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Modhera Sun Temple

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President's Message



Mr. Prerak Shah

President, PMI Gujarat India Chapter

Dear fellow Project Management Fraternity of Gujarat
On behalf of PMI Gujarat Chapter's Board of Directors, I am very delighted to present fourth edition of our semi-annual newsletter for your read and ready reference of chapter's activities and updates.

This edition of newsletter comes at a very **important and interesting milestone** – *important because it is being launched on day of our Second Annual Conference*, in the gracious presence of Ahmedabad City's Municipal Commissioner – Shri M Thennarasan, IAS as well as PMI dignitaries – Mr. Amit Goyal, MD of PMI R11 Region, Mr. Prasanna Sampathkumar, PMI R11 Regional mentor and Mr. Abhishek Sharma, Chapter Engagement Manager for PMI South Asia. And, *interesting because we are standing right in the front of 2025 – a year when we will mark 5th anniversary of our march towards greater growth of project management community and state's ecosystem as whole.*

In our journey of four years, we have already accomplished several significant milestones – **winner of Chapter of Year in Category I in 2022** – *one of the youngest chapters to win such accolade in the history of PMI*; and **started our annual conference in 2023**. For these, I would like to convey sincere gratitude to our founding trustees, our first board, our past president Dr Sanjay Buch and all the volunteers who have worked with true dedication. All these efforts through founding years and PMI's Single Membership initiative launched in November, 2023 has propelled our growth to the next level orbit in this year.

While such astonishing growth brings us sense of amazing fulfilment and lot of excitement, it is important to understand that **with great growth come greater responsibilities** and as we march forward, while we must continue with volunteers like passion, we also *must to be very disciplined about it. After all, people depend on our commitment!*

As I write this today, we stand 890+ members strong and we are ready to deliver yet another highly impactful conference. We also have launched several new ideas & active initiatives in this year – such as 'Brew & Brainstorm Meets', tech skill training programs, etc. but that may not suffice to fulfil our objective of spreading -

President's Message

project management knowledge and replicate best practices across our chapter's territory.

Our growth plan for coming year includes – affiliation with more academic institutes to spread the knowledge, stronger ties with corporates to learn & share the best practices and partnership with other similar organization and associations to expand our reach. We have already started working on those, and we expect to share updates on some of those in coming days. We also aim to charter initiative of social cause that will ensure lasting impact and **'elevate our world'** in true sense... *and together we definitely will!*

As active volunteers of PMI Gujarat Chapter, we eleven board members and 30+ volunteers are committed to bring your way many meaningful initiatives and insightful activities in the coming year and it is my sincere appeal to all of you to support those to your best capacity by –

- **Joining this growing community by becoming PMI member...** *after all, more the merrier and that will encourage us to do more!*
- **Participating in those initiatives and activities** *with your whole hearted involvement... as that motivates us to do more!*
- **Sharing your inputs, feedback and interests** by contacting the volunteers and/or board members OR by responding to surveys... *as that helps us devise our plan better!*
- And last but not the least... **contributing to this thriving community by volunteering passionately...** as having more members as volunteers helps us deliver more for our members and community!

When you volunteer with Gujarat Chapter, you are not only landing your helping hand, time & energy to chapter's growth, but you are **becoming part of a growth mindset that is committed to make a difference** and **that shall help you grow – professionally and personally**. It can be anything: 2 hours a week to 20 hours a week, but yes, chapter and its membership will definitely depend on you to fulfil what you commit.

Journey ahead is sure to bring amazing opportunities to engage and learn from fellow project management professionals and I personally look forward to engaging with you all further as we continue to grow together!

▶ New Board for April 2024 - March 2025



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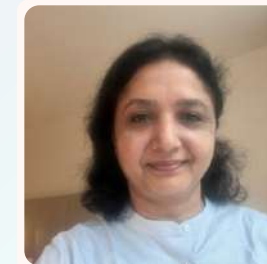
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From the Editor's Desk



Mr. Mehul Patel

**Vice President - Marketing & Communication,
PMI Gujarat, India Chapter**

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the latest edition of our newsletter, where we delve into the theme of "NextGen Project Management: Powering Innovation and Sustainability."

As we journey through this edition, we explore remarkable initiatives that are shaping the future of project management in our region and beyond.

In this issue, we take a closer look at the historic **Sun Temple of Modhera**—a testament to Gujarat's rich cultural heritage. Adjacent to this iconic site, the **Modhera Solar Power Project** stands as a pioneering example of integrating renewable energy with cultural preservation. This project not only marks a significant milestone in Gujarat's sustainability efforts but also sets a precedent for future development models that harmonize ancient traditions with modern innovation. It highlights the power of project management in driving positive change, not just in terms of technology but also in enhancing the quality of life for the community.

As we move forward, let's embrace these lessons and continue to drive sustainable and innovative projects. Whether it's in our professional lives, our communities, or our cherished heritage sites, the future of project management lies in our ability to blend tradition with cutting-edge solutions. Here's to powering innovation and sustainability together!

Warm regards,

Mehul Patel

Editor, **PRABANDH Newsletter**

PMI Gujarat, India Chapter

Global Representation

Asia Pacific/ South Asia Leadership Institute Meeting (LIM 2024)



The **2024 Asia Pacific South Asia Leadership Institute Meeting (APSALIM2024)** was a remarkable event that united project management professionals from across the region. Held in the dynamic city of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from July 25th to 28th, this gathering provided a platform for networking, learning, and sharing ideas.

Key Highlights from APSALIM24:

- **Empowering the Next Generation:** Young project leaders showcased their dedication and vision, inspiring the future of project management.
- **Fostering Innovation:** Experts delved into emerging trends like AI, automation, and agile methodologies, sparking discussions on leveraging technology for project success.
- **Strengthening Local Chapters:** Strategies were shared to build vibrant PMI chapters, fostering collaboration and community growth.
- **Global Collaboration:** Insights were exchanged on how project managers can address global challenges and drive impactful solutions.

APSALIM24 was truly an inspiring event, fostering innovation, collaboration, and growth within the global project management community.

Global Representation

PMI Gujarat Chapter at the Global Stage: PMI Global Summit 2024



The PMI Gujarat Chapter proudly represented its community at the **PMI Global Summit 2024**, showcasing its contributions on a global stage.

Key Highlights:

- **Global Engagement:** Interacted with PMI leaders, R11 representatives, and industry experts, reflecting the chapter's growing role.
- **Valuable Insights:** Explored new perspectives on project success, AI integration, and elevating project managers' roles.
- **Collaborative Networking:** Connected with chapter leaders worldwide, sparking innovative ideas for growth.

The summit opens new opportunities for collaboration, leveraging AI tools, and drawing inspiration from global initiatives like **PMI NEXT** to enhance member experiences. PMI Gujarat remains committed to innovation, empowerment, and community impact, with the Global Summit serving as a catalyst for future achievements.

Global Representation

Annual Chapter Leaders Meeting (ACLM 2024)



The **Annual Chapter Leaders Meeting (ACLM)** celebrated collaboration, growth, and shared purpose. **LuAnn Piccard**, opened the event with an inspiring address on **PMI's Purpose**, followed by a fireside chat between **Amit Goyal** and **Johannes Heinlein**, emphasizing deeper collaboration between **PMI** and **South Asia chapters** to drive regional growth.

Americo Pinto shared exciting updates on **PMOGA's** regional hubs, while **Prasanna Sampathkumar** highlighted key chapter achievements and facilitated engaging discussions on success stories. The event also showcased impressive chapter videos as part of the 2024 High Performing Board Award.

The evening ended with a lively drum circle, bringing together chapters, and ATPs for a night of rhythm, energy, and camaraderie under the theme

#TogetherWeCan

Global Representation

Project Management South Asia Conference 2024 (PMSAC 2024)



The **PMI South Asia Conference 2024**, held in New Delhi and hosted by the PMI North India Chapter, was a remarkable event showcasing global leadership and collaboration in project management. Bringing together leaders, volunteers, and professionals, the conference highlighted the latest trends, innovations, and best practices shaping the future of the industry.

Dynamic keynote sessions such as “**Master Your Future Today**” by **Johannes Heinlein** and “**PMI Purpose Story**” by **LuAnn Piccard**, inspired attendees to embrace transformation and purpose-driven leadership. Breakout sessions explored key topics like AI-driven transformation, future-ready skills, and advancements in construction project management.

A significant highlight was the **PMI South Asia Awards 2024**, where exceptional projects were recognized for their contributions to excellence and innovation. From thought-provoking discussions to personalized mentoring and networking opportunities, **#PMSAC24** celebrated the vibrant spirit of global collaboration within the PMI community.

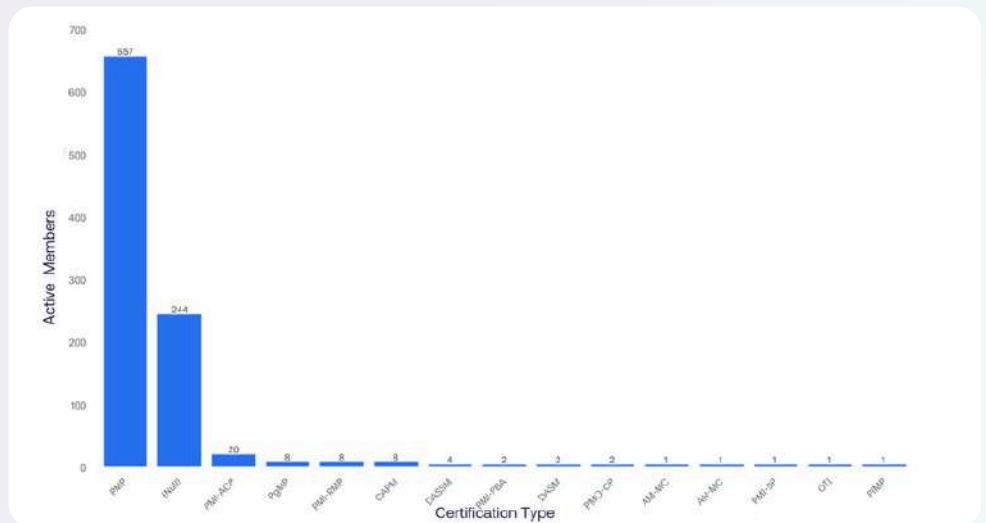
Membership Growth and Engagement

Spotlight on PMI Gujarat Chapter Members



Active members trend

Active members by certification type



890+

Active members



152%

YoY Growth



700+

Certification holders



17+

Industries covered



50+

PM Forums



12+

Training conducted



30+

Volunteers

*Data as on Dec 2, 2024

New Certificate Holders

First Name	Last Name	Certification List
Mohammed	Shoheb	PMP
Dinesh	Chandra	PMP
MILINDKUMAR	SHAH	PMP
Ankit	Jobanputra	DASM
ASHOK KUMAR	GUPTA	PMP
Sidharth	Pandey	PMP
Jiang	Zhixiong	PMP
Rishabh	Choubey	PMP
Akansha	Pandey	PMP
Kartikaya Pratap	Singh	PMP
RAKESH	RAMI	PMP
Avinash	Dahibhate	PMP
Gayathri	Sundar	PMP
Arun	M V	PMP
BHIMASHANKAR	SHINDE	PMP
Yatinkumar	Rajput	PMP
Sudhakar	CH	PMP
MUNAWARALI	POORANAM MOHAMMEDALI	PMP
POOJA	PENKAR	PMP
Ramprasad	Puli	PMP
Jayant	Bondre	PMP
Parth	Patel	PMP
Gaurav	Pare	PMP
Sanjeev Kumar	Jaiswal	PMP
Kabindra	Kundu	PMP
Naitikbhai	Patel	PMP
Anurag	Jain	PMP
Chaitra	Kachare	PMP
Hari	Narayan	PMP
vishal	tiwari	PMP

*Data as on Dec 2,2024

First Name	Last Name	Certification List
Sanjay	Chatuevedi	PMP
Gajanan	naik	PMP
Mahesh	Hadwani	PMP
Pramod	Shivamurthy	PMP
Yunus	Luniwala	PMP
Kiran	Chitikena	PMP
Apurb	Prakash	PMP
Himanshu	Kala	PMP&PMI-ACP
Deepak	Sharma	PMP
Ramchandra	Yadav	PMP
Nitish	Kumar	PMP
Santhosh	Pedakotla	PMP
Imrankhan	Tamboli	PMP
Anurag	Mohapatra	PMP
Vinir	Shah	PMP
Arun	Warrier	PMP
Retina	Halder	PMP
Md Zaffer	Equbal	PMP
Dipin	Venu	PMP
Sritam	Mukhopadhyay	PMP
Parth	Safi	PMP
Rama subbu	S	PMP
Kushal	Varu	PMP
Agasthya	Srinivas	PMP
Sharvil	Shah	PMP
Akula	ChandraKanth	PMP
Ashok	Jangid	PMP
PRABAKARAN	CHINNADURAI	PMP
Hemant	Pable	PMP
Ravikanth	Paramathmuni	PMP
Anubhav	Kumar Mishra	PMP
Aditya Pratap	Singh	PMP
Kumaran	K	PMP

*Data as on Dec 2,2024

First Name	Last Name	Certification List
Pooja	Choksi	PMP
Ashish	Kapadiya	PMP
M	Dharmendiran	PMP
Sandeep	Rathod	PMP
Ranganathan	Balasubramanian	PMP
Ravindra Singh	Rawat	PMP
AMAR	PATEL	PMP
Harsh	Dalwadi	PMP
MOHIT	KALWANI	PMP
Chhagan	Suthar	PMP
SHEETAL	GUPTA	PMP
Nivedita Reddy	Addulla	PMP
Nandan	Sharma	PMP
Anup Kumar	Mandal	PMP
Aritra	Sen	PMP&PMI-ACP
Imran	Khan	PMP
Kaliya	Hardikbhai	PMP
Sujit	Patnaik	PMP
Seemant	Gupta	PMP
manish kumar	Rai	PMP
Anup	Kumar	PMP
Abhishek	Goyal	PMP
Akhil	Kabra	PMP
Naman	Srivastava	PMP
Nisarg	Ghiware	PMP
Surbhi	Mittal	PMP

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PMI Gujarat Chapter Highlights

Digital Body Language as a Strategy for Effective Communication



A speaker was presenting.

PMI Gujarat Chapter members and participants taken group photo after the PM Forum.



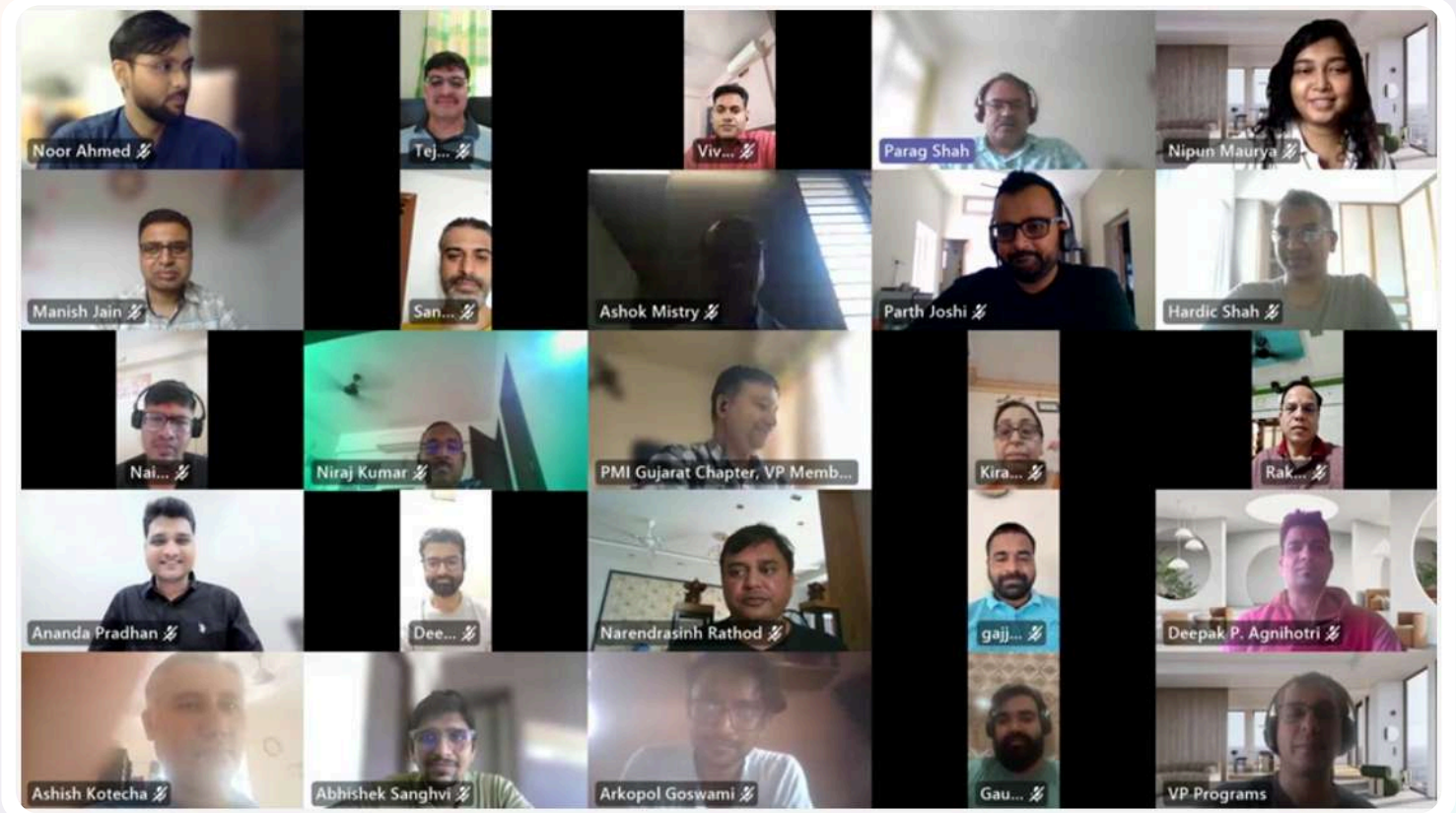
PMI Gujarat Chapter Highlights

Brew & Brainstorm Meet



PMI Gujarat Chapter Highlights

Essential skills in Project Management: Emotional Intelligence, Conflict Resolution and Negotiation



The latest PM Forum explored the critical skills every project manager needs to excel in today's dynamic work environment: *Emotional Intelligence, Conflict Resolution, and Negotiation*.

The session emphasized the importance of understanding and managing emotions to enhance team collaboration and foster a positive work environment. Participants gained insights into resolving conflicts effectively, ensuring projects stay on track while maintaining team harmony. Additionally, the forum highlighted negotiation as a vital tool to build stronger relationships, leading to increased productivity and overall project success.

This engaging session empowered attendees with practical strategies to strengthen their leadership skills and drive impactful project outcomes.

PMI Gujarat Chapter Highlights

Foundations of AI in Project Management



A speaker was presenting.

Participants at *chai pe charcha*



Empowering Skills Through Workshops

PMP training program offered by PMI Gujarat Chapter in collaboration with Serpent Consulting Services Pvt. Ltd.



The PMI Gujarat Chapter, in collaboration with Serpent Consulting Services Pvt. Ltd., successfully conducted a comprehensive PMP training program. Participants gained valuable insights into project management concepts and methodologies, empowering them to excel in their professional endeavors.

This initiative reflects our commitment to fostering continuous learning and professional growth within the project management community.

Empowering Skills Through Workshops




TRANSFORM YOUR PROJECT MANAGEMENT APPROACH WITH THE POWER OF AGILE AND SCRUM!

02 FULL-DAY ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAM
07 SEP - 08 SEP (9:00 AM TO 06:00 PM)

WHY ATTEND?

- Discover the art of mastery, iterative and incremental development, and the benefits of Agile way of working.
- Understand the core values and principles that drive Agile success.
- Learn about the cone of uncertainty and VUCA.
- Gain insights into different Agile frameworks and find the best fit for your projects.
- Master Scrum from the origins and pillars to roles, artifacts, and events
- Become proficient in Scrum practices.
- Learn the format, acceptance criteria, and techniques like INVEST and slicing.
- Master planning poker and other essential tools for Agile estimation.
- Understand key metrics such as burn-down/up, velocity, lead time, and cycle time.
- Identify and steer clear of Scrum anti-patterns and understand the magic vs. tragic aspects of Scrum.
- See Scrum in action with a practical demonstration using Jira.
- Explore career opportunities, Guidance on preparations for Scrum interviews, and learn about certification options.

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING

- Interactive Sessions:** Engage in hands-on activities and real-world examples.
- Expert Trainer:** Learn from an industry expert with extensive Agile and Scrum experience.
- Networking Opportunities:** Connect with like-minded professionals and expand your network.
- Certification Prep:** Get the knowledge you need to pass Scrum certification exams.

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

For Members

₹ 2500

Till 31st August

For Others

₹ 3000

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Project Managers | Product Owners | Scrum Masters | Developers
Business Analysts | Anyone interested in Agile and Scrum

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Advance JIRA Workshop

BY PMI GUJARAT CHAPTER



What's in it for you?

- 2-days Instructor-Led Hands-on Training
 - Jira Boards
 - Issue Management
 - Agile Planning and Sprints
 - Advanced Workflows
 - User, Role & Security
 - Agile Metrics & KPIs
 - Reporting & Dashboards
 - Third-Party Integration
- 8 PDUs for PMI Members
- Certificate of Completion



WORKSHOP FEES

PMI GJC MEMBERS: RS. 2000 + GST
NON-MEMBERS: RS. 3000 + GST
500 EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT TILL 24 FEB

Training Schedule

9 MARCH - 10 MARCH
9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM



PMP Certification Classroom Training

By PMI Gujarat Chapter



What's in it for you?

- 4-Day Instructor-Led Training
- 35 Contact Hours
- Support for filing an application to PMI
- Post training support from Instructor for clearing doubts



COURSE FEES:

FOR PMIGJC MEMBERS: RS. 14000 + GST
FOR NON-MEMBERS: RS. 16000+GST

Training Schedule

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PMI Gujarat Chapter organized key workshops, including PMP, Agile and SCRUM, Advanced JIRA, and Microsoft Excel training. These sessions equipped participants with essential skills in project management, Agile practices, collaborative tools, and advanced productivity techniques, fostering professional growth and career excellence.

➤ Become a certified success

PMI Gujarat Chapter offers specialized training programs to help you achieve globally recognized project management certifications. Whether you're just starting out or looking to advance your career, our training equips you with the skills and knowledge to stand out in any industry and excel with internationally recognized methodologies.

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PMI-RMP®

PMI-CP®



Please scan the QR code above to express your interest in our training programs. Alternatively, you can click on the <https://forms.office.com/r/WM5VAxkFhR?origin=IprLink> link to connect with us and learn more about how our courses can support your professional growth.

▀ Making a Difference Through Volunteering

New Volunteer Orientation



In-person volunteer meet

Virtual online volunteer meet



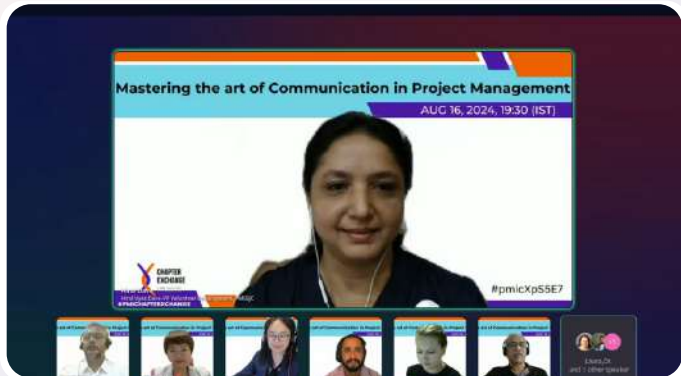
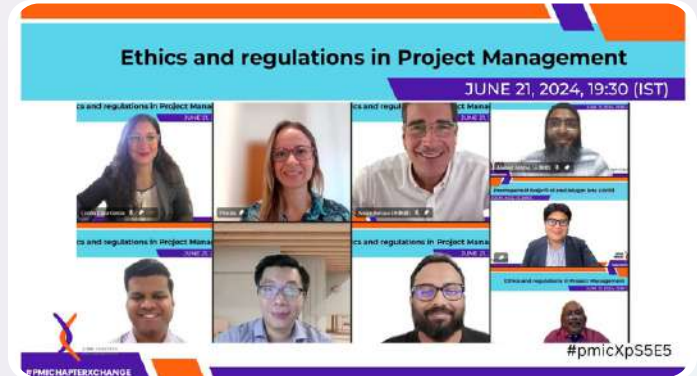
In-person volunteer and BOD meet

Collaborative Regional Workshops

Chapter Exchange: Continuous Support as Liaison Throughout the Year for Over 8 Sessions



Moderator: Anil Shahu, Volunteer-Training and Development, PMI Gujarat Chapter



Outro - Hiral (Vyas) Dave



Panellist - Prerak Shah

Empowering Women in Project Management



Agile Symposium 2024



Agile Symposium 2024

Project Management Institute.
Gujarat, India

PMI Gujarat, India Chapter
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A Global Event for All Time Zones
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11 – 13 November 2024

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Agile Symposium 2024, proudly partnered by PMI Gujarat, India Chapter.



Agile Symposium 2024

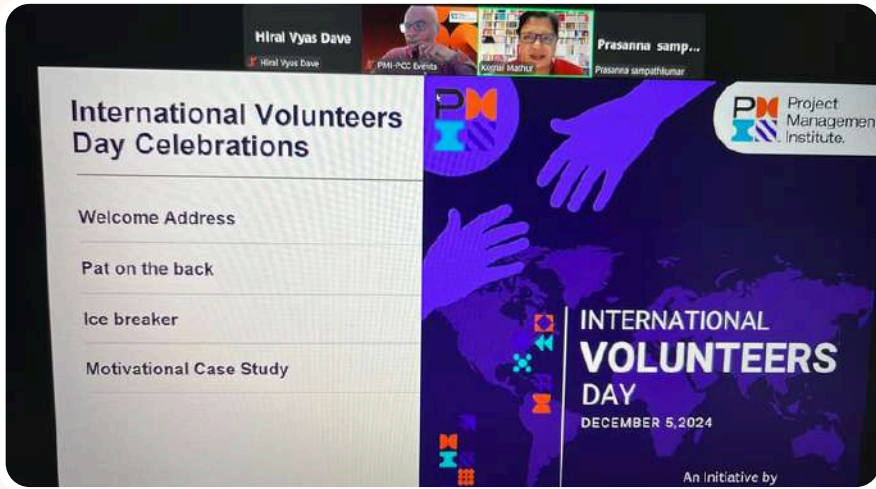
It's a Success!

- 8 Sessions around the clock
- 27 Org. hosts & partners from all continents
- 32 Invited speakers
- 10 Session hosts
- 2,000+ Session participants

PMI Agile Special Interest Group
for Asia Pacific
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Celebrating the tremendous success of Agile Symposium 2024, where collaboration, learning, and innovation flourished.

▶ Celebrating International Volunteer Day



Marketing and design support and chapter presence

PMI South Asia Volunteer Development Team



PMI Gujarat Chapter Volunteers

PMI Gujarat Chapter Volunteers



Workshops & Conferences

PMI Gujarat Chapter Conference 2023 Highlights



Academic Collaborations & Workshops

PMI Gujarat Chapter Successful Model of Student Club represented at Asia and South Asia Level



Full Project Management Semester, Ganpat University

50+ students

Project Management Fun shop for techies

2 faculties and 40+ students

Inaugurations of Labs and Classroom Technologies, LD College of Engineering

10 faculties and 10+ students

Project Management For Start-ups, LD College of Engineering

2 faculties and 50+ students

Inauguration of Library Facilities, LD College of Engineering

10 faculties and 10+ students

IGNITE FEST PM Workshop, LD College of Engineering

10 faculties and 280+ students

➤ Rewards & Recognition

Star Volunteers for the Year 2024

As 2024 comes to a close, PMI Gujarat Chapter proudly celebrates the exceptional dedication and contributions of its **Star Volunteers: Dehuti Jani, Parag Shah, Anil Shahu, and Shreya Panchal**. These remarkable individuals have gone above and beyond throughout the year to advance the chapter's goals and uphold the spirit of volunteerism.

Their unwavering commitment and impactful efforts have earned them the well-deserved title of *Star Volunteers of the Year 2024*. This recognition is a reflection of their passion, hard work, and outstanding service to the chapter and the project management community. Congratulations to Dehuti, Parag, Anil, and Shreya for this incredible achievement, and we wish them continued success in their future endeavors!



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Project Manager, FinTark Limited
Volunteer – Marketing & Communication



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Head - Software Engineering Process
Group, Gateway Group of Companies
Volunteer – Programs



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Project Manager, Codal
Volunteer – Training & Development



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Senior Business Analyst, Ecubix
Volunteer – Corporate Relations

Testimonials: Voices of Inspiration



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Senior Consultant
Tata Consultancy Services Limited

Being a certified Project Management Professional with PMI since 2011, my journey has been tremendously enriched by my active participation in PMI Mumbai and later, the PMI Gujarat Chapter. The consistent and high-quality sessions organized by these chapters have been instrumental in deepening my understanding of the PMBOK and its application across various industries.

Through regular sessions and insightful conclaves on prevailing project management topics, I have gained valuable knowledge and networking opportunities. These events have not only broadened my professional network but have also equipped me with the latest tools and techniques in project management, giving me an extra edge in my career.

The contributions of PMI Gujarat Chapter and PMI, in general, have been pivotal in shaping my career as a successful project manager and program manager. The practical insights and innovative strategies I have learned from these sessions have significantly enhanced my leadership skills and enabled me to deliver projects successfully.

I am immensely grateful for the dedication and effort put forth by PMI and its chapters. Their commitment to advancing the field of project management and fostering a community of professionals is truly commendable. I look forward to continuing my journey with PMI and contributing to this vibrant community.

Testimonials: Voices of Inspiration



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Technical Director
Entrust Inc

Being a proud and **long-standing member** of the PMI Gujarat Chapter has been an incredibly enriching journey. The chapter excels in fostering a vibrant community of professionals and experts, committed to advancing project management practices. Its dedication to knowledge sharing, continuous learning, and professional development is truly inspiring.

Through various initiatives like corporate engagements, PM forums, academic programs, networking events, and interactive training sessions, the chapter has played a pivotal role in driving growth and success in the project management field.

My association with the PMI Gujarat Chapter began even before its official inaugural ceremony, which was held virtually during the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. The chapter's resilience and adaptability during such times showcased its unwavering commitment to its members and mission. Transparency, trust, and a shared vision bind this remarkable group of like-minded individuals, creating an environment where everyone thrives.

The PMI Gujarat Chapter epitomizes professional excellence and community spirit. I am honoured to be part of this outstanding organization, especially during its proud moment of being recognized as the PMI Chapter of the Year in 2023—a milestone that reflects its incredible achievements and impact.

A big thanks to the wonderful past and present leadership whom I have had the privilege to interact with and their vision, dedication, and guidance have been instrumental in shaping the success of this chapter so far.

Embracing technology, driving excellence, and inspiring progress!

Testimonials: Voices of Inspiration



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Project Manager | Scrum Master
Volunteer – Marketing & Communication

It has been a great experience **volunteering** with the PMI Gujarat Chapter. Volunteering has contributed significantly to my professional as well as personal growth. Through my active volunteering, I collaborated on different assignments, managed events, and supported community initiatives, honing my skills in project management and leadership.

Through this, I have had opportunities to network with professionals from the industry, learn of trends emerging in the project management discipline, and stay abreast of best practices. It also enhanced my ability to work in dynamic teams, adapt to challenges, and deliver impactful results. These experiences have enriched my skill set, expanded my professional network, and positioned me for accelerated career growth in project management.

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Senior Business Analyst
Ecubix

Volunteer – Corporate Relations

Serving as a PMI Gujarat Chapter **volunteer** has been a masterclass in professional growth. From curating conferences that bring ideas to life to connecting with inspiring professionals, the journey has been a masterclass in leadership, adaptability, and the art of meaningful conversations all while offering a front-row seat to innovation in action.

It's not every day you get to contribute to a thriving community while learning so much yourself. Let's just say, what started as giving back ended up being an investment in my own growth."



Spotlight on PMI Achievements

Yuva Unstoppable wins PMI South Asia 2024's Project of the Year Award for NGO category!



We're proud to share that a leading NGO from our state, transforming local school infrastructure nationwide, won the **Project of the Year – NGO Category** at the **PMI South Asia Awards 2024**, nominated by our Chapter.

What is this project about?

The Evolution Project by Yuva Unstoppable is a transformative initiative aimed at upgrading educational infrastructure in schools. It focuses on:

- Wash Facilities: Improving sanitation and hygiene standards.
- Clean Drinking Water: Ensuring access to safe water for students and staff.
- Digital Education Access: Introducing smart classrooms and Google Future Classrooms to create an engaging and modern learning experience.

6000+

Schools Transformed
across the nation

4000+

Toilets facilities
revamped

1600+

Smart Classes
Installed

7M+

Lives
benefitted

Spotlight on PMI Achievements

Purpose/Rationale - Why this project?

The Evolution Project addresses critical issues in school environments to:

- Enhance the learning experience for children through innovative teaching tools.
- Boost enrollment and attendance, ensuring more students benefit from education.
- Provide girls with a safe and hygienic environment, encouraging gender inclusivity.
- Deliver health benefits by reducing waterborne diseases through clean drinking water and better sanitation facilities.

Impact - How it has helped?

The Evolution Project has created tangible and measurable impacts:

- Improved Academic Performance: Smart classrooms have enhanced engagement, comprehension, and retention among students.
- Better Health: Reduced absenteeism due to improved hygiene and access to clean drinking water.
- Empowered Girls: Enhanced privacy and hygiene have led to increased enrollment and attendance of girl students.

Community Transformation: Schools have become centers of community progress, promoting health, education, and awareness among families.

SDGs Touched

The Evolution Project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being: By improving sanitation and reducing waterborne diseases.
- SDG 4: Quality Education: Through smart classrooms and better infrastructure.
- SDG 5: Gender Equality: By creating a safe and hygienic environment for girls.
- SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation: By providing access to safe drinking water and improved hygiene facilities.

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ACHIEVING WHAT WAS CONSIDERED IMPOSSIBLE

SURAT DIAMOND BOURSE

How we completed one of the most challenging urban projects India has seen
– on time

This is what made the project special

- World's largest commercial building
- One of the first projects in Gujarat to use the Radiant Cooling System in a commercial building
- Freestanding featured wall not connected to any building, attempted for the first time in India

Big numbers of the project

- **1,850** Crore project size
- **10** Lakhs sq. ft. of common double basement
- **10,00,000** sq. ft. of facade glazing
- **66** Lakhs sq. ft. of constructed space
- **5,00,000 Cubic** meters of concrete (average 670 cum per day)
- **20,00,000** sq. ft. of stone cladding
- **20** Lakhs sq. ft. of car and two-wheeler parking
- **52,000** Tons of reinforcement steel (average 80 tons per day for 24 months)
- **4,200** Number of offices

Overview

When PSP was awarded the turnkey contract for the Rs. 1,575 Crore (concluded value Rs. 1,839 Crore) Surat Diamond Bourse in 2017, the industry whisper was that the company had bitten off more than it could chew.

There were good reasons for this conclusion.

The size of this project was 6x the previous largest project completed by the company and 4x of the previous years' revenue. The project warranted construction of the "world's largest office building" on a single basement having 6.6 Mn Sq.Ft. The project was required to be completed in just 36 months.

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The fine print was as challenging. To begin with, the project warranted mass excavation of 15 Lakhs c.mt footprint of 10,00,000 sq. ft. at a 12m depth (marked by groundwater pressure as the project is close to the sea). The deployment of 40 excavators for three months helped drain ground water. Besides, the Covid-19 pandemic brought work to a standstill for almost six months.

The company responded with a strategic business unit dedicated to the project (comprising three departments for monitoring, control and implementation – Naming SDB1, SDB2 & SDB3). A senior vice president was stationed at the site to address challenges in real-time. Day-by-day construction schedules were outlined. A sequenced workflow was created that was reviewed by the top management on weekly bases. The company established funding lines to ensure that equipment and other supports were procured on time. A back-end finance team coordinated with the client for timely milestone payments to keep the project moving. The company deployed a peak labour pool of 8000+ people and technical staff of 550. The project consists of Not Only Civil but also the MEP, Façade and General Development Team. A factory of 50,000 Sq.Ft. was established dedicated to the Glazing Fabrication works to ensure timely production with quality. PSP team meticulously planned the sequential activities, and ensured uninterrupted workflow and the project is delivered with highest standard of quality.

The result of this planning, discipline and urgency was that the company completed India's largest and possibly most challenging urban commercial project on schedule. The project that had commenced in December 2018 was completed in October 2022. More importantly, the company validated its spirit that 'There is nothing at PSP that is considered impossible.'



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- Gain valuable real-life insights shared by domestic and international experts.
- Network with project management professionals across various sectors, organizations, and roles through workshops and events (offline/online).
- Enhance your project management expertise by taking on diverse roles such as sponsor, speaker, project manager, planner, coordinator, content writer, or team member in our chapter's volunteering initiatives.
- Join a team of passionate professionals dedicated to sharing knowledge, services, and opportunities with those in need.
- Contribute your skills, knowledge, and experience to give back to the community.

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