



#YourNetworkForLife

PwC India Alumni

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**Manpreet
Singh Ahuja**

Dear Friends,

We recently culminated the historic 150 years celebrations of PwC in India which witnessed the collective enthusiasm of close to 15K of our people who made the townhalls come alive and memorable. Happening across locations throughout March, the events had it all – these showcased the pride in the firm, why we're a force to reckon with when it comes to building trust and delivering sustained outcomes for ourselves, our clients and the society we live in, and our aspirations for the next level of innovation and growth.

Innovation, you will agree, is the key to success in any organisation. Over the past few months, we have seen this in action through **The Solvers Challenge** – PwC's annual competition that celebrates and showcases innovators from across the PwC network. We're proud to share that we won the challenge across 1,000 digital assets submitted from over 113 countries.

Our tax solution - **Navigate Tax in ERP** won the best digital asset award under the Transformation category. It's a solution that automates the entire gamut of taxes within the ERP system, and leverages the power of data and insights for planning and reporting. This global recognition is a huge testimony to the power of India's products and solutions.

Through this opportunity, we're leveraging our experience and underlying intellectual properties to turn these into assets and platforms that will help us expand our reach and assist more customers in the most optimised way. By playing to our strengths of being a strong services company, we're willing to learn from SaaS companies and create a scalable software business with the goal to be the largest SwaS (Software with Services) company.

We are transforming into a digital business and using the PwC Store to gain an advantage in the Indian and global digital markets. We have over 40 IPs/products in the store that enables us to chase our SwaS ambition. To find out more about how PwC is leading the way, visit the **PwC Store**. We are building momentum around creating assets, products, platforms and solutions. Over the last year alone, we created over 10 new products that are in the final stages before being made available in the PwC Store in the near future.

We're not just thinking about the future, we want to shape it. Our digital ambitions help clients build trust with their stakeholders and deliver sustained outcomes. To achieve our ambitions, we've created an environment that encourages people to acquire skills of the future to create assets that can be reused across the business as well as use what others have created. Our '**Digital Lab**' houses over 5,000 micro-innovations/micro-assets built by the PwC community that our teams use for delivering client impact every day across engagements.

As the new financial year begins, here's wishing you and your business/aspirations the very best for FY24. We are **#PwCProud** to have you stay connected with **#YourNetworkForLife**.

Regards,

Manpreet Singh Ahuja

Chief Digital Officer and Technology, Media & Telecommunications (TMT) Sector Leader
PwC India

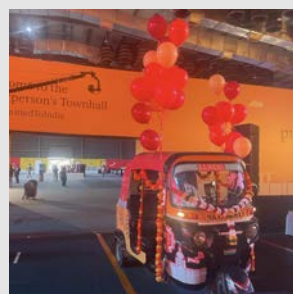
Chairperson's townhall

Our proud legacy of 150 years was celebrated in the form of Chairperson's townhalls, which were held across eight cities throughout March. These townhalls were brought to life by the collective enthusiasm of our people, landmark leadership announcements and amazing performances by celebrated artistes like Usha Uthup and Javed Ali, among others.

Kolkata



Mumbai



Pune

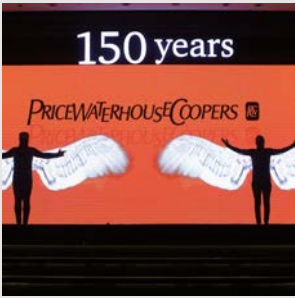
Ahmedabad



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Chennai



Hyderabad



Delhi NCR



Retiring partners



Satyavati Berera
has been with the firm
for 42+ years



N V Sivakumar
has been with the firm
for 40+ years



Indraneel Chaudhury
has been with the firm
for 33+ years



Sunit Kumar Basu
has been with the firm
for 32+ years



Bimal Tanna
has been with the firm
for 25+ years



Kanchun Kaushal
has been with the firm
for 14 years



Sanjay Garg
has been with the firm
for 7+ years

As **Satya, NVS, Indraneel, Sunit, Bimal, Kanchun and Sanjay** retire, we express our deepest gratitude and honour their commitment, dedication and contribution to the firm over the years. It has been a memorable journey for them and us and we thank them for being beacons of inspiration to many. While it is their positive presence that we will miss the most, what we will always hold in highest regard is the way they have embodied the PwC Values every step of the way. We wish them good health, success and happiness in all their future endeavours and welcome them to the PwC India Alumni family.

Alumni speak

Nirav Umaretiya



Would love to join PwC again post my MBA!
Read more [here](#)

Isha Singh



The learnings I received from PwC will stay with me forever.
Read more [here](#)

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People update

Celebrating our people's journey at the firm



Priya Banerjee



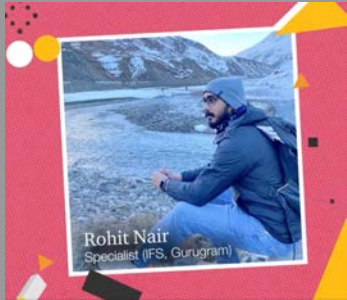
Debojyoti Chakraborty

Meet PwC Professionals [Priya Banerjee](#) and [Debojyoti Chakraborty](#) who share their **#OnwardAndUpward** journeys of how through this one opportunity with the firm they've received incredible opportunities to rise, shine and grow in their respective domains.

What do PwCites do beyond work?



Yash Sharma's passion for basketball has influenced his way of working, planning, strategising, executing and continuously pushing himself to get better at everything he chooses to do. Playing the game has taught him that learning from temporary defeats and working as a team is all it takes to become a winner.



PwCite **Rohit Nair** is putting his discipline and commitment to the test by lifting weights at the gym to reach his fitness goal. He feels this has helped improve his concentration and equipped him to take up difficult challenges at work. Besides gymming, Rohit is also an avid biker and has a keen interest in travelling and exploring new places.

#FromCommitmentToAction



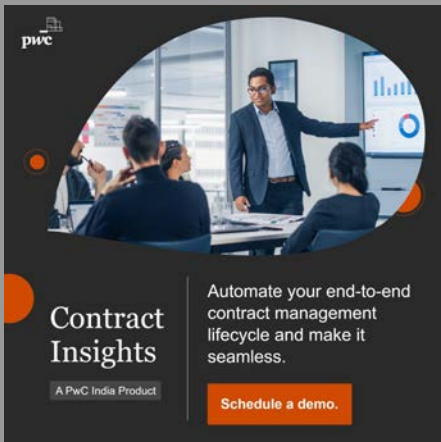
At PwC, we are honoured to play a part in making a positive impact. Through the PwC India Foundation, we have invested in sustainable farming methods, upskilled our nation's youth and supported local non-profits, among others. Working shoulder to shoulder and hand in hand with our partners, [here's a glimpse of our journey](#) over the last 5 years.



Our **Net Zero journey** has us focused on the importance of environment friendly practices across our offices, so that we can together make our firm a **#ConsciousWorkplace**. Right from proper segregation of waste to reducing the use of plastic to emphasising the importance of collaborating with Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) registered vendors, we've shifted our focus on essential practices that will positively impact our net zero target.

We're human-led and tech-powered

Contract Insights



Are you or your clients facing these challenges?

- “My contracting process is long, tedious, and completely paper-based...”
- “My contract lifecycle is slowing down - there is a lack of a unified contract repository”
- “There is non-compliance in contracts”

That's where our SaaS-based **Contract Insights platform** comes in. As an end-to-end contract management tool, it delivers value in managing large contract volumes, standardises contracting processes, navigates revenue-cost leakages and generates insights on risks and opportunities of signed and executed contracts.

Compliance Insights



Are you facing compliance-related challenges, such as,

- Staying ahead of multiple compliance regimes globally
- Stakeholder reporting and awareness
- Limited resources dedicated to compliance management
- Absence of digitisation of compliance management and tracking

Compliance Insights provides a one-stop view of your compliance obligations across geographies - customised to your operations and entity structure. Deployed by 200+ organisations and used by 4000+ users globally, this web-based tool can be hosted on Public Cloud Environments, Azure and on-premises. Get real-time monitoring and reporting capabilities across law areas, locations and business units, track individual compliance responsibilities and earn time-cost savings.

Knowledge Partnership



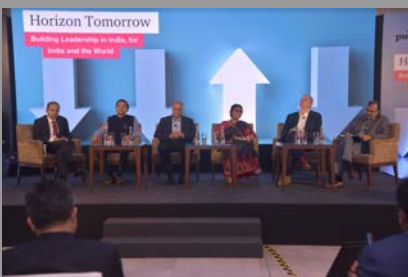
PwC India were the Knowledge Partners for the **Indian Express Excellence in Governance Awards**. These awards were given to recognise and honour District Magistrates in the country who are working tirelessly to be change agents in their districts. PwC was closely involved in this initiative, right from supporting the design of the methodology and categorisation to reviewing and shortlisting nominations for the consideration of the honourable jury.

Emerging trends in Free Trade Agreements (FTA)



Shri Sunil Barthwal (Commerce Secretary, GoI), Dr Anup Wadhawan (Former Commerce Secretary, GoI), Dr James J. Nedumpara (Professor and Head, Centre for Trade and Investment Law, IIFT) along with Mr Om Hisaria (Senior Vice President, Reliance Industries Limited) and Mr Ajay Agarwal (Global Tax Head, Vedanta Resources Limited) participated in an interactive discussion on 'Emerging Trends in Free Trade Agreements' organised by PwC India. **PwC's 'Business imperatives of modern FTAs' report** was also launched at the event which gives an overview of free trade agreements, key elements of Modern FTAs, and the imperatives for businesses.

Launch of Horizon Tomorrow



The interconnected opportunities and challenges of the future create a completely new canvas for leadership - one which involves 'expanding wider' for ecosystem impact and 'extending farther' for generating new future-focused possibilities.

Horizon Tomorrow is PwC India's first-of-its-kind intervention to build leadership for this evolving context focusing on the opportunity in India. This six months journey is bringing together a community of leaders across some of the largest organisations in India to gain a multidimensional and multi-stakeholder perspective to co-create impact.

Adding 30K to our Community of Solvers



In line with our strategic commitment to furthering the country's economic development, harnessing the potential of the domestic market and creating more opportunities for society at large, we recently announced the **addition of 30K new jobs in the next 5 years**. PwC India and PwC US have entered into a joint venture, and this enhanced collaboration will further attempt to tap into India's vast demographic dividend and help deliver greater value to our clients.

The Economic Times Global Business Summit



PwC Global Chairman, Bob Moritz, participated in The Economic Times' prestigious **Global Business Summit** - a forum that brings together thought leaders, heads of state, policymakers, academicians and business leaders to help shape India's growth story for the past several years. Bob delivered an engaging address on 'India's Decade' in the 7th edition of the GBS, delving into the five key thrust areas that will help propel India's growth in the next few years.

Media coverage:

- [India's decade, strengths and challenges](#)
- [Not emerging, India is the leading market](#)
- [PwC Will Hire Around 30,000 People In India In Couple Of Years](#)
- [India is the epicentre of faster transformation and growth, no wonder it is drawing interest from investors](#)

Download now | PwC's Budget Booklet



This Budget has provided a blueprint for fueling India's aspirations and expectations as the country commences its journey towards India@100. Explore our analysis and understand the implications on your business. Decode **#UnionBudget2023** with an in-depth analysis of the key proposals and their implications for the Financial Services sector in our FS Budget booklet.

Download now: <https://bit.ly/3RpqcDr>

Creating differentiation



Proud to share that we have won the JobsforHer DivHERsity Awards 2023 in the following categories:

- Top5 Most Innovative Practices — DivHERsity Programs
- Top20 Most Innovative Practices — DivHERsity Policies
- Top20 Most Innovative Practices — Women L&D Programmes.



We've been recognised as one of the **'Top 50 Companies with Great Managers 2022'** by the Great Manager Awards. This is a testament to the stellar work of our people managers, in not only delivering sustained outcomes for our clients, but also nurturing the workforce of the future.

Key Thought Leadership



Fuelling India's future with bioenergy



Business imperatives of modern FTAs



Data governance: An enabler for ESG

Alumni Hub - A dedicated portal for our India Alums

Furthering our effort to create truly engaging experiences for you, we launched - **Alumni Hub** – an interactive platform that will enable you to connect with each other in more meaningful ways. It is **your** gateway to stay in touch with us and your fellow alumni. Use this secure space to make connections with other members of our alumni network, stay connected with the latest around the firm, and much more. In case you haven't received your activation email to register, [access this link](#). For any queries, write to us at: in_alumni.pwcindia@pwc.com.

To register

An email from no_reply@registration.pwc.com with the subject line: **'PwC Account Activation'** has been sent to your email ID that we have as per our records.

- Click on **"Activate your account"** button in the Activation email
- After Activating your Account, click on the **'Application URL'**
- **Enter the OTP** received either on your mobile and/or email ID

To login

- You can log into [Alumni Hub](#) anytime. The link is also available on the PwC India website's [Alumni page](#).
- If you've forgotten your password, click on the 'Help' option during login. We will send your registered personal email a 'reset password email'.



Talk to us

We cover a lot of interesting updates in **Connect** our quarterly newsletter, and are always open to new ideas. For more information about what we do and how we can support you, or if you'd like to present something don't hesitate to reach out to our Alumni team at in_alumni.pwcindia@pwc.com.

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