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From Director's Desk

Dr. Subir Verma
Director,
FORE School of Management,
New Delhi



It gives me immense pleasure to reflect upon another remarkable academic year at FORE School of Management. The year 2025–2026 has been a testament to the collective strength and spirit of our institution, driven by the unwavering commitment of our students, faculty, staff, and our ever-growing alumni community.

At FSM, we have always believed that education extends far beyond classrooms. It is about nurturing responsible leaders, fostering innovation, encouraging collaboration, and building meaningful relationships that endure over time. This year, we witnessed these values come alive through academic excellence, industry engagement, research initiatives, student achievements, and strong alumni participation across various platforms.

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industries and geographies inspire our students and reinforce the institute's vision of creating socially conscious and globally competent professionals. I would also like to appreciate the efforts of the Alumni Relations team for creating opportunities that brought the FORE family closer together. Such initiatives not only celebrate our shared legacy but also pave the way for future collaborations and lifelong connections.

As we move ahead, I am confident that the FORE community will continue to uphold its values of excellence, integrity, and inclusivity while embracing new opportunities in an evolving global landscape. Together, we will continue to create an ecosystem that inspires learning, leadership, and meaningful impact.

I extend my best wishes to all our alumni and look forward to strengthening our shared journey in the years to come.

From Dean's Desk

What a remarkable year it has been for FORE School of Management. Your engagement with the institution has reached new heights, and we couldn't be prouder. From the energy of Forever Connected and the competitive spirit of Mock-a-thons, to the intensity of our Bootcamps and the wisdom shared through our Guest Lecture series, every touchpoint reminded us why this community is truly exceptional.

Your contributions extended far beyond events. Alumni who joined our Area Advisory Boards helped shape the academic direction



Prof. Shilpi Jain
Dean – Corporate Relations and Placements, FORE School of Management, New Delhi

of our programs, while those who participated in recruitment drives invested directly in the next generation of leaders. Your guidance in preparing students for contemporary technologies and evolving business models has been invaluable, bridging the classroom with the real world in meaningful ways.

This year wasn't just impactful - it was transformational. As we look ahead, we remain grateful for your continued trust, time, and commitment.

With gratitude,

Dean – Corporate Relations and Placements

From Chair's Desk

As I reflect on the academic year 2025–2026, I am filled with immense gratitude, pride, and warmth for the vibrant alumni community that continues to strengthen the spirit of FORE School of Management. Serving as the Chair, Alumni Relations this year has been an incredibly enriching and fulfilling journey, one that reaffirmed the enduring bond between the institute and its alumni across generations.

This year was marked by meaningful engagement, inspiring conversations, and a renewed sense of belonging. From alumni



Prof. Surabhi Koul
Chair - Alumni Relations, FORE School of Management, New Delhi

chapter meets and networking sessions to mentoring interactions and collaborative initiatives, every interaction reflected the deep connection our alumni share with their alma mater. Witnessing distinguished alumni return to campus, share their professional journeys, and guide our students was both inspiring and reassuring for the future of the FORE community.

As we move forward, I am confident that the FORE alumni network will continue to grow stronger, creating lasting impact through shared values, mentorship, and collective success.

How has the year been?



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16

successful
events
done in the
academic year
2025-2026

250+

Social media posts published

1000+

Alumni engaged in various events in AY 2025-26

1500+

Footfall on events conducted



Silver Jubilee Reunion for the Class of 2000

Celebrating 25 years of memories

The FORE Alumni Network proudly hosted the Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet 2025, celebrating 25 years of memories, milestones, and lasting bonds of the Batch of 2000. The event brought together distinguished alumni, faculty, and students in an evening filled with nostalgia, pride, and camaraderie.

Event Highlights

The celebration commenced with a warm welcome and lamp-lighting ceremony graced by Dr. B.B.L. Madhukar, Chairman, Prof. Shilpi Jain, Dean –



Corporate Relations and Placements, Prof. Sangamitra Buddhapriya, Prof. Anil Singh, and Prof. Surabhi Koul, Chair — Alumni Relations. Dr. Madhukar's address reflected on FORE's legacy and vision, while Prof. Jain presented the alumni report, emphasizing new initiatives and stronger alumni-academia ties. The Batch of 2000 presented a special token of appreciation to the FORE Alumni Network team as a contribution to their alma mater.

The event paid tribute to former professors for their invaluable contributions and honored the Batch of 2000 for their achievements across industries and geographies.

Celebration and Camaraderie

Energetic cultural performances by current students added vibrance to the



The Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet 2025 brought together the Batch of 2000 for an evening filled with nostalgia, reconnecting, faculty interactions, felicitation ceremonies, and celebrations marking 25 years of lifelong bonds with FSM



evening, followed by acknowledgments to the FORE leadership and Alumni Team. A special message from Dr. Subir Verma, Director, connected FORE's illustrious past with its forward-looking vision.

Conclusion

The evening concluded with a networking dinner at Eros Hotel, New Delhi, celebrating the enduring FORE spirit of shared memories, lifelong connections, and an inspiring future.



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The celebrations continued with engaging activities, networking interactions, cherished memories from Batch 2000, and the inauguration of the alumni-supported air hockey table symbolizing the batch's continued contribution and association with FSM



Jubilate 2025, the Annual Alumni Meet of FORE School of Management, was held on December 14, 2025, at The Palms Town & Country Club, Gurugram. Organized by the FORE Alumni Network, the event brought together over 200 alumni from diverse batches, along with faculty members and distinguished guests, for a day of celebration, nostalgia, recognition, and meaningful networking. The theme, “Carnival of Connections,” reflected the spirit of reunion and lifelong association with the institution, reinforcing the strong sense of camaraderie within the



Jubilate 2025, held after a year-long anticipation, was marked by warmth, laughter, and heartfelt reunions. Alumni fondly reflected on their time at FORE and appreciated the opportunity to reconnect and relive shared memories

FORE community.

The event commenced with a warm welcome, followed by the traditional lamp lighting ceremony led by Dr. Subir Verma, Director, and Dr. B.B.L. Madhukar, Chairman, FORE Society. They were joined by Mr. Devendra Pathak, Dr. Arunaditya Sahay, and distinguished alumni including Mr. Sujay Jha, Ms. Vinita Rustagi, and Ms. Ruby Kanth, symbolizing unity and the enduring bond between FORE and its alumni.

An elegant classical dance performance set a culturally rich tone for the event. This was followed by two curated videos that captured cherished alumni memories and revisited the FORE campus, evoking nostalgia among attendees.





The event came alive with vibrant cultural and musical performances, alumni interactions, and memorable moments celebrating togetherness, reconnecting generations of FORE alumni under one roof



In his address, Dr. Subir Verma emphasized the critical role of alumni as the living legacy of the institution and encouraged greater engagement through mentoring, placements, and institutional collaboration. Dr. B.B.L. Madhukar reflected on FORE's four-decade journey, highlighting its focus on holistic education, leadership, and innovation. He spoke about new initiatives such as the Drone Pilot Training Course, the proposed Politics and Governance programme, and the long-term vision of evolving into a full-fledged university.

A special felicitation ceremony honoured the Batch of 2009 and 2010 on completing 16 & 15 Years of excellence respectively, celebrating their professional achievements and continued association with FORE. Mr. Vivek Agrawal also shared insights from his book *Seekhna Band Toh Jeetna Band*, emphasizing continuous learning.



A key highlight of the event was the Alumni Recognition Awards 2025, where distinguished alumni were honoured across categories such as Executive Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Contribution to Alma Mater, Public Contribution, Influential Woman Leader, and Young Alumni Achiever. The awards showcased the diverse accomplishments and impact of the FORE alumni community.

Adding a creative element, alumnus Mr. Ketan Gupta curated an engaging experiential giveaway featuring jute pouches with premium samples and riddles. The celebration was further elevated by a vibrant Bhangra performance, bringing energy and enthusiasm to the gathering.

Interactive games like “Lyric Leap” and “Guess the Movie” encouraged participation and added a fun, engaging dimension to the event. A live music performance by FORE students further enhanced the festive atmosphere.

The alumni meet provided a valuable platform for networking, enabling meaningful interactions across batches



Interactive engagement activities, networking sessions, and informal conversations created an atmosphere of camaraderie and celebration during Jubilate 2025, fostering stronger alumni connections





The closing moments of Jubilate 2025 highlighted alumni reflections, recognition of distinguished alumni, networking opportunities, and shared celebrations that reinforced the spirit of the FORE Alumni Network



and industries. It fostered the exchange of ideas, experiences, and professional insights while strengthening both existing and new connections.

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The success of Jubilate 2025 was a testament to the dedication and meticulous planning of the FORE Alumni Network, whose seamless execution was widely appreciated.

The event concluded with a networking cocktail lunch in the lawns, where alumni continued their interactions in an informal setting. The space featured interactive Photo booths, allowing attendees to capture moments and take back lasting memories.

Jubilate 2025 was not just a reunion, but a celebration of shared experiences, achievements, and the enduring legacy of FORE School of Management, truly embodying the spirit of a “Carnival of Connections.”



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FORE Alumni Chapter Meet London 2025



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The FORE School of Management proudly hosted its first-ever Alumni Chapter Meet in London on September 5, 2025, at Gaucho Broadgate. The event marked a milestone in expanding FORE's global footprint and uniting its alumni community beyond borders.

Event Highlights

The evening began with introductions and reflections on the purpose of the London Chapter, emphasizing the value of connection, collaboration, and growth. A key moment was the announcement of Mr. Bhupinder Singh and Ms. Abhinika Dhingra as the UK Chapter office bearers, who will lead future initiatives.



The London Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 brought together FORE alumni in the UK for meaningful discussions, networking interactions, and strengthening global alumni engagement alongside faculty members



The successful launch of the London Chapter witnessed active alumni participation, faculty interactions, collaborative discussions, and networking sessions focused on expanding FORE's international alumni presence



Key Discussions

Global Engagement: Alumni reaffirmed the importance of international chapters in strengthening FSM's worldwide presence.

Leadership Vision: The new UK leaders shared plans for networking, mentorship, and professional collaboration.

Institutional Updates: Dr. Subir Verma, Director, FORE School of Management, shared insights on the institute's progress and global aspirations.

Faculty Reunion: Prof. Surabhi Koul, Chair - Alumni Relations, along with Prof. Anita Tripathy Lal, Prof. Shalini Taneja, Prof. Rahul Pratap Singh, and Prof. Basant Potnuru graced the event, warmly reconnecting with their former students and revisiting cherished memories together.

Camaraderie and Networking

Over 15 alumni from across the UK participated, sharing personal and professional milestones while exploring opportunities for collaboration. Thoughtful mementos added a warm, nostalgic touch to the evening.

Conclusion

The London Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 concluded with a spirit of camaraderie, celebration, and renewed commitment to FORE's legacy. The successful launch of the UK Chapter marked the beginning of a vibrant global network, uniting alumni through shared memories, purpose, and progress.

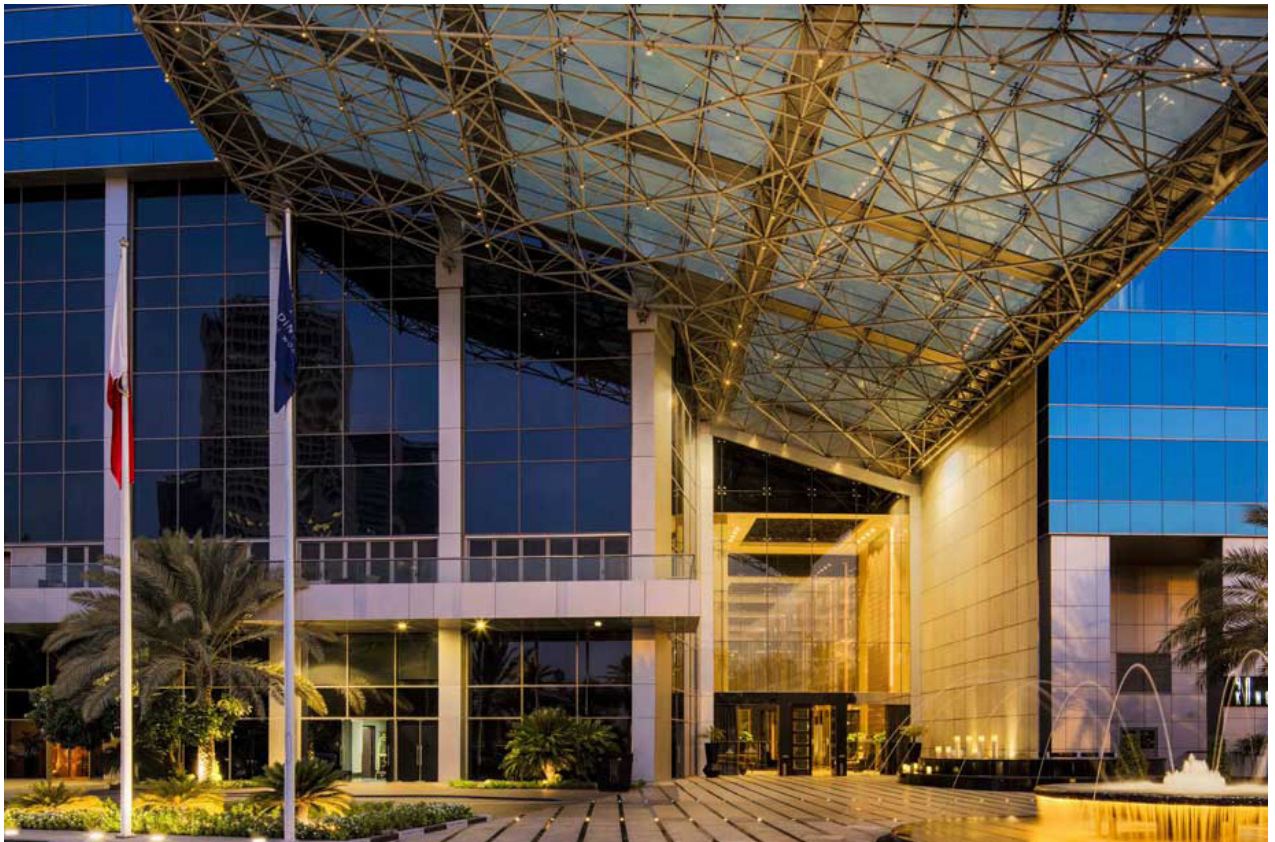
FORE Alumni Chapter Meet **Dubai 2025**



The FORE Alumni Chapter Meet for the Dubai region was held on June 28, 2025, at The H Dubai, bringing together 25+ alumni from across the Middle East. The event strengthened FORE's presence in the region, fostering collaboration, networking, and strategic engagement among its global alumni community.

Director's Address

Dr. Subir Verma, Director, FORE School of Management, welcomed the attendees and highlighted the vital role of alumni in shaping FORE's global reputation. He encouraged active participation through knowledge-sharing, mentorship, and Master Trainer initiatives for students and



faculty to enhance industry-academia collaboration.

Key Highlights

Nostalgic Reflections: Alumni fondly recalled their FORE days, reaffirming lifelong bonds and shared values.

MENA Chapter Formation: The Dubai Chapter was restructured as the MENA Chapter, with Mr. Sumit Malhotra appointed as President to represent the wider regional network.

Industry Insights: Discussions focused on Dubai's growing AI-driven opportunities in fintech, logistics, healthcare, and real estate. Mr. Saurabh volunteered to spearhead internship and job opportunities for FORE students.

Future Vision: Alumni proposed establishing FORE Executive or Satellite Education Centres in Dubai to cater to global professionals.



The Dubai Alumni Chapter Meet 2025, addressed by Director Dr. Subir Verma, provided a platform for alumni across the Middle East to reconnect, exchange insights, and discuss future chapter initiatives





The meet featured alumni recognition, engaging discussions, networking interactions, and collaborative conversations aimed at strengthening the FORE alumni ecosystem across the MENA region

Faculty Presence: Dr. Subir Verma, Director, Prof. Shilpi Jain, Dean – Corporate Relations and Placements, Prof. Surabhi Koul, Chair - Alumni Relations and Prof. Pranesh Nagarajan, Co-Chair – Corporate Relations greeted the alumni.

Strengthened Engagement: Plans were made for regular networking events, mentorship programs, and panel discussions, with the next meet’s format to be finalized by local members.

Distinguished attendees included Anand Prasanna, Navdeep Pratap, Sumit Malhotra, Sandeep Das, Rishi Jain, Rishi Uprit, Harsh Gupta, Ujjwal Srivastava, Rajat Asthana, Saurabh, Shilpi Chauhan, and Ansh Virmani.

The meet marked a significant step toward building a stronger, globally connected FORE Alumni Network and paving the way for impactful collaborations ahead.



FORE Alumni Chapter Meet Mumbai 2025

The Mumbai Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 organized by FORE School of Management was successfully held on October 31, 2025 at Radisson Blu, bringing together over 45 alumni. The event marked a significant step in strengthening the FORE Alumni Network by fostering collaboration, networking, and future engagement.



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Director's Address

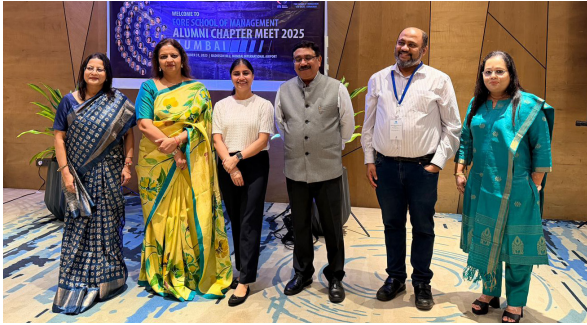
The event began with an inspiring address by Dr. Subir Verma, Director, who expressed gratitude for alumni support and highlighted their vital role in enhancing FORE's global reputation. He emphasized that students seek not just education but strong employment skills and consistent placement opportunities, encouraging deeper alumni involvement.

Reflections and Nostalgia

The session featured nostalgic moments, including a light-hearted anecdote by Prashant Gagneja about his student days. Alumni also participated in a fun



The Mumbai Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 brought together alumni and faculty members for networking, recognition ceremonies, insightful interactions, and discussions focused on strengthening alumni engagement



The event witnessed enthusiastic alumni participation through networking activities, collaborative discussions, faculty interactions, and memorable moments celebrating the FORE community spirit

‘Then & Now’ game, revisiting campus memories and expressing interest in reconnecting with the institute.

Alumni Engagement

Discussions focused on strengthening alumni engagement through mentorship, networking, and placement support. The event concluded with plans for future meets, including rotating locations to increase participation and sustain enthusiasm within the alumni community.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from distinguished alumni, including Amit Tripathi, Manu Goel, Rohan Sachdeva, Neeraj Lal, Shivanshu Mehta, Manish Parbhakar, Sunny Bhandari, Shilpi Lal Sharma, Hardik Marfatia and Shweta Mathur.

Role	Name
President	Arti Agarwal (2007)
Vice President	Jai Daryanani (2019)
Secretary	Purab Sharma (2019)
Core Members	Rakesh Kumar G S (2013), Shambhvi Singh (2015), Vibhor Gulati (2018), Wilfred Fernandez (2024)
Mentors	Adarsh Kumar (1994), Deepak Sahoo (1994), Manish Parbhakar (1997), Anuj Khosla (2000), Nalin Bansal (2001), Rahul Agarwal (2001), Amit Kumar (2008), Neeraj Lal (2013)

FORE Alumni Chapter Meet **Bengaluru 2025**



The Bengaluru Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 organized by FORE School of Management was successfully held on November 1, 2025 at Taj MG Road, bringing together over 45 alumni. The event marked a key milestone in strengthening the FORE Alumni Network, serving as a platform for collaboration, networking, and future-focused engagement.

Director's Address

The event began with an inspiring address by Dr. Subir Verma, Director, who welcomed attendees and expressed gratitude for their continued association with FORE. He emphasized the crucial role alumni play in enhancing the institution's global reputation and



The Bengaluru Alumni Chapter Meet 2025 provided a platform for alumni to reconnect, interact with Director Dr. Subir Verma, and strengthen professional and personal ties within the FORE community

encouraged deeper collaboration through knowledge exchange initiatives.

Key Points of Discussion

Chair's Address: Dr. Surabhi Koul, Chair - Alumni Relations, highlighted the importance of alumni engagement in sustaining the institute's legacy. She underscored how continued interaction fosters mentorship, professional collaboration, and a strong sense of community.

Reflections and Nostalgia: The session featured nostalgic reflections from alumni, including Kavita Mehra, Debabrata Mishra, Satyartha Mishra, and Sudhir Samal, who shared experiences from their time at FORE and their professional journeys. An engaging "Then & Now" activity further rekindled memories while showcasing the institute's growth.

Alumni Engagement

The event concluded with mementos for distinguished alumni, followed by a networking dinner. Discussions also focused on planning future meets with wider outreach and rotating locations to enhance participation and strengthen alumni connections.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from distinguished alumni, including Mohit Kapoor, Sameer Sharma, Gautam Khantwal, Deomathews J, Satyartha Mishra, Kavita Mehra, Sudhir Samal and many more.



The chapter meet featured alumni recognition ceremonies, networking sessions, commemorative moments, and engaging interactions focused on fostering collaboration among alumni members

Role	Name
President	Arjun Lamba (2010)
Vice President	Kavita Mehra (2008)
Secretary	Shashank Shekhar Singh (2025)
Core Members	Abhinav Agarwal (2012), Tijeel Kumar Tarun (2018), Rujul Ved (2018), Akanksha Dhingra (2011), Yash Bhatia (2021), Arun Narayan (2021), Snehl Bajpai (2022), Snehl Maliwal (2022)
Mentors	Debabrata Mishra (1994), Pankaj Kejriwal (1996), Ashwinder R Singh (2000), Sameer Srivastava (1998), Sharat Khadri (2003)



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Alumni Speak 2025-2026



Mr. Sumit Malhotra, Chief of Staff at Iron Pillar and alumnus of the Class of 2002 addressing students at Alumni Speak July 2025



Mr. Achal Arora, Operating Partner at Macquarie Asset Management and alumnus of the Class of 2007, speaking on 'Experiences & Learnings from a Global Career in Corporate Finance'



Ms. Tarika Chopra, Global Employee Relations Senior Manager at Boston Consulting Group and alumna of the Class of 2009 at Alumni Speak September 2025

Alumni Speak July 2025, organized by the FORE Alumni Network at Virajam Auditorium, FORE School of Management, New Delhi, on July 24, 2025, brought together 190 students for an inspiring session with Mr. Sumit Malhotra, Chief of Staff at Iron Pillar and alumnus of the Class of 2002. Speaking on the theme “Lessons in Global Business: Leadership, Adaptability, and Growth Across Industries,” Mr. Malhotra drew on over two decades of experience across venture capital, fintech, and private banking in India, the UAE, and Qatar to share candid insights on resilience, seizing opportunities, and the power of networking. Students came away with a renewed sense of purpose, understanding that persistence through early-career struggles, a willingness to say yes to every opportunity, and the cultivation of lasting professional relationships are the true building blocks of long-term success.

Alumni Speak August 2025, organized by the FORE Alumni Network at Vivekananda Pragya Hall, FORE School of Management, New Delhi, on August 29, 2025, welcomed 124 students for an engaging session with Mr. Achal Arora, Operating Partner at Macquarie Asset Management and alumnus of the Class of 2007. Speaking on “Experiences & Learnings from a Global Career in Corporate Finance,” Mr. Arora drew on a decade of investment banking experience across global markets to offer candid perspectives on career evolution in finance, the growing integration of AI and technology in the industry, and the mindset needed to navigate ambiguity and failure. Students left with a clear and actionable message, that hunger, adaptability, continuous learning, and hard work transcend cultural and geographical boundaries, and that staying focused while remaining open to new possibilities is the surest path to a successful global career in finance.

Ms. Divya Bhadouria, Product Manager at Meta and alumna of the Class of 2013, speaking on 'Breaking Into Product Management, Skills, Mindset and Career Paths'



Ms. Ruby Kanth, Founder and CEO of Peop360 Tech and alumna of the Class of 1995, speaking on 'A Deep Dive into HR: Managing People'

A lumni Speak September 2025 organized by the FORE Alumni Network at Auditorium, FORE School of Management, Gurugram, on September 20, 2025, drew 134 students for an insightful session with Ms. Tarika Chopra, Global Employee Relations Senior Manager at Boston Consulting Group and alumna of the Class of 2009. Speaking on “Preparing for Future Skills: What MBA Graduates Should Focus on in Dynamic Industries,” Ms. Chopra drew on over 16 years of HR experience to explore the evolving demands of the modern workplace, from human-centered leadership and digital fluency to navigating hybrid work cultures and geopolitical shifts. Students came away with a grounded and forward-looking perspective, that while AI and automation are reshaping industries, it is distinctly human qualities like empathy, resilience, a growth mindset, and the ability to build meaningful networks that will define long-term career success.

A lumni Speak January 2026, organized by the FORE Alumni Network at Virajam Auditorium, FORE School of Management, New Delhi, on January 7, 2026, attracted 209 students for an inspiring session with Ms. Divya Bhadouria, Product Manager at Meta and alumna of the Class of 2013. Speaking on “Breaking Into Product Management, Skills, Mindset and Career Paths,” Ms. Bhadouria drew on a richly non-linear career spanning biotechnology, consulting, healthcare, and

technology, with academic stints at UC Berkeley and Harvard, to offer students a candid and forward-looking view of modern product management. Students left with a compelling understanding that in an era where Generative AI is compressing development cycles and reshaping functional boundaries, it is distinctly human capabilities, empathy, strategic judgment, and a commitment to continuous learning across disciplines that will define the next generation of impactful product leaders.

A lumni Speak February 2026, organized by the FORE Alumni Network at Virajam Auditorium, FORE School of Management, New Delhi, on February 9, 2026, welcomed 177 students for a thought-provoking session with Ms. Ruby Kanth, Founder and CEO of Peop360 Tech and alumna of the Class of 1995. Speaking on “A Deep Dive into HR: Managing People,” Ms. Kanth drew on over 25 years of leadership across learning & development, talent strategy, and HR-tech innovation to explore how artificial intelligence, from multi-agent systems to large language models, is fundamentally transforming the human resources function. Students came away with a sharper understanding that the future of HR lies at the intersection of behavioral science and data science, and that while AI can predict turnover and personalize learning at scale, enduring success still demands empathy, psychological insight, and the entrepreneurial courage to reimagine people’s problems as business opportunities.

Rendezvous 2026: Clarity often comes from understanding what not to pursue

Rendezvous '26, organized by the FORE Alumni Network, was an engaging panel discussion themed “Career Strategy in Action: Learning, Leverage, and Leadership,” that brought together 180 first-year students and distinguished alumni to bridge the gap between classroom learning and real-world corporate dynamics.

The panel featured accomplished alumni Ms. Shreya Dutta (Class of 2005), Strategic Partnerships at Amazon Ads; Mr. Jasdeep Singh Manchanda (Class of 2008), Vice President at SBI Cards; and

Ms. Sunanda Agarwal (Class of 2009), Director, Business Development at ICRA. The discussion was moderated by Ms. Paawani Thukral, while Mr. Sambhav Jain introduced the speakers and set the context for the session.

The panelists reflected on early career choices, emphasizing that clarity often comes from understanding what not to pursue, and highlighted the value of foundational experiences, domain expertise, and real-world exposure. They also drew an important distinction between mentors and sponsors in shaping career growth.

On strategic career moves, the panelists advised students to look beyond compensation and focus on role quality, brand value, and long-term growth. The final segment underscored that leadership begins early, reflected through initiative, accountability, and communication. Rendezvous '26 concluded on an inspiring note, equipping students with practical insights to navigate their careers with purpose and adaptability.



Rendezvous '26 featured an engaging alumni panel discussion where accomplished industry leaders shared insights on career growth, leadership, professional journeys, and lifelong learning with participating students

Panchtatva 2026: Growth depends on accountability, communication, visibility, and continuous learning



Panchtatva '26, hosted by the FORE Alumni Network, was an insightful panel discussion themed “When Theory Fails: Real Corporate Decision-Making,” that brought together 180 students and distinguished alumni to bridge the gap between classroom frameworks and real-world corporate decision-making.

The panel featured distinguished alumni including Sanjeev Kumar, Sucheta Sabharwal, Anupam Sharma, Anush Mittal, and Karan Girotra, representing expertise across Finance, HR, Operations, IT, and Marketing. The discussion was moderated by Avanya Jain and Srishti Kathuria, offering students a holistic understanding of navigating ambiguity, stakeholder conflicts, and market unpredictability.

Panelists shared practical experiences demonstrating how management theories, while essential

for structured thinking, often require flexibility in real-world situations. A key highlight was decision-making under pressure, where speakers emphasized prioritizing execution, resilience, and stakeholder alignment over rigid adherence to theory. The rapid-fire segment added energy, reinforcing that professional growth depends on accountability, communication, visibility, and continuous learning.

The interactive Q&A session saw enthusiastic student participation, with discussions around early-career challenges, ethical dilemmas, and building credibility. Panelists encouraged students to develop cross-functional awareness, think creatively, and focus on consistent value creation.

Panchtatva '26 concluded as a highly impactful session, reinforcing that true leadership lies in balancing data with intuition and executing decisions with confidence in uncertain environments.

Panchtatva '26 brought together distinguished alumni from diverse domains including Finance, HR, Operations, IT, and Marketing for insightful discussions on leadership, decision-making, and navigating dynamic business environments

The Hapless Voyager



The FORE Alumni Network organized Alumni Book Launch 2025 on September 24, 2025, at CR-16, FORE School of Management, New Delhi. The event featured Mr. Satyarth Mishra, alumnus of the Class of 1995, who shared his inspiring professional journey and experiences that shaped his debut book “The Hapless Voyager.” The session was graced by the presence of Dr. Surabhi Koul, Chair – FORE Alumni Network, who felicitated the speaker.

With over three decades of leadership experience across global organizations such as Accenture, HCL, and Nokia, Mr. Mishra reflected on his career path, highlighting the significance of the “adversity quotient” - the ability to adapt and grow through challenges. Through engaging

anecdotes, he emphasized resilience, authenticity, and the value of building meaningful relationships in both personal and professional life.

The session also included readings from his book, offering glimpses into his life journey and learnings. During the interactive Q&A, Mr. Mishra addressed questions on career growth, cultural transitions, and finding balance between ambition and fulfillment. He encouraged students to embrace uncertainty, stay grounded, and prioritize human connections as a foundation for lasting success.

The event concluded with a heartfelt message from Mr. Mishra on leading a purposeful life through self-awareness and perseverance. The FORE Alumni Network extends sincere gratitude to Mr. Mishra for sharing his wisdom and inspiring reflections with the FORE community.

Seekhna Band Toh Jeetna Band

The FORE Alumni Network organized the Alumni Book Launch on February 11, 2026 at CR-5, FORE School of Management, New Delhi. The event featured esteemed alumnus Vivek Agrawal, who shared insights from his book “Seekhna Band Toh Jeetna Band.” The session was graced by Prof. Shilpi Jain, Dean - Corporate Relations and Placements, who welcomed and felicitated the speaker.

With over a decade of leadership experience, including his role as CIO at IndiaMART InterMESH Limited, Mr. Agrawal reflected on his professional journey and the evolving nature of digital transformation. He emphasized “learning agility” as a critical driver of success, highlighting the importance

of continuous learning, curiosity, and self-reflection in a rapidly changing business environment. Through personal anecdotes, he illustrated how technological advancement must be complemented by human-centered leadership.

The session featured an interactive Q&A, where he addressed student queries on navigating career paths, building resilience, and leveraging emotional intelligence in leadership. Drawing from his experience as an ICF-certified coach and founder of Vivikt Growth LLP, he encouraged students to embrace experimentation and lifelong learning.

The event concluded with an inspiring message on adaptability and growth, leaving students with practical insights for their professional journeys.



Some Journeys Worth Sharing

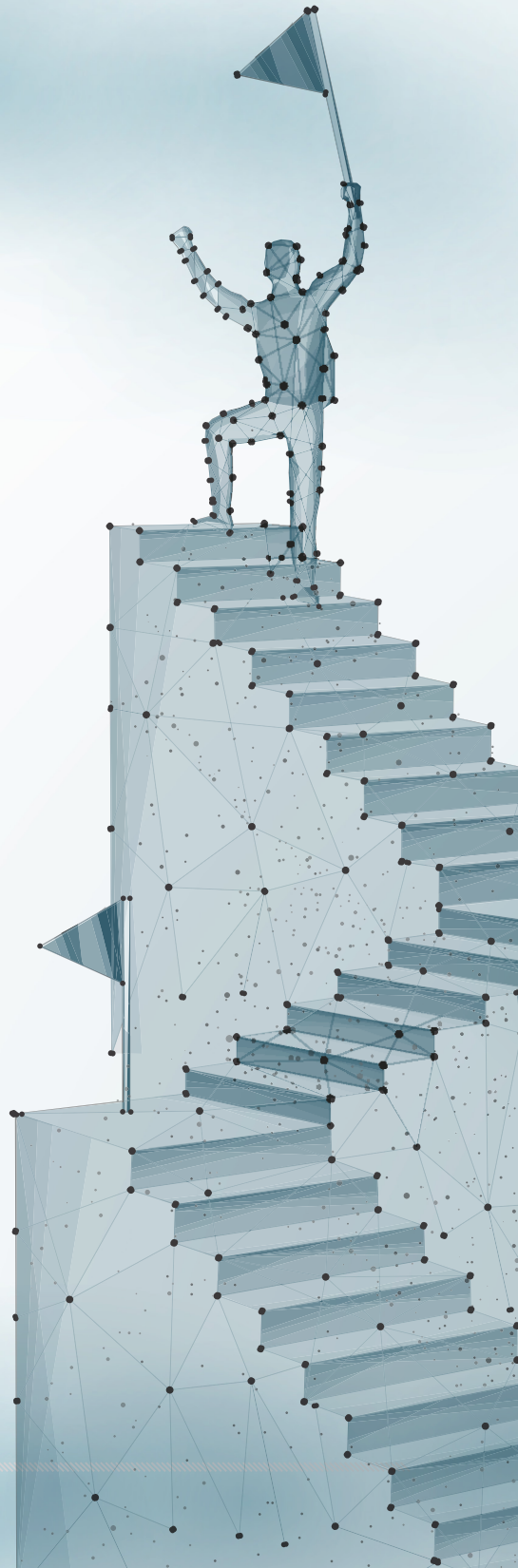


Anuj Khosla

Year of Passing: **2000**
Current Organization: **Hitachi Payments**

Anuj Khosla is a seasoned payments and financial services leader with over 26 years of experience across Asia Pacific, the Middle East, and North Africa. He began his career

at Axis Bank, where he played a pivotal role in establishing and scaling the bank's merchant acquiring business, contributing significantly to its growth in the digital payments space. He later joined Visa, leading Merchant Services across India, South Asia, and the MENA region, where he partnered with banks and merchants to accelerate electronic payment adoption. Anuj also served as the first India Head of China UnionPay, successfully building its presence in India. Currently, as CEO of Hitachi Payments, he continues to drive innovation and strategic growth while serving on the boards of SBI Payments and Hitachi Cash Management.





Aakarshan Mookim

Year of Passing: **2004**
Current Organization: **Macmillan Education**

Aakarshan Mookim is a distinguished finance leader recognized for his contributions to

strategic finance leadership, organizational resilience and sustainability-led transformation championing. He was honoured with the highly coveted Economic Times ETCFO Award for Leadership in Sustainability and featured in the CFO-100 Roll of Honour for Business Continuity and Resilience, reflecting his commitment to building sustainable and future-ready financial practices. Over the years, Aakarshan has emerged as a thought leader and an influential voice within India's finance ecosystem, serving as a speaker and panellist at prominent ET-CFO leadership

forums and contributing insights on evolving business and finance trends. His achievements have further been augmented through inclusion in the Financial Express CFO Power List and more recently by the CFO Story Club. Beyond corporate leadership, he remains deeply engaged with academia and the broader business community through active mentoring of future professionals via guest lectures at leading business schools and thought leadership contributions on the future of finance. As an active TiE Charter Member, he also engages closely with India's entrepreneurial and innovation ecosystem.



Jyoti Sankar Das

Year of Passing: **1994**
Current Organization: **Birla Institute of Management Technology (BIMTECH)**

Dr. Jyoti Sankar Das is a renowned luxury and lifestyle industry leader with nearly three decades of experience across

globally respected consumer and fashion brands. Over a distinguished 29-year career, he has held senior leadership positions at Whirlpool, Electrolux, Godrej Appliances, and Swatch Group India. He later became Country Business Head India for Swatch and Calvin Klein Watches, leading business growth, brand strategy, and market expansion. A recognized authority in luxury and fashion, Dr. Das is also the author of *The Luxe Dip*, a book exploring luxury philosophy, consumer behavior, and brand positioning. Beyond corporate leadership, he has contributed as a columnist to publications including *The*

Economic Times, *Financial Express*, *Fortune*, and *Lifestyle Asia*. He also serves as an Expert Panel member at Euromonitor International and works as a management consultant, advising organizations on luxury strategy, branding, and market positioning across industries. His insights continue shaping India's modern luxury landscape. Post his industry experience, Dr. Das completed his PhD in Marketing from Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra and is currently serving as an Associate Professor of Practice (Marketing & Retail) at Birla Institute of Management Technology.



Sumit Malhotra

Year of Passing: **2002**
 Current Organization:
Iron Pillar

Sumit Malhotra is a distinguished leader and innovation advocate with a strong presence across the Middle East’s business, entrepreneurial, and financial ecosystems. He was selected as a Fellow of FEEL: A Disruptive Futures Program by the Dubai Future Foundation, chosen among 42 participants from over 1,500 global applicants, and had the opportunity to interact with Sheikh Hamdan Bin Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

Currently associated with Iron Pillar, a leading growth-stage VC fund investing in India, Sumit focuses on backing ambitious founders building from India for India and the world, with a strong emphasis on deep-tech investments. He has also served as Vice President and General Secretary of the Indian Business & Professional Council Qatar and contributed as a Venture Partner for the Middle East with Bharat Innovation Fund.



Gurjot Singh Ahluwalia

Year of Passing: **2013**
 Current Organization:
Accenture

Gurjot Ahluwalia is a seasoned consulting professional and recognized voice in personal finance, wealth creation, and capital markets. With over 12 years of experience, he currently serves as a Senior Manager at Accenture Strategy & Consulting, specializing in process mining, robotic process automation (RPA), business process management, and agile delivery across sectors including oil & gas, banking, and chemicals. His consulting engagements have delivered significant business impact, including identifying over

\$100 million in working capital opportunities for a global oil and gas company and leading large-scale RPA implementations for major financial institutions. Prior to consulting, Gurjot worked in wealth management at ICICI Bank, managing high-net-worth portfolios. Beyond his corporate career, he is an active participant in Indian equity markets and has been featured on finance podcasts and media platforms including NDTV and The Economic Times for his insights on investing, financial discipline, and long-term wealth creation.



Aakash Khosla

Year of Passing: **2016**
 Current Organization:
InsuranceDekho

Aakash Khosla is a seasoned Human Resources professional with over a decade of experience leading people strategy across diverse industries and business environments. Currently serving in a National HR leadership role, he oversees talent management, HR business partnering, performance management, and organizational development for a large B2B organization with over 1,400 employees across multiple geographies. Previously, he served as Chief People Officer at Trident Group,

where he led enterprise-wide HR transformation initiatives focused on culture, capability building, and organizational effectiveness. His career also includes significant roles at Genpact, BYJU'S (Think & Learn), and Godrej Agrovet. Recognized for his impact on leadership development and HR transformation, Aakash received the ETHR World Emerging HR Leader Award. Beyond corporate leadership, he actively mentors young professionals and contributes to leadership development initiatives.



Saransh Gupta

Year of Passing: **2016**
 Current Organization:
Walmart

Saransh Gupta is a high-impact technology leader whose rapid rise within Walmart reflects exceptional technical expertise, leadership capability, and business acumen. In just five years, he advanced to the role of Staff Product, contributing to large-scale initiatives across the United States and Canadian markets. His work has primarily focused on Walmart's Merchandising organization, ensuring seamless product availability across both in-store and digital channels for one of the world's largest retail ecosystems. Operating

at such scale, Saransh has demonstrated strong cross-functional collaboration and a deep understanding of retail technology and operations. In recognition of his impact, he received the prestigious Tech-Fwd Award in 2024, Walmart's highest technology honor, along with a cash prize of INR 8.5 lakhs. He is also a two-time recipient of the Excellence Award, highlighting the consistency and measurable impact of his contributions. His journey reflects ambition, innovation, and results-driven leadership in a highly competitive global environment.



Harsh Vardhan Jain

Year of Passing: **2009**
 Current Organization:
Panasonic India

Harsh Vardhan Jain is a dynamic sales leader and business transformation specialist known for building high-performing teams and driving large-scale organizational growth. A graduate of FORE School of Management, he began his career at Business Octane, where he rose from Assistant Manager to National Business Head within eight years through his strong focus on leadership, agility, and customer-centric execution. In 2021, Harsh joined Panasonic with the mandate to lead a major business transformation,

shifting the organization from a product-led model to a solution-driven approach. His leadership resulted in significant business turnaround and accelerated growth, earning him five consecutive Superstar of the Year awards along with recognitions such as Business Game Changer, Mountain Mover, and Revenue Rainmaker. Currently serving as National Head for Vertical and Solutions Business at Panasonic, Harsh is also recognized as an inspiring speaker, mentor, and advocate for leadership development and organizational excellence.



Vikramjit Singh Sahaye

Year of Passing: **1997**
 Current Organization:
hiringplug

Vikramjit Singh Sahaye is a three-time entrepreneur, business leader, and HR Tech innovator best known as the Founder & CEO of hiringplug. He pioneered the “Recruitment-as-a-Service (RaaS™)” marketplace category, building a bootstrapped and profitable platform with a curated network of over 2,000 recruiting agencies serving 200+ companies across India, the Middle East, Canada, and the USA. Prior to entrepreneurship, Vikramjit spent over two decades in

leadership roles at Nestlé, Bharti Airtel, Times Group, and ICICI Prudential. He is also an active startup mentor and speaker, engaging with institutions including the University of Toronto, IITs, Delhi University, and FORE School of Management on entrepreneurship, HR trends, and the future of work. A Scholar MBA by distinction, he is additionally an award-winning musician, reflecting a rare blend of business leadership and creative excellence.



Priyanka Agarwal

Year of Passing: **2019**

Current Organization:

Graphology Insights LLP

Priyanka Agarwal is the Founder of Graphology Insights, a platform dedicated to the art and science of handwriting and signature analysis. By blending psychology with practical applications, she helps individuals and organizations gain deeper self-awareness and make informed decisions about people and potential. Through her certified graphology programs, Priyanka has trained over 10,000 individuals, establishing herself as a leading voice in the field. Her work spans corporate training, academic seminars,

and premium experiential events. She has conducted sessions at institutions such as Manipal University, Xavier's College, and Symbiosis, and has also curated exclusive graphology experiences for employees at Google. One of her most notable achievements includes setting up a Graphology Lounge at the Ambani wedding. Beyond live engagements, she has expanded her reach through digital learning platforms, including her own app and global platforms like Udemy, making graphology education accessible worldwide.



Shilpi Jain

Year of Passing: **2012**

Current Organization:

Counterpoint Research

Shilpi Jain is a market intelligence and thought leadership professional specializing in the global smartphone industry. She began her career at Infosys and later worked at Godrej Infotech, building a strong foundation across technology and business functions. After taking a purposeful career break, Shilpi transitioned into the research domain, where she discovered her passion for transforming complex market data into actionable insights. Today, her work focuses on the global and Indian smartphone markets, particularly emerging trends

such as 5G and Generative AI. She has represented the industry as a speaker and panelist at the 12th Mobility India Conclave and has earned recognition for her analytical insights across leading global publications including The Economic Times, Business Standard, BusinessWorld, The Wall Street Journal, Bloomberg, and Reuters. Through her work, Shilpi continues to simplify complex industry intelligence, enabling businesses and stakeholders to make informed, future-focused decisions in a rapidly evolving technology landscape.



Sandeep Sabharwal

Year of Passing: **1995**

Current Organization: **Sohan Lal Commodity Management**

Sandeep Sabharwal is a pioneering entrepreneur and visionary leader who has transformed India's post-harvest agri-logistics ecosystem through innovation, technology, and financial inclusion. As the Group CEO of Sohan Lal Commodity Management (SLCM), established in 2009, he built a technology-driven and asset-light model integrating scientific warehousing with digital solutions.

Under his leadership, SLCM has expanded to over 21,000 warehouses across India and Myanmar, employing more than 4,000 professionals and positively impacting millions of livelihoods. Through Kissandhan, SLCM's NBFC arm, he has enabled financial inclusion for farmers, women

entrepreneurs, and Farmer Producer Organizations through credit disbursals exceeding INR 3,500 crore.

Among his most notable achievements is the acclaiming of two industry-first patented technologies under "Agri Reach," setting new benchmarks in warehouse management and real-time quality monitoring. His technology-led interventions have helped reduce post-harvest losses from nearly 10% to as low as 0.5%, significantly contributing to food security and sustainability.

His work has introduced transparency, efficiency, and sustainability into India's agricultural supply chain, establishing him as a transformative force in the agri-business sector.



Testimonials

Sitesh Padhee

Year of Passing: 2003
Current Organization: Mudra Circle



Jubilate'25 was truly a memorable experience! The new venue in Gurgaon brought a refreshing vibe, blending modern energy with nostalgia. Reconnecting with old friends, sharing stories, laughter, and moments felt like reliving the best days again. The wonderful arrangements and superb follow-up by the juniors made everything seamless and enjoyable, reflecting their dedication and warmth. The spirit of togetherness made the event incredibly special. It was heartening to see familiar faces and create new memories. Looking forward to many more such reunions filled with joy, connection, and celebration, keeping our bond alive and growing stronger every year.

Arrman Chaudhry

Year of Passing: 2003
Current Organization: Founder of Infinity Group



Jubilate'25 was a wonderfully curated experience that beautifully blended nostalgia with renewed connections. The event stood out for its vibrant energy, thoughtful organization, and the genuine warmth shared among alumni across batches. It was inspiring to witness how the FORE community continues to evolve while staying deeply rooted in its values. The interactions, engaging sessions, and camaraderie made it a memorable afternoon, reinforcing a strong sense of belonging and pride. Events like these not only celebrate the past but also strengthen the network for the future.

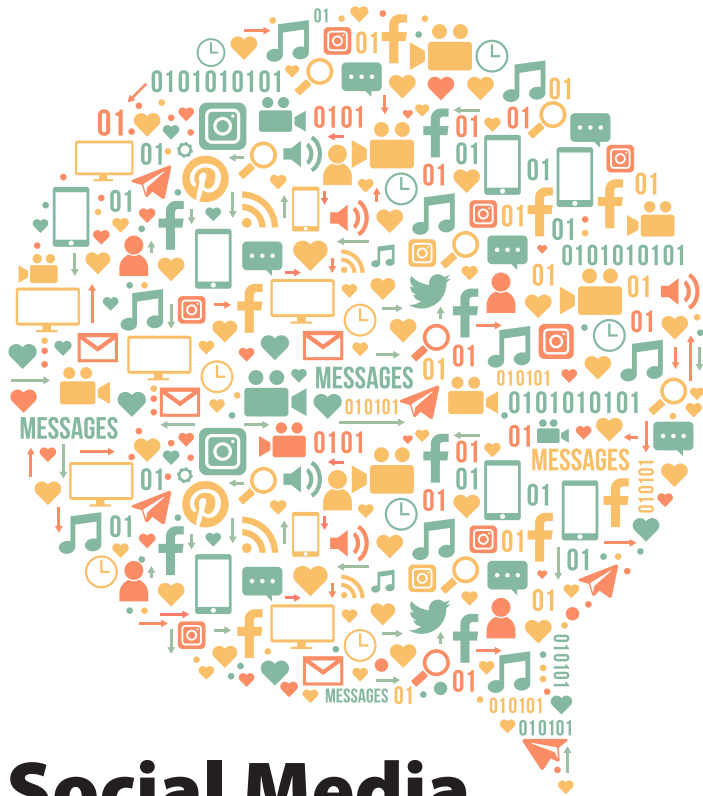
Aditya Jain

Year of Passing: 2015
Current Organization: EY



Jubilate'25 was truly a wonderful experience and a memorable reunion. It was great to reconnect with our esteemed faculty members and catch up with old friends, seniors, and juniors after such a long time. The event was filled with warmth, nostalgia, and joy. The entertainment segment, especially the singing game, was thoroughly enjoyable and added a lively touch to the event. Capturing moments through photographs with friends made it even more special. The venue in Gurugram was also excellent and well-organized. It is always a pleasure to come back and relive such cherished memories.





Social Media Initiatives

FORE Luminaries

Showcases the professional journeys and detailed profiles of distinguished alumni who hold CXO, Director, and other senior leadership positions, highlighting their career progression, strategic impact, and contributions to their organizations and industries.



Congratulatory Post

Acknowledges significant career milestones, senior leadership appointments, and recent promotions of alumni across the network, highlighting their professional growth, leadership impact, and continued contributions to their respective industries.



The Entrepreneur Diaries

Features entrepreneurs who share practical insights from their startup journeys, reflect on key business challenges they have encountered, and offer thoughtful, experience-driven advice to guide and inspire future founders.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Rohit Kapur

CELEBRATING THE JOURNEYS THAT INSPIRE US ALL.

Alumni Spotlight

Celebrates alumni achievements beyond their core careers, including prestigious awards, notable publications, speaking engagements, and other forms of external recognition, highlighting their diverse talents, influence, and contributions.



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KNOW YOUR ALUMNI



Samridh Nagpal
CLASS OF 2013
AVP - CREDIT WHOLESALE BANKING BARCLAYS

“
How has your career journey been so far?
Reflecting on 12+ years in banking, I'm grateful for diverse experiences from operational risk to credit. Thanks to relationship management, legal risk oversight, M&A regulations, credit underwriting, and risk monitoring. Certifications like the FRM and Cornell's Leadership program have shaped their approach to challenges with clarity and strategic thinking.
How well do you think you were prepared for the hurdles ahead after graduating?
Beyond the core topics, group projects have been a powerful learning experience. They've helped me sharpen my skills - effective communication, collaboration with diverse mindsets, problem-solving, and maintaining a solution-oriented approach. These are essential academic takeaways - they're essential tools for navigating the corporate world.
One of your fondest memories at FORE?
Has the best memories are those had during the breaks. My message to FORE Alumni Network and current students?
From remotely leading placements as a student to now sitting across the table as a hiring manager - it's been a full circle journey. It offers a nice peek at what I'd share with anyone navigating their career. It's this keep learning. No matter your life or experience, the environment is always evolving. Invest in yourself. Set realistic goals and stay grounded. Don't chase shiny things or over-ambition. Growth is relative, not a destination.”

Know Your Alumni

Features distinguished alumni in senior leadership positions, highlighting their complete career journeys, from early professional experiences to executive roles, while sharing key insights, leadership lessons, and strategic perspectives gained along the way.



RISING ALUMNA

"There is no one better at your work than you yourself"

Ankita Sehgal

Senior Business Development Manager

cognizant

Rising Alumna

Highlights the professional journeys of inspiring female alumni, their career growth, leadership experiences, and challenges overcome, while offering inspiration through a motivating quote that reflects their personal philosophy and professional outlook.

Influential Alumni

Highlights distinguished alumni who have made notable contributions in their fields, achieved national or global recognition, and continue to inspire through their excellence, influence, and lasting impact on society and the FORE community.



FORE School of Management proudly congratulates Anjum Chopra for being a part of India's historic ICC Women's World Cup 2025 victory!

Job Opportunities

Shares relevant job openings, career advancement roles, and recruitment opportunities with alumni, connecting them to industry-leading organizations and supporting their continued professional growth across diverse domains.



FORE Alumni Network

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Book Launch

Highlights alumni accomplishments in the literary and creative space, with a special focus on book launches, publications, and author milestones. This section celebrates alumni contributions as writers and thought leaders, showcasing their creativity, expertise, and diverse achievements across



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Life Lessons on Growth, Resilience, and Leadership

VIVEK AGRAWAL

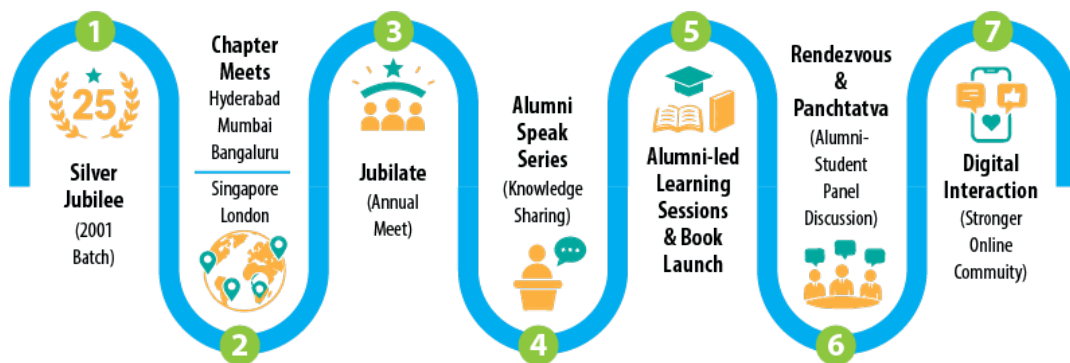
BOOK LAUNCH

Wednesday, 11th February 2025
11:30 AM
Venue: CR - 5, FORE School of Management, New Delhi

Future Engagements

Strengthening the FORE Alumni Community

THE ROADMAP



At FORE School of Management, our alumni are an integral part of our present and future. To strengthen this bond, we are excited to announce several upcoming initiatives.

We will be hosting Alumni Chapter Meets in Kolkata and Hyderabad, offering platforms for networking, reconnection,

and collaboration. On campus, our expanded “Alumni Speak” series will bring diverse industry voices to students, while new specialized masterclasses led by alumni will help students navigate specialization choices with greater clarity.

We are also enhancing our social media presence through alumni spotlights, interactive campaigns, and storytelling features to keep the community

connected across geographies. Looking ahead, we plan to launch mentorship programs, industry networking events, and panel discussions to deepen alumni involvement.

These initiatives reflect our commitment to a dynamic, engaged alumni network — where the FORE spirit continues to grow and thrive.

We look forward to your enthusiastic participation!



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