ESAF Bank; Seejo Ponnore, MD, Aquastar and President, TMA; Er. Christo George, CMD, Hykon India and Dr. Yadhu Narayanan Mooss, ED, Vaidyaratnam Group, and was moderated by CS Jackson David C, Honorary Secretary, TMA.



*Panel discussion in progress*

## Behind the Brand

The inaugural session of TMA's Behind the Brand series was held on 30th September at Sahrdya Engineering College, Thrissur, bringing together 300 participants for an inspiring conversation on 'From Tradition to Transformation: Building a Modern Brand.' Ms. Sikha Surendran, District Collector, Thrissur, inaugurated the programme as Chief Guest, while Mr. Prakash Pattabhiraman, Executive Director, Kalyan Silks, shared insights into building and evolving a strong brand while staying connected to its roots.



*Ms. Sikha Surendran inaugurating the event*



*CA Vidya Sanjay addressing*

## MDP

The Department of Business Administration, Christ College of Engineering (Autonomous), in association with TMA, conducted a Communication Skill Development Workshop titled 'Find Your Voice' on 30th September at the St Therese Hall, with MBA students participating in the session. The session was led by CA Vidya Sanjay, Distinguished Toastmaster, and focused on developing students' communication skills, self-confidence, public speaking abilities, and effective expression.

## AIMA Best LMA Award

On 21st September, TMA was declared winner for Best LMA under Category 3 at AIMA's Platinum Jubilee National Management Convention (NMC). The award was presented by Mr. Amitabh Kant, former CEO of NITI Aayog and former G20 Sherpa, and received by Mr Padmakumar C, Immediate Past President and Mr Shaji P J Immediate Past Secretary & Ms Swapna Balasubramanian, Treasurer, TMA.



*TMA team receiving the Award*

## Trivandrum Management Association

### TMA Member Engagement Programme – Onam 2026

Trivandrum Management Association organised a Member Engagement Programme on 13th September at Freemasons' Hall, Vazhuthacaud, Trivandrum, bringing together members and Student Chapters to celebrate Kerala's cultural heritage. TMA President, Mr. S. N. Raghuchandran Nair, delivered the Onam message. The programme featured Thiruvathira, Onam songs, dance, mime, Kathak, a skit, Vanchipattu and an Onam Quiz. Traditional games, including Kudam Adi, Vadamvali, Kaserakali, Pallankuzhi, Edakoodam and Chathurangam, encouraged enthusiastic participation and strengthened interaction among members and students.



*Inauguration of Onam 2026 programme*



*Mr. K. Binimon addressing*

of Vaikom. Mr. K. K. Sasikumar, President, Vaikom Block Panchayat recognised VMA as an invaluable strategic partner, emphasizing the significance of its professional expertise in driving local development. Mr. Abdul Salam Ravuthar, Chairman, Vaikom Municipality outlined his strategic vision for the town and requested the Association's continuous support. VMA President, Dr. N. K. Sasidharan, assured the leaders that VMA's pool of expert members remains fully committed to supporting regional progress.

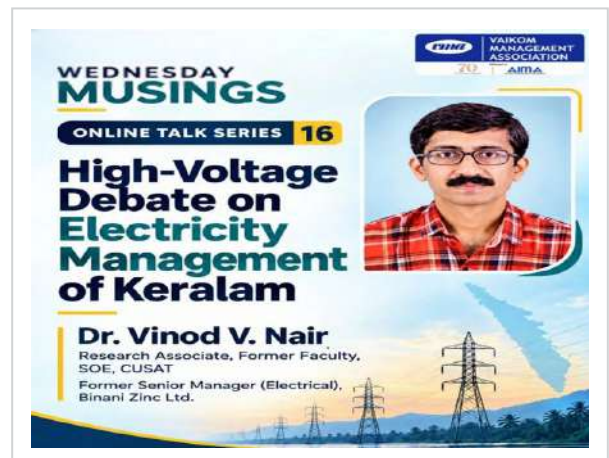
## Vaikom Management Association

### Onam Celebration and Development Dialogue

On 12th September, VMA hosted a vibrant Onam gathering that brought together members and key elected public representatives for a fruitful discussion on regional development. Mr. K. Binimon, MLA, Vaikom Legislative Assembly Commended VMA's initiatives and formally invited the Association to collaborate on a comprehensive blueprint for the facelift and growth

### Wednesday Musing Series

The 16th edition of VMA's Wednesday Musings online series explored the socio-economic issue of 'High-Voltage Debate on Electricity Management in Keralam'. The keynote speaker, Dr Vinod V. Nair, former Senior Manager (Electrical) at Binani Zinc Ltd., Research Associate and former faculty member at CUSAT, delivered an insightful presentation on contemporary energy challenges. The session was followed by an engaging interactive discussion, during which members and invited guests explored potential strategies to address concerns in the power sector. Participants appreciated VMA's initiative in facilitating informed dialogue on critical public policy issues and addressing widespread concerns surrounding electricity management.



*Speaker- Dr Vinod V. Nair*

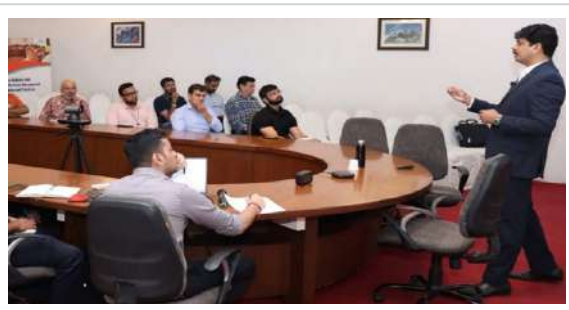


Dr. Swar Gattani being presented with a memento

## Vidarbha Management Association

Vidarbha Management Association organised ‘Beyond the Best Price’ on 6th September at Chitnavis Centre, Nagpur. Dr. Swar Gattani, Co-founder, Kraya.io, highlighted smart procurement, negotiation and vendor relationship management. He emphasised evaluating total cost beyond quoted price, preparing systematically for negotiations and treating reliable vendors as business partners. The session encouraged participants to adopt a 30-day procurement challenge for better purchasing decisions.

VMA organised ‘IPO Readiness for MSMEs – Are You Ready for Business IPO?’ on 13th September at Chitnavis Centre, Nagpur. CS Avinash Gandhewar, IPO Consultant, explained the legal, financial and operational preparation required for an IPO. He covered due diligence, DRHP, valuation, regulatory compliance and investor categories, emphasising transparency, corporate governance and public trust for MSMEs entering capital markets. The session was moderated by Shivam Khandelwal.



CS Avinash Gandhewar addressing



VMA's experiential management-learning programme- 'Treasure Hunt'

VMA organised its signature management-learning event, ‘Treasure Hunt – Adventure Awaits’, on 20 September at Laburnum Hall, Chitnavis Centre, Nagpur. Sixteen participants, divided into four teams, took part in an engaging activity designed to promote practical management learning. The initiative provided an experiential learning environment, highlighting the importance of teamwork, effective communication, strategic planning, coordination and problem-solving in achieving shared objectives beyond conventional classroom settings.

VMA organised an exclusive session on ‘AI Use Cases in Business’ on 27th September in Nagpur. Abhishek Damani, CEO and Founder, Varnue AI Business Solutions Pvt. Ltd., explained practical applications of Artificial Intelligence in business operations, productivity and collaboration. He covered Generative AI, prompt engineering, AI risks, employee readiness and business use cases, emphasising the importance of measuring business outcomes while adopting emerging technologies.



Mr. Abhishek Damani being presented with a memento

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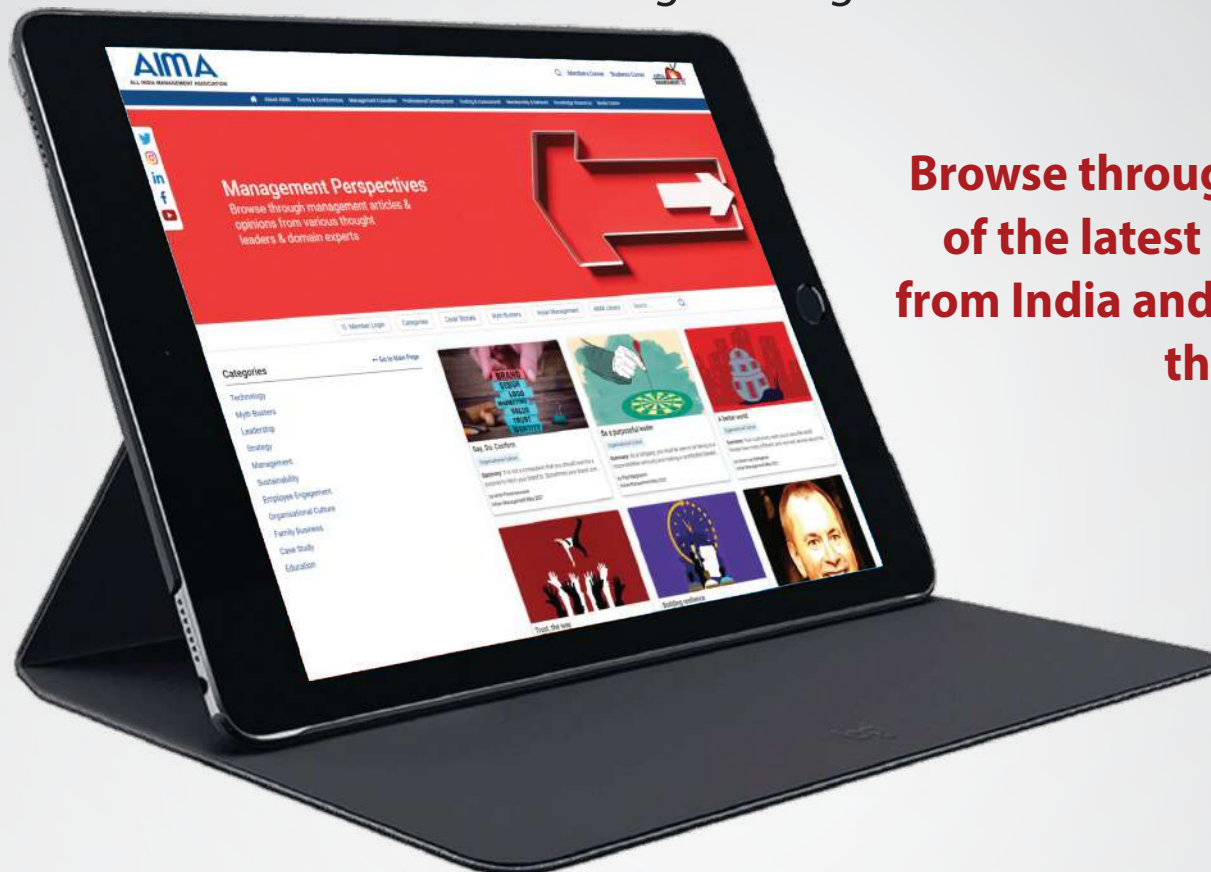
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VMA's Growth Accelerator Programme

VMA conducted the Growth Accelerator Programme, a four-session business development workshop held on 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th September, at Laburnum Hall, Chitnavis Centre, Nagpur. Designed around four key pillars of business growth, the programme covered Operations Management, Finance Management, Sales Growth and Government e-Marketplace (GeM). The sessions aimed to provide entrepreneurs, traders, contractors, business owners, professionals and aspiring leaders with practical knowledge for sustainable business growth.

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## AIMA Events Calendar

| Event                                                                                   | Programme Chairman/Key Speaker                                                                                            | Venue                             | Date                                   |
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| Student Management Quiz                                                                 |                                                                                                                           | Offline                           | September 2026/ March 2027             |
| Student Management Games                                                                |                                                                                                                           | Offline/<br>Regional Rounds       | October 2026/March 2027                |
| AIMA Young Leaders Boot Camp - (2nd Edition)                                            |                                                                                                                           | Sitlakheth, Uttarakhand           | 23–25 October 2026                     |
| Certified CSR Leader Bootcamp                                                           |                                                                                                                           | AIMA New Delhi                    | 27 - 28 October 2026                   |
| AIMA ICRC / India Case League 2026                                                      |                                                                                                                           | Bengaluru (Finale) AIMA New Delhi | 29 October 2026<br>18-19 December 2026 |
| National Management Quiz                                                                |                                                                                                                           | Online/<br>Offline                | November 2026                          |
| Global Advanced Management Programme (GAMP)                                             |                                                                                                                           | Silicon Valley, US                | 15-21 November 2026                    |
| Leadership Development Programme                                                        |                                                                                                                           | Jamshedpur                        | 26 - 28 November 2026                  |
| Book Launch : THE CHRO REIMAGINED   Architecting Human Value in an AI-Shaped Enterprise | <b>Aadesh Goyal</b><br>Board Director and Committee Chair; Global CHRO and CIO and Business, Technology and Human Capital | New Delhi                         | 27 November 2026                       |
| Building Future Ready PSU's                                                             | <b>Rory McDonald</b><br>John Tyler Associate Professor of Business Administration at Darden                               | New Delhi                         | 02 -03 December 2026                   |
| Regional Management Conclave                                                            |                                                                                                                           | Indore                            | 04 December 2026                       |

| Event                                                 | Programme Chairman/Key Speaker | Venue       | Date                 |
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| AIMA YLC Leadership Immersion Programme               |                                | Bangalore   | 10-11 December 2026  |
| 14th Senior Leadership Retreat                        |                                | Goa         | 15-17 December 2026  |
| AIMA YLC LeadWell Programme                           |                                | Jim Corbett | 14-16 January 2027   |
| HR Power Workshop                                     |                                | Mumbai      | 19 - 20 January 2027 |
| 4th LeadHERship Retreat                               |                                | Varanasi    | 28-30 January 2027   |
| Shaping Young Minds Programme                         |                                | Guwahati    | 29 January 2027      |
| AIMA YLC Summit                                       |                                | New Delhi   | 02 February 2027     |
| Global Procurement Summit                             |                                | New Delhi   | 09-10 February 2027  |
| 71st AIMA Foundation Day & 17th Managing India Awards |                                | New Delhi   | 22 February 2027     |



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