



From the Vice President's Desk

Taking leadership to new levels – the HBS way

Dear alumni,

My favourite definition of a great leader is one who can accomplish his leadership tasks in a manner that enables his followers to believe “we did it ourselves”. To enable this brand of leadership to flourish in the alumni community in India, we at the HBS Club decided at the beginning of this year that we would examine the science and art of leadership beyond just leading business units, towards better revenues and profits.

To make this happen, the 2014 edition of the Connected Leaders' Dialog was curated through discussions with Dean Nitin Nohria and Professor David Garvin to focus on the critical aspect of decision making. Decision making is as important an art when leading a business school or an NGO as it is when leading a local or global corporation. The engaging discussion we had one rainy evening in Mumbai with the gurus coming on Video Conference from Boston and participants logging in from multiple Indian cities provided enough food for thought to take our own skills and the club's activities to the next level.

The Inclusive India Forum that unfolded at IIM Udaipur was truly a new frontier for many of us. Bringing together industry leaders, academicians, NGOs and worthy “giving” organizations like Dasra and NASSCOM Foundation, it opened up ways in which every leader could contribute to the important issues of education, health and livelihood that are topmost on the agenda of the Government as well as the people of our country. The desire to continue the engagement and build capacity in many of the fledgling and mature NGOs that participated will be a worthy cause for many of us to choose and nurture in the months to come.

The agenda is rich, and will get richer for the HBS Club of India. Join us in what promises to be a truly rewarding ride into the future!

Ganesh Natarajan
Vice President, HBS Club of India
Vice Chairman & CEO, Zensar Technologies
Chairman – NASSCOM Foundation





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Past Events

HBS Club of India routinely organizes events along with the HBS India Research Center, Harvard Club of India, Harvard Business Publishing and other Harvard affiliates.

Some of the flagship events hosted in the last 3 months are as follows:

- **Exclusive evening with Prof Tarun Khanna** was organized in Mumbai on Tuesday, 29 April 2014. It was an elite evening of Bloomberg TV India's on-air series. Dr. Tarun Khanna, Professor, Harvard Business School discussed strategies for success – A special session with entrepreneurs. He also shared his experiences to overcome some of the unique challenges Indian businesses face. The event saw huge participation from Alums, social entrepreneurs and various business leaders.



Executive Director & Chief Investment Officer of HDFC Mutual Fund

- A special event was organized by HBS Club of India on Wednesday, 30 April 2014 at the HBS Classroom in Taj Lands End on '**Succeeding in Indian Equity Markets**' with **Prashant Jain**. During the session, he discussed his investing journey in building a mutual fund powerhouse and his strategies for succeeding in the Indian equity markets.

His rich 20 years of investment management experience added a unique experience to the overall session. The event provided many of the investors in the audience with new ideas and perspectives for developing strategies for their own firms.





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- **Lecture on 'The Aftermath of Success with Bruce Harreld'** witnessed a huge audience on Tuesday, 10 June 2014 which was organized jointly by Harvard Business School India Research Center and Harvard Business School Club of India. Being a frequent speaker and writer on implementation strategy, corporate transformation, and building new businesses within established organizations, he articulated the facts with eloquence to the audience. This interactive session has definitely left an impression in the minds of all the talented minds who were present and the interactions were thought provoking.





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Connected Leaders Dialog





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Inclusive India Forum@ IIM Udaipur

Inclusive India Forum was an attempt to provide a platform so that corporates and voluntary agencies with matching value systems and ideologies can come together and have a dialogue, facilitating a mutually beneficial complementary partnership. A synergistic successful relationship will ensure that social capital can be utilized in the best manner possible to reap the maximum possible social returns in existing and hitherto unreached segments of society. With this thought in mind, the HBS Club of India and the Indian Institute of Management, Udaipur (IIM-U) organized a day of interactive sessions at the **Inclusive India Forum** on Saturday, 26 July 2014, to get collective minds to discuss the challenges of social inclusion. The participants were the members of the HBS Club, who are in leadership positions in the corporate world, CSR representatives of leading companies and veterans from the social sector across India and also specifically from Rajasthan.



Read full article on Udaipur Times at:
<http://www.udaipurtimes.com/iim-udaipur-hosts-inclusive-india-forum-2014/>



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Upcoming Events

Gear up for exciting times ahead with these upcoming events !

GLOBAL NETWORKING NIGHT



Global Networking Night: 22 October, 2014, TBD

Join fellow alumni for an informal evening of networking, making new connections, seeing old friends and exploring opportunities. The main purpose is :

- To reinforce the power of the HBS alumni community and the value of staying connected to the School and to each other
- To increase awareness of the global alumni clubs network
- To provide an easy and fun mechanism for alumni to participate in social, business or career networking in their local geographies

Drink and Dine in Delhi : 8 October, 2014, TBD

This event promises an evening of networking with fellow HBS alums in the North region. This is a chance to interact with the managing committee of the HBS Club of India as well.

This event will be held following the HBS Club of India Board meeting in New Delhi.



My suggestions!

Suggest an event! Have an idea about an event in your city? Get in touch! The HBS Club will help you get connected with the Region Leads as well as assist in circulating invitations throughout the HBS community!



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Last word from the President

Dear Club Members,

This has been a truly exciting year for the club and we have expanded our leadership agenda to include the social sector. While we continue to look for new opportunities to engage all stakeholders in the development of our country, your suggestions and ideas are welcome.

Do keep your calendars free for the 2015 Leadership Gala afternoon and evening of Jan 5th. More details follow soon.

Adil Zainulbhai
President, HBS Club of India
Senior Advisor, McKinsey India



Stay ahead of the learning Curve !

HBS believes in continuous education and this very well may have been the reason for you to choose HBS as the school to study at: to hone your skills and acquire new ones. To keep up with this spirit of continuous education, HBS offers a portfolio of Executive Education programs in India designed to help business leaders of local firms and multinationals drive performance and create value in Asia and beyond. All these programs are held in Mumbai at Taj Lands End at the state-of-the-art HBS classroom.

Executive education program schedule	Date
Leadership and Corporate Accountability – India	November 17-20, 2014
With the improving economic outlook in India, senior leaders are faced with complex and often contradictory demands from a range of stakeholders—among them customers, employees, investors, and governments. With an eye on strategies for leading your company in all economic conditions, this program explores the legal, ethical, and financial demands that affect managerial decision making. As you improve your ability to make ethically responsible and financially sound business decisions, you will be better able to recognize opportunities and build a foundation for sustainable success.	
Maximizing Your Leadership Potential – India	December 15-18, 2014
With an ever-shifting global economy and more favorable business conditions emerging in India, senior executives must be equipped to manage disruptive change and exploit new opportunities. In this program, you'll explore ways to adapt your management style to meet every challenge as you improve your ability to drive essential change, motivate teams to achieve strategic objectives, and compete successfully in the dynamic and growing Indian business environment.	

For questions and registrations, please write to harvardindia@hbs.edu

For complete information, program updates, and an online application, visit:
www.exed.hbs.edu/landing/Pages/india.aspx



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Club's information

Become a member today!

Avail these benefits by enrolling as a member of the HBS Club of India:

- Participate and contribute in a new leadership movement that will span business, government and society
- Get access to 'members only' events and interact with Indian thought leaders and other distinguished speakers
- Interact with HBS faculty and HBS Club members from all over the world
- Access to research produced by the HBS India Research Center unmatched for a variety of industries
- Help in fulfilling HBS' mission to create world class leaders while at development
- Experience the joy of giving back to your school

To become a member, simply follow the instructions given [here](#)

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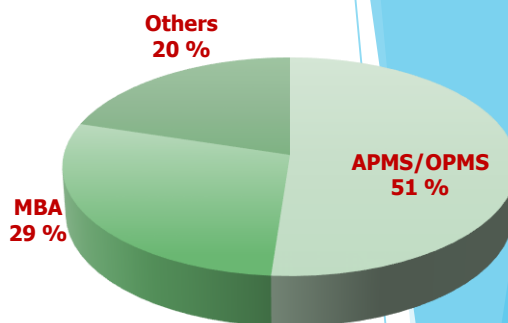
The Club website has a host of information about the Club and its activities. Make sure you check the website for details on upcoming events, sponsorship opportunities, managing committee etc.

Contact us

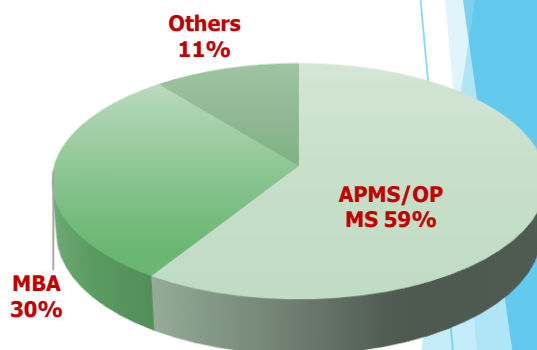
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Club Director, Events and Membership



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