

ALLIANCE
ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION



CHRONICLE

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DR. RAMANA REDDY

Retd. IAS and Chairman of the
Karnataka Skill Development Authority,
as Chief Guest
Industry Leaders' Alliance 2026



ALLIANCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alliance Alumni Association (AAA) is committed to fostering connections and reviving cherished moments of camaraderie among former graduates of Alliance. With a diverse array of individuals representing various cultures and a wealth of shared memories, the alumni community of Alliance is truly exceptional. Its primary objective is to bring together graduates from across the globe and cultivate enduring bonds between alumni and their alma mater.

Serving as a bridge between current students and alumni, AAA is guided by the University's core ideals and values. The Alliance Alumni Association endeavours to establish an active, committed, and enthusiastic alumni network that collaborates to further the University's growth and its positive influence on society. The association strives to empower its members to:

- Facilitate comprehensive connections among alumni of all generations and their families.
- Foster a vibrant community capable of contributing to the University's goals and making a significant societal impact.
- Serve as ambassadors for the University, promoting intellectual and social progress.

Through alumni reunions, alumni chapters, and 'back to campus' initiatives, AAA seeks to promote engagement, encourage active participation, and strengthen the bonds between alumni and the University.

Chronicle, the biannual newsletter of the Alliance Alumni Association, showcases the activities, initiatives, achievements, and continued engagement of AAA and its alumni community. It serves as a window into the association's efforts to strengthen connections and celebrate the contributions of its alumni.

AAA is dedicated to building a tight-knit community of enthusiastic and committed alumni who collaborate to support the University's development and its mission of addressing the complex challenges of the 21st century.

Furthermore, its alumni make substantial contributions to the University through activities such as guest lectures, alumni talk series, informative sessions, corporate readiness programmes, mentorship, and by providing career opportunities in the form of internships and job placements. Their contributions have been invaluable in helping students gain real-world experience and prepare for their future careers.



OVERVIEW

Dear Alumni,

At Alliance, our story is shaped not only by the milestones we achieve, but also by the people and connections that make the journey meaningful. As President of the Alliance Alumni Association, it is truly rewarding to see our alumni community continue to grow, connect, and contribute in diverse ways.

This edition of the newsletter celebrates two significant initiatives that reflect Alliance University's commitment to strengthening connections between academia, industry, and our alumni community. The Alliance HR Conclave 2026, centred on the theme "Potential to Performance: Building Future-Ready Talent," brought together HR professionals, industry experts, and academicians for meaningful conversations on talent development and workforce transformation. The Industry Leaders' Alliance 2026, themed "Future-Ready Talent: Powered by Industry & Academia," provided a platform for eminent industry leaders, policymakers, and academicians to explore how stronger collaboration between industry and academia can prepare graduates for the evolving demands of the global workforce.

These initiatives are a testament to the power of collaboration and the important role of our alumni and industry community. My heartfelt appreciation goes to the University leadership, faculty, industry partners, speakers, alumni, students, and everyone whose dedication and participation made these engagements meaningful and impactful.

Looking ahead, I am confident that the Alliance community will continue to build on these conversations and turn ideas into meaningful action. Together, we can continue to create stronger connections, open new possibilities for the generations to come, and contribute to an ever-evolving Alliance legacy.

Harikrishnan Ramakrishnan

President, Alliance Alumni Association
2025–2028



ALLIANCE HR CONCLAVE 2026

Building Future-Ready Talent Through Industry-Academia Collaboration

Alliance University hosted the Alliance HR Conclave 2026 on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Hotel Conrad, Bengaluru. Organised by the Office of Career Advancement and Networking (CAN), the conclave brought together leading HR professionals, industry experts, and academicians to explore the evolving landscape of talent development and workforce transformation. Centred on the theme, "Potential to Performance: Building Future-Ready Talent," the event served as a platform for meaningful dialogue, collaboration, and knowledge sharing.

The conclave commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Ray Titus, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Incubation & Innovation) and Dean, Alliance School of Business, who emphasised the importance of equipping students with practical skills and strengthening industry engagement to bridge the gap between academic learning and workplace expectations.

Delivering the inaugural address, Mr. Abhay G. Chebbi, Pro Chancellor, Alliance University, highlighted the pivotal role of higher education institutions in preparing graduates to thrive in an increasingly dynamic and technology-driven business environment.

The keynote address by Mr. Srinivas Raju, Chief Executive Officer, Pi Square Technologies, focused on the transformative impact of technology and data-driven decision-making. He encouraged professionals to embrace continuous learning, adaptability, and innovation as essential qualities for sustained success in a rapidly evolving workplace.

The programme featured two insightful panel discussions. The first, "Talent Distribution & Strategic Workforce Planning," moderated by Mr. Harikrishnan Ramakrishnan, Founder and CEO, WeAssist, and President, Alliance Alumni Association, examined changing talent requirements, strategic workforce planning, and aligning human capital with long-term organisational goals. Distinguished panellists included Mr. Gangadhar Salimath (Palo Alto Networks), Mr. Roydon Gonsalvez (Northern Trust), Ms. Priti Nagi (Eurofins), Ms. Pallavi Bhat (Bosch Global Software Technologies), and Mr. Paramveer Singh Narang (Capital One).

The second panel discussion, "Co-creating Future-Ready Talent Pipelines," moderated by Dr. Pratima Verma, Professor and Area Chair – HRM, Alliance School of Business, explored how stronger collaboration between academia and industry can enhance employability and early-career readiness. The discussion featured Mr. Augustus Azariah (Kyndryl India), Mr. Ashwin Singh (Suki), Mr. Naveen Muddu Krishna (SanDisk), Mr. Koushik Das (State Street), and Mr. Saumar Choudhury (ExxonMobil).

The conclave concluded with closing remarks by Dr. Basaralu Sudharshan, Chief Industry Officer, Alliance University, who reflected on the day's key takeaways and reaffirmed the University's commitment to fostering strong industry partnerships. Ms. Surekha Shetty, Registrar General, delivered the vote of thanks, acknowledging the valuable contributions of the speakers, partners, and participants.

The event concluded with a networking lunch, providing attendees with an opportunity to strengthen professional connections and continue conversations beyond the formal sessions. The Alliance HR Conclave 2026 reinforced Alliance University's commitment to nurturing future-ready talent through sustained collaboration between academia and industry.



INDUSTRY LEADERS' ALLIANCE 2026

Strengthening Partnerships for Future-Ready Talent

Alliance University hosted the Industry Leaders' Alliance 2026 on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Hotel Conrad, Bengaluru. Held under the theme "Future-Ready Talent: Powered by Industry & Academia," the programme brought together eminent industry leaders, policymakers, and academicians to discuss how collaborative partnerships can prepare graduates for the evolving demands of the global workforce.

The evening began with a welcome address by Dr. Ray Titus, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Incubation & Innovation) and Dean, Alliance School of Business, who underscored the importance of meaningful industry-academia partnerships in driving innovation, entrepreneurship, and experiential learning.

In his inaugural address, Dr. Priestly B. Shan, Vice Chancellor, Alliance University, spoke about the responsibility of higher education institutions in equipping students with the knowledge, skills, and adaptability required to succeed in a rapidly changing global economy.

Delivering the special address, Dr. Ramana Reddy, Retd. IAS and Chairman, Karnataka Skill Development Authority, highlighted the growing significance of skill development initiatives and the need for stronger alignment between educational institutions, industry expectations, and public policy to create meaningful employment opportunities.

A key highlight of the evening was the fireside chat, "Education Meets Innovation: Building Future-Ready Talent for a Disruptive Economy," moderated by Mr. Abhay G. Chebbi, Pro Chancellor, Alliance University. The discussion featured Mr. Rabindra Srikantan, Chairman, CII Karnataka State and Founder & Managing Director, ASM Technologies, and Ms. Shalini Sankarshana, Managing Director, Planview India and GCC Council Member – NASSCOM Karnataka Region. The speakers shared perspectives on emerging industry trends, adaptability, lifelong learning, and the importance of creating stronger linkages between academic institutions and industry to foster practical, future-focused learning.

The programme also included an engaging open house discussion led by Dr. Ray Titus, where students, faculty members, and industry leaders exchanged ideas on innovation, employability, and collaborative approaches to talent development.

Concluding the event, Dr. Basaralu Sudharshan, Chief Industry Officer, Alliance University, reflected on the key insights from the discussions and reaffirmed the University's commitment to strengthening strategic industry partnerships. The vote of thanks was delivered by Ms. Surekha Shetty, Registrar General, who acknowledged the contributions of the distinguished speakers and participants.

The evening concluded with a networking dinner, offering attendees an opportunity to build professional relationships and continue meaningful conversations. Industry Leaders' Alliance 2026 further strengthened Alliance University's vision of creating a vibrant ecosystem where academia and industry collaborate to develop future-ready talent.



ALUMNI SUCCESS STORIES



Ramakant Rathore

Director at PwC
PGDM 2004 - 2006

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Alliance laid the foundation for my career in technology and digital transformation. With nearly two decades in IT Sales and Business Development across Australia, South Africa, Dubai, and India, I have led teams, managed executive relationships, and driven business growth.

My education at Alliance strengthened my strategic thinking, practical approach, and professional network, helping me navigate global environments with agility.

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Bhumireddy Sai Srinivas Reddy

Pre-Bar Associate, USA
B.B.A. LL. B. (Hons.)
2018 - 2023

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As an alumnus of Alliance University, I am proud to share that I cleared the Indian Bar Examination on my first attempt at the age of 25. It feels like a full-circle moment to celebrate this with the institution that shaped my journey.

The university provided me with a strong legal education and the confidence to pursue opportunities on a global stage. The academic rigor and faculty guidance played a significant role in preparing me for the next phase of my career. I remain deeply grateful for the learning experience, values, and global outlook that Alliance University has given me.

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Aakhil M

CEO at IronTrex Cyber
Technology
BBA 2016-2019

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My journey with Alliance shaped how I think and operate today, with a high- performance environment that made thinking big and executing with clarity feel natural

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Nagarjun Makam
Chief Operating Officer
LaundroKart
MBA 2009 - 2011

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My time at Alliance played a key role in shaping my entrepreneurial mindset. The exposure to real-world business scenarios, networking opportunities, and practical learning helped me to build the foundation for LaundroKart and take it forward with confidence.

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Rakesh Rajan
Head of Human Capital,
India
Worldwide Flight Services
MBA 2010 - 2012

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Leadership is about balancing operational realities with human dynamics. Alliance's HR club helped me develop analytical skills while valuing empathy and communication—lessons that have been vital in leading diverse teams, aligning business objectives with people strategies, and building resilient organizations.

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Ruchi Verma
Founder of InfluverseWorld
and wigglingpen.com
M.Sc. IT
2001-2004

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My journey with Alliance became an important chapter in shaping my confidence, leadership mindset, and entrepreneurial vision. The experience helped me evolve not only as the founder of Influverse World, but also as a woman passionate about inspiring, empowering, and creating opportunities for others through digital media and meaningful conversations.

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Chris Haris Cheruvathoor
Managing Director of Octal
Finance Pvt. Ltd.
BBA 2016–2019

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The foundational knowledge and strategic mindset I developed at Alliance School of Business were pivotal in transforming my entrepreneurial vision into reality. Today, as that business proudly celebrates reaching a monumental ₹130 crore milestone, I trace our core blueprint for success straight back to the classrooms of Alliance.

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Roopesha BT
Co-Founder of Active Hippy
Pvt. Ltd.
MBA 2007 - 2009

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My MBA experience at Alliance provided me with a strong grounding in business principles and strategic thinking. The blend of academic learning, industry exposure, and practical business applications helped shape my professional outlook and prepared me to lead growth initiatives with confidence.

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Monalisha Thakur
Co-founder and CMO
of Tummoc
MBA 2009 - 2011

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I remember sitting in a group project, grappling with a problem that seemed insurmountable. We were tasked with creating a business plan, and I felt out of my depth. But as we shared ideas and brainstormed, I started to feel the value of collaboration. That experience taught me how to think on my feet and adapt to challenges.

Those sessions shaped my vision for Tummoc. The University ignited a fire in me to take risks and not to shy away from pursuing something meaningful.

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Adv. Priyanka Kwatra
Head of Legal & Strategy
Grayscope AI
B.B.A. LL. B. 2015 - 2020

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My journey at Alliance School of Law laid a strong foundation for my legal career. It gave me a strong start through moot courts, industry exposure, and close faculty guidance. The classroom discussions and interactions are something I truly value.

Today, I serve as the Head of Legal & Strategy at Grayscope AI, where I lead the company's legal and compliance functions and work closely with the founders to build and scale a legal tech platform for the legal industry.

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Ms. Harsha Bhosale
Director, HR Programs
Oracle
MBA 2002-2004

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What struck me the most was the emphasis on connecting theory to real-world application in designing people's programs for diverse individuals. I learned that meaningful HR programs go beyond compliance to understand human experiences, shape inclusive practices, and enable peak performance. Alliance gave me a strong foundation to approach program design thoughtfully, lead with empathy, and create initiatives with lasting impact.

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Ms. Urmimala Sarkar
Talent Acquisition Director,
NTT DATA Services
MBA 2005-2007

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What stayed with me from Alliance University was the art of asking the right questions. Early exposure to business challenges taught me to analyze problems and to anticipate the human element in every decision. In my current role, leading talent strategy for a global organization, this mindset is essential. I continually draw on the foundation instilled at Alliance.

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