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DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES
(PUMBA)



NATIONAL SEMINAR 2025



SUMMIT **ELEVÉ**

Local Innovations,
 Global Aspirations



DATE & TIME:
 31st Jan 2025
 03:00 PM



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INTRODUCTION

Department of Management Sciences, affectionately known as PUMBA, prides itself in being a pioneer in business and management

and consistently featured as a top B school. It carries a legacy of creating & nurturing globally competitive talent. PUMBA is continuously developing and embracing changes with ardor. The placements and consistent top rankings are testimony to the brand PUMBA which has been unshakeable during its 50-plus years of existence.

ABOUT NATIONAL SEMINAR

Step into the future with 'Summit Elevé,' the annual national seminar presented by the Department

of Management Sciences (PUMBA) and Seminar Cell. This year, immerse yourself in our flagship event, a journey bridging local brilliance with global aspirations through the compelling theme, 'Local Innovations, Global Aspirations.'

The summit promises transformative ideas, offering valuable insights and fostering a vibrant atmosphere of collaboration, knowledge exchange, and celebration. Together, we'll explore how grassroots innovations are making a global impact and shaping the future of industries. Don't miss this extraordinary event - where local ingenuity meets global ambition. Welcome to 'Summit Elevé,' where inspiration knows no bounds. Let the journey begin!"



OUR LEADERSHIP



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Savitribai Phule Pune University



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Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor
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EVENT SCHEDULE

DAY 1

31ST JANUARY, 2025 (FRIDAY)

03:00 PM	Vidyapeeth Geet, Lighting of Lamp	
03:30 PM	Welcome Introduction	Dr. CA. Shilpa Bhide Seminar Cell Faculty Coordinator
03:40 PM	Address Head of Department	Dr. Supriya Patil
03:50 PM	Address Director	Dr. Prafulla Pawar
04:00 PM	Address of the Chair Hon'ble Vice Chancellor	Prof. (Dr.) Suresh Gosavi
04:15 PM	Address Chief Guest	Dr. Ravindra Utgikar
04:45 PM	Address Guest of Honour	Ms. Rutuja Udyawar
05:15 PM	Address Guest of Honour	Mr. Sameer Kolhe
05:45 PM	Vote of Thanks	

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DAY 2

01ST FEBRUARY, 2025 (SATURDAY)

10:00 AM	Address Pro Vice Chancellor	Dr. Parag Kalkar
10:30 AM	Address Guest Speaker	Mr. Vinayak Futane Dassault Systemes Solutions Lab
11:00 AM	Address Guest Speaker	Mr. Jared Mason Pattern
11:30 AM	Address Guest Speaker	Mr. Jignesh Purohit Alkem Laboratories Ltd.
12:00 PM	<u>Panel Discussion</u>	
	Dr. Rajesh Pahurkar Professor, PUMBA	
	Mrs. Devyani Bokil Birlasoft	Mr. Arjun Sarkar Everguard Life Ventures Pvt. Ltd
	Mr. Varun Deshmukh Convenio AB	Mr. Akshay Kawale Glenmark Pharmaceuticals
	Mr. Pravin More GEMU Valves India Pvt. Ltd.	Mr. Alok Kale Magnus Ventures
01:30 PM	Lunch Break (Duration 1.5 hrs)	
03:00 PM	Minds Meet Minds	Judges Mr. Harish Saive , Mr. Vasant Abhyankar
05:00 PM	Judges' decision	
05:30 PM	Vote of Thanks	



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Dr. Ravindra Utgikar

Vice President & SBU Head
Wilo Group



Mr. Ravindra Utgikar is a distinguished leader with over three decades of experience in the engineering industry. As an Electronics & Telecom Engineer with a Ph.D. in International Marketing Strategies, he has consistently demonstrated expertise in business strategy, market expansion, and innovation. His career is defined by his commitment to delivering customer-centric strategies and pioneering product, pricing, and marketing solutions that have fueled sustained growth and success.

As Vice President and SBU Head at the Wilo Group, Mr. Utgikar leads strategic initiatives such as mergers and acquisitions, risk management, and market intelligence. His visionary leadership has strengthened brands, enhanced corporate communication, and integrated digital marketing strategies to meet global market demands. He has aligned business goals with emerging technologies, setting new standards in the engineering sector.

Mr. Utgikar's entrepreneurial mindset and adaptability have driven his success. Known for his integrity, work ethic, and dedication to excellence, he remains a key force behind innovation and organizational growth. His contributions have solidified his position as a respected leader in the international corporate arena.



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Ms. Rutuja Udyawar

CEO

Optimum Data Analytics



Ms. Rutuja Udyawar is a distinguished leader, innovator, and entrepreneur with over 18 years of expertise in Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Industry 4.0, and Business Analytics. As CEO of Optimum Data Analytics (ODA), she heads a technology startup that collaborates with Fortune 100 companies to deliver transformative solutions. Her career began at TATA Motors, specializing in Automotive Warranty Data Analytics, followed by a role at Ford Credit USA, focusing on marketing analytics and credit risk modeling.

Under her leadership, ODA has become a trusted partner in digital transformation, providing end-to-end solutions for complex projects. Ms. Udyawar's pioneering work in data science has enabled organizations to leverage data for strategic advantage. She won the DWEN Dell National Contest 2023 and is an alumna of the Goldman Sachs Women 10K program, solidifying her position as a trailblazer in her field.

Ms. Udyawar is also passionate about mentoring young developers and entrepreneurs and serves as a visiting faculty member at top B-schools and engineering colleges. Her commitment to empowering future leaders reflects her dedication to fostering innovation in the tech industry.



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Mr. Sameer Kolhe

President - Business Operations
Maypharm Life Sciences



Mr. Sameer Kolhe is a seasoned business leader with over 24 years of experience in strategic growth, business turnarounds, and global expansion in the pharmaceutical and life sciences industry. As Founder and President – Business Operations at Maypharm Life Sciences, he excels in corporate strategy, profitability management, and international business development, particularly in scaling Indian generics globally.

His expertise spans strategic planning, where he develops long-term visions and profitable business models; global expansion, building international business structures across Europe, Africa, and Latin America; mergers and acquisitions, leading M&A activities and integration for growth; and financial expertise, conducting due diligence and driving business transformations.

Before founding Maypharm Life Sciences, Mr. Kolhe held leadership roles, including Head of Corporate Strategy at Piramal Enterprises and Head of Europe, Africa, and Latin America at Indoco Remedies. His career also includes positions at Kopran Ltd., SMBPL, and MSD, where he contributed to operational excellence and innovative strategies. Known for his strategic vision and market expertise, Mr. Kolhe continues to shape impactful global business solutions in the pharmaceutical sector.



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Mr. Vinayak Futane

Director, Campus Expansion
Program, Pune Site Manager

Dassault Systèmes Solutions Lab



Mr. Vinayak Futane brings nearly 27 years of experience in the Engineering IT domain, with expertise across diverse functions, including Software Development, Services, Products, Projects, Operations, Customer Support, and Real Estate. Beginning his career as a campus recruit with Geometric Software, he later joined 3DPLM Software Solutions Ltd, and since 2017, he has been with Dassault Systèmes, headquartered in France. Currently, he serves as the Director of the Pune Campus Expansion Program, overseeing a multi-year, multi-function initiative that spans Finance, IT, Facilities, Legal, Procurement, and Security.

A Mechanical Engineering graduate from the esteemed College of Engineering, Pune (COEP) in 1998, Vinayak furthered his education with an Executive MBA (Finance) from Pune University (PUMBA) in 2013.

Throughout his career, he has taken on a range of responsibilities, both technical and managerial, including programming, setting up an ODC in India for a U.S.-based PLM partner, Technical Pre-Sales, Product R&D, Customer Support, and the Campus Expansion Program. As a senior member of the India Management Team, he has also led key corporate initiatives, including Corporate Recruitment & Resource Management, Merger and Integration with Dassault Systèmes, the establishment of the New Bangalore Center and Services Entity, and contributions to the Corporate CSR Committee and ISO audits.



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Mr. Jared Mason

VP of eCommerce Services
Pattern



Mr. Jared Mason serves as the Vice President of Ecommerce Services at Pattern, a global ecommerce acceleration leader with a multi-billion-dollar valuation. With over 7 years at Pattern, he has been pivotal in driving growth for brand partners across major ecommerce platforms like Amazon, eBay, Alibaba, and others.

His expertise includes marketplace relationship development, global corporate expansion, customer experience optimization, policy and issue resolution, and strategic initiatives that drive brand launch, sales, and long-term success in online marketplaces. Jared's leadership has empowered multiple teams at Pattern to provide vital services that help brands scale and excel in competitive digital environments.

Prior to Pattern, Jared gained substantial experience in data analytics, data warehousing, and software development, providing him with a solid technological foundation to address complex business challenges.

Jared holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master's degree in Information Systems Management, demonstrating his dedication to merging technological innovation with strategic business growth.



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Mr. Jignesh Purohit

Sr.GM Finance

Alkem Laboratories Ltd



Mr. Jignesh Purohit is a seasoned finance professional with expertise in treasury management, risk mitigation, and corporate finance. With over a decade of experience in leading organizations, he currently serves as Sr. GM – Finance at Alkem Laboratories Ltd., where he manages treasury and insurance operations with a focus on analytical excellence and financial strategy.

Previously, Mr. Purohit was Head – Treasury and Insurance at OmniActive Health Technologies from 2022 to 2024. During his tenure, he introduced innovative solutions such as crop insurance and developed a treasury dashboard and databook, enhancing global payment systems and risk management processes. Earlier, he spent eight years as Senior Manager – Treasury & Finance at Lupin Limited, managing accounts, finalization, and treasury functions.

Mr. Purohit's academic credentials include a Postgraduate Degree in Emerging CFO Program from IIM Indore, where he specialized in risk mitigation, corporate finance, M&A, and valuation. He is also a Chartered Accountant from The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and has cleared CFA Level II, showcasing his strong foundation in accounting and finance.

With his comprehensive experience and technical expertise, Mr. Purohit continues to drive financial excellence and strategic innovation across the organizations he serves.



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Mrs. Devyani Bokil

Senior HR Manager
Birlasoft

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Mrs. Devyani Bokil is an experienced HR Business Partner and Performance Management Specialist with over 16 years in the IT Services industry, having worked with renowned global organizations like Cognizant and Birlasoft. Her expertise lies in managing complex and diverse workforce needs across international business units, skillfully balancing scalability with operational efficiency.

A highly skilled HR professional, Mrs. Bokil excels in several areas, including Performance and Consequence Management, HR Operations, Career Architecture Implementation, and the full Talent Management Lifecycle. She is also a dedicated advocate for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), driving cultural transformation within organizations.

Her commitment to HR excellence is validated by her Aon Hewitt Certification as a Human Resource Professional, showcasing her deep knowledge and expertise in HR practices. Mrs. Bokil is known for her strategic vision and practical approach to executing impactful HR initiatives that promote growth, engagement, and innovation in the workplace.

With her leadership and commitment to HR excellence, Mrs. Devyani Bokil continues to influence the evolution of human resource management, establishing herself as a key figure in the industry.



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Mr. Arjun Sarkar

CEO & Head of Investment
Research

Everguard Life Ventures Pvt. Ltd



Mr. Arjun Sarkar is a prominent figure in investment management, currently serving as the CEO and Head of Investment Research at Everguard Life Ventures Pvt. Ltd. With over 15 years of experience, he has consistently demonstrated exceptional expertise in asset allocation and strategic investment, managing multi-million-dollar portfolios for Ultra-High-Net-Worth clients, including executives from Fortune 500 companies.

Under Arjun's leadership, Everguard's investment team has built a reputation for crafting innovative strategies and delivering market outperformance. He is a highly sought-after speaker at prestigious investment forums and organizations, where he shares valuable insights on market trends, portfolio management, and global economic strategies.

Arjun's academic credentials are as remarkable as his career accomplishments. He holds an MBA in Strategy and Finance from the University of Toronto, an MBA in Marketing from PUMBA, and a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering from the University of Pune. This diverse educational foundation reflects his ability to combine technical knowledge with strategic acumen to navigate the complexities of global financial markets.

Arjun Sarkar's dedication to excellence and thought leadership continues to influence professionals and organizations globally, cementing his status as a leading voice in investment research and financial innovation.



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Mr. Varun Deshmukh

Director , CTO
Convenio AB



Mr. Varun Deshmukh is a visionary technologist and accomplished industry leader with extensive expertise in enterprise software development and innovation. With a career spanning industries such as aviation, energy, manufacturing, and FMCG, he has consistently addressed complex challenges through advanced technological solutions, driving efficiency, safety, and operational excellence.

As the Director and Chief Technology Officer at Convenio AB, Mr. Deshmukh leads the development of state-of-the-art enterprise software solutions for safety, incident management, governance, and compliance. Under his guidance, Convenio AB has established itself as a trusted partner for industries like airports, municipalities, and fire safety organizations, delivering tailored systems that enhance safety, ensure regulatory compliance, and optimize operations. His innovative strategies have transformed the way organizations manage critical business processes.

Mr. Deshmukh's strategic vision and technical acumen enable him to design solutions that not only solve immediate challenges but also create a strong foundation for sustainable growth. His commitment to excellence and forward-thinking approach has positioned him as a key driver of meaningful change, earning him recognition as a prominent contributor to the global technology landscape.



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Mr. Akshay Kawale

Business Head - Cosmetology
Glenmark Pharmaceuticals



Mr. Akshay Kawale is a seasoned Sales and Marketing professional with over 16 years of experience in the pharmaceutical and OTX sectors. As Deputy General Manager – Sales at Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Ltd., he has demonstrated expertise in P&L management, strategic growth, and leading global dermatology-cosmetic brands across ethical and emerging channels.

At Glenmark, he successfully transformed the specialty cosmetology business, achieving accelerated growth, increased market share, and the first-ever positive EBIDTA. He led key initiatives like integrating business verticals, improving profitability, and launching the Skin & Hair Academy. His focus on mass cosmetology has expanded Glenmark's presence in sunscreens, hair care, and pigmentation.

Previously, Mr. Kawale held leadership roles at Abbott, GSK, L'Oréal, and Ranbaxy, driving brand strategies, product launches, and marketing communications. Notable achievements include transforming Eau Thermale Avene's business at Abbott, implementing global PR and e-commerce strategies, and managing brands like Clindoxyl, La Roche Posay, and Fucidin.

An MBA in Marketing from PUMBA and a B.Sc. in Life Sciences from KC College underpin his expertise in brand strategy, marketing management, P&L oversight, and stakeholder engagement. A recipient of awards like the Best Marketing Head (FY22 & FY23) and CMO Asia Award (FY20), Mr. Kawale continues to drive innovation and growth in the industry.



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Mr. Pravin More

Sales Director

GEMÜ Valves India Pvt. Ltd.

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Mr. Pravin K. More is a seasoned business leader with over 24 years of expertise in sales, marketing, and strategic business development. He is currently Sales Director – India at GEMÜ Gebrüder Müller Apparatebau GmbH & Co. KG, a global leader in valves, measurement, and control systems for liquids, vapors, and gases. In this role, he oversees business expansion across India and neighboring markets while leading key initiatives, including recruitment, training, and establishing local warehouse and manufacturing facilities.

Previously, Mr. More held leadership positions at Crane Process Flow Technologies India Pvt. Ltd., where he established the Saunders brand in India's pharma and biotech sectors and initiated a dedicated manufacturing facility. At Avcon Controls Pvt. Ltd., he developed a Pharma Division and drove market leadership across various product lines.

An engineer by training, Mr. More earned a B.E. in Production Engineering with Distinction from the Government College of Engineering, Pune (COEP), and an MBA in Marketing from the University Department of Management Sciences (PUMBA), Pune. Renowned for his strategic vision and results-driven approach, he has consistently delivered outstanding outcomes throughout his career.



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Mr. Alok Kale

Founder
Magnus Ventures



Mr. Alok Kale is an innovative entrepreneur and sustainability advocate with extensive expertise in eco-friendly building materials and business leadership. He is the Founder of MAGNUS VENTURES LLP, where he has been driving sustainable innovation since 2018. His mission is to revolutionize waste management in industries by creating patented, eco-friendly construction materials, such as zero-waste ready-mix plasters, tile adhesives, and block adhesives, tailored for environmentally conscious real estate applications.

In addition to his entrepreneurial ventures, Mr. Kale has been a Director at SEACO for over 14 years, contributing to the growth and success of the organization. He is also an active Board Member of Entrepreneurs' Organization Pune since 2019, fostering collaboration and development among the entrepreneurial community.

Previously, he worked as a Business Analyst at Tata Strategic Management Group, where he honed his strategic and analytical skills.

Mr. Kale holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Vishwakarma Institute of Technology and has further enriched his expertise with education from the University of California, Berkeley. His dedication to sustainability and innovation has positioned him as a leading figure in transforming the construction industry with eco-friendly solutions.



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Mr. Harish Saive

Plant HR Head
Kirloskar Oil Engines Ltd.



Mr. Harish Saive is a results-driven HR leader with extensive expertise in aligning HR and IR strategies with business objectives. Currently serving as Unit Leader HR – IR and Factory Manager at Kirloskar Oil Engines (KOEL), he oversees HR operations for the Kagal Plant, managing over 1,000 on-roll employees and 1,800 contractual staff. His role includes implementing HR initiatives, maintaining statutory compliance, and fostering industrial harmony while driving continuous improvement in business outcomes.

Previously, Mr. Saive held roles at Cummins India, including Plant HR Leader for multiple plants, where he was instrumental in driving culture initiatives, managing workforce solutions, and ensuring the plants remained non-unionized. He also served as HRBP, leading HR processes for business units and plant employees, including talent pipeline development, compliance, and workforce strategy.

With expertise in talent management, employee engagement, and change management, Mr. Saive has successfully led initiatives such as plant culture development, talent career pathing, and transitioning local to global employee grades. His strategic vision and collaborative approach make him a key contributor to organizational growth and employee well-being.



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Mr. Vasant Abhyankar

Visiting Faculty

Dept. of Management Sciences
(PUMBA), SPPU



Mr. Vasant Abhyankar is a seasoned professional with over 30 years of extensive experience in top management, technical service operations, and business development within the automobile sector. A mechanical engineer from the University of Jabalpur, he began his career at Telco (now Tata Motors Ltd.) and has held senior leadership roles across renowned organizations, including Rohan Motors Ltd., Tata Africa, and Bajaj Tempo Ltd., contributing to both domestic and international markets.

Throughout his career, Mr. Abhyankar has excelled in roles such as COO of Asian Motors Ltd. in Nigeria, where he established the company and marketed the FOTON brand, and General Manager - Country Head for Tata Africa in Senegal, managing operations across West Africa. His leadership in managing complex business operations and developing successful market strategies has been widely recognized.

Currently, Mr. Abhyankar shares his vast experience as a Visiting Faculty at leading institutions like PUMBA, MIMA, and MIT (World Peace University), teaching subjects like International Business, Supply Chain Management, and Strategy Management. Known for his dedication to mentoring, he also conducts workshops and case studies, inspiring the next generation of leaders.

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