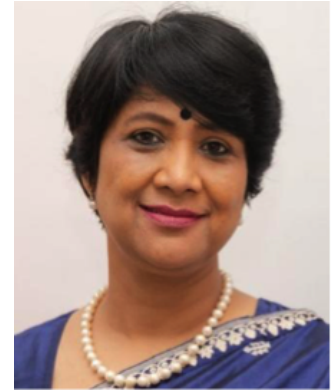


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Joyshree Das Verma is the President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) for the year 2024-25, serving as the 41st National President. With a professional journey spanning over 25 years, Joyshree has established herself as a significant figure in both corporate and entrepreneurial sectors. She also holds the prestigious position of Honorary Consul of Israel for North-East India, enhancing strategic relations between India and Israel across various sectors.

Joyshree is the Director and Co-Promoter of Kaapro Management Solutions Pvt Ltd, an ISO-certified HR consulting firm with nine offices across India. Since 2010, Kaapro has been providing recruitment, staffing, consulting, and training solutions through a team of over 3,120 employees and associates. Das Verma's leadership and ability to acquire, service, and retain global and regional clients has been a testament to her exceptional interpersonal skills.

Joyshree began her entrepreneurial journey as a Business Partner of MAFOI Management Consultants Ltd (now Randstad) in North-East India in 2003. Prior to her entrepreneurial ventures, she gained valuable experience in operations and business management through her roles at TNT Skypak and the Tata Group's Taj Mahal Hotel in Mumbai in 1988.

Her association with FICCI and FLO has seen her in various regional and national roles, including Chairperson of FLO Northeast (2015-2016), National Coordinator for FLO's E-Commerce Initiative (2016-2019), National Governing Body member of FICCI FLO, the first Chair of FICCI MSME Northeast, and a member of the FICCI MSME National Committee.

Also dedicated to social welfare, Joyshree has served as a Committee Member of the India ASEAN Women Business Forum (IAWBF), a Trustee on the Board of Mission Smile, and has directed flood relief efforts and critical Covid care assistance. Her contributions extend to facilitating charity, establishing volunteer networks, and supporting orphaned children and old age homes.

Her entrepreneurial spirit was inspired by her interactions with the late J.R.D Tata, who instilled in her the desire to create with integrity and passion for her nation. Guided by the philosophy of Zen Shin - "A flower does not think of competing with the flower next to it; it just blooms" - Joyshree Das Verma continues to be a beacon of leadership and innovation.

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Poonam Sharma is the Senior Vice President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) and the Director of Ayurvedant Private Limited, a leading Ayurvedic company in India supported by the Baidyanath Group. With a Master's degree in Political Science, she has carved out a significant presence in the business and healthcare sectors. Ayurvedant Private Limited, under her leadership, encompasses Ayurvedant, a health and wellness brand, and Mantra Herbal, an Ayurvedic skincare brand. Her vision emphasizes the discovery, development, and sharing of herbal remedies rooted in ancient Vedic practices to promote holistic wellness.

From 2009 to 2015, Poonam served as the Director and CEO of Mantra Vedic Spas Limited, where she managed operations, marketing, and branding. In 2021, she founded the Veerangana Foundation, dedicated to providing healthcare and education in rural Indian villages and supporting women and individuals with special needs. A notable initiative includes a collaboration with The Smile Foundation, providing cleft palate surgeries to over 200 underprivileged children.

Poonam also contributes significantly to primary healthcare and education for underprivileged children through the Pandit Vishwanath Sharma Hindu Charitable Trust, offering scholarships and educational resources. Her adaptability, strong teamwork, and nurturing approach have enabled her to execute numerous social initiatives successfully.

Her unwavering commitment to sustainable development and community service is reflected in her extensive social work and leadership roles. Poonam Sharma is dedicated to advancing educational and charitable efforts, emphasizing the importance of providing education and healthcare to underprivileged and handicapped children.

**AJITA REDDY YOGESH**

Hyderabad Chapter Chairperson (2009-2010)

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Ajita Reddy Yogesh, an engineer in Electronics and Telecommunications with a Business Management degree, is a prominent figure in creative education in India. She founded Hamstech in 1992, focusing on the potential of fashion and interior design as emerging industries. Hamstech has since become a leading provider of industry-level training in creative domains, expanding its offerings to include photography, graphic design, jewelry design, styling, culinary arts, and baking.

Ajita's visionary leadership has led to the onboarding of celebrity mentors like Neeta Lulla and Avinash Gowariker, and affiliations with renowned universities globally. Hamstech now boasts seven branches in Hyderabad and a diversified portfolio, including TheHLabel.com, an e-commerce platform showcasing designer collections by Hamstech students, and Hamstech Films, a production company distributing notable films like "Godfather" starring Chiranjeevi and Salman Khan.

As a key member of FLO since 2005, Ajita has held various leadership roles, including Chairperson of the Hyderabad Chapter and National Joint Treasurer. She has been instrumental in empowering Indian women through education and skill development, particularly in the FLO Industrial Park as its Director, a pioneering initiative for women entrepreneurs in collaboration with TSIC, Government of Telangana.

Ajita's commitment to women's empowerment and skill-building aligns with FLO's mission of "Empowering a woman is empowering a nation." Her contributions have significantly impacted the creative education landscape and the empowerment of women in India.

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Jayanti Dalmia, Immediate Past President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO), embodies a distinguished career marked by leadership across business, social welfare, and corporate governance. As Chairperson of Four Steps Research, Training & Rehabilitation Centre for Persons with Special Needs, she advocates for inclusivity and empowerment. Concurrently, she serves as an Adviser at Dalmia Brothers Private Limited, a cornerstone of the historic Dalmia Group established in the early 20th century. Today, the Dalmia Group stands as a globally progressive entity with core interests spanning textiles, including spinning operations, heavy chemicals such as soda ash and industrial salt production, healthcare solutions addressing lung care, diabetes, arthritis, kidney stones, mental health, and ADHD, and ITES focusing on business process outsourcing.

During her tenure as FLO President, Dalmia prioritized initiatives for financial empowerment, digital literacy, and startup support nationwide, significantly impacting women across India. Under her leadership, FLO launched the Disability Cell to skill and integrate individuals with special needs into the mainstream economy. Notably, she championed the release of the Gender Parity Index 2.0, fostering organizational change towards gender equality.

Beyond her corporate and FLO roles, Jayanti is Joint Managing Trustee of Shri Krishna Janmasthan Seva Santhan in Mathura, overseeing initiatives at this historic temple site. She also serves on the Advisory Board of Disha Foundation in Jaipur and Navsrijan at Jaipuria School in Lucknow, further demonstrating her commitment to community welfare and educational advancement.

Jayanti Dalmia's multifaceted contributions across business leadership, social advocacy, and educational empowerment underscore her as a pivotal figure in fostering inclusive growth and sustainability within India's corporate and social sectors.

## **UJJWALA SINGHANIA**

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Ujjwala Singhania, the 38th National President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO), brings a rich legacy from the fourth generation of the esteemed JK Organisation, a prominent business conglomerate in India. Her leadership extends beyond FLO into various sectors, reflecting her diverse interests and impactful contributions.

As a Director at General Data Private Limited, Ujjwala oversees operations in software development and engineering analysis, leveraging her expertise to drive technological innovation. Additionally, she holds a directorial role at J.K International Private Limited, where she plays a pivotal role in trading, investment, finance, and healthcare sectors, contributing to the group's multifaceted business portfolio.

Ujjwala's entrepreneurial spirit is evident through her partnerships in A3 Reality LLP, focusing on real estate development and investment, and The Hair Bar, a unique salon cum café with plans for expansion into health and beauty products. Her ventures underline her commitment to diverse business interests and innovation in consumer services.

A staunch advocate for women's empowerment, Ujjwala actively promotes gender parity in corporate governance, advocating for increased women's participation on company boards. Her efforts within FLO and beyond aim to create equitable opportunities for women across industries, emphasizing leadership and inclusivity in corporate settings.

Ujjwala Singhania's multifaceted roles in business, advocacy, and entrepreneurship exemplify her dedication to driving positive change and empowering women in India's corporate landscape.

**VINITA BIMBHET**

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Vinita Bimbhet is a distinguished figure in India’s business and cultural landscape, renowned for her multifaceted contributions across entrepreneurship, advocacy, and policy-making.

As the India Chair for the India ASEAN Women’s Business Forum, a collaboration between the Ministry of External Affairs and FICCI, Vinita spearheads initiatives that enhance economic ties and empower women entrepreneurs across the ASEAN region. Her leadership aims to elevate India-ASEAN relations through strategic business engagements and policy frameworks.

On the FICCI Executive Committee for Art and Culture, Vinita champions the transformative potential of art and culture in fostering economic growth and community resilience. She has been instrumental in promoting Indian and Tribal Art through The India Art Investment Company, where she served as Promoter Director. This specialized firm supports artisans nationwide, fostering employment and preserving cultural heritage through innovative initiatives like Made in India and Haath Ka Bana.

Previously serving as the National President of FICCI FLO, Vinita initiated impactful programs such as the “Roti Project” and spearheaded the development of FLO’s Gender Parity Index (GPI). This pioneering index, aimed at fostering gender equality in workplaces, received acclaim from national leaders and institutions, highlighting Vinita’s commitment to creating inclusive work environments.

Vinita’s influence extends globally as a Gender Advocate for G20 and her role on various advisory boards including IWFCI-India and the Ministry of Rural Development’s Council for Advancement of People’s Action and Rural Technology. She is recognized for her thought leadership, having addressed international forums and authored influential reports like the Greater 50: Call to Action Report, focusing on gender equity and intelligence.

Her accolades include the India-ASEAN Award for Excellence in Entrepreneurship & Leadership, underscoring her impact on fostering global business partnerships and empowering women across borders. Vinita Bimbhet continues to shape discourse and drive change, embodying a commitment to inclusive growth and sustainable development through her diverse roles and initiatives.

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Malvika Rai is a prominent figure in the education sector, serving as the Pro Chancellor of IILM University, Greater Noida, and Chairperson of Banyan Tree Schools. With a career spanning over three decades, she has significantly contributed to shaping education and fostering entrepreneurship in India.

Under her leadership, IILM has evolved into a prestigious institution with four campuses in Delhi, Jaipur, Lucknow, and Greater Noida, offering diverse programs in Management, Engineering, and Liberal Arts. IILM Greater Noida and IILM Gurugram have attained the status of University, currently accommodating over 4000 students. Additionally, Banyan Tree Schools, under her guidance, operate across five campuses, providing quality education from Nursery to Class 12 to 3500 students.

Born into an industrial family in Kolkata, Malvika Rai pursued her education at La Martinere Girls in Kolkata and Convent of Jesus and Mary, New Delhi, before graduating from Jesus and Mary College, New Delhi. Her academic journey also includes participation in the Management Development Programme at Harvard Business School as a YPO participant, reflecting her commitment to continuous learning and professional growth.

Malvika Rai served as the President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) in 2013-14, focusing on member engagement and empowering rural women entrepreneurs through education and skill training initiatives. Her dedication to social service and nation-building was recognized with the prestigious Indira Gandhi Priyadarshini Award in 1996.

As a longstanding member and leader in the Young President Organisation (YPO), an international organization of over 22,000 members, Malvika Rai has contributed significantly to fostering global leadership and collaboration.

She has been organizing *Words in the Garden Festival* since 2017 which is an annual celebration of the incredible creativity, imagination and ideas that Delhi generates, sustains and embodies. The festival aims to capture the essence of Delhi's dynamic spirit and renew itself through literature, arts and ideas. The festival has in the past presented "Meer Ki Dilli", "Ghalib Ki Dilli", "Bapu Ki Dilli", "Dilli Ki Sanskriti" and "Dilli Ki Mahilayen".

**KIRAN GERA**

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Kiran Gera is the Director of AquaAgri Greentech Pvt. Ltd., a company that pioneers in developing advanced technologies for cultivating and harvesting natural sea plants. These sea plants serve as key ingredients in a variety of value-added products used across multiple industries, including food processing, agriculture, and animal husbandry. Under her leadership, AquaAgri Greentech has made significant strides in utilizing organic seaweed sap as a plant nutrient. This innovation has been proven to enhance productivity by 15% to 33% for cash crops such as rice, wheat, sesame, corn, and various fruits and vegetables, with these claims substantiated by comprehensive institutional studies.

Kiran Gera is a Past President of FICCI Ladies Organization, where she played a vital role in promoting women's entrepreneurship and leadership. Her influence extends internationally as she holds the position of India Chair of the SAARC Chamber of Women Entrepreneurs Council (SCWEC). In this capacity, she represents and leads India, advocating for the empowerment and growth of women entrepreneurs across the South Asian region.



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Usha Agarwala was National President , FICCI - FLO for the year 2005-2006 and prior to that was the Chairperson, Kolkata Chapter for 2003-2004.

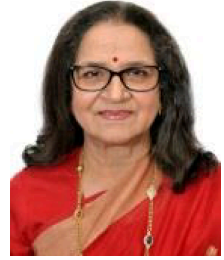
She is the Member of the Ladies Study Group (LSG), a platform that encourages women to mobilise their talents and help them participate in various issues related to social development.

Usha AGarwala is on the Advisory Board of All Ladies League (ALL), an international women's organization that focuses on enhancing women economic empowerment and leadership with a view of creating a more sustainable and more inclusive environment and a better quality of life for all.

She is a member of Women Economic Forum (WEF), a global platform to foster business and professional connections, sisterhood and leadership among women, committed to bringing constructive change and positivity in all walks of life.

She is a philanthropist, and has a deep interest in spirituality and wellness. She has traveled widely with various delegations and attended conferences both in India and overseas.

Currently, Usha Agarwala is the Director of her family business R. V. Briggs & Co. Pvt. Ltd., Kolkata, and actively participates in the overall management of the Company. R. V. Briggs was established in the year 1900 as India's first Analytical Company in the private sector. It provides efficient and authentic results for all kinds of sampling e.g. Cargo Inspection, Water, Tea, Soil, Metals, Minerals & Ore, Food, etc.

**NAMITA GAUTAM**

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Namita Gautam is a seasoned professional in corporate law and human resources, currently serving as the Whole Time Director of Sheela Foam Ltd, renowned for its trusted mattress brands Sleepwell and Kurlon in India. With a career spanning over three decades since joining in 1984, she has played integral roles across various functions within the Sleepwell Group of Companies, including Director-Human Resources, Director-Marketing, and Director-Projects. Her expertise extends to training and development, project management, media, communication, marketing, brand building, and product development.

Since 2015, Namita has been leading the CSR initiatives of the Sleepwell Group through the Sleepwell Foundation, where she serves as the Managing Trustee. The foundation focuses on proactive emotional wellness and skill development programs aimed at benefiting youth, reflecting Mrs. Gautam's commitment to social responsibility and community development.

Actively involved with FICCI-FLO since 1991, Namita Gautam served as its National President during 2004-05. Her tenure was marked by pioneering initiatives such as establishing the Youth Wing of FICCI-FLO known as The Young FLO and conducting significant surveys on the aspirations of young women in the Delhi National Capital Region and a comparative study of working women in service industries across five metros in India.

Apart from her corporate and FICCI-FLO engagements, Namita contributes to several organizations including IndraPrastha College for Women, Delhi, where she serves as the Honorary Treasurer, and Jija Bai ITI for Women, Sirifort, Delhi, where she chairs the Institute Management Committee. She is also a trustee of Prayatn, actively supporting various social causes.

Recognized for her outstanding contributions, Namita Gautam was honored with the prestigious 'Devi Award' by The Sunday Standard, The New Indian Express Group in 2016, and the 'Sewa Bhushan' Award for her organization Sleepwell Foundation in 2022. Her mission is to empower youth, especially girls, by imparting qualitative skills, emotional strength, and a strong value system, aiming to contribute to the growth and prosperity of India.

## **ANJANA SOMANY**

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Anjana Somany is a multifaceted leader deeply entrenched in the realms of corporate social responsibility (CSR), arts, and cultural entrepreneurship. Currently serving as the CSR Head of Somany Ceramics Ltd, a renowned manufacturer of tiles and sanitaryware in India, she brings over four decades of experience and a profound commitment to community development and cultural preservation.

Beyond her corporate role, Anjana is the Founder-Director of Mango Tree Tours and Exhibitions, a pioneering company dedicated to promoting craft, design, and cultural education. Through curated cultural study tours, workshops, and exhibitions under its branch Craft Stories Under the Mango Tree, Anjana fosters cultural awareness, sustains traditional knowledge, and supports artistic expressions. Her scholarly pursuits are evident in her research papers presented at national and international forums, focusing on preserving and promoting India's rich craft traditions.

Anjana's leadership extends to significant roles in women's empowerment and artisanal development. As the Past National President of FICCI-FLO, she championed entrepreneurship among women across diverse societal levels. She has also served as the Past President of the Delhi Crafts Council and holds advisory positions at Creative Dignity and Somaiya Kala Vidya, institutions dedicated to empowering artisans and preserving indigenous art forms.

An advocate for lifelong learning, Anjana emphasizes personal and professional growth through continuous education and experiential learning. Her strategic initiatives as CSR Head reflect her innovative approach to community engagement and sustainable development, impacting neighboring communities positively.

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Dr. Nupur Handa is a distinguished figure in the healthcare industry, celebrated for her extensive expertise and contributions spanning multiple domains. With a robust career rooted in medicine, she has garnered acclaim for her exceptional skills and commitment to advancing healthcare standards.

Dr. Handa's professional journey is marked by a dedication to continuous learning and diversification. Beyond medicine, she has expanded her repertoire to include expertise in finance and education, enhancing her capacity to influence and lead in diverse professional arenas.

Known for her multidisciplinary approach, Dr. Handa embodies versatility and excellence in her endeavors. Her leadership is characterized by a steadfast commitment to delivering high-quality healthcare services and fostering innovation within the industry. This commitment has earned her recognition as a versatile leader capable of driving meaningful change and advancement.

Throughout her career, Dr. Handa has demonstrated a profound dedication to serving others, leveraging her extensive knowledge and skills to positively impact healthcare delivery and patient outcomes. Her contributions extend beyond clinical practice, encompassing strategic initiatives aimed at enhancing healthcare accessibility and quality.

**PRIYA DARSHINI GAZDAR**

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Priya is a highly experienced Brand Management and MarCom specialist with a career spanning over 25 years. She has expertise in the areas of Branding, Advertising, Media, and Strategic PR. Priya's professional background includes content development and management, creation of visual brand strategies, reputation management, and personality branding.

Currently Director & CEO at RBC Worldwide, Priya has successfully led projects for over 500 national and international brands. Some notable clients include Apollo Group of Hospitals, Aster Group of Hospitals, Joyalukkas Group, Bharat Biotech International Ltd., and Eenadu Group. She has also worked with IKP Knowledge Park, Advanta Seeds International, HA Kidd & Co., Canada, Oakridge International School, NCC Infra, and many more.

Priya holds the position of Director at McLean Group of Companies. The company has diverse interests in Facility Management, Hospitality, Skilling, Education, and Coffee Estates. Priya is responsible for conceptualizing and developing marketing, brand communication, and HR initiatives for all the verticals of the group. The Hidden Castle, their flagship hospitality venture, is a unique castle-themed adventure resort.

Priya is a Bharatanatyam dancer and has performed at prestigious venues across India, including NCPA and Tata Theatre in Mumbai. Priya has also established the AnandaPriya Foundation, a not-for-profit organization that supports established and upcoming dancers, musicians, and artists.

Priya is actively involved in the business community as the Chairperson FLO Hyderabad Chapter. In her 6 years in the organization she has held various leadership roles, including Head of OrgCom, Hon. Secretary, and Head of the Startup & Incubation Cell. In recognition of her achievements, Priya was recently awarded the Inspiring Leader - Brand Management award at the Times Power Woman Award in 2024.

Despite studying to be a Chartered Accountant, Priya discovered her true passion in the creative field. She describes herself as a dancer by training, a writer by passion, and a singer by assumption. In her spare time, Priya enjoys writing and has published a series of illustrated poetry books for children and a compilation of Haikus.



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Nalini Sanwal is serving as the 10th Chairperson of FICCI Ladies Organisation Kanpur Chapter 24-25. She has been an integral part of the chapter since its inception, serving as a founder member and being actively involved in the core committee for several years. Her expertise spans across various verticals, including skilling and digital literacy drives, as well as the MSME sector. Notably, she played a crucial role in the development of the textile directory last year, showcasing her commitment to promoting the textile industry.

Nalini is an artist at heart and a skilled designer by profession. She received formal training in apparel manufacture and design from Mumbai, which has greatly contributed to her success in the industry. After being a homemaker and homepreneur for 23 years, Nalini took a leap of faith and became an entrepreneur in 2022.

Nalini's specialization lies in designing the traditional Indian garment, the sari, and blouse. Her unique designs and attention to detail have made this ensemble a favorite among NRIs in Singapore. She organizes two exhibitions in different cities in India and one in Singapore every year, showcasing her talent and expanding her reach. Furthermore, she aspires to venture into the export market, aiming to bring the beauty of Indian handloom to the global stage.

Nalini's passion for Indian weave and textiles is evident in her work. She is determined to promote and preserve the rich heritage of Indian handloom, ensuring its recognition and appreciation worldwide.

## **CHARU CHAUHAN**

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Charu Chauhan is a highly accomplished individual with a diverse range of expertise and achievements. As the Chairperson of FLO Uttarakhand chapter, she plays a crucial role in empowering women entrepreneurs and promoting gender equality in the business world.

With a double masters' degree and certification as a Visharad in Bharatnatyam dance, Chauhan brings a unique blend of creativity and business acumen to her role as the Director of a real estate company. Her passion-driven approach sets her apart from conventional builders and developers in the region, as she strives to create cutting-edge development projects that prioritize open spaces and green development.

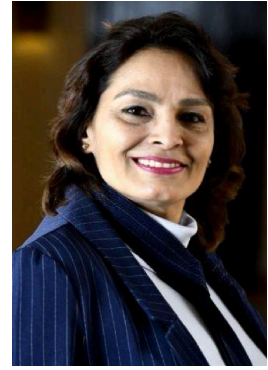
One of her notable achievements is the successful completion of the Doon Trafalgar project in Dehradun. This exclusive society has become a sought-after residential destination for some of the city's most successful and respected families. Chauhan's commitment to creating a harmonious community within the lap of nature is further exemplified by her latest venture, Amulyam Villas. Nestled in the forest foothills of Mussoorie, this project offers residents the luxury and benefits of modern development while preserving the natural beauty of the surroundings.

Beyond her professional endeavors, Chauhan has a range of interests and hobbies. She is an avid reader of medical science books and has a deep appreciation for dance and music. In addition, she has taken the initiative to start voluntary training workshops for village children near her project. Through these workshops, she engages the children in personality development activities and dance lessons, providing them with valuable skills and opportunities for personal growth.

Chauhan's commitment to personal growth extends to her love for travel. She has traveled extensively with her family, believing that experiencing different countries and cultures is one of the best ways to broaden one's perspective and foster empathy towards all mankind.

## **ALKA BATRA**

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Alka Batra is a visionary entrepreneur, partner, and parent who believes in creating positive opportunities in society. She is the founder of the Association of Women Entrepreneurs (AWE) Jaipur, which was established in 2011 with a vision to support and empower women in society. Alka actively volunteers and contributes to society through CSR activities, such as creating awareness about saving the girl child and promoting education in rural areas.

With 27 years of extensive experience in HR management, Alka is an expert in client relations and talent management. Alka has a revolutionary mindset and has successfully placed over 80,000 individuals in various organizations over the past two decades. She has partnered with more than 3500 corporate organizations, including multinational companies, national organizations, and public sector organizations. Alka has also provided counseling to over 85,000 job seekers.

Alka has received numerous awards and recognitions for her contributions to the field of entrepreneurship and HR practices. Some of her notable achievements include the International Award for Pioneer in Recruitment Consultancy by the Consulate of Cambodia in 2023, the Rajasthan Radiance Award for Excellence in Business Consultancy in 2023, and the International Award for Working Women in 2022. She has also been recognized as the Most Stylish Entrepreneur Female at the Rajasthan Style Fest in 2018 and the Most Successful Women Entrepreneur in 2017 by Inner Circle Of Mom's, Jaipur.

Alka is a member of the National Management Committee of Commerce and Industry, and the National Sports Committee. Alka has also served as the State President of Rajasthan for ABWCI and the Chairperson of the Jaipur Chapter of FICCI FLO. She is a regular invitee for pre-budget meetings from the Chief Minister's office and has provided valuable suggestions that have been considered in the budget.

Alka is an accomplished badminton player. She has represented Team India in international and national badminton tournaments and has won several medals, including silver and bronze in various championships.



**Dr ANURADHA MALLA**

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Dr Anuradha Malla is a highly accomplished individual with a diverse range of expertise and achievements. With over 25 years of experience in education and administration, she has made significant contributions to the field of school education.

As the Chairperson of FLO Uttarakhand Chapter 2023 - 24, Dr Malla demonstrated her leadership skills and commitment to empowering women in business. She played a crucial role in promoting the interests of women entrepreneurs and professionals in Uttarakhand.

Dr Malla is also actively involved in the field of creative writing. She serves as the Joint Director in two media and film companies, A&M Productions and KSM Films Production. Under A&M Productions, she wrote the script for the short film "Shwet Rakt," which received international recognition and won several awards. KSM Films Production, on the other hand, has produced two films, "1978- A teen night out" and "5th September," both of which have garnered numerous accolades and awards.

Furthermore, Dr Malla has ventured into the business world with her herbal brand, "Stopping by the Woods," which specializes in organic and cosmetic products. This demonstrates her entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to promoting sustainable and natural products.

Throughout her career, Dr Malla has been recognized for her outstanding contributions to education and philanthropy. She has received numerous awards and felicitations from both private and government organizations, highlighting her dedication and impact in these areas.

Dr Anuradha Malla's professional background, leadership roles, and notable achievements make her a respected and influential figure in her field. Her expertise in education, creative writing, film production, and entrepreneurship showcases her versatility and commitment to making a positive impact in various industries.

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Archana is the Founder of 'Vertices Partners', a highly regarded law firm in Mumbai specializing in Private Equity, Venture Capital, and Mergers & Acquisitions. She is an accomplished entrepreneur and a leading expert in Corporate Commercial Law, with a focus on sectors such as Education, Financial Services, and Healthcare.

Under Archana's leadership, 'Vertices Partners' has consistently been ranked among the top law firms in the country and has received prestigious awards, including the Best Indian Law Firm 2019 by IBLJ. Archana was listed in the Forbes Legal Power List 2021 and awarded the title of Country's Leading Lawyer for Private Equity & Venture Capital by ET Leaders of Change 2021. She was also recognized as one of the Top Under 40 Alternative Investment Professionals in India by AIWMI and IAAIF.

Archana's exceptional skills in Private Equity have been acknowledged by IFLR1000, naming her The Rising Star Partner for Private Equity in their 32nd research edition Asia law 2022-23 rankings. She has been featured in the Asia Legal Business 40 Under 40 List in the Asia Pacific Region and recognized as a 40 under 40 Rising Star by Legal Era.

In addition to her legal achievements, Archana is a respected speaker and writer who has contributed to prominent forums such as ET Now, Bloomberg, and Venture Intelligence. She has also delivered a TEDx talk, showcasing her expertise and insights.

Archana is actively involved in various industry associations and currently serves as the FICCI FLO National Head - Collaborations, Partnerships and Associations. She previously held the position of the youngest Chairperson of FICCI FLO Mumbai (2023-2024) and played a crucial role as a core committee member of the National start-up cell of FICCI FLO.

Archana's commitment to empowering women and promoting equal opportunities is evident in her current focus on economic empowerment. She strives to create a more inclusive business environment and actively works towards achieving gender equality.

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Kamini Saraf is a prominent businesswoman with a diverse range of professional experiences and achievements. She currently serves as the Director of Radha Smelters Pvt. Ltd, where she oversees the branding aspect of the company. Radha Smelters Pvt Ltd is the largest private sector TMT Steel Bar manufacturer in South India, and Kamini plays a crucial role in enhancing the company's brand image.

In addition to her role at Radha Smelters Pvt. Ltd, Kamini is also the Owner and Promoter of Akshat Events. She is recognized as a pioneer in the conceptualization of the no investment retail segment and was among the first to start the wave of exhibitions in India. One of her notable projects is Fashion Yatra, a luxury lifestyle trunk show that offers a unique and tasteful curation of home-grown lifestyle labels. The event provides a shopping experience like no other, with styling input and personal attention from designers and brand representatives.

Kamini has also held several important positions in FLO. She served as the Chairperson of YFLO Hyderabad in 2007-08 and later became the Chairperson of FLO Hyderabad in 2017-18. She is a Governing Body Member of FICCI FLO, showcasing her leadership skills and commitment to the organization's goals.

Kamini's contributions to her field have been recognized through various awards and accolades. She has been honored with the Entrepreneur of the Year award for two consecutive years by Zee Telugu. Additionally, she received the Best Entrepreneur Award by Sanskriti Ladies Club as part of the Icons of Hyderabad event.

Beyond her professional endeavors, Kamini is actively involved in philanthropy. She supports various NGOs, including PFA, Help, and Teach for Change. Through her support of Teach for Change, she contributes to the education of 500 girls every year, highlighting her commitment to empowering young women through education.

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Minal Jain is Co-Founder and Director of M4A Designs Pvt. Ltd., and has played a pivotal role in establishing the company as a leading provider of architectural and interior design services since its inception in 1996. Under her leadership, M4A Designs has expanded its offerings to include landscape design, accessories design, and redesign and redevelopment services, ensuring a comprehensive approach to project completion.

With over two and a half decades of experience, Minal has spearheaded the development of M4A Designs' unique "Design-Build Management" services, which have set the company apart in the industry. This innovative approach combines design expertise with project management skills, ensuring seamless execution and client satisfaction. M4A Designs has successfully completed numerous projects in various sectors, including corporate workspaces, healthcare facilities, and hospitality projects.

Minal is also the Co-Founder and CXO of Misrii Home Foods LLP. Founded in 2016, Misrii has quickly become known as Jaipur's trusted food company, offering a wide range of healthy and delicious home-style food options. Minal's strategic vision has positioned Misrii as a food-tech neighborhood cloud kitchen enterprise, providing convenient food delivery services throughout Jaipur. The company specializes in daily food solutions, with a focus on fresh and authentic Indian recipes prepared by female chef teams in their state-of-the-art kitchens. Misrii is committed to bridging the gap in the home-delivered food segment by offering nutritious meals packed in unique eco-friendly packaging.

Minal Jain's contributions to the design and food industries have not gone unnoticed. Her leadership and expertise have earned her recognition as a respected figure in both fields. Through her dedication and commitment to excellence, Minal has established herself as a trailblazer and a driving force behind the success of M4A Designs and Misrii Home Foods.

**PRABIDITA BHARATI**

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With a strong background in tea trading and hospitality, Prabidita Bharati has made significant contributions to her field and industry. As the Chairperson of FLO North East Chapter 2017-18, she led several initiatives and played a pivotal role in skilling women in various fields to make them economically independent.

Prabidita Bharati is the Proprietor of Eastern Enterprise (Assam), a tea trading company known for its expertise in tea tasting, blend designing, and auction buying. With an impressive annual turnover of Rs 8-10 Cr, the company is predominantly staffed by women. One of the company's standout employees is a highly skilled tea taster and blender who was trained by Prabidita Bharati herself. Additionally, the company employs tea girls who assist with sorting, blending, and packaging.

In addition to her success in the tea industry, Prabidita Bharati is also a pioneer in the field of hospitality. In 2006, she started the business of homestays in Guwahati under the name Shantiniketan. Her homestays provide cozy accommodations suitable for families and business executives. Prabidita Bharati understands that after a long day of travel, guests seek clean sheets, a clean washroom, and warm home-cooked meals, and she strives to deliver just that.

One of Prabidita Bharati's dreams is to lead an all-women enterprise that provides a safe workplace for women. She aims to empower women by guiding them to realize their dreams and become leaders themselves. Her dedication to creating opportunities for women in her industry is commendable and sets her apart as a leader and role model.

Prabidita Bharati's notable achievements and contributions to the tea trading and hospitality industries have earned her recognition and respect. Her expertise, leadership roles, and commitment to empowering women make her a standout figure in her field. With her passion and drive, Prabidita Bharati continues to make a positive impact on her industry and inspire others to follow in her footsteps.

## **RATI DHANDHANIA**

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Rati Dhandhania is a multifaceted individual with interests in Life Sciences, Trading, and Real-Estate. She currently holds the position of Director at Atharva Lifesciences Consulting Pvt. Ltd., a renowned industry research and consulting company specializing in the Biotech, Pharma, Agriculture, Fisheries, Natural medicine, and Biofuels industry.

In addition to her role at Atharva Lifesciences Consulting Pvt. Ltd., Rati also serves as the Chief Strategy Officer at Atharva Marcom, the public relations arm of the company. Atharva Marcom focuses on providing solutions for publicity and brand development, helping organizations effectively communicate their message and enhance their brand image. Rati is also an advisor to TheFutureOfPR.com, an online news blog covering global news. TheFutureOfPR.com recently partnered with prestigious events such as the Cannes Lions Festival in France and the Anuga Food festival in Cologne.

Rati's interest in finance has led her to launch a YouTube channel called FiNest Fintalk, where she shares insights and ideas on finance and investing specifically tailored for the Indian investor.

During her tenure as Chairperson of the Bangalore Chapter of FLO in 2015-16., Rati launched various initiatives aimed at fostering women's empowerment at all levels. Rati has been a part of the National Governing Body of FLO for several years, leading initiatives to enhance FLO's influence and visibility across the country. She is also an International Committee member at India-ASEAN Women Business Forum (IAWBF).

Apart from her professional achievements, Rati is passionate about contributing to society. She has been involved in setting up libraries, schools, and housing for the economically weaker sections of society. As an amateur artist and designer, she has organized numerous exhibitions showcasing the art, jewelry, and textile crafts from different parts of India.

Rati holds a postgraduate degree in international business and finance from AIU London (now Regents College, London) and a bachelor's degree from Mount Carmel College, Bangalore. She combines her passion for travel and trade with hobbies such as photography, art, and global cuisine. Rati is certified from the Le Cordon Bleu, London, and Sotheby's, London.

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Rekha Lahoti is the CEO of Kalakriti India, a group of companies specializing in art, real estate, and hospitality. Kalakriti India is dedicated to the acquisition, preservation, and promotion of Indian art and artwork that showcases India as its subject. Under Lahoti's leadership, Kalakriti India has become a prominent player in the art industry, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of India.

Lahoti is also the founder of the Krishnakriti Foundation, which focuses on promoting art and culture. Through this philanthropic arm, she has made significant contributions to the art community by organizing exhibitions, workshops, and cultural events. Her dedication to preserving and promoting Indian art has earned her recognition and respect in the industry.

Furthermore, Lahoti has played a pivotal role in fostering educational opportunities for deserving students. She has collaborated with the government of France to establish the Franco Indian Education Trust, which aims to send deserving students to France for higher education. This initiative highlights her commitment to empowering the youth and providing them with global exposure.

Outside of her professional endeavors, Lahoti is a trained singer and has a deep appreciation for sports and art. Her love for collecting art further demonstrates her passion for the industry and her commitment to supporting artists.

Lahoti's leadership skills and expertise have been recognized on various platforms. She has served as Chairperson of FLO Hyderabad, and as Chairperson of the YPO South Asia Regional Chapter, where she played a crucial role in fostering collaboration and growth among young business leaders.

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Reshma Patel has a degree in Print Production Management and Emerging Technologies from The Graphic Arts Technical Foundation (GATF) in Pittsburgh, USA, which gives her a strong foundation in the printing and packaging industry.

Presently, Reshma holds the position of Director at Light Publications, a renowned company with over 54 years of experience in printing and packaging for pharmaceutical and FDA approved markets in the US and Europe. Under her guidance, Light Publications became a pioneer in automating processes to ensure consistent quality and compliance.

Reshma is an Independent Director on the Board of two publicly listed companies on the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE), showcasing her business acumen and ability to contribute to strategic decision-making. Furthermore, she is a member of the advisory board of Motion Metriks Components, an organization that exports specialty engineering components to Fortune 500 companies in the USA. Her role on the advisory committee of Creative Dignity allows her to provide valuable insights on finance and governance.

Reshma is a Certified Enologist, specializing in wines and spirits education, and is the first Certified PORT Educator from India. As a wine educator, she imparts her knowledge to C-suite executives of multinational corporations based in the USA, Europe, and India. Furthermore, she has played a pivotal role in establishing and managing the Ceramic Centre in Vadodara, a non-profit platform that encourages collaboration and creativity among artists and non-artists alike.

Reshma is the Founding Chairperson of FLO Vadodara Chapter (2022-23). Through her mentoring and training initiatives, Reshma has empowered young women from rural areas to pursue technical careers.



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Ritu Vadehra is the Director of Vadehra Art Gallery Private Limited, located in New Delhi, India. She completed her undergraduate studies in Psychology (Hons) at Lady Shriram College in 1975 and later obtained a Postgraduate Diploma in Advertising and Public Relations.

In 1987, Ritu joined her husband to establish Vadehra Art Gallery, which has since become one of the most esteemed art galleries in India. The gallery showcases the works of renowned modern masters such as MF Husain, Ram Kumar, SH Raza, and Tyeb Mehta. It also features the works of the subsequent generation of modernists, including Arpita Singh, Nalini Malani, Gulammohammed Sheikh, and Rameshwar Broota. Additionally, Vadehra Art Gallery's contemporary program includes artists like Atul Dodiya, Shilpa Gupta, Anju Dodiya, NS Harsha, and emerging talents.

Vadehra Art Gallery has collaborated with prestigious institutions such as the National Gallery of Modern Art and the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art. It has also partnered with international museums like the Guggenheim Museum in New York and the Mori Art Museum in Japan for various exhibitions.

Apart from its exhibition activities, the gallery actively engages in publishing books and catalogues on Indian art, contributing to the documentation and promotion of the country's artistic heritage.

Ritu Vadehra has also played a significant role in establishing the Foundation for India Contemporary Art, a non-profit organization. The foundation aims to foster a continuous dialogue between the arts and the public through education and active participation in public art projects and funding.

With her extensive experience and expertise in the art industry, Ritu Vadehra has made notable contributions to the field.

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Roopa Patel hails from Vadodara, and comes from a family business background in textiles. Her family owns Shri Dinesh Mills Ltd, a renowned company that specializes in manufacturing worsted woolen fabrics for men's suiting. Additionally, the company also produces nonwoven filter fabrics for paper mills, showcasing their versatility and expertise in the industry.

Roopa has also made significant contributions to the field of children's camps. She has collaborated with Les Elfes International Camps, a Switzerland-based company, to design various luxury, community service, cultural, and sporting camps for children aged 7-18 years. Whether it is organizing a ski camp in Switzerland, a surf camp in Australia, or an art and culture camp in Spain, Paris, and Italy, Roopa's expertise lies in creating enriching experiences for young minds. She also focuses on community service initiatives in countries like China, Cambodia, the Philippines, and Ghana, providing opportunities for children to engage in meaningful activities and make a positive impact on society.

Roopa is actively involved with the Gujarat Nature Conservation Society (GNCS) based in Vadodara. The organization has adopted villages around its premises and is dedicated to educating women on environmental issues and alternative cooking mediums. Roopa's commitment to sustainability and community development is evident through her association with GNCS, where she not only supports programming camps for children but also organizes events for women, girls, and farmers on a regular basis.

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Saloni Mehta holds a Master's degree in Political Science and has a strong passion for sports, being a gold medalist and multiple-time Table Tennis J&K State Champion. She has also been recognized with a state award for her achievements in sports.

Saloni is a dynamic social entrepreneur and serves as the Senior Advisor to Seetu Kohli Home, a company specializing in domestic and luxury furniture, including renowned brands like Ralph Lauren Home, Fendi Casa, and Versace. The company has retail outlets in Delhi and Qatar, and Saloni plays a crucial role in its operations.

Saloni is the founder of A & A Enterprises, which focuses on real estate and the distribution of Exotic Kashmiri Kahwa. She is also the founder of House of Niash, a business that deals with exclusive and exquisite Kashmiri shawls, jamavars, Tilla Work, handicrafts, and accessories.

Saloni is actively involved in the field of education. She serves as a trustee of the Shaurya Educational Society, demonstrating her commitment to promoting quality education. Saloni's dedication to social work is evident through her involvement with the NGO Tagore Foundation, where she works towards women empowerment.

Since 2020, Saloni has been the Admin of the Governing Body Whatsapp group and of Delhi FLO Members Whatsapp Group. Her efforts at FLO have been recognized, and she was awarded for her constant support to FLO.

Furthermore, Saloni holds the position of Chairman Hospitality at the Indo-Africa Friendship Trust, showcasing her interest in promoting cultural and business relations with foreign countries. This interest is further fueled by her role as the spouse of a diplomat.

**SARITA SIKARIA**

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Sarita Sikaria is an individual with a diverse range of professional experiences and interests. Born and brought up in Shillong, the Scotland of the East, Sarita was educated at Loreto Convent School and St. Mary's College. She obtained a Double Hons in BSc, majoring in Zoology and Geography, topping the state and university rankings.

Sarita's passion for business and entrepreneurship led her to actively participate in her father's business and industrial ventures. She later collaborated with her husband, Sanjay Sikaria, to establish Megha Polycon Pvt. Ltd., a manufacturing unit for plastic and chemical tanks. Since 1994, Sarita has served as the Director of Megha Polycon, where she has played a pivotal role in ensuring the company's commitment to quality, innovation, and sustainability. Sarita also holds positions as Director at Usha Metal Cleaners Pvt Ltd, a Kolkata-based real estate and investment company, and as Partner at Megha Rotomoulds LLP, another real estate and investment venture.

Sarita is an accomplished writer and editor, having worked on educational books and authored a memoir titled 'Whispers Through The Pines', which chronicles her father, J.N. Bawri's life. Furthermore, Sarita has accomplished herself in Pranic Healing and is an Associated Certified Pranic Healer. She is deeply interested in the spiritual teachings of this school of practice.

Sarita Sikaria's visionary leadership as the Chairperson of FLO Northeast Chapter in 2018-19 resulted in the effective skilling of grassroot women in pottery and tailoring, and establishing initiatives in this field that are continuing till today.

Sarita actively promotes happiness and self-awareness through online and offline sessions. Sarita's commitment to excellence and her positive outlook on life continue to inspire and make a significant impact in her field and beyond.

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Saroj Khemka is a prominent figure in the business and social work sectors. Born into the esteemed Singhania family in Shillong, she was raised with a strong sense of business ethics and social responsibility.

As an entrepreneur Saroj Khemka started her first business venture at Guwahati in 1988 with GEMS, an ice-cream parlour that became a highly popular fast-food joint. She then started trading in the Muga and Eri silk products, trading directly with buyers in Japan, USA, France, Hong Kong, Italy etc.

Focused on empowering rural women, Saroj put up a unit for reeling Muga and spinning Eri yarn in a village in Assam, to train local women so they could earn a better livelihood. She also helped them get Spinning and Reeling Machine under Government Subsidy Schemes, enabling them to become self-styled entrepreneurs.

In 2001, her bold initiative to make a prototype of the Central Silk Board's Silk Machine got her a patent to manufacture the same and presently she is one of two manufacturers of the machines in the North-East. Later she also set up a unit for the manufacture of external tiles and road pavers.

In her latest venture 'Vanya Global', Saroj Khemka is creating eco-friendly and handcrafted water hyacinth products. By using the root, stems, and pulp of the water hyacinth, Vanya Global manufactures baskets, bags, trays, placemats, and more. This not only helps in saving water bodies but also provides employment opportunities to local communities, contributing to both the environment and the economy. The company's products are now sold throughout India, and they are actively pursuing opportunities in the European, American, and Southeast Asian markets.

Saroj Khemka is also actively involved in various social organizations. She is a founder member of FLO North East Chapter, and was appointed as the Chairperson in 2010 and was reappointed for a second consecutive term for 2011 to 2012. She has received many awards including the FICCI FLO North East Achievers Award of Excellence for outstanding contribution in the field of Serial Entrepreneurship.



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Shoba Jolly is a highly accomplished photographer and passionate traveller who has made a name for herself in the field of photography. With a keen eye for capturing poignant moments, Shoba's work showcases the beauty and diversity of people and places around the world.

After completing her commerce studies at Lady Shri Ram College in New Delhi, Shoba ventured into the business world and successfully ran a plastic manufacturing industry for 22 years. However, her true passion for photography eventually led her to pursue a career in this creative field. Today, she focuses on various genres of photography including portrait, travel, landscape, street, and fine art.

Shoba's aims to create thought-provoking photographs that shed light on global issues and encourage introspection. To achieve this, she travels extensively to interesting locations, immersing herself in different cultures and capturing the essence of each place through her lens. She then shares her travel experiences by writing articles accompanied by captivating photographs for various travel publications.

In addition to her written work, Shoba has also showcased her photography in several successful exhibitions at renowned galleries. Notably, she participated in the India Art Fair in 2017, where her work received widespread acclaim. Her exhibitions have been covered by esteemed newspapers such as the Hindu, the Hindustan Times, and Deccan Herald, further solidifying her reputation as a talented and respected photographer.

Shoba's expertise in capturing the essence of life on the streets is particularly noteworthy. Her photographs reveal the hidden stories and emotions of everyday people, showcasing her unique ability to capture the human experience in a compelling and artistic manner.

Shobha's contributions to the field of photography have also inspired others to explore and appreciate the world through the lens of a camera.

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Sunitee Abbi is a prominent figure in the social service sector, known for her dedication to improving the lives of the less privileged and differently abled members of society. With a strong background in both government and business, she brings a unique perspective to her role as Chairman of the Delhi Commonwealth Women's Association (DCWA), a well-known charitable NGO.

Born into a family with a strong government background, Sunitee Abbi was exposed to public service from an early age. Her father, a senior government official in India during the 70s and 80s, instilled in her a sense of responsibility towards society. This upbringing, combined with her marriage into a Delhi-based business family involved in construction, real estate, and hospitality, shaped her passion for making a positive impact on the lives of others.

As Chairman of the DCWA, Sunitee Abbi leads the organization in its mission to provide medical care, education, skill development, counseling, and financial aid to those in need. Prior to her current role, she served as Secretary of the DCWA for 10 years, during which she organized various fundraising events in collaboration with the diplomatic community in Delhi. Her commitment to the cause has been instrumental in raising awareness and garnering support for the organization's initiatives.

Sunitee Abbi has been a member of the Governing Board FLO for the past 9 years. She has served on several committees, organizing social and cultural events that promote the aims and objectives of FLO. Her efforts have not only expanded the organization's reach but also attracted new members who share her passion for empowering women.

Sunitee Abbi's notable achievements include spearheading impactful projects, organizing successful fundraising events, and advocating for the rights and well-being of the less privileged. Through her tireless efforts, Sunitee Abbi continues to make a significant contribution to her field, leaving a lasting impact on the lives of those she serves.

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Uma Devi Chigurupati is an accomplished businesswoman and philanthropist, currently serving as the Executive Director of Granules India Limited. Her professional journey began in 1984 when she co-founded Triton Laboratories, which later transformed into Granules India Limited. With her extensive experience and expertise, she has played a pivotal role in the growth and success of the company.

Chigurupati is also a promoter and director of Krsma Wineries. Her passion for the wine industry has led her to contribute significantly to the development and expansion of the winery.

As the Past Chair of FLO Hyderabad, Chigurupati spearheaded numerous projects aimed at empowering women from diverse backgrounds. Her efforts benefited grassroots women, weavers, and white-collar professionals, providing them with opportunities for growth and development.

Furthermore, Chigurupati has served as the Past Chairperson of the Hyderabad 10K Foundation. As a sports enthusiast and a two-time Guinness World Record holder for completing marathons on all continents, including the North Pole and Antarctica, she has been instrumental in raising health awareness among the citizens of Hyderabad.

Chigurupati's leadership extends beyond her professional endeavors. She has also served as the Past President of Ikebana International Hyderabad Chapter, showcasing her passion for art and culture.

One of Chigurupati's notable contributions is her dedication to corporate social responsibility. She is a champion of skill development, particularly for rural and semi-urban youth. Through the Pharma Pathasala program, initiated by the Swarna Bharat Trust, she empowers underprivileged youngsters who have completed their intermediate studies in the pharmaceutical industry. This program offers vocational training and career opportunities, enabling them to build a better future.





### **USHARANI MANNE**

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Usha Rani Mane is an accomplished Electronics Engineer and MBA (Executive) from OUBS, UK. She is the founder of Polmon Instruments Ltd., a renowned company that specializes in providing indigenous Measuring & Control Instrumentation and Automation solutions to the Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences sectors.

With her expertise in Finance, HR, and Administration, Usha plays a crucial role in defining systems and policies for the company. She also focuses on facilitating industry-academia linkages and ensuring the welfare of the staff. Usha is responsible for devising culture-building activities and achieving the company's CSR goals. Additionally, she handles infrastructure development and management to support the company's expansion plans.

Usha was appointed as the 20th Chairperson of FLO Hyderabad. During her tenure in 2020-21, she successfully organized the FIWA Awards, which honored 14 women leaders from diverse backgrounds. Usha also served as the Convenor for FLO StyleTatva, a highly successful fashion and lifestyle exhibition that featured over 200 stalls. The event generated an impressive turnover of approximately INR 5 Crores for the participants and contributed around INR 1.3 Crores to the Hyderabad Chapter of FLO.

Usha launched 'Tirumani', a brand that supports the Cherial artists of Telangana. She also collaborated with prestigious institutions like IIMR and IIT for incubation programs under the Government of India's DDU-GKY program.

Usha has been recognized with several prestigious awards throughout her career. She received the WCIC Prathibabhisheka Women Entrepreneur Award in 2022 from SAARC. In 2020, she was honored with the International Women Entrepreneurial Challenge (IWEC) Award. The Government of Telangana also acknowledged her entrepreneurial achievements by presenting her with the 'Woman Achiever Award 2020'. Usha's contributions to the industry were further recognized with the Vanitha Ratna Award in 2019 by the Indyywood Billionaires Club. In 2008, she received the Outstanding Woman Entrepreneur Award from FAPCCI.

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Ami Yogesh Sampat has over 12 years of experience in the banking industry. Currently, she serves as the director and head of the fixed income practice at Lighthouse Canton, a prominent asset and wealth management firm based in Singapore. Lighthouse Canton is renowned for its expertise in providing multi-global family office solutions.

In her role, Ami is responsible for overseeing the India practice for fixed income. She possesses a diverse skill set and has excelled in various functions, including origination, issuer on-boarding, investor identification, deal structuring, and closure. Her extensive knowledge and experience in these areas have made her a valuable asset to the company.

Ami is particularly known for her expertise in developing new business opportunities within the fixed income investment ecosystem. She has a remarkable ability to identify and capitalize on emerging trends and market opportunities. Her strategic approach has helped Lighthouse Canton expand its client base and strengthen relationships with existing institutional clients in the debt capital markets.

Outside of her professional commitments, Ami has actively contributed to the FICCI FLO Mumbai team. She has been involved in various initiatives and projects aimed at empowering women in business and promoting gender equality. Currently, she is a part of the national vertical team for partnerships, collaborations, and associations, further showcasing her dedication to making a positive impact in her industry.

Throughout her career, Ami has achieved numerous milestones and received recognition for her outstanding contributions. Her leadership skills and ability to drive results have earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and peers. She is highly regarded for her professionalism, integrity, and commitment to excellence.

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Radha Rani is the Executive Director of Linkwell Telesystems Pvt Ltd, a product development company in the fields of Telecom, Power, and Retail Sectors. With a background in M.Sc. and B.Ed, specializing in Psychology & Audio Visuals, she co-promoted Linkwell Telesystems after an initial stint with ICFAI.

As the Executive Director, Radha Rani is responsible for driving the overall strategy of the organization, with a strong emphasis on Human Resources Management. She firmly believes that the success of any company lies in its people. She has been instrumental in establishing effective HR systems and building an efficient workforce. Under her leadership, Linkwell Telesystems achieved the milestone of CMMI level-3 compliance in a short period of time and successfully implemented Oracle ERP across the organization.

Linkwell Telesystems is a DSIR recognized R&D unit for electronics product development. Their products are marketed under the brand name VISIONTEK, which is a registered trademark. The product range includes Energy Meters, Handheld transactional terminals, Automatic Meter Reading Systems, Intelligent Modems, and Vehicle tracking Units. They also offer software products such as Electronic Voucher Distribution for more than 100 services across African and Middle East countries, along with India.

With a history of 30 years, Linkwell Telesystems caters to various customer segments including Energy and Power, Financial (both Banking and non-banking), Hospitality, and Taxation. The company's core strength lies in its strong and committed engineers and support staff across various departments of Research & Development, as well as its five manufacturing units for electronics, plastic injection molding, and metal fabrication.

Outside of her role at Linkwell Telesystems, Radha Rani is an active member of FLO-Hyderabad chapter. She encourages women to not fear experiments and to embrace mistakes as learning opportunities.



## **ARCHNA JAIN**

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Archana Jain's professional background is marked by her successful business ventures and her dedication to philanthropy. She has held prominent positions in various esteemed societies and trusts within the Uttarakhand region, showcasing her expertise and leadership skills.

As the president of the Akums Health and Education Society in Haridwar, Uttarakhand, Archana Jain has played a pivotal role in the organization's success. Under her guidance, the society has made significant contributions to the healthcare and education sectors, benefiting numerous individuals in the region.

Archana Jain serves as an advisor to the Jagriti Foundation Trust, which focuses on empowering underprivileged individuals, particularly in the areas of education and skill development.

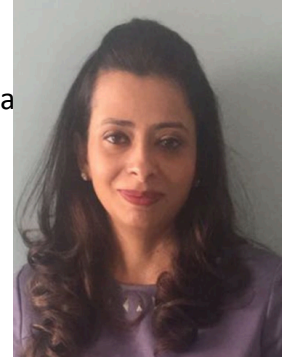
One of Archana Jain's notable achievements is her trusteeship at Matraanchal Vidya Peeth. This institution is renowned for its dedication to the welfare of girl children, with a particular emphasis on orphaned girls' education and marriage. Through her involvement, Archana Jain has made a significant impact on the lives of these girls, providing them with opportunities for a better future.

Archana Jain has spearheaded the establishment of a 250-bedded corona care center in Haridwar during the second wave of the Covid pandemic. This initiative provided critical assistance to over 2500 patients, showcasing her ability to take swift action in times of crisis.

Furthermore, Archana Jain has demonstrated her commitment to environmental stewardship by planting over 5000 trees in the Haridwar region over the past decade. Her efforts have contributed to the preservation of the environment and the promotion of sustainable practices.

Archana Jain is known for her compassionate spirit and dedication to aiding the underprivileged segments of society. Through her initiatives, such as conducting free medical check-ups and distributing medicines in rural Aangadwadis, she has made a

significant impact on the well-being and development of children and women.



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Arti Hora is a distinguished entrepreneur and business leader who graduated with a BA from Osmania University. With her keen interest in entrepreneurship she headed the hardware industry and she embarked on a path that would see her become a significant figure in the sector.

Currently serving as the Founder and Director of M/s Sheel Hardware, M/s Lock & Decor, and Lock & Decor Home, Arti Hora has played a pivotal role in shaping these ventures into successful enterprises. Her leadership has been instrumental in establishing two prominent showrooms at Banjara Hills & Siddiamber Bazaar dedicated to hardware products, reflecting her strategic vision and entrepreneurial acumen.

She has also been instrumental with creating the network of the renowned architects and designers to expand her businesses and give its customers quality service.

Under Arti Hora's guidance, Sheel Hardware has become renowned for its comprehensive range of hardware solutions, catering to diverse customer needs. The expansion into Lock & Decor Home further underscores her ability to identify and capitalize on market opportunities, providing a holistic approach to home improvement and decor.

Arti Hora's journey exemplifies dedication and innovation in the business realm, where she continues to drive growth and excellence in the hardware industry. Her achievements stand as a testament to her commitment to quality, customer satisfaction, and business integrity. Personally, she enjoys traveling, music and reading.

**BELA NAWKA**

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Bela Nawka is a founder member of the Flo Northeast Chapter. Born into the esteemed Bawri Family of Shillong, Bela comes from a background of service and dedication. Her father, Late Jwala Prasad Bawri, was a Charter Member of Lions Club Of Dimapur, while her mother, Late Swadesh Bawri, was known for her religious devotion.

Bela has a B.Sc. in Zoology Honours from Lady Keane Girl's College, Shillong. She joined Tupperware India and served as a Manager for 14 years before becoming a consultant. Bela played a crucial role in empowering women and teaching them self-dependence. She earned recognition as a Certified Kitchen Expert in Tupperware and received numerous accolades, including the prestigious Tupper-RAtna Emerald Award in 2009.

Bela has played a pivotal role in establishing the Lady's Branch of Marwari Yuva Manch in Guwahati, known as 'Marwari Yuva Manch Kamakhya Shakha', and served as its President in 2003-2004. Bela received recognition as the Best President and won the Best Project of The Year Award from the Purvottar Pradeshiya Marwari Yuva Manch.

Bela is actively involved in Marwari Hospitals as a co-opted Working Committee Member and a Scientific Member of the Ethics Committee. She has served as the Zonal Secretary and Zonal Vice-President of the Heart Care Society of Assam, as well as the Joint Secretary and Treasurer of the Heart Care Society of Assam Guwahati Chapter. Currently, she holds the position of Treasurer in the North Eastern Health Association (NEHA).

During the Covid-19 pandemic Bela established an NGO 'Swapnil Bharat', providing free services to the underprivileged, successfully vaccinating thousands of people without documents. She founded 'Nawka's Free Oxygen Seva' and also played a crucial role in plasma donation efforts. Her exceptional service earned her recognition from her FLO home chapter, and she was honored by His Excellency, The Governor Of Assam, Professor Jagdish Mukhi. Bela has received over 200 awards and certificates from various reputed organizations.

Apart from her professional and social endeavors, Bela has explored various cultures and traveled to several countries. In her leisure time, Bela indulges in writing shero-shayries, singing, and religious hymns (bhajans).



### **Dr ARCHANA DIWAN**

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Dr. Archana Diwan excels in both the fields of dentistry and cake artistry. With a passion for medicine, she embarked on her career as a dental surgeon and implantologist immediately after graduating in 1999. Alongside her dentist husband, she established a private dental practice, providing quality dental treatment to patients.

Dr. Archana is actively involved in conducting dental screening camps in schools and foundations for the underprivileged in Bangalore. She believes in making dental care accessible to all and offers affordable rates for those who cannot afford it at her clinic.

Dr. Archana is known for her strong business acumen and her unwavering commitment to her profession. In 2019, she was honored with the 'Most Promising Woman in Healthcare Leadership for Quality Dental Services in Bangalore' at the India Leadership Awards. She was also recognized with the prestigious 'Rashtriya Chikithsa Samman Puraskar' in the same year and received the 'Covid Warrior' recognition in 2021 from the National Achievers Recognition Forum.

In the field of cake artistry, Dr. Archana has achieved remarkable success and has been recognized both nationally and internationally. She holds records in the Limca Book and Guinness World Records for her exceptional cake artistry skills. Her work has been featured in various print and online platforms, showcasing her talent and creativity.

Expanding her healthcare services globally, Dr. Archana has ventured into 'Dental Tourism', offering bespoke treatment experiences for international clients. Her vision is to provide top-notch dental care to individuals from around the world, combining her expertise in dentistry with her passion for creating unique and delightful cake designs.

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Karuna Jain is a renowned Artist and visionary Director of CanVerse Art LLP. As the promoter of this start-up, Jain is focused on establishing global business relations with art gallery owners, auction houses, and dealers of paintings, sculptures, and art works in Europe and the USA. She is known for her unique blend of abstract and contemporary acrylic art forms, which she incorporates into her paintings. In addition to acrylic paintings, Jain is skilled in pencil sketches, soft pastels, and various folk-art forms such as Tanjore, Madhubani, and Warli.

Karuna Jain's unwavering vision is to promote the rich art and culture of India while advocating for inclusivity and empowerment within the artistic realm. She tirelessly works to provide a platform for underprivileged individuals to learn, grow, and showcase their talent, thereby fostering a more equitable and vibrant artistic ecosystem.

Karuna has showcased her unique creations at the International Jaipur Art Festival and has exhibited her works at prominent venues nationwide, including CCRT, IHC, CSOI, and KG Marg in New Delhi. Her works serve as a reflection of her keen observations of people and their daily lives, offering a poignant glimpse into the society of this era.

Throughout her artistic journey, Karuna Jain has expressed the rich tapestry of Indian artistry, serving as a mirror to the society relevant to current times. Her works hold archival value and encapsulate the essence of ordinary lives through vivid representation of spirits. Her captivating paintings, intricate and thought-provoking, with bold canvas strokes, are meticulously designed to touch human hearts through their rich cultural narratives.

In addition to her artistic pursuits, Jain actively supports several well-known NGOs, focusing on advocating girl child education, supporting the hearing-impaired community, and promoting blood donation. Her commitment to service is further exemplified by her status as a Paul Harris Fellow with Rotary International.



**MADHULIKA CHOKSI**

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Madhulika Choksi is an active philanthropist associated with the Choksi Charity Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to various social causes. Through this foundation, Madhulika has been instrumental in spearheading numerous impactful projects across India, with a strong focus on Maharashtra and Jabalpur.

In Maharashtra, the Choksi Charity Foundation has established and maintained old age homes, providing care and support to the elderly. The foundation also emphasizes the importance of education, offering scholarships to art students to foster creativity and support their academic endeavors. These initiatives have significantly contributed to the well-being and development of many individuals in the region.

In Jabalpur, Madhulika has played a key role in the Little Star Foundation, which provides housing and vocational training to abandoned children. This initiative aims to offer a safe and nurturing environment for these children, equipping them with essential skills for a brighter future. The foundation's efforts in Jabalpur have been transformative, giving many children the opportunity to rebuild their lives with hope and dignity.

Additionally, the Choksi Charity Foundation has supported several national causes, including contributions to the welfare of the Indian Army and the Prime Minister's Fund. These contributions reflect Madhulika's commitment to supporting national causes and addressing urgent needs across the country.

Madhulika Choksi has also contributed to many projects through this Foundation.



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Manashree Prakash has a master's degree in Journalism and Mass Communication from Delhi and a B Ed from Guwahati University, and over 15 years of experience working in newspapers and travel magazines. Throughout her career, she has lived in various cities including New Delhi, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Mumbai, and Singapore.

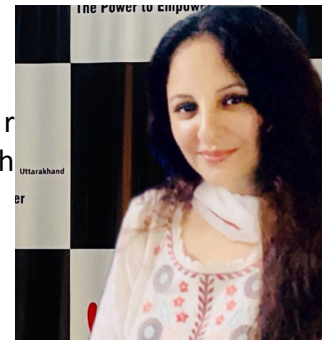
Manashree founded and managed her own luxury travel website and monthly e-magazine, World Luxury Tourism dot Com. This venture has been successfully running for over 14 years, and she personally travels to different destinations worldwide to provide first-hand experiences and insights on various tourism-related services, including airlines, railways, and waterways. To date, she has visited 34 countries across three continents.

Manashree has lived in ashrams in Rishikesh and Goa and completed Yoga Alliance Certified courses on yoga, holistic healing and meditation techniques. She has received certification from Yoga Alliance USA, enabling her to teach yoga anywhere in the world.

In 2020, Manashree established her own yoga studio, the Himalayan Yoga and Meditation Centre, at Guwahati. She also initiated the Little Stars Preschool in Narengi, Guwahati. In 2021, she launched the Himalayan Yoga & Meditation Retreat, a holistic retreat nestled in the serene surroundings of Sonapur, Assam.

Beyond her professional endeavors, Prakash actively engages with non-profit social and health development organizations. She serves as a Media Coordinator for FLO Northeast Chapter and is the Assistant General Secretary at the Heart Care Society of Assam, Guwahati Chapter.

During her leisure time, Prakash indulges in her passions for travel, r gardening. She regularly shares her insights and experiences th [www.manashree.com](http://www.manashree.com) and her website, [www.worldluxurytourism.com](http://www.worldluxurytourism.com).



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Mansi Virmani has a strong background in the health and pharmaceutical industry spanning over 20 years. Currently serving as the CEO and Director at Zaneke Healthcare and Co-founder of Farmahub - Pharmaceuticals Marketing and Manufacturing, she has played a pivotal role in driving these organizations to the forefront of healthcare advancements. Additionally, she is the founder and director of her latest venture, FHO Pharmaceuticals, which is dedicated to improving healthcare quality.

Mansi has also taken on various leadership roles, including her position as the ex-secretary of Ficci Flo, where she demonstrated her commitment to women's entrepreneurship.

Beyond her professional achievements, Virmani is deeply committed to social responsibility. She has invested in numerous programs addressing health, women's issues, and mental welfare, showcasing her dedication to making a positive impact on society. In 2018, she founded Petfarm Global, a venture focused on the welfare and healthcare of pets, highlighting her multifaceted approach to societal well-being.

Mansi Virmani's visionary approach sets her apart as a leader who seamlessly combines business acumen with a genuine commitment to the betterment of society. Her contributions to the health and pharmaceutical industry, as well as her dedication to so



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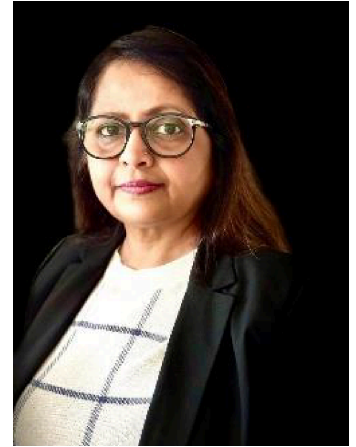
Sangeetha Peter is a highly experienced Hostess known for her ability to curate unforgettable experiences. With over a decade of experience in the industry, she has had the privilege of hosting numerous luminaries and collaborating with esteemed designers. Among them are Zoya by Tata & L Bajrang Pershad, Hyderabad, and designers such as Gaurang Shah, Mrunalini Rao, and Raghavendra Rathore.

Sangeetha's keen eye for detail and dedication to excellence ensure that every event she hosts is nothing short of spectacular. Her ability to create a seamless and immersive experience for guests sets her apart from others in the field. Whether it's a high-corporate event or an intimate gathering, Sangeetha's professionalism and attention to detail shine through.

Sangeetha also has a deep appreciation for luxury watches. She has a penchant for timeless classics like Breguet and Frank Muller, recognizing the craftsmanship and elegance that each timepiece embodies. This passion for luxury watches adds a unique touch to her personal style and further showcases her refined taste.

Sangeetha is a Member of FLO Coimbatore chapter and is well connected. Whether orchestrating a high-profile event or indulging in her love for luxury watches, one thing remains constant - her commitment to delivering excellence in everything she does.





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Mona Parekh is a Chennai-born entrepreneur. After completing her Master's degree in Literature from Nagarjuna University in Andhra Pradesh, Mona followed her passion for travel and founded Travel House in 2017.

Initially, Travel House focused on providing customized holiday packages and leisure travel services for both corporate and individual clients. Mona's expertise in curating itineraries based on specific needs allowed her to design unique historical and cultural tour packages in India and around the world. Today, Travel House boasts a proud clientele of over 1000 satisfied customers.

Recognizing the growing demand for medical tourism and the challenges faced by individuals seeking medical treatment during the Covid-19 pandemic, Mona expanded Travel House's services to include a new vertical: Medical Tourism and Health and Wellness. Leveraging Chennai's reputation as the Medical Hub of India, Mona aimed to make it easier for people to access healthcare services by providing a one-stop solution for medical assistance.

Mona has established partnerships with renowned multi-speciality hospitals such as Apollo Proton Cancer, MGM, Fortis, and Shankara Nethralaya. She also collaborates with Ayurveda wellness and therapeutic centers across India. Through Travel House, Mona offers a comprehensive range of services, including reviewing medical reports, managing travel requirements during medical procedures, arranging accommodation, providing multi-lingual interpreters, and ensuring regular follow-ups after treatments.

Mona's expertise lies in various medical fields, including cancer, neurology, infertility, diabetes, dentistry, mental and emotional health. She also emphasizes the importance of alternative therapies, such as therapeutic yoga and homeopathy, in promoting overall



well-being. Mona's ultimate goal is to raise awareness about healthy lifestyles and living, encouraging individuals to prioritize their health and well-being.

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Nalini Sharma is a Delhi-based entrepreneur and fashion designer. Born into a prominent political family, Sharma displayed her creativity from a young age and gained recognition as a child ambassador from India. She traveled extensively, promoting Indian heritage through her Bharatanatyam dance recitals and has had the privilege of performing alongside renowned artists such as Ravi Shankar, Allah Rakha, and Bhim Sen Joshi.

After her marriage, Nalini focused her energy on creating innovative sarees and salwar kameez suits. She pioneered the concept of designer exhibitions and ready-to-wear Indian clothing. In the early 1970s, she started with a small unit in her house, and today her business employs over 450 individuals who specialize in designing, dyeing, printing, embroidery, and fabrication. Sharma has developed more than 2600 fabric designs and restored numerous Indian and French designs, incorporating them into her garments. She consistently produces an average of four new fabric designs per week, ensuring her clothes always have a fresh look while maintaining their individuality. Under Sharma's guidance, the company has expanded into international markets and currently exports to over 19 countries worldwide.

Nalini is a devoted mother of three and a proud grandmother of four. She maintains a disciplined routine, practicing her dance in the mornings before heading to work.

Looking ahead, Sharma has ambitious plans for the next 3-5 years. She aims to open new outlets in India and abroad, introduce innovative designs suitable for all age groups, and expand her product range to include fabric for curtains, bed sheets, and men's clothing. Additionally, she intends to promote exports and showcase the talents of Indian artisans to the world. By exporting and spreading Indian culture and arts globally, Sharma hopes to shed light on the exceptional skills of Indian artisans who have remained relatively unknown. Her vision is to make her country proud and elevate the status of Indian artisans on the international stage.



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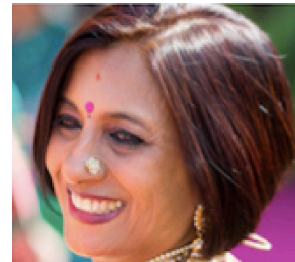
Neena Patel has established herself as a qualified Chartered Accountant since 1992.. Currently serving as the Director of Finance & Business Development at Interplex India Pvt Ltd, a family-owned company established in 1989, Neena has played a crucial role in the company's success.

Interplex India Pvt Ltd specializes in the manufacture of eco-friendly polymer products, including plant-based acetate for eyewear and 100% recyclable packaging plastics that promote the concept of a circular economy. Neena's expertise lies not only in the traditional areas of the CA profession but also in strategic planning, finance, and business development. She has made significant contributions to sales promotion, marketing, and the HR portfolio at Interplex.

Born to a father who worked in the banking industry in Amritsar, Neena had the opportunity to grow up in various cities, including Seoul, the capital of South Korea. However, she eventually settled in Baroda for her CA education. Mumbai is now her home after marriage.

Neena is an active member of various professional platforms, including the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, the Federation of Gujarat Industries (FGI), and the Confederation Indian Industry. Through these memberships, she gains valuable insights from policy makers, thought leaders, and entrepreneurs, while also exploring opportunities for promoting Interplex products.

In 2023, Neena participated in a FICCI FLO delegation to the UAE, where she successfully forged alliances and partnerships within and beyond FLO. Her extensive travels have broadened her horizons and fueled her interests in art, history, philosophy, and holistic healing practices.

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Neera Agarwal is the promoter of Gati Ltd, India's leading Express Distribution and Supply Chain Company. With her leadership, Gati has become a powerhouse in the industry, currently delivering an impressive 6.5 million packages every month. The company's extensive network covers 99% of India's districts and is serviced by road, rail, and air, ensuring efficient and reliable delivery services.

In addition to its domestic operations, Gati also offers international freight forwarding services, facilitating express distribution from other countries into India. The company has also ventured into the fast-growing Cold Chain solutions vertical, catering to the increasing demand for temperature-controlled logistics.

Neera is a passionate art enthusiast and collector. Her collection boasts works from both renowned and upcoming artists, showcasing her appreciation for diverse artistic expressions. She actively promotes art and is involved in initiatives aimed at reviving Indian weaves and embroidery, preserving and promoting the rich cultural heritage of the country.

Neera's expertise in the logistics industry and her commitment to promoting art and cultural heritage have earned her recognition and respect. Her leadership has propelled Gati to the forefront of the industry, establishing it as a trusted and reliable partner for businesses and individuals alike. Under her guidance, Gati has consistently delivered exceptional services, meeting the evolving needs of its customers.



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Padmavathi Galla, born in Chennai, is a distinguished industrialist and film producer. She is the daughter of renowned actor Krishna Ghattamaneni and Indira Devi. With a Bachelor of Arts degree from Ethiraj College of Women, Chennai, Padmavathi has had an illustrious career spanning three decades.

Currently, Padmavathi holds the position of Managing Director at Amara Raja Media & Entertainment Pvt Ltd, where she actively focuses on creating engaging content in the Media & Entertainment Industry. She has also served as the Director of her family-run businesses, Amara Raja Infra Pvt Ltd and Mangal Industries Ltd. In the past, she held the position of Managing Director at Mangal Industries Ltd. Throughout her career, Padmavathi has showcased her exceptional leadership skills and the ability to motivate teams from diverse business backgrounds.

Padmavathi has a keen interest in the film industry. She has successfully produced films in the Telugu film domain, further showcasing her versatility and passion for the arts.

Padmavathi is deeply committed to social work. She has made significant contributions to various developmental initiatives in Chittoor and Tirupati districts of Andhra Pradesh. Her philanthropic efforts have positively impacted the lives of many individuals and communities.

Overall, Padmavathi Galla's multifaceted career as an industrialist, film producer, director, politician, and philanthropist highlights her remarkable achievements and contributions to various spheres.

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Padma Mittal has over 16 years of experience in the corporate finance sector. As a Chartered Accountant, she has made significant contributions to the industry and has been recognized for her expertise and leadership.

Currently, Padma holds a pivotal role in a leading multinational company in the FMCG sector. She is responsible for overseeing global process controls and monitoring, ensuring the company's financial operations are efficient and compliant. Her diverse finance background includes experience in sales, insurance, treasury, audit, compliance, supply chain, and digital transformation. This wide range of expertise has allowed her to provide valuable insights and strategic guidance to her organization.

In addition to her corporate role, Padma is an active member of FLO Bangalore Chapter. She is part of the Business Finance Vertical Committee, where she contributes her knowledge and expertise to support the growth and development of women entrepreneurs in the region.

Padma has received multiple awards for her contributions to the finance industry and has won company-wide competitions such as the Accounting and Controls Olympiad. These accolades highlight her exceptional skills and dedication to her profession.

Outside of work, Padma enjoys various hobbies and interests. She is an avid reader and enjoys swimming and exploring new places. She also values connecting with people and engaging in meaningful conversations.



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Interest: Events, weddings

Priyanka Ganeriwal Arora has an MBA education and HR consulting training. She began her professional journey at Deloitte Consulting, where she played multiple roles, including team lead, trainer, and HR manager. She was one of the first five employees who contributed to establishing the firm's strong presence in Hyderabad.

In 2002, Priyanka followed her creative instincts and founded Weddings N More, a wedding planning and event styling firm. Recognizing the struggle people faced in organizing memorable weddings, she aimed to provide exceptional services to make these occasions truly special. Weddings N More quickly became a pioneer in the wedding planning industry, successfully organizing around 300 weddings, special occasions, and corporate events. Priyanka had the opportunity to plan weddings for renowned celebrities like Saina Nehwal.

Priyanka expanded her portfolio by launching Ssutrra Solutions LLP in 2021. This sourcing and supplying company offers a range of diverse B2B solutions, catering to the needs of both companies and individual business organizations. She also became involved in the product development team at Kagzi Bottles Private Limited, India's first paper bottle company, which aims to provide innovative and eco-friendly packaging solutions.

Recognizing the demand for party props, Priyanka established Party Hunterz in Hyderabad and later launched Party Monsterz, which opened two stores across the city. After achieving significant valuation, the company was sold in 2015. In 2017, she launched Printgram, a platform that offers personalized creative gifting and printing services.

Priyanka also holds the position of Director at Samarth Impex, a renowned manufacturer and exporter of ceiling fans from India. She served as the Chairperson of FLO Hyderabad,

from 2018 to 2019, when she successfully organized over 25 programs and various new initiatives, including interactions with prominent speakers and in Vizag focused on health and business development. With a strong belief in growth and learning, Priyankka looks forward to exploring new avenues and knowledge in the years to come.



### **POOJA RAISURANA**

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Pooja Raisurana has a passion for aesthetics and a keen eye for detail and has established herself as a tastemaker in the industry of luxury lifestyle consulting. With a diverse range of expertise in luxury interior projects, fine upholstery and textiles, art, design, and brands, Pooja is known for her ability to bring bold and creative ideas to life.

In the advertising and design sector, Pooja's talent was recognized at a young age when she received the Outstanding Young Personality Award in 2000. She has worked on leading advertisements at Ambience and went on to establish her own advertising firm, 'Promote Workshop', in Jaipur. Pooja has an impressive track record of rebranding over 70 companies across various sectors.

Pooja's passion for textiles led her to successfully manage a design workshop for over a decade. She has undertaken numerous projects that promote local craftsmen and weavers, with a particular focus on supporting destitute women. For six consecutive years, Pooja has been instrumental in promoting the weavers from Maheshwar, specifically supporting 600 women through the organization REHWA.

In the field of jewelry, Pooja has worked closely with the International Color Gemstone Association. She has created a signature jewelry collection that revives old jewelry making techniques from the 11th century, showcasing her commitment to preserving traditional craftsmanship.

Pooja's expertise also extends to interior design, where she has been actively involved in executing luxury interior projects for the past fifteen years. She has worked on a wide range of residential and commercial projects, with a particular focus on art decor. Pooja has

collaborated with renowned furniture brand The Great Eastern Home and is a partner at Talati and Partners, further establishing her leadership role in the industry.

With two decades of experience under her belt, Pooja Raisurana continues to seek new challenges and opportunities to further her creative journey.

### **RONITA MODI**

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Ronita Modi is an experienced academic professional with over two decades of experience in guiding and training children and young adults in English and Reasoning. Her primary focus is preparing students for entrance examinations to boarding schools in India and abroad.

Ronita holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and a master's degree in International Relations from Jadavpur University in Kolkata. After completing her studies, she began her career as a copywriter at HTA in Kolkata. However, after getting married in Kanpur, she discovered her true passion for training children and decided to pursue it full-time.

In addition to preparing students for entrance exams, Ronita also provides training for standardized tests such as SAT, TOEFL, and IELTS. She also offers essay editing services to help students with their applications to US colleges. Her expertise and dedication have made her a sought-after mentor for students ranging from 6 to 18 years old.

Outside of her professional life, Ronita is a true-blue aesthete with a wide range of interests. She has a keen interest in fields such as décor, travel, fashion, photography, art, writing, and food. Her diverse range of interests reflects her creative and well-rounded personality.

Throughout her career, Ronita has achieved significant milestones and made notable contributions to her field. Her expertise in guiding students for entrance exams and standardized tests has helped numerous students achieve their academic goals. Her dedication and passion for education have earned her recognition as a leader in her industry.



## **SAKSHI MITHAL**

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Sakshi Mithal is the Vertical Head for Personal Financial Literacy at FICCI Ladies Organisation, Bangalore Chapter for the year 2024-25.

Sakshi is a dynamic and business-savvy start-up entrepreneur with wide ranging experience (16 years plus) across sectors, food and beverage, equities, discretionary portfolios, competitive research and strategy, and financial analysis. She graduated from Hindu College, Delhi University with an Honors in Economics and earned her MBA with a major in Investments from University of Georgia in USA. Alongside, she has also cleared two levels of CFA (USA). She was a part of Cohort 8 of IIMB- NSRCEL.

While she started her career in experience in leading investment firms like Morgan Stanley, Birla Sunlife and Prudential ICICI, she now invests her time in Building a Frozen Food Category for B2B (TKC Foods) and Creating Luxury Dining Experiences (Odyssey Caterings). She believes there is immense potential in the Frozen RTE and RTC Segment. TKC Foods started out by delivering its frozen products in bulk to residential communities in Bengaluru. Currently, TKC provides frozen meals to cafes, chain restaurants, quick service restaurants, cloud kitchens, and freestanding restaurants.

With Odyssey Caterings, her quest is to turn felicitations into show-stopping gourmet experiences. Her company is renowned for extensive and exclusive tailor-made menus for Founders, CXO level professionals, Entrepreneurs, Chef tables, Birthday and Store Launches. Her companies have been covered by several leading journals.



She loves to keep herself fit through yoga and running, and following creative pursuits like gardening and writing. She has a passion for her professional life and in her free time she listens to audio books and pods of entrepreneurs and business leaders. Driving helps her unwind. Her company donates a part of their earnings to special kids and she has been instrumental in collecting funds for organizations that help special kids.

**SEEMA KOTHARI**

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Seema Kothari is currently serving as the Director of M/s Jupiter Metals Private Limited, a subsidiary of the renowned Om Infra Limited (Formerly Known as Om Metals Infraprojects Limited) group, where she is also a Promoter. The group is a giant conglomerate known for its various business activities, including turnkey execution of Hydro Mechanical contracts for Hydro Power and Irrigation projects, Real Estate development, and Roads and Highways. Seema Kothari's contributions to Jupiter Metals Pvt. Ltd. have been instrumental in its growth and expansion. Through strategic acquisitions and joint ventures, the company has established its presence in varied structural steel design and fabrication works, including bridges, large building constructions, and heavy engineering works.

With her legal expertise, Seema Kothari plays a crucial role in ensuring the company's compliance with legal matters and forming successful liaisons with agencies. Her exceptional skills in marketing through liaising have helped the company create a niche in the industry. Additionally, she is involved in the education sector, overseeing an AICTE recognized and RTU affiliated MBA institute called Om Kothari Institute of Management & Research. The institute has been producing skilled professionals and offering technical assistance through consultancy, projects, and management development programs since its establishment in 1995. Seema aims to affiliate the institute with foreign universities to provide exchange programs for the benefit of the students.

Seema Kothari is currently involved in establishing a collaboration with German companies to provide day care services for children. Her expertise in handling legal matters ensures the smooth execution of joint ventures and other legal aspects.

Seema is actively involved in contributing to society through charitable and educational initiatives. She has organized numerous fundraising ventures for NGOs such as NDTV's Hope Trust, Mobile Creche, Rotary Vidya Kendra, and more. She is an active member of various organizations, including the Member, Governing Body FLO, and Indo-American Chambers IACC, TIE, and PHD Chambers.

### **SHEETAL DESAI**

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Sheetal Desai's journey in the fragrance industry began at a young age, as she grew up in a family deeply involved in the essential oils business. This early exposure ignited her passion for fragrances and set the foundation for her successful career. Sheetal's unique approach to fragrance creation is rooted in a holistic discipline, incorporating all senses and creative elements such as taste, music, texture, and visual imagery.

After starting her career in the United States, working with renowned brands like Estee Lauder, Revlon, and Coty at Fragrance Resources USA, Sheetal returned to India in 1995. Leveraging her global exposure, she expanded her family business, GFF Aromas, internationally and established various quality control centers and manufacturing units across India.

In 2007, Sheetal took on the role of Managing Director at CPL Aromas, the largest British fragrance multinational, and successfully established the company's presence in India and built a diverse fragrance portfolio across formats for well-known brands such as Yardley, Fogg, Park Avenue, Dabur, Nykaa, and many others. Her expertise and deep understanding of the Indian consumer market, combined with her exposure to global trends, have been instrumental in her success.

As a Curator of Fragrances, Sheetal works closely with her clients and believes in creating fragrances that are exclusive and reflective of the individual's personality, rather than wearing a brand that is accessible to everyone else.





Sheetal's passion for fragrances and her commitment to introducing people to bespoke fragrances have earned her recognition and respect in the industry. Her achievements include establishing successful partnerships, expanding her business internationally, and delivering profitable results.



### **SHIVANI CHAWLA**

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Shivani Chawla is a highly skilled Jewellery Designer at Nathu Mal & Sons Jewellers, a renowned jewellery brand established in Delhi in 1955. With a rich history dating back to before partition when the business was based in Lahore, Chawla proudly represents the 7th generation in the trade.

Nathu Mal & Sons Jewellers is a government-approved valuer for jewellery and boasts its own manufacturing facilities. They have multiple showrooms in Delhi, including Chandni Chowk and Greater Kailash 1, as well as in Lucknow, Kanpur, and Mumbai. The brand specializes in creating exquisite Traditional and Ethnic Wedding Jewellery.

Shivani's expertise lies in designing and crafting customized precious jewellery using a variety of materials such as Gold, Diamond, Kundan, Polki, Precious Gemstones, and Pearls. Her attention to detail and artistic flair have earned her recognition in the industry.

Shivani is also a talented Baker and Chocolatier. Her passion for culinary arts complements her creative abilities in jewellery design.

Notably, Chawla has been honored with a Scholarship Programme by Goldmansach called "10,000Women," which supports women entrepreneurs. With her extensive professional background, Shivani Chawla continues to contribute to the success and growth of Nathu Mal & Sons Jewellers. Her notable projects and initiatives have solidified the brand's reputation for exquisite craftsmanship and innovative designs.



### **SHRUTI SOMANI**

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Shruti Somani is an Arts graduate from the University of Osmania, Hyderabad. She currently holds the position of Director in various companies of the Somani Group, including Northern Exim Private Limited, which serves as the holding company for the entire group.

The Somani Group is a renowned conglomerate with a history spanning over 300 years. The group is primarily engaged in the trading of steel, steel-related raw materials, and engineering products. Additionally, they have established joint ventures with several international conglomerates, further expanding their reach and influence in the industry.

Apart from her professional endeavors, Shruti also has a strong passion for philanthropy. She actively contributes to the philanthropic activities of the Somani Group through its charitable trust, the Somani Foundation. Her dedication to giving back to society has made a significant impact on the lives of many individuals and communities.

In her personal life, Shruti enjoys various hobbies such as traveling, listening to music, and reading. These activities not only provide her with relaxation and enjoyment but also contribute to her overall personal growth and development.

With her extensive experience in the business world and her commitment to philanthropy, Shruti Somani has become a respected figure in her field. Her expertise and leadership have played a crucial role in the success and growth of the Somani Group. She has also been

recognized for her notable projects and initiatives, which have earned her a reputation as a prominent businesswoman.



### **SIMPLE SONA CHATWANI**

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Sona Chatwani is the Principal Designer and the driving force behind SC Design Studio since 2000. With a focus on residential and commercial interiors, Sona has gained a reputation for her innovative approach to design. Sona also serves as a director at Mahaparikrama, an event management business. She holds a degree from Queensland College of Arts, Griffith University in Australia, which has provided her with a global perspective on design. Sona's expertise is further enhanced through her guest lectures at various colleges and institutions.

Sona's design philosophy goes beyond aesthetics, as she believes that design should encompass craftsmanship, storytelling, and functionality. Sona has a passion for promoting Indian art and incorporates contemporary elements into her designs while maintaining a timeless appeal.

Sona has successfully completed over 300 projects. Some of her most prestigious works include Hamstech Institutions and Campus, Pramati Technologies, CK Spa, 24 Mantra, Kaveri Exports, Manish Malhotra Store, Schullers Kitchen, Cleo Skin Clinic, and P and H Couture. Her exceptional designs have earned her numerous accolades, including nominations for IIID MK Awards at the National Level and IIID AP Laticrete Awards for both Commercial and Residential Designs. She was also awarded the ADF Award, felicitated by TV5, awarded the Professional Excellence Award from the Indian Institute of Interior Designers, and the Times Power Woman '24 in Interior Design Excellence Award.

As the Chairperson of IIID, Sona has organized signature events like Insider X and collaborated with organizations such as the Crafts Council of Telangana to promote art and craft. In her role as Chairperson of FLO Hyderabad, Sona played a pivotal role in empowering



women entrepreneurs. Through initiatives like Style Tatva and institutions like We Hub and IIIT, she created opportunities for women including design and entrepreneurship.

Outside of her professional life, Sona enjoys traveling and music. She is also spreading awareness against child labor, a cause she strongly condemns.



### **VIDHUSI KOTHARI**

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Vidhusi Kothari is the Executive Director – Legal of Om Infra Ltd., a giant conglomerate with diverse business activities. With a background in law, Vidhusi is responsible for overseeing the legal aspects of the company and ensuring compliance with all legal matters. She has successfully formed liaisons with various agencies, establishing a niche in marketing through liaising.

Under Vidhusi's leadership, Om Infra Ltd has made significant contributions to society through charitable and educational initiatives. The company focuses on enhancing manpower skill sets through continuous training and contributes to the economy by facilitating early generation of power and irrigation. Vidhusi plays a prominent role in smoothening out all legalities involved in these projects.

Vidhusi's expertise has been instrumental in the success of Om Infra Ltd's business ventures. The company has expanded its global footprint through acquisitions and strategic joint ventures in the core business, particularly in structural steel design and fabrication works in bridges, large building constructions, and heavy engineering works.

In the education field Vidhusi runs an AICTE recognized and RTU affiliated MBA institute called Om Kothari Institute of Management and Research. Vidhusi aims to affiliate the institute with foreign universities to facilitate exchange programs for the benefit of the students.

Vidhusi is also actively involved in philanthropic activities. She has organized several fundraising ventures for NGOs such as NDTV's Hope Trust, Mobile Creche, Rotary Vidya Kendra, Deepalaya, Cankids, National Association for the Blind, The Blind School, Madangiri, and Navjyoti. She is an active member of the Delhi Bar Council.

The Om Kothari Group, established in 1971, is a highly reputed conglomerate with diversified business interests across Engineering Construction, Manufacturing, Automotive Dealerships, and Real Estate. The group's flagship Infra Ltd., is listed on the NSE and BSE and specializes in executing turnkey infrastructure projects covering power, roads, irrigation, and real estate. The group is known for its high ethical standards and commitment to creating a positive impact on society.



## **VIJAYALAKSHMI SUVARNA**

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Vijayalakshmi Suvarna is an experienced Empowerment Coach who has worked with over 300 businesses in 5 different countries. With a career spanning over 30 years, she has gained expertise in various industries including Hospitality, Telecom, Consultancy, and Entrepreneurship.

Vijayalakshmi is recognized for her no-nonsense and forthright approach to problem-solving, combined with a deep understanding and appreciation for the unique challenges faced by entrepreneurs. This has made her one of the most sought-after coach particularly for Family Managed Businesses.

Vijayalakshmi has also achieved numerous accolades and awards throughout her career. She was a recipient of the Goldman Sachs 10000 Women Scholarship in 2022 and participated in the Stanford Seed Spark Program in the same year. She also completed the Executive Program at IIM Bangalore in 2022 and was recognized as the top performer in the MHRDM program at Mumbai University.

Vijayalakshmi is an accomplished author, having published 7 books on various topics such as leadership, sales, and personal development. She is also a visiting faculty member at prestigious institutions such as S.P. Jain, NMIMS, and Amity Global Varsity, where she imparts her expertise in areas such as personality analysis, group dynamics, and organizational transformation.

Vijayalakshmi is actively involved in various initiatives and has pioneered programs such as Mom to SuperMom, which focuses on empowering parents, and Vijaya's Wisdom Capsules,

a daily journaling practice. She is also a renowned international speaker and conducts talks and workshops for MNCs, SMEs, NGOs, and PSOs.

Outside of her professional pursuits, Vijayalakshmi has a diverse range of interests. She is a talented singer in various genres, including Carnatic Classical, Sufi, Bhajan, Ghazal, and Bollywood. She is also involved in dancing, painting, adventure activities, writing, and cooking.



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Yadaguri Manjula Reddy is an accomplished professional with a diverse background in finance, public administration, and interior design. She holds an MBA in Finance and an MA in Public Administration, credentials that have underpinned her successful career in leadership roles. Currently, she serves as Director at Country Condos and Director of Country Club Ltd. In addition, she is the CEO and Creative Interior Designer at CCIL, where her innovative designs and creative vision have made a significant impact.

Manjula has also been an influential figure in FLO having served as chairperson of the Hyderabad Chapter. Her contributions extend to the international arena as well, where she has been an Advisory Board Member of the SAARC Chamber Women Entrepreneurs Council (SCWEC) since 2009.

Among her numerous accomplishments, Manjula has been recognized with the International Women's Entrepreneurial Challenge (IWEC) Award for Women Entrepreneurship. She gained further acclaim for her interior design work on Hotel Amrutha Castle, which was featured in the Limca Book of Records. Beyond her professional achievements, Manjula has demonstrated exceptional talent in sports, winning a silver medal from the Rifle Association of Ranga Reddy District for Air Pistol Shooting.

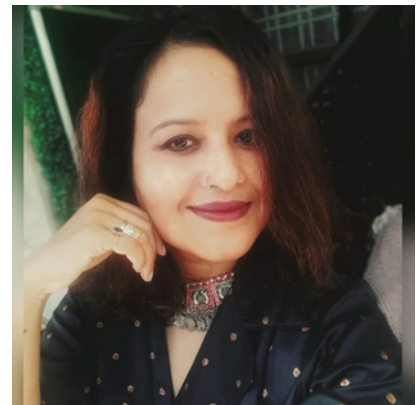
Manjula's commitment to social causes is evident in her advocacy for education, shelter, and employment opportunities for the underprivileged. She has conceptualized impactful initiatives such as "The Fairy Tale Night," an event designed to bring joy to children in juvenile jails and those with diverse needs. Her involvement in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities supports various non-profits, underscoring her dedication to making a positive difference in society.

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Ankurita Pathak is a communications professional with a diverse background in journalism and stakeholder engagement. Currently serving as a Joint Director with FICCI, she has been an integral part of the FLO team since 2007.

With 18 years of work experience, Ankurita began her career as a journalist, working with esteemed publications such as Hindustan Times, Asian Age, and the India Today Group. Her expertise in the field of communications led her to her current role at FICCI, where she supports the Executive Director in decision making, planning, and executing all stakeholder engagement and communication initiatives.

Ankurita's role at FLO involves developing and executing communication strategies that effectively convey the organization's mission and vision. She leverages various communication channels, including the website, PPTs, media notes, speech materials, newsletters, annual reports, and mailers, to engage both internal and external stakeholders.

Ankurita is a proud alumna of Cotton College, Guwahati, holds a postgraduate degree in English from Delhi University, and a PG diploma in Print Journalism. To further enhance her skills, she completed a yearlong Organizational Leadership Programme from IIM Calcutta and obtained a French DELF A1 certification from the Ministry of Education, France.

Ankurita has contributed articles, poems, travelogues, and short stories to various newspapers, magazines, portals, and blogs. She has co-authored over 14 poetry and short story anthologies, including titles such as "Concerns & Voices" and "Pristine Scars."

Additionally, she collaborated with her brother on a unique coffee table book titled "Black Coffee & Metamorphosis," which combines photography and poetry.

In recognition of her expertise and contributions to the field, Ankurita was invited to contribute to the prestigious project "History of 175 Years of Media in Assam and Beyond" in 2021. She has also had the honor of being a TEDx speaker and is a certified Life Coach.

Ankurita is a travel enthusiast, a lover of food and fashion, and a lifelong learner. She is passionate about poetry, a cynophile, and a coffeeholic. In her leisure time, she enjoys watching South Indian masala flicks and K-dramas.