Platinum Jubilee National Management Convention

“Transforming for Tomorrow: Growth with Resilience”

21-22 September, 2026: Hotel Taj Palace, New Delhi

CONVENTION AGENDA

(as on 07 September, 2026)

Day 1: Monday, 21 September 2026

0830 – 0935 hrs **Registration and Networking Tea/Coffee**
0940 hrs **All to be seated inside Durbar Hall**

0945 – 1030 hrs

Special Plenary Session **Building the India of Tomorrow: Technology, Transformation and Trust**

India is moving from an era of rapid growth to one of profound transformation — powered by technology, innovation, infrastructure and human capital. As AI reshapes industries, semiconductors and electronics create new manufacturing capabilities, and digital infrastructure changes how citizens, businesses and governments operate, India has an opportunity to build not just a larger economy, but a more competitive and self-reliant nation. The closing session will explore what it will take to translate this momentum into sustained global leadership — and what India must do today to realise the ambition of a Viksit Bharat.

- *What are the defining technologies and capabilities that will shape India’s next decade — and where must India move from being a consumer to becoming a global creator and leader?*
- *How can India convert its progress in AI, semiconductors, electronics manufacturing and digital infrastructure into productivity, jobs and globally competitive businesses?*
- *What will it take — in leadership, skills, institutions and industry-government collaboration — to turn the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 into reality?*

Lighting of the lamp

Introductory Remarks **Rekha Sethi**
Director General, All India Management Association

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

Presentation of AIMA Fellowship to:

- **Richard Rekhy,** Vice Chair, Grant Thornton Bharat
- **Arun Kumar,** Managing Partner, Celesta Capital

	Presentation of AIMA Honorary Life Fellowship to: • **Suneeta Reddy**, Immediate Past President, AIMA and Managing Director Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd
	Release of Convention Souvenir
Introduction of the Hon'ble Minister	**Vineet Agarwal** Vice President, AIMA and Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd
Keynote Address	**Ashwini Vaishnaw** Minister of Railways; Information and Broadcasting; Electronics and Information Technology Government of India
Concluding Remarks	**Vishal Kampani** Senior Vice President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Ltd

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1035 – 1120 hrs **Plenary Session 2**	**Data to Decisions: Powering India's Next Growth Story** *As India moves towards a new phase of growth, data will increasingly shape not only how we make decisions, but how we measure progress itself. The conversation will explore India's evolving data ecosystem, the role of AI and digital infrastructure, and how we can develop a fuller picture of national progress—going beyond GDP to capture productivity, inclusion, quality of life and sustainability.* • *How can India turn its expanding data ecosystem into a competitive advantage for faster and more inclusive growth?* • *How should we measure India's progress beyond GDP—and what new indicators matter for the India of tomorrow?* • *How can data and AI enable better decisions while ensuring quality, trust, privacy and responsible governance?*
Welcome	**Vineet Agarwal** Vice President, AIMA and Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd
Keynote Address	**Saurabh Garg** Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI)
	Interaction with Audience
Concluding Remarks	**Shiv Siddhant Kaul** Managing Director, Nicco Engineering Service Ltd.

1125 – 1240 hrs
Plenary Session 3

Panel Discussion:- A world at War: Navigating Endless Conflicts

The world is entering an era of persistent geopolitical turbulence. From the wars in Europe and the Middle East to tensions across the Indo-Pacific and India's own challenging neighbourhood, conflicts are becoming more interconnected, prolonged and difficult to resolve. At the same time, the boundaries between military power, diplomacy, technology, economics and information warfare are increasingly blurred. How does India navigate this uncertain world—and what does it mean for its strategic choices, economic ambitions and global leadership?

- *Why are today's conflicts proving so difficult to end? Are we witnessing a fundamental shift towards a world of permanent geopolitical competition, rather than temporary wars followed by periods of stability?*
- *Where does India stand in this emerging global order? How should India balance its relationships with the US, Russia, Europe and the Global South while protecting its own strategic autonomy?*
- *Is deterrence replacing diplomacy? What lessons should India draw from recent conflicts about military preparedness, technology, intelligence and the changing nature of warfare?*
- *What are the risks of the next major geopolitical flashpoint? Could the Indo-Pacific, Taiwan, South Asia or another unexpected theatre become the next centre of global conflict?*
- *What does all this mean for business and India's growth story? How should Indian CEOs prepare for a world of fragmented supply chains, trade wars, energy insecurity, sanctions and technology restrictions?*

1125 – 1145 hrs — Keynote
Moderator — **Sunil Kant Munjal**
Chairman, The Hero Enterprise

Keynote Address *(15 minutes)* — **Stephen D. Mull**
Vice Provost for Global Affairs, University of Virginia and
Former Acting Under Secretary for Political Affairs, U.S. Department of State

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1145 – 1240 hrs — Panel Discussion
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Panellists

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Vice Provost for Global Affairs, University of Virginia and
Former Acting Under Secretary for Political Affairs, U.S. Department of State

Amb Ajay Bisaria
Former High Commissioner of India to Canada and Pakistan

Lt. Gen. Deependra Singh Hooda (Retd.),PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM & Bar
Co-Founder, The Council for Strategic and Defense Research (CSDR) and
Distinguished Fellow for Military Strategy, Delhi Policy Group

Pramit Pal Chaudhuri
Head of the South Asia Practice, Eurasia Group

Interaction with Audience

1245 – 1330 hrs

Plenary Session 4 — **India at the Cusp: Can the Growth Story Become a Transformation Story?**

India has emerged as one of the fastest-growing major economies, but the next phase will demand more than maintaining momentum. The real challenge is to convert growth into higher productivity, better jobs, broader prosperity and deeper structural transformation. At a time of geopolitical shifts, technological disruption and changing global supply chains, what will it take for India to seize its opportunity and build an economy that is both competitive and inclusive?

- *What are the structural shifts India must make to move from high growth to sustained, transformational growth?*
- *How can India turn its demographic dividend, technology and manufacturing opportunity into productive jobs and broad-based prosperity?*
- *In a fragmented and uncertain global economy, what must India do to emerge as a more competitive and resilient engine of global growth?*

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

Keynote Address — **V Anantha Nageswaran**
Chief Economic Advisor, Government of India

Interaction with Audience

Concluding Remarks — **P Balaji**
Group Head-Governance, Risk, Compliance, Air India Limited

1330 – 1430 hrs — **Networking Lunch**

1430 – 1515 hrs

Plenary Session 5 — **India at a Turning Point: From Growth to Transformation**

India stands at a pivotal moment, with strong economic growth creating an unprecedented opportunity to reshape its development trajectory. The next phase must go beyond GDP to deliver better jobs, higher productivity, rising incomes and greater inclusion. What will it take to translate India's economic momentum into sustainable and broad-based prosperity? And how can policy, institutions and businesses work together to make the ambition of a developed India by 2047 a reality?

- *Is India's current growth model delivering the jobs, productivity and incomes needed for broad-based prosperity?*
- *What are the critical economic and structural reforms India needs to sustain its growth momentum?*
- *How can India convert its demographic, technological and entrepreneurial strengths into a truly transformative growth story?*

Welcome	**Vishal Kampani** Senior Vice President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Ltd
Keynote Address	**Ashok Kumar Lahiri** Vice Chairperson, NITI Aayog, Government of India
	Interaction with audience
Concluding Remarks	**T V Narendran** President, AIMA and CEO & Managing Director, Tata Steel Ltd

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1520 – 1605 hrs

Plenary Session 6

Fireside Chat:- Building a Life, a Business and a Legacy: A Conversation on Leadership, Partnership and Change

A candid conversation with Naveen and Shallu Jindal on the journey of building successful businesses, meaningful institutions and a life grounded in shared values. The session will explore the choices and experiences that have shaped their individual and collective journeys, the role of partnership in navigating ambition and responsibility, and the lessons they have learnt while balancing leadership, family and personal values. It will also reflect on their ability to embrace change and remain relevant in a rapidly evolving India and business environment—and their thoughts on what it truly means to build a legacy that endures.

- *How has their shared values and partnership shaped their leadership journeys and helped them balance business, family and public responsibilities?*
- *How have you adapted and stayed relevant as India and its economic, social, and business environment have rapidly changed?*
- *What constitutes a meaningful legacy that they hope to leave behind for future generations?*

Moderator	**TBD**
In conversation with	**Naveen Jindal** Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) and Chairman, Jindal Steel Ltd
	and
	Shallu Jindal Chairperson, Jindal Foundation and Jindal Art Institute
	Interaction with audience

1610 – 1700 hrs

Plenary Session 7

Panel Discussion:- Beyond Legacy: How the Next Generation is Redefining Leadership

India's next generation of business leaders is stepping into leadership at a time of extraordinary change. They inherit successful businesses and powerful legacies, but must navigate a world shaped by technology, AI, geopolitical shifts, sustainability and rapidly changing consumer expectations. How do they honour what has been built before them while having the courage to challenge established ways of doing things? This conversation will explore how the next generation is redefining leadership, innovation, growth and the very idea of legacy.

- *You have inherited businesses with strong legacies and established ways of doing things. What have you felt you must preserve—and what have you felt you must change?*
- *How do you earn the credibility to lead when you come from a well-known business family? Is there a point at which you stop being the "next generation" and simply become a leader in your own right?*
- *Looking ahead 10 years, what will the businesses you lead need to do differently to remain competitive and relevant—and what do you hope your own generation will be remembered for?*

Moderator

Nayantara Rai
Ombudsman, Zomato

Panellists

Lakshmi Venu
Vice Chairman, Tractors and Farm Equipment Limited (TAFE)

Rama Kirloskar
Joint Managing Director, Kirloskar Brothers Limited

Laxit Awla
Executive Director and CEO, SAEL Industries Ltd

Devansh Jain
Executive Director, INOXGFL Group

Interaction with audience

1705 – 1800 hrs

Plenary Session 8

Panel Discussion:- Leading Through the Next Disruption: Growth, Resilience and Reinvention

India is entering a new phase where technology, geopolitics, changing consumer expectations and talent are reshaping the rules of business. For CEOs, the challenge is no longer simply to grow, but to continuously reinvent while building organisations that can absorb shocks and seize new opportunities. This conversation brings together leaders from diverse sectors to explore what it takes to stay ahead in a world of constant disruption. Most importantly, what should CEOs be doing today to prepare for the opportunities—and uncertainties—of tomorrow?

- *How do you balance the pressure for growth today with the need to reinvent for tomorrow?*

- *Which disruptions—AI, geopolitics, technology, changing consumers or talent—will have the biggest impact on Indian businesses?*
- *What distinguishes organisations that merely survive disruption from those that emerge stronger from it?*

Moderator **Raj Chengappa**
Group Editorial Director (Publishing), India Today Group &
Editor, India Today Magazine

Panellists **Harshavardhan Neotia**
Chairman, Ambuja Neotia Group

Shrinivas V Dempo
Chairman, Dempo Group of Companies

Suneeta Reddy
Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Ltd

Vinita Bajoria
Chairperson, Nicco Cables Pvt Ltd

N Satish Reddy
Pro-Chancellor, Aditya University

Interaction with audience

End of Day One

Day 2: Tuesday, 22 September 2026

0845 – 0920 hrs Registration and Networking Tea/Coffee

0930 – 1030 hrs
Plenary Session 9 **Panel Discussion:- Fortifying Growth: Arming the Economy Against External Disruptions**

In an increasingly fragmented and unpredictable world, India's growth story faces a new generation of external risks—from geopolitical tensions and trade disruptions to volatile commodity prices, supply-chain shocks and technological upheaval. Yet every disruption also creates an opportunity to strengthen India's economic foundations and accelerate its global ambitions. This session will explore how India can build greater resilience across trade, industry, finance and supply chains while sustaining high growth. The conversation will examine what businesses, policymakers and investors must do today to make India's next phase of growth more secure, competitive and future-ready.

- *How vulnerable is India's growth model to external shocks—and where are the biggest fault lines that need to be strengthened?*

- *Can India turn global supply-chain realignment, trade tensions and geopolitical fragmentation into an opportunity to deepen manufacturing, exports and domestic capabilities?*
- *What are the critical policy and business choices India must make now to build resilience without sacrificing growth, competitiveness or openness to the world?*

Moderator **Nalin Mehta**
Managing Editor, Moneycontrol and
Non-Resident Senior Fellow, ISAS, National University of Singapore

Panellists **Sanjiv Mehta**
Executive Chairman, L Catterton India

Sudhir Jalan
Co-Chairman, Rieter India Pvt Ltd

Yezdi Nagporewalla
CEO, KPMG in India

Soumya Kanti Ghosh
Member 16th Finance Commission, Member PMEAC &
Group Chief Economic Adviser, State Bank of India

Gaurav Chiplunkar
Assistant Professor of Business Administration, UVA Darden School of Business

Interaction with Audience

1035 – 1120 hrs
Plenary Session 10 **Fireside chat:- The Sound of Legacy: Tradition, Creativity and the Next Generation**

What does it take to keep a great artistic legacy alive in a rapidly changing world? For Ustad Amjad Ali Khan and his sons, Amaan Ali Bangash and Ayaan Ali Bangash, tradition is not about preserving the past—it is about giving it new life through creativity, experimentation and a new generation of musicians. This conversation explores the delicate balance between staying rooted in heritage while embracing change, and how timeless art can continue to find relevance and resonance with younger audiences.

- *How do you preserve the soul of a musical tradition while allowing it to evolve with the times?*
- *What does creativity mean when you inherit a rich artistic legacy—and how do you find your own voice without losing your roots?*
- *What will it take to make India's classical arts compelling and relevant to the next generation and to audiences around the world?*

Moderator **Shekhar Gupta**
Founder & Editor-in-Chief, The Print

In conversation with **Ustad Amjad Ali Khan**
Sarod Maestro and Composer

Amaan Ali Bangash
Sarod player and Composer

Ayaan Ali Bangash
Sarod player and Composer

Interaction with Audience

1125 – 1220 hrs
Plenary Session 11

The final frontier: India's aspirations and potential in space

India moved closer to putting its own craft, crew, and station in the earth's orbit by sending its astronaut to the International Space Station. Buying an expensive seat on Axiom Mission 4 has proved worthwhile as Indian astronaut could learn piloting, docking, monitoring, and returning a manned space flight and living in the orbit. India's space aspirations now move on to fetching moon samples and orbiting Venus. India's space economy is growing and it well-stocked with rockets to gain more of the booming satellite launch market. However, to go beyond where it has gone before, India needs to compete for space occupation and resource extraction. There is a new race for space superiority in science, business and war, and India must win. Grp Capt Shukla will also talk about his new book ***The Second Orbit: Belief of a Man . . . Dream of 1.4 Billion Hearts***

- *What would be India's return on investment in sending an astronaut to ISS?*
- *How could the ISS visit experience help India scale its space flight talent?*
- *What are India's autonomy goals in space technologies and assets?*

Welcome

Nikhil Sawhney
Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Triveni Turbine Limited

Keynote Address

Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, AC
Distinguished Pilot, Indian Air Force (IAF) and
Astronaut, Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISRO)

Interaction with Audience

1225 – 1330 hrs
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Keynote Address	**Jyotiraditya M Scindia *** Minister of Communication; and Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) Government of India
Concluding Remarks	**Vishal Kampani** Senior Vice President, AIMA and Vice Chairman & Managing Director, JM Financial Ltd
1330 hrs	**Convention Concludes followed by Networking Lunch**

* *Confirmation awaited*