

# IIM Bangalore Celebrates **Golden Jubilee Week**



October 26-29, 2023





## **IIM Bangalore celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a grand Foundation Week from 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October**

Hon'ble President of India and Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka Shri Thaawar Chand Gehlot launch the activities that range from the release of a book and film on IIMB, a 50-hour relay run called 'Swarna Twaran', magical music concerts, a host of alumni events and a very special Foundation Day Lecture, to name a few...

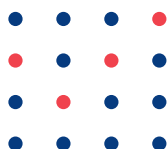
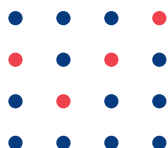




IIM Bangalore celebrated its 50th anniversary with a grand Foundation Week, which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, along with the Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka, Shri Thaawar Chand Gehlot, on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023. The special Foundation Week celebrations, to mark the momentous Golden Jubilee of the institute, were held till 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

The Institute hosted many events as a run-up to the Golden Jubilee celebrations. The special logo to commemorate the Golden Jubilee was launched on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022. IIM Bangalore released a Commemorative Special Postal Cover with India Post, Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications, Government of India, during the school's 48<sup>th</sup> Convocation celebrations, held on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023. The Commemorative Postal Cover has been designed by IIMB along with India Post. Some of the special covers have a cancellation mark and will be part of the collectors' items in philatelic clubs of India.

A series of student events, conferences, etc., themed around sustainability, are being conducted, with a full calendar of events being outlined for 2023-24.





# Foundation Week 2023

Day 1

26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

The first day of the celebrations began with the President of India Smt. Droupadi Murmu delivering an inspiring address.

## Imbibe Humility & Ethics, President tells students

In her inaugural address at the Golden Jubilee Week celebrations at IIM Bangalore, the Hon'ble President, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, described students as “future wealth creators” and urged them to contribute to the betterment of those less fortunate than themselves. She also paid rich tributes to the legacy created by IIM Bangalore and its alumni.

Watch the Hon'ble President's address here: <https://youtu.be/bj6M-KVvAww>

She also flagged off 'Swarna Twaran', the 50-hour Golden Jubilee relay walkathon on campus by students, faculty, staff and alumni of the institute. The walkathon aims to communicate the message of healthy and sustainable living as well as discovering the capability of endurance that we all possess within us. The event was led by the Alumni Relations and Development Office of IIMB. While the event was held at the IIMB campus, alumni chapters from across the country and the world were encouraged to organize marathon events at their respective locations during this 50-hour time window.





## Book and Film on IIMB released by Karnataka Governor

Watch the Hon'ble Governor's address here: <https://youtu.be/uRCYcJ6bDa4>

The Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka Shri Thaawar Chand Gehlot, addressed the IIMB community and commended IIMB on its contribution to business, government and society. He also released the book, 'The Making of a Campus: IIM Bangalore', authored by Kiran Keswani, which tells the story of the architecture of IIM Bangalore and of the people who have inhabited its 'spaces' and made it into the 'place' that it is. The book includes narratives built from talking to IIMB's faculty and staff as well as tells the story of the design and planning efforts of Chief Architect Dr. Balkrishna Doshi, architect Achyut Kanvinde and architect Sanjay Mohe towards the making of this campus. The book is designed as a visual commentary on the architecture of the IIMB campus and is illustrated with colour photographs.

The Governor also launched a film on IIMB titled, 'IIMB: The Journey Towards Excellence', to mark the institute's Golden Jubilee Year. Documenting the IIMB journey from its inception to the present, the film portrays the challenges and triumphs, the accomplishments, and the future directions of the institute through the voices of its many stakeholders, past and present – the Directors, members of the Board, faculty, alumni, and administrative staff who have been part of the 50-year journey. The audience had the opportunity to watch glimpses from the main film in a three-minute trailer. Prof. K Kumar, former IIMB faculty of the Entrepreneurship area, who now leads the History Project of IIMB, offered a brief overview of the book and the film.



The day also included addresses by Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IIM Bangalore, and Professor Rishiksha T Krishnan, Director, IIM Bangalore.

"It's an honour to chair the Board of IIMB": Welcoming the Hon'ble President of India and the Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka to the commencement of the Golden Jubilee Week celebrations at IIM Bangalore, on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023, Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty, Chairperson of the Board of Governors of the Institute, expressed his gratitude to the Centre and the State for supporting the B-school in all its endeavours. Watch here: <https://youtu.be/GrIJdzb1cS8>

"IIMB: Where Leaders Are Nurtured": What does it take to build an institution of eminence? What is the story behind IIM Bangalore's glorious 50 years? In his special address at the launch of the Golden Jubilee Week celebrations at IIMB, on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023, the Institute's Director Professor Rishiksha T Krishnan talks about the B-school's journey towards excellence. Watch here: [https://youtu.be/5WHr\\_cm7B8U](https://youtu.be/5WHr_cm7B8U)





Day 2

**27<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

The Staff Recreation Club (SRC) organized 24 sports events as part of IIMB's 50<sup>th</sup> year celebrations. These events not only brought a sense of camaraderie and competition within the IIMB community, but also highlighted their dedication and sporting spirit. Around 250 participants took part in various sports, a staggering 100 individuals emerged victorious and claimed prizes. Staff Recreation Club Awards were presented by the IIMB Director on 27<sup>th</sup> October. On the same day, SRC hosted 24 cultural programs that brought together nearly 50 participants, including staff, their children and students. These cultural programs were a testament to the unity and inclusivity that define IIMB. The audience comprised around 350 members.

On 27<sup>th</sup> October again, the HR department felicitated 173 pensioners.

Alumni-led events for the day included the Business Quiz Finale and Startup Pitching Contest Finale, with a footfall of 50 and 70 respectively. The Young Achievement Awards, instituted by the alumni of the PGP Class of 2001 and 2008, saw eight children receiving them.





Day 3

**28<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Well-known Economist Professor Rebecca Henderson of the Harvard Business School delivered IIM Bangalore's Foundation Day Lecture on, 'Reimagining Capitalism in a World on Fire', on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023. "Embrace a purpose beyond profit and dare to act", she said, explaining why we need a political, social and cultural, global movement to address a crisis such as climate change.

Watch Professor Rebecca Henderson's lecture here: [https://youtu.be/3a3XVa0\\_Ael](https://youtu.be/3a3XVa0_Ael)  
The lecture was followed by a Q&A session, moderated by Professor Sourav Mukherji, Dean, Alumni Relations & Development and faculty from the Organizational Behavior & Human Resources Management area of IIMB.

The day also included the Director's Foundation Day address. "From nurturing leaders to creating impact, IIM Bangalore has been doing it with dedication and commitment", he said. Watch the Director's Golden Jubilee address here: <https://youtu.be/aPUR9dlbNnc>



This was followed by an address by Mr MD Ranganath, Industrialist Member of the Board of Governors, of the Institute. "IIMB has the enormous opportunity and potential to be at the centre of a global growth story. There should be a case study on IIM Bangalore because it has never allowed complacency to set in", he said. Watch his Golden Jubilee address, delivered on the Foundation Day of IIMB, here: <https://youtu.be/Y9pHizTSHqQ>

The Long Service Awards were presented to staff and faculty of the institute for 10, 20 and 30 years of service. Professor U Dinesh Kumar, Dean, Faculty, presented the Long Service Awards to five faculty members. Long Service Awards were also presented to 15 non-teaching staff by Professor Rajendra K Bandi, Dean, Administration.

The Director, Professor Rishikesh T Krishnan, felicitated a few former faculty and former Directors of the Institute.

IIMB also announced the Alumni Service Awards for 2023, an award launched as part of its Golden Jubilee celebrations, which aims to recognize past graduates who have made impactful and enduring contributions to the institute, the IIMB Alumni Association (IIMBAA) and the alumni ecosystem. The inaugural edition of the awards was hosted on the 50th Foundation Day of IIMB, on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Each ASA awardee received a citation, and his/her name is engraved on the wall of fame of the institute. This year, the recipients of the ASA are Shailendra Goswami (PGP 1977), Chairman and Managing Director of Pushkaraj Group, and Saif Qureishi (PGP 1988), Founder, CEO and Managing Director, KRYFS Power Components Ltd.







The Alumni Leadership Conclave comprising the Corporate Leadership panel: 'Sustainable Leadership in the VUCA World', the Entrepreneurship panel: 'Making India the Unicorn Capital of the World' and Governance & Public Service panel: 'Improving the Quality of Life of the Indian Citizen', along with the Alumni Service Awards, saw a footfall of 100.

Another alumni event, 'Sing on Stage with Sunil Koshy: From Mug to Mike' had 150 people participating in it.

The walkathon 'Swarna Twaran' concluded on 28<sup>th</sup> October. The event had around 2100 participants, covering more than 15000 km across 80 locations and 15 countries.

The institute hosted 'Suvarna Sangeet' – a grand and unique music presentation by a 50-member ensemble on that day, at its open air theatre. The 75-minute concert which was open to the public, was composed and directed by IIMB's PGP alumna and noted classical vocalist Manasi Prasad. Suvarna Sangeet brings together a wide range of music genres, from Indian classical to Western classical with fusion and world music elements. Members of the IIMB student music and dance clubs 'Dhwani' and 'Taal' were part of the event. The show drew an audience of around 800 people.

Alumna Manasi Prasad says it was at IIM Bangalore that she learned to “be a dreamer and a do-er”. Watch the concert here: <https://youtu.be/AbeBvOaaEzU>







Day 4

**29<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Participants of the Executive Education Programmes (EEP) of IIMB put up a two-hour programme, celebrating the spirit of diversity. About 250 people in the audience enjoyed 11 performances.

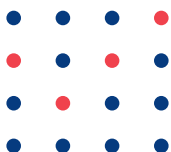
Alumni-led events for the day consisted of the Alumni Life Fest, a Book Track 'IIMB Authors - Beyond Boardrooms'; a Wellness Track, 'Well-Being Through Balance'; 'Standup Comedy' by Shridhar Venkataraman, and 'Director's Interaction with Alumni' had a footfall of close to 350 people for each event.

The 100 Children Orchestra, from the 'Each One Educate One; Foundation, by the students of Sathya Sai Grama was held on the concluding day of the celebrations. The show featured 100 students from Grade 6 to the postgraduate level, who played different instruments under the guidance of Dimitris Lambrianos, a Greek American multi-instrumentalist, composer and conductor. The mesmerizing performance had around 2000 people in the audience.



A Hindi play titled, 'Gagan Damama Bajyo' was presented by the troupe 'TheatreNama', on the night of 29<sup>th</sup> October. The play chronicles the thought process and experiences of the revolutionary of the Indian independence movement, Bhagat Singh. Around 300 people were part of the audience.

The Golden Jubilee celebrations continue. There is a two-day international symposium, to be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2023, focusing on 'Digital Innovations, Financial Inclusion, and Sustainability'. There is a special 'India Strategy Conference 2023' between 14<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> December which will unite academia and industry to deliberate on the strategic opportunities and challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The key themes of this conference are 'Embracing Sustainability', 'Turbocharging Technology and Digital Disruption', and 'Capitalizing on Global Opportunities'. There are several student fests planned for the Golden Jubilee Year and the culmination of the special celebrations will be at the Convocation in March/ April 2024.





Thank You!

