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STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT

Programme for CXOs (Batch 04)

NIRF Ranking 2025 (Management)

Strategic synergy for senior success

Live Online + Campus Immersion | 10 Months | ₹4,90,000 + GST

30-year journey of academic excellence.



Creating leaders of tomorrow

Started in 1997 with its Post Graduate Programme (PGP), the Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (IIMK) is on a high-growth trajectory today, offering a wide range of academic programmes in the field of management education. These include the Fellow Programme in Management, Executive PG Programmes, Management Development Programmes, and Faculty Development Programmes. In 2013, IIMK set up a satellite campus at Infopark, Kochi, dedicated to Executive Education. The institute also has the unique distinction of launching a PhD (Practice Track) programme for working professionals, besides introducing dynamic programmes such as the one-year Post Graduate Programme in Business Leadership (2019), MBA in Finance, and MBA in Liberal Studies & Management (2020). IIMK is also home to IIMK LIVE – a first-of-its-kind start-up incubation programme, the Indian Business Museum and seven Centres of Excellence.

IIM Kozhikode has retained its 3rd position in the NIRF India Rankings 2025 (Management) — marking the third successive year among India's Top 3. The institute also features regularly among top global institutions for its flagship MBA (PGP) and EMBA (EPGP) in the QS World University Rankings. IIMK has leapfrogged 100 spots to secure a place in the Top 151–200 Institutes in Business & Management Studies globally, as per the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024. In a remarkable boost to IIM Kozhikode's global credentials, newly launched programmes like PGP-BL (2019) and PGP-Fin (2020) have also entered the Top 151+ programmes worldwide in their respective QS Rankings. IIM Kozhikode is globally accredited by EQUIS (EFMD) and AMBA (UK).

IIM Kozhikode made its debut in the prestigious Financial Times Rankings in 2023 and was recently ranked #76 globally in the Financial Times Open-Enrolment Executive Education Rankings 2025. The feat has further consolidated the 30-year's IIM's footing in an exclusive list of the foremost providers of executive education in the world. The institute has also consistently featured among the Top 70 MBA programmes globally in the Financial Times Masters in Management (MiM) Rankings for its flagship PGP. Over the past two decades, IIM Kozhikode has successfully delivered close to 1,450 MDP programmes, training more than 55,000 participants from 200+ organisations, including several Fortune 500 companies.

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CxO Powerplay

Upskill for Impact

In today’s fast-changing business landscape, the C-suite's role is more vital than ever. A McKinsey study reveals 87% of executives feel unprepared for future challenges, while only 41% of companies meet strategic goals, according to PwC. To navigate these uncertainties, 93% of leaders agree that upskilling is crucial. IIM Kozhikode’s Strategic Management Programme for CxOs equips them with the skills, insights, and tools to enhance strategic thinking, understand market dynamics, and excel in execution, empowering them to lead their organisations to success.

- Curriculum tailored to the specific needs and challenges of CXOs and Senior leadership
- Specifically designed to meet the unique needs and challenges of CXOs
- In-depth coverage of strategic topics, including cybersecurity, technology, leadership, and corporate accountability
- Faculty members with specific expertise in strategic leadership, organizational transformation, and other areas relevant to CXOs
- Provides opportunities for CXOs and Senior Leaders to network with peers
- Emphasizes practical applications of strategic concepts to real-world challenges
- Case studies designed from the live experience of the Faculty, tailored for C-Suite, C-Suite Aspirants and Senior leaders

Why choose this programme?

Feature	Strategic Management Programme for CXOs (Batch 04)	Generic Strategic Management Programmes
Target Audience	C-Suite Officers (CXOs) and mid to senior-level executives	General managers and professionals with strategic responsibilities
Curriculum Focus	Tailored to the specific needs and challenges of CXOs and Senior leadership, with a focus on strategic thinking, organizational transformation, and leadership development.	Provides a broader overview of strategic management concepts, with a focus on strategic planning and decision-making.
Content Depth	In-depth coverage of strategic topics, including cybersecurity, technology, leadership, and corporate accountability, with a focus on practical applications.	May provide a broader overview of strategic concepts but may lack the same level of specialization and depth tailored to CXOs.
Case Studies and Examples	Case Studies Designed from the live experience of the Faculty, tailored for C-Suite, C-Suite Aspirants and Senior leaders	May include general case studies that may not be as directly applicable to CXOs.
Faculty Expertise	Features faculty members with specific expertise in strategic leadership, organizational transformation, and other areas relevant to CXOs.	May feature faculty members with a general background in strategic management.
Peer Networking	Provides opportunities for CXOs and Senior Leaders to network with peers and learn from their experiences.	May offer networking opportunities, but the focus may be less on peer-to-peer learning among CXOs.
Practical Applications	Emphasizes practical applications of strategic concepts to real-world challenges faced by CXOs.	May focus on theoretical concepts with limited emphasis on practical applications.
Tailored Approach	Specifically designed to meet the unique needs and challenges of CXOs.	May not be as tailored to the specific needs of CXOs.



Strategic Management Programme For CxOs

IIM Kozhikode's innovative Strategic Management Programme for CXOs is tailored to equip senior leaders for the complexities of the modern business world. This 10-month programme, delivered through live online sessions and a campus immersion, is designed to create remarkable individuals who can articulate and implement a definitive future for their companies. It empowers participants with the skills and insights needed to enhance strategic thinking, understand global market dynamics, and excel in execution.

Programme Highlights:

- Weekend Sessions
- Real-World Business Cases
- IIM Kozhikode Executive Alumni Status
- Campus Immersion
- Capstone Simulations
- Business Analytics for Leaders
- AI and Data Science for Leadership
- Expert Faculty from IIM Kozhikode
- Peer Learning Opportunities
- Tailored Curriculum

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Who is This Programme For?

This programme is specifically designed for experienced professionals and decision-makers, including:

- Business Leaders & Aspiring CXOs aiming to elevate their strategic thinking and leadership skills.
- Functional experts and mid-to-senior level executives looking to transition into broader business leadership roles.
- Entrepreneurs of fast-growing organizations who need to master the overall strategy required to position their company for success.

Eligibility:

- *Diploma (10+2+3 or 10+3)/bachelor's degree (10+2+3 or 10+2+4) from recognized universities*
- *10+ years of work experience after completion of qualifying education as above*

**Internships/Trainee experiences not counted as full-time work*



Last Date To Apply: Refer to Website

Programme Starts on **29th March 2026** | Programme Ends on **January 2027**

Learning Outcomes

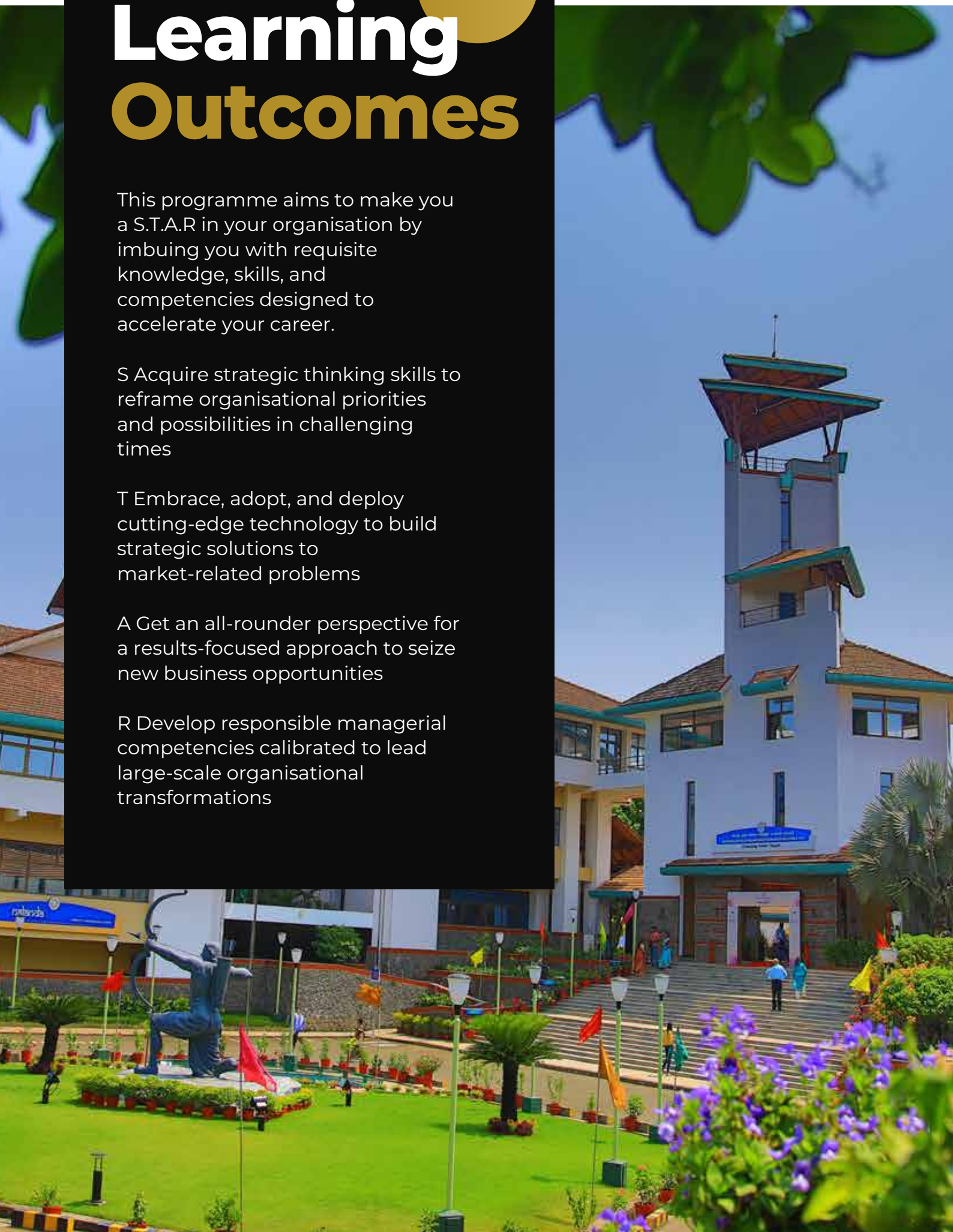
This programme aims to make you a S.T.A.R in your organisation by imbuing you with requisite knowledge, skills, and competencies designed to accelerate your career.

S Acquire strategic thinking skills to reframe organisational priorities and possibilities in challenging times

T Embrace, adopt, and deploy cutting-edge technology to build strategic solutions to market-related problems

A Get an all-rounder perspective for a results-focused approach to seize new business opportunities

R Develop responsible managerial competencies calibrated to lead large-scale organisational transformations



The S.T.A.R Curriculum Advantage

S - Strategic Thinking:

Business Environment – Trends and Analysis
- Global Market Dynamics
- Industry and Competitive Analysis
- Economic Indicators and Forecasting
- Technological Innovations Impact

Business Planning & Risk Management
- Strategic Planning Processes
- Risk Identification and Mitigation
- Business Continuity and Resilience Planning
- Scenario Planning

Corporate Strategy and Growth Management
- Formulating Corporate Strategies
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Strategic Alliances and Partnerships
- Business Diversification Strategies

Innovation & New Economy Business Models
- Fostering Innovation
- Disruptive Business Models
- Digital Transformation Strategies
- Sustainability and Social Innovation

T - Technology Embracement:

Data Science and Analytics for business decisions
- Understanding big data and its business applications.
- Tools and techniques in data science for strategic decision-making.
- Leveraging predictive analytics for forecasting and trend analysis.
- Ethical considerations and data governance.

Artificial Intelligence and Virtual Organization
- Principles and applications of AI in business.
- AI's role in optimizing operational efficiency.
- Building virtual organizations and remote work strategies.
- Ethical and societal impacts of AI.

Digital Transformation
- Strategies for leading digital transformation initiatives.
- Integrating digital technologies into business processes.
- Building a digital culture and managing change.
- Evaluating the impact of digital transformation on business models.

Cybersecurity and Information Management
- Understanding cybersecurity risks and strategies.
- Best practices in information management and data protection.
- Legal and regulatory aspects of cybersecurity.
- Building a resilient cybersecurity infrastructure.

Technology Leadership and Innovation
- Leadership skills for driving technological innovation.
- Fostering a culture of innovation within organizations.
- Identifying and investing in emerging technologies.
- Navigating challenges in technology adoption and change management.

A - All-rounder Perspective:

Customer Experience and Brand Engagement
- Understanding customer journey and touchpoints.
- Strategies for building and sustaining brand engagement.
- Leveraging digital channels for customer experience enhancement.
- Measuring and analyzing customer satisfaction and feedback.

Agile Projects & Operations
- Principles of Agile methodology and its business applications.
- Agile project management tools and techniques.
- Streamlining operations for agility and efficiency.
- Balancing agility with risk management in project execution.

Profit Planning & Corporate Finance
- Fundamentals of financial planning and analysis.
- Strategies for profit maximization and cost management.
- Corporate investment and financing decisions.
- Risk assessment and management in financial planning.

Managing & Leading Teams

- Leadership styles and their impact on team dynamics.
- Effective communication and conflict resolution in teams.
- Building high-performing teams and talent management.
- Promoting innovation and creativity within teams.

R - Responsible Leadership:

Organization Development & Change Management

- Strategies for effective organization development and growth.
- Leading and managing change in dynamic business environments.
- Building a resilient and adaptive organizational culture.
- Implementing change while ensuring employee engagement and wellbeing.

Corporate Leadership and Accountability

- Ethical decision-making and leadership integrity.
- Accountability mechanisms in corporate governance.
- Role of leaders in shaping corporate culture and ethics.
- Legal and ethical responsibilities of corporate leaders.

Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainable Practices

- Developing and implementing CSR strategies.
- Integrating sustainability into business operations and practices.
- Measuring and reporting on social and environmental impact.
- Ethical supply chain management and fair-trade practices.

Corporate Reputation & Crisis Management

- Building and maintaining a strong corporate reputation.
- Strategies for effective crisis management and communication.
- Risk assessment and reputation risk management.
- Post-crisis recovery and reputation rebuilding strategies.

Inclusive Leadership and Diversity

- Fostering inclusivity and diversity in leadership and teams.
- Addressing biases and promoting equity in the workplace.
- Developing global leadership competencies for diverse environments.
- Creating an inclusive organizational culture

Leadership, Strategy and Execution

- Capstone Leadership Module
- Capstone Simulation

World-Class Curriculum & Global Case Studies

The curriculum integrates world-renowned academic research and real-world case studies from the most respected sources, including Harvard Business School (HBS), Harvard Business Review (HBR), and Stanford:

1. **What is Strategy? (Michael E. Porter, HBR):**

   Learn to distinguish operational effectiveness from true strategy to build sustainable competitive advantage.

2. **The Five Competitive Forces (Michael E. Porter, HBR):**

   Apply a timeless framework to analyze your industry's structure and drive profitability.

3. **Crown Cork & Seal in 1989 (HBS Case):**

   Analyze how disciplined strategy and operational excellence create market dominance in a mature industry.

4. **To Diversify or Not to Diversify (C. Markides, HBR):**

   Master a framework for evaluating when and how to diversify to create tangible shareholder value.

5. **The Quest for Parenting Advantage (HBR):**

   Maximize the value a corporate center adds to its business units by understanding the "parenting advantage."

6. **Alphabet Eyes New Frontiers (HBS Case):**

   Learn from Alphabet how to structure a company for both stable growth and high-risk innovation.

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7. **Southwest Airlines (A) (Stanford Case):**

Discover how aligning culture, strategy, and operations can become your most powerful competitive advantage.

8. **Six Principles of Global Talent Management (Sloan Mgt. Review):**

Implement six core principles to win the war for talent and build an effective global leadership pipeline.

9. **Google's Project Oxygen (HBS Case):**

Use a data-driven approach, inspired by Google, to identify the key behaviors of highly effective managers

10. **Artificial Intelligence in HR (California Mgt. Review):**

Develop a strategic roadmap for integrating AI into HR to transform talent acquisition and engagement.

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Hear From Our Past Cohort:



Navin Rao
General Manager Retail Banking

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As we approach the culmination of our transformative journey, we invite you to participate in an exclusive three-day campus immersion at IIM Kozhikode. This immersive experience is designed to further enrich your learning, foster meaningful connections, and inspire new perspectives.



- Exclusive 3-Day Immersion
- Enrich Your Learning
- Forge Peer Connections
- Live the Campus Life

Hear From Our Past Cohort:



"This well-defined programme, carefully curated by brilliant senior professors, gave me a new perspective on corporate challenges and has prepared me for future leadership roles. The faculty sessions added immense value to my personal and professional development."

Prasenjit Niyogi
Audit Director, Global Operations | London Stock Exchange Group

Your CxO Journey At A Glance



Pedagogy:

Judicious mix of lectures, case discussions, project work, term papers, assignments, etc.

Duration:

10 Months

Programme Delivery:

Direct-to-device

Attendance Criteria:

Minimum 75%

Class Schedule:

Sundays: (Forenoon) 9 am – 12 pm

Hear From Our Past Cohort:



"The Strategic Management Program for CXOs was a truly enriching experience. The meticulously crafted curriculum blends theory and practice, and the expert professors are genuinely invested in student growth, inspiring a deeper dive into Strategy, AI, and Data Analytics"

Jayshree J

Associate Director | Sustainanytics

A Glance At Our Past Learners

Top Grades

Vice President

Assistant Vice President

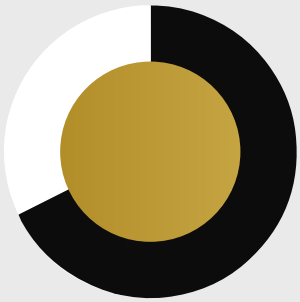
Director

General Manager

Head

Work Experience

- 15+ years – 70%
- 10-15 years – 30%



Past participant worked

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Hear From Our Past Cohort:



Karthigeyan Govindarajan
Senior Director

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Ascend to the C-Suite:
Career Advancement Pathways

This programme is engineered to be a career catalyst for senior leaders. It is designed to help you calibrate your leadership skills to lead large-scale organizational transformations and catapult your career to new heights.

Vice President / Director	SMPCxO	President / Chief Business Officer
General Manager / Business Unit Head	SMPCxO	CEO / Managing Director
Senior Functional Head	SMPCxO	Chief Operating Officer / Chief Strategy Officer
Entrepreneur / Founder	SMPCxO	Growth-Stage CEO / Board Member



Programme Coordinators



Prof. Rajesh Srinivas Upadhyayula

Strategic Management

Prof. Rajesh S. Upadhyayula is the Professor of Strategic Management and Dean (Programmes). Holding a PhD from IIM Ahmedabad, he brings a rich blend of experience from academia, industry including a strategic planning role at Tata Consultancy Services and the non-governmental sector. An Infosys Fellowship recipient, Prof. Upadhyayula has deep expertise in facilitating sessions for senior leadership at major corporations like Bosch India and Star



Dr. Kamal Kishore Sharma

Professor of Practice
Strategic Management, IIM Kozhikode

Dr. Kamal Kishore Sharma, a Fellow of IIM Ahmedabad, brings over 36 years of diverse leadership experience to the programme. His career spans public sector giants (SAIL), the Indian Civil Services, and global corporations like ArcelorMittal NV, with roles including CEO of an MNC subsidiary. Dr. Sharma has proven strategic capabilities in multinational operations, M&A, and corporate governance, enriched by his entrepreneurial work in social impact startups. He is a compelling educator who empowers executive leaders through experiential learning.

The Coveted IIM Credentials

- Achieve Excellence: Participants who excel in the evaluation and meet the attendance requirements will be honored with a prestigious 'Certificate of Completion'.
- Earn Recognition: Those who meet attendance but fall short in evaluations will receive a valued 'Certificate of Participation'.
- Join an Elite Network of Leaders: Successful graduates will be distinguished with IIM Kozhikode Executive Alumni status, marking their entry into an esteemed professional network.



*All certificate images are for illustrative purposes only
and may be subject to change at the discretion of IIM Kozhikode

Programme fee

Particulars	Amount (₹)*
Total Fee**	**4,90,000**

Note:
*Taxes will be added as applicable.
**All fees will be collected by BCCL.
This is with reference to the refund of the processing fee. Please note that the processing fee shall not be refunded in the following circumstances:

- In case candidate rejects the offer issued by the Institute and In case the application is rejected due to submission of incomplete documents and/or providing incomplete information and/or eligibility criteria not fulfilled.

Programme Timelines

Application closure date	Refer to website
Programme Start Date	29th March, 2026
Programme End Date	January, 2027



Instalment Schedule

Instalment	Instalment Date	Amount (₹)*
I	To be paid at the time of Registration	15,000
	To be paid within one week of offer roll-out date	1,35,000
II	6th June, 2026	1,15,000
III	6th September, 2026	1,20,000
IV	6th December, 2026	1,05,000

Flexible EMI Finance Partners:

Flexible EMI payment options, starting at as low as **INR 4899**

Note : The EMI amount mentioned above is approximate and for reference only. The final EMI amount will vary based on the candidate's profile, CIBIL score, and the applicable rate of interest as determined by the finance partner.

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