

25th MMA Competition for
Outstanding Women Manager of the Year - 2026

Theme

***WOMEN
LEADING***
WITH
*PURPOSE, POWER &
GENEROSITY*



I M P O R T A N T D A T E S

Last date for Registration & Submission of Written Paper: Monday, 2nd March 2026

Oral Presentation: Wednesday, 11th March 2026 | 9.30 am

Convention & Award Function: Saturday, 14th March 2026 | 9.30 am

Venue:
MMA Management Center
Chennai

Background & The Platform

The annual **MMA Women Managers’ Convention**, organised on the occasion of **International Women’s Day**, celebrates the indomitable spirit of women and the diverse roles they play in society. Each year, the Convention revolves around a carefully curated theme that reflects the evolving aspirations, challenges, and leadership journeys of women today.

As a prelude to the Convention, MMA conducts a **highly regarded competition** that invites women managers to showcase their intellect, leadership perspective, and professional excellence through **written papers and oral presentations**, aligned with the Convention theme.

The Competition culminates in the conferment of the prestigious “**MMA Outstanding Woman Manager of the Year**” **Award**, recognising exceptional women leaders who demonstrate purpose-driven leadership, influence with integrity, and a spirit of generosity in empowering others.

Convention Theme 2026

Women Leading with Purpose, Power & Generosity

The 2026 Convention brings together accomplished women leaders, creators, and change-makers to redefine leadership and success in a rapidly evolving world.

Participants are encouraged to explore:

- **Purpose** as a driver of resilience, ethical decision-making, and long-term impact
- **Power** as influence exercised with confidence, competence, and integrity
- **Generosity** as a leadership strength—through mentorship, collaboration, and community upliftment

Leadership, in this context, is not about rising alone, but about **creating pathways for many women to rise together**.

Key Pointers for Participants

Participants may focus on:

- Why women’s leadership matters today and how purpose transforms challenges into meaningful action
- Redefining power as influence rather than control, supported by examples and lived experiences
- Generosity as a catalyst for trust, inclusive growth, and sustainable success
- The “Give to Gain” philosophy through mentoring, sponsorship, and knowledge-sharing

Eligibility

- Women below 58 years of age (as on 1 January 2026)
- This is not a team event; participation is individual

Competition Format

- Participants must submit a **written paper** on the Convention theme
- **Word limit:** Not exceeding **2,000 words**
- Shortlisted participants will be invited to make an **oral presentation**
- **Duration:** 10 minutes, followed by interaction with the Jury
- Evaluation will be based on **both written and oral presentations**

Date & Venue

Wednesday, 11th March 2026

MMA Management Centre, Chennai

Written Paper – Suggested Structure

- 1. Introduction / Executive Summary
- 2. Synopsis of the paper
- 3. Views on the theme with examples, case studies, and illustrations
- 4. Conclusion
- 5. Bibliography / References (mandatory)

References must be suitably acknowledged.

Evaluation & Jury

A distinguished Jury comprising eminent corporate leaders and academicians will evaluate the submissions. The Jury’s decision will be final.

Results will be announced on the same day.

Entry Fee

- **MMA Members:** ₹2,000 (inclusive of 18% GST)
- Entry fee is **non-refundable**
- Competition participants are entitled to **complimentary participation** at the **MMA Women Managers’ Convention 2026 on Saturday, 14th March 2026**

Mode of Payment: Pay through DD/Cheque drawn in favour of 'Madras Management Association' payable at Chennai or online through NEFT/RTGS as per bank details given below:

Beneficiary: Madras Management Association

Bank & Branch: Axis Bank Ltd, Anna Salai

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Cash Prizes

- **Outstanding Woman Manager of the Year:** ₹25,000
- **Best Written Paper:** ₹5,000
- **Best Oral Presentation:** ₹5,000

Prizes will be presented during the **Women Managers’ Convention 2026**.

Registration & Submission


- Register and upload the written paper online on or before **Monday, 2nd March 2026**
- In case of difficulty with online submission, papers may be emailed to: mma@mmachennai.org


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Contact for Queries

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Winners of Earlier ‘Outstanding Woman Manager Competition’ felicitated in previous Years

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| 2025 : Ms Sindhujah R
<i>Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2013 : Ms Sunitha Prasad
<i>Associate Consultant, Tata Consultancy Services</i> |
| 2024 : Ms T Chitraa, IRAS
<i>Indian Railways</i> | 2012 : Ms Suganya S
<i>Senior Manager, Insurance BU, CTS</i> |
| 2023 : Ms Swarna Sudha Selvaraj
<i>Talent Development, Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2011 : Ms Sumathi R D
<i>Associate Vice President, Tata Consultancy Services</i> |
| 2022 : Ms Deepa Anand
<i>Senior Manager (Product Development)
Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Ltd</i> | 2010 : Ms Namrta Dhar
<i>National Marketing Manager, Heidelberg India Pvt Ltd</i> |
| 2021 : Ms Ramya Narasimhan
<i>Talent Development Lead, Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2009 : Ms Asha Mathen
<i>Vice President, Deutsche Bank</i> |
| 2020 : Ms Subharanjani Vadivelu
<i>Consultant, Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2008 : Ms Srividya Bharathi
<i>Asst Vice President, ABN AMRO
Central Enterprise Services Pvt Ltd</i> |
| 2019 : Ms Nitya Vasudevan
<i>Senior Manager - New Initiatives, Cholamandalam
Investments and Finance Company Ltd</i> | 2007 : Ms Kavita Narsimhan
<i>Manager - PCG, DBS Cholamandalam Distribution Ltd</i> |
| 2018 : Ms Sandhiya Thiruvengadam
<i>Assistant Manager, Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2006 : Ms V G Booma
<i>Dy Chief Personnel Officer, Integral Coach Factory</i> |
| 2017 : Ms Srjana Balraj
<i>Senior Consultant, Tata Consultancy Services</i> | 2005 : Ms Jayashree Vaidhyanathan
<i>Director & BU Head, HCL Technologies</i> |
| 2016 : Ms Nishanthi Grashia S
<i>Senior Consultant, Tractors And Farm Equipment Ltd</i> | 2004 : Ms Rajini Seshadri
<i>Principal Consultant, Tata Consultancy Services</i> |
| 2015 : Ms Divya V
<i>Manager-L&D, Tube Investments of India Ltd</i> | 2003 : Ms Aruna Rangachar
<i>Director, Interspace Biotech Pvt Ltd</i> |
| 2014 : Ms A Anga Magesh
<i>Engineering Manager, Alcatel – Lucent India Ltd</i> | 2002 : Ms Vasuda Narasimhan
<i>ITC Limited</i> |

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