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From the Director's Desk

It gives me immense pleasure to present this edition of our newsletter, capturing the key developments and engagements at IIM Ranchi. The period has been marked by meaningful initiatives that reflect our dedication to academic excellence, industry engagement, responsible leadership, and the integration of contemporary perspectives into management education.

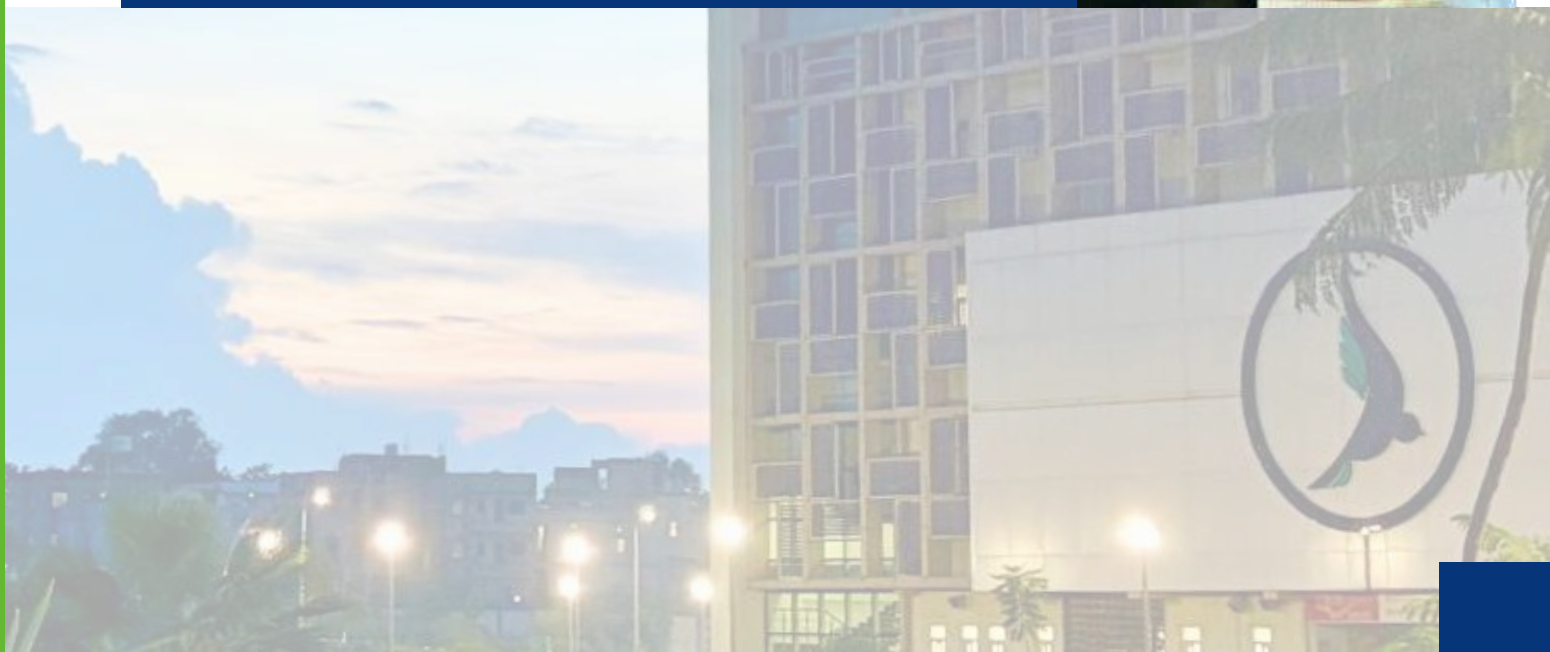
Our flagship HR Conclave brought together distinguished corporate leaders and human resource professionals to deliberate on the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence in the workplace, workforce development, ethical decision-making, and organisational accountability. Such interactions provide our students with valuable insights into evolving industry practices and reinforce the importance of connecting academic learning with practical experience.

The Institute also continued to nurture intellectual curiosity and cultural awareness by celebrating Hindi Pakhwada 2026 and releasing IIM Ranchi Vani, our first Hindi house magazine. Interactive sessions and documentary screenings offered opportunities to engage with stories of national service, courage, creativity, and perseverance, enriching the learning experience beyond the classroom.

As Artificial Intelligence and emerging technologies reshape organisations, we remain focused on nurturing critical thinking, ethical judgement, adaptability, and an appreciation of diverse perspectives. I extend my sincere gratitude to our faculty, staff, students, alumni, industry partners, and collaborators for their continued support. Together, we will continue to strengthen industry-academia partnerships, create meaningful learning opportunities, and shape responsible leaders who contribute lasting value to society.



Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava



Promoting sustainable fly ash utilisation and commercialisation



IIM Ranchi and PVUNL Launch Strategic Initiative for Fly Ash Commercialisation

IIM Ranchi partnered with Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (PVUNL) to develop a comprehensive commercialisation framework for fly ash and ash-based products. The MoU was exchanged by Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, and Shri A. K. Sehgal, Chief Executive Officer, PVUNL. IIM Ranchi will assess existing practices, develop a roadmap towards 50% ash utilisation across PVUNL's operational units, and formulate branding and marketing strategies to strengthen market presence and promote sustainable resource management.

Mr. Madan Mohan Mohanka shares lessons in entrepreneurship and leadership



IIM Ranchi Hosts Tega Industries Chairman for Entrepreneurship and Leadership



IIM Ranchi hosted Mr. Madan Mohan Mohanka, Chairman, Tega Industries, for an interactive session on entrepreneurship and leadership. Drawing on his experience of building a global enterprise, he highlighted perseverance, strategic customer relationships, calculated decision-making, and thorough due diligence before acquisitions. He also emphasised employee welfare, empathy, and strong internal teams. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, highlighted the enduring principles of value creation and the importance of combining information with wisdom gained through mentorship and experience.



New cohort begins its leadership journey

IIM Ranchi Welcomes 18th MBA (Executive) Summer Batch 2026-28

IIM Ranchi welcomed the 18th MBA (Executive) Programme 2026-28 Summer Batch, marking the beginning of a two-year academic journey for working professionals. Prof. Manish Bansal, Chairperson, MBA (Executive) Programme, highlighted the programme's focus on Artificial Intelligence, experiential learning, industry engagement, and global perspectives.

Alumni Ms. Sumarani Sulibele Muniraju, Technical Lead, Boeing India, and Mr. Suman Maiti, General Manager, Hindalco Industries Limited, shared their experiences of balancing academic and professional responsibilities. Prof. Tanusree Dutta, Dean, Academics, emphasised applying management knowledge to real-world challenges, while Prof. Amit Sachan, Dean, Executive Education & Consulting (EEC), encouraged collaborative learning. Guest of Honour Mr. Anuj Srivastava, Director, ASCELA Global, stressed continuous professional development. Keynote speaker Mr. Manoj Kumar Agarwal, Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Bharat Coking Coal Limited, highlighted curiosity, adaptability, and effective leadership in the Industry 4.0 era.







Premchand's literature inspires social intelligence and ethical leadership

IIM Ranchi Celebrates Munshi Premchand's 146th Birth Anniversary

IIM Ranchi's Rajbhasha Cell, in collaboration with the Nagar Rajbhasha Karyanvayan Samiti (NARAKAS), Central Office, Ranchi, celebrated the 146th birth anniversary of Munshi Premchand. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, emphasised that literature helps develop social intelligence, ethical understanding, and managerial decision-making. Mr. Prasun Kumar, Assistant Director (Official Language), Income Tax Department, and Member Secretary, Nagar Rajbhasha Karyanvayan Samiti (NARAKAS), Ranchi, highlighted the importance of promoting Hindi in government offices.

The celebration featured theatrical performances of 'Andhvishwas' and 'Panch Parmeshwar' by IIM Ranchi's Dramebaaz Club, and 'Eidgah' by the Jharkhand Film and Theatre Academy. Participating artists received certificates of appreciation.



62 students begin their five-year management journey

IIM Ranchi Welcomes 6th Bacth of IPM with 71% Female Representation

IIM Ranchi welcomed its 6th Integrated Programme in Management (IPM) cohort, Batch 2026-31, comprising 62 students, with 71% female representation. The induction week featured case competitions, presentations, sports, cultural activities, a Human Library, and a Treasure Hunt, encouraging collaboration and experiential learning.

At the formal inauguration, Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, encouraged students to develop social intelligence, a global outlook, and a sense of responsibility while contributing to the institute's legacy. Guest speaker Mr. Nathan S V, Leadership Coach & Mentor and Former Country Leader, PwC Acceleration Centres India, emphasised self-belief, humility, hard work, and lifelong learning. Prof. Raveesh Krishnankutty, Chairperson, IPM, delivered the vote of thanks.







Celebrating human capability and nation building

IIM Ranchi Celebrates 80th Independence Day

IIM Ranchi celebrated the 80th Independence Day with the National Flag hoisting by Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, followed by patriotic performances. He highlighted India's vision of becoming a developed nation and a multi-trillion-dollar economy by 2047, emphasising educational institutions' role in developing human capabilities, adaptability, initiative, and the meaningful application of Artificial Intelligence and emerging technologies. The celebration promoted national unity and social responsibility.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi encourages youth participation in sports

IIM Ranchi Hosts Yuva Samvad under Khelo India Initiative

IIM Ranchi hosted an online interaction under Khelo India: Khel Ki Baat PM Ke Sath, connecting over 10 lakh youth across 5,000 institutions nationwide. Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Seth, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Defence, Government of India, attended alongside Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi; Ms. Lalita Kumari, State Director, MY Bharat; and Dr. Gaurav Agrawal, Youth Icon.

Addressing the youth, Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, encouraged participation in diverse sporting disciplines, highlighting the role of sports in developing good citizens, improving quality of life, and combating drug abuse. The session featured athletes Mr. Dinesh Kumar, International Lawn Bowls Player; Ms. Neha Nag, National Archery Player; Ms. Ayushi Kadu, National Hockey Player; and Mr. Shreejit Shivdekar, National Basketball Player. IIM Ranchi students Jeet Biswas, Sourav Kumar, Jai Pamnani, Utkarsh Anand, Vikas, and Rishika presented recommendations for sports infrastructure and development.







Industry leaders discuss AI and the future of work

IIM Ranchi Hosts Flagship HR Conclave on AI and the Future of Work

IIM Ranchi hosted its flagship HR Conclave, bringing together corporate leaders to discuss AI, workforce transformation, ethics and organisational accountability. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, and Prof. Rajeev Verma, Chairperson - Corporate Relations, IIM Ranchi, highlighted the importance of industry-academia collaboration.

Four panel discussions featured HR leaders from Suzuki R&D Center India Private Limited, Schneider Electric, PwC, ICICI Lombard, mjunction Services Ltd., Tata Elxsi, Times Internet, Cairn Vedanta Oil and Gas, Husk Power, Tata Steel Downstream Products Limited, Maruti Suzuki India Limited, Engineers India Limited and EXL.

Discussions focused on balancing AI-driven efficiency with employee experience, data privacy, ethical implementation and human accountability. The conclave emphasised continuous upskilling, critical thinking, adaptability and responsible AI adoption for a resilient, people-centric workplace.







Hindi, regional languages, and nature take centre stage

IIM Ranchi Celebrates National Hindi Day, Launches Hindi Pakhwada 2026

IIM Ranchi's Rajbhasha Cell celebrated National Hindi Day and inaugurated Hindi Pakhwada 2026, scheduled until 28 September. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, emphasised that Hindi and regional languages enrich linguistic diversity and strengthen social intelligence. The programme featured a screening of 'Humans in the Loop', followed by an interaction with Mr. Aranya Sahay, Writer and Director; Mr. Biju Toppo, Executive Producer; and Mr. Anurag Lugun, Actor. Mr. Aranya Sahay shared his filmmaking experiences and highlighted the importance of human sensitivity, language, and connecting with nature amid rapid technological advancements.





Soul Talk explores communication, and self-discovery

Actor Vijay Vikram Singh Addresses IIM Ranchi

IIM Ranchi hosted Mr. Vijay Vikram Singh, Actor and Voice Coach, for a Soul Talk session under Hindi Pakhwada 2026. Highlighting Hindi's inclusive nature and its ability to embrace regional dialects, he shared how the language helped shape his career in voice-over and communication.

Encouraging students to rediscover reading, he emphasised that a strong vocabulary, effective communication, adaptability, and continuous learning are essential for personal and professional growth. He also inspired students to focus on self-discovery and resilience while navigating challenges.





201+ Globally and 21st in Asia in Management, and 201+ Globally and 16th in Asia in Business Analytics

IIM Ranchi Debuts in QS Business Master's Rankings 2027

IIM Ranchi has made its debut in the QS Business Master's Rankings 2027. Master's in Management ranks 21st in Asia, while Master's in Business Analytics secures 16th place in Asia; both programmes enter the 201+ global band. The Master's in Management programme secured 21st position in Asia, while the Master's in Business Analytics programme ranked 16th in Asia, with both placed in the 201+ global band.

Language and Management Discussion During Hindi Pakhwada 2026

Prof. K. G. Suresh Highlights Language and Leadership, and Broad-based Management

IIM Ranchi's Rajbhasha Cell organised a discussion session under Hindi Pakhwada 2026, featuring Prof. K. G. Suresh, Director, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. He described Hindi as the "elder sister" of all languages, stressing the need to make it simple, inclusive, and accessible while encouraging linguistic diversity and a stronger reading culture.



Addressing management students, Prof. K. G. Suresh highlighted effective communication, active listening, and a broad organisational perspective as essential leadership qualities. He encouraged future managers to focus on collaborative team building rather than blame, fostering a more cooperative and productive workplace.



20 IIMs discuss collaboration and AI-enabled library services

IIM Ranchi Hosts 27th IIM Libraries Consortium

IIM Ranchi hosted the 27th IIM Libraries Consortium Meeting, bringing together librarians and library professionals from 20 IIMs to strengthen collaboration in academic resources and research support. The inaugural session featured Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Director, IIM Ranchi, and Prof. Tanusree Dutta, Dean - Academics and Chairperson, Library Committee, IIM Ranchi. Discussions focused on cooperative resource acquisition, equitable access to scholarly information, AI-based library services, and open-source technologies. The Consortium also agreed to explore inviting IIM Guwahati as a member from 2027, subject to formalities. During the three-day meeting, 69 information products from 16 vendors and publishers were reviewed online, followed by presentations of 170 products and services by 36 providers.





Filmmaker Kushal Srivastava shares his journey and military stories

IIM Ranchi Screens 'The Last Salute'

IIM Ranchi's Rajbhasha Cell hosted a documentary screening and Soul Talk with Mr. Kushal Srivastava, Creator of the Netflix Original Series Operation Safed Sagar: The Untold Story of the Kargil War. His documentary The Last Salute: A Love Story to MiG-21 commemorated the aircraft's 62 years of service in the Indian Air Force and its decommissioning on 26 September 2025. Mr. Srivastava shared his journey from seven years in the Indian Air Force, including Operation Parakram, to filmmaking. He received the C-in-C Commendation in 2026 for his contribution to portraying the Indian Air Force's valour.





Deloitte Executive Director Mr. Ritwik Udayan connects Hindi literature with leadership and corporate management at the Hindi Pakhwada 2026 valediction

IIM Ranchi Releases Its First Hindi House Magazine, IIM Ranchi Vani

IIM Ranchi concluded Hindi Pakhwada 2026 with the release of IIM Ranchi Vani, the institute's first Hindi house magazine, featuring over 65 contributions, including articles, travelogues, poems and essays by students, faculty and staff. The magazine also documents the activities and initiatives of the institute's Rajbhasha Cell, marking a significant step towards promoting Hindi literature and creative expression on campus.

The concluding ceremony was graced by Mr. Ritwik Udayan, Executive Director, Deloitte, and grandson of renowned Hindi poet Ramdhari Singh 'Dinkar'. Drawing parallels between Dinkar's celebrated work Rashmirathi and management practices, he highlighted lessons in talent recognition, negotiation, stakeholder management, humility and learning from failures, underscoring the relevance of literature in leadership and organisational decision-making.

The programme also featured cultural performances by the Dramebaaz Club, which staged 'Antaraal' and 'Do Tarfa'. Participants and performers were felicitated for their contributions, bringing Hindi Pakhwada 2026 to a close while celebrating Hindi, literary expression, and the institute's continued efforts to promote the official language.









Programme Conducted or Concluded between Jul 01, 2026 & Sept 30, 2026

Executive Education

PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED		
Programme Name	**Participating Organization**	**Date**
Nurturing Future Leadership Program	-	Jul 06, 2026 to Jul 10, 2026
Five-day Immersion Programme for Students of IMS Ghaziabad	IMS Ghaziabad	Jul 09, 2026 to Jul 13, 2026
Five-day MDP on Project Management for Execution Excellence for the Executives of PVUNL and NTPC	Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (PUVNL)	Jul 13, 2026 to Jul 17, 2026
Analytical Problem Solving and Relationship Management for Senior Leaders	GAIL (India) Limited	Jul 27, 2026 to Jul 31, 2026
Strategic School Leadership Program	Private School Principals' Association (PSPA)	Aug 06, 2026 to Apr 08, 2026
Executive Leadership Programme for E6 SAIL Executives	Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)	Aug 10, 2026 to Apr 14, 2026
Aarohan 2.0: Three-month Blended Leadership Development Journey for Sales Champions	HDFC Ergo	Aug 17, 2026 to Nov 22, 2026
Customer Delight / Customer Satisfaction / Team Building conducted by Faculty from Rural Marketing Area	PNB Metlife	Aug 21, 2026
Five-day MDP on Leveraging AI for Business Advantage	IILM	Aug 22, 2026 to Aug 26, 2026
Three-day MDP on Finance for Non-Finance Executives	Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL)	Aug 25, 2026 to Aug 27, 2026
Execution Excellence and Achievement Orientation for Senior Leaders	GAIL (India) Limited	Sept 07, 2026 to Sept 11, 2026





Seminars Conducted between Jul 01, 2026 & Sept 30, 2026

Thursday Seminar Series

Speaker	Topic	Date
Prof. Shumaila Fatima	The impact and mechanism of digital literacy on the usage of digital financial services	Jul 2, 2026
Prof. Sobhan Sarkar	ValuRipple: Learning Customer Value Dynamics via a Contrastive GAN-Graph Churn Prediction Framework	Jul 16, 2026
Prof. John Kujur	Inter-generational Occupational Mobility among Indigenous People in India	Aug 20, 2026
Prof. Charvaak Pati	Between Sympathy and Solidarity: Lay Morality, Moral Ambivalence, and Workers' Struggles in Manesar, India	Aug 27, 2026
Prof. Deepak Kumar	The Triple Disconnection: AI in Finance Industry, Job Postings, and B-School Curricula	Sep 3, 2026
Prof. Shweta Jha	When AI Steals the Spotlight: Evidence of a Vampire Effect in Generative AI Storytelling Advertising	Sep 17, 2026

Guest Seminar Series

Speaker	Topic	Date
Mr. Chaitanya Prasad	Cinema & Branding	Sep 1, 2026
Prof. Apurva Saneria	Selecting Topic for Research	Sep 2, 2026
Mr. Amit Mohan Prasad	Research Avenues in Public Policies	Sep 24, 2026









Research Methods Group

Speaker	Topic	Date
Prof. B.S. Daya Sagar	Mathematical Morphology in Pattern Analysis, Processing and Recognition	July 13-14, 2026
Prof. Indranil Biswas	Game Theory Methodology	July 24-25, 2026
Prof. Rahul De	Teaching and Research with AI	July 29-30, 2026





Closing Remarks

The period reflected IIM Ranchi's continued efforts to bridge management education with industry needs, emerging technologies, and cultural enrichment. Through its flagship HR Conclave, the Institute brought together industry leaders and human resource professionals to deliberate on artificial intelligence, workforce transformation, ethical decision-making, and the evolving future of work. Its engagement with industry leaders and corporate partners further strengthened the dialogue between academia and practice. Alongside these initiatives, the Institute celebrated Hindi literature and linguistic heritage through Hindi Pakhwada 2026 and the launch of its first Hindi house magazine, IIM Ranchi Vani. Documentary screenings and interactive sessions also provided opportunities to engage with stories of national service, courage, and creative expression. Together, these initiatives reflect IIM Ranchi's continued efforts to foster informed leadership, encourage critical thinking, strengthen industry-academia collaboration, and create a learning environment that integrates professional development with cultural awareness and social responsibility.

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