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## CHANGEMAKERS of New India



# Changemakers and Cartographers of a New India

Inspiring leaders and innovators successfully drawing a transformative roadmap for shaping India's future

**V**iksit Bharat' envisions India as a developed nation by the centenary of its independence in 2047, with its future potential to become the global leader of the 21st century. It will be a nation that has embraced technology, innovation, and education to drive its growth and development and will be well-positioned to take on future challenges. This transformative roadmap emphasizes inclusive development, sustainable progress, and effective governance.

Technology, coupled with talent, has enabled India to transform and transgress. Taking advantage of India's demographic dividend by investing in human capital, building infrastructure, raising

female labor force participation, and improving gender ratio and developing rural economy, visionary leaders of public and private sectors have forged collaborative bonds, knowledge exchange, and skill development to further scale up sectoral growth. Corporate India is likely to post higher growth in Q3 than in the first half of FY25, according to RBI. India's growth potential therefore makes it an attractive destination for all types of investors—resource seekers, efficiency seekers, and especially market seekers.

The Outlook feature on 'Changemakers of New India' showcases outstanding individuals who are making a significant impact across various

fields, leaving an indelible mark on their sectors and the country. From entrepreneurs driving innovation to policymakers crafting new strategies to social entrepreneurs breaking ceilings to corporate leaders bridging economic gaps to educationists shaping future-ready generations and achievers from different walks of life, these dynamic personalities are setting new standards of excellence and inspiring change.

The Outlook Group celebrates the success stories of transformation, leadership, and the positive impact of these individuals and their relentless efforts and dedication towards making India a developed economy.

## Global Trade Visionary

Dr Asif Iqbal, a global thought leader, stimulates international Collaborations, promoting India's economic growth, education, and cultural exchange with distinction.



Dr Asif Iqbal, an expert in International Trade and Diplomacy

**D**r. Asif Iqbal is a visionary leader and a renowned expert in international trade, education, and diplomacy. As the President of the Indian Economic Trade Organisation (IETO) and the India Africa Trade Council, he has played a pivotal role in fostering global partnerships and promoting economic growth. With a background in architecture, Dr. Iqbal has leveraged his expertise to facilitate international collaborations and business exchanges.

He has led numerous delegations to countries worldwide, including Portugal, Namibia, Milan, Armenia, Spain, Ethiopia, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Israel, among others. These delegations have resulted in the signing of several MOUs and bilateral trade agreements, strengthening India's economic ties with these nations. Dr. Iqbal's commitment to education and academic development is equally impressive, having collaborated with Nobel Prize winners to promote academic development in India.

As a diplomat and trade expert, Dr. Iqbal has advised international governments on key policy

decisions. His ability to navigate complex geopolitical landscapes has earned him recognition and respect from world leaders. He has received several awards for his contributions to international trade and diplomacy, including the Sarajevo Mayor's Medal and the state medal from the Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina in India.

Through his work, Dr. Iqbal has demonstrated a unique ability to bridge cultural and economic divides. His leadership has inspired a new generation of entrepreneurs, diplomats, and thought leaders. As India continues to grow and assert its presence on the global stage, Dr. Asif Iqbal's expertise and vision

**A TRAILBLAZING LEADER CONNECTING INDIA TO THE WORLD THROUGH INNOVATIVE TRADE INITIATIVES, EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIONS, AND DIPLOMATIC ENDEAVOURS, EMPOWERING THE NATION'S RISE ON THE GLOBAL STAGE.**

will play a critical role in shaping the country's economic and diplomatic future.

Dr. Iqbal's achievements extend to establishing the Indian Economic Trade Organisation (IETO), which has steadily diversified and expanded its reach, playing a crucial role in connecting India with the world. Under his guidance, IETO has experienced remarkable growth, organising numerous discussions, trade meets, and delegation visits to enhance bilateral and multilateral relations between India and the world. His efforts have ensured that IETO remains at the forefront of international economic diplomacy.

In addition to his work with IETO, Dr. Iqbal has also played a key role in promoting cultural exchange and cooperation between India and other nations. He has been instrumental in organising cultural festivals, exhibitions, and conferences that showcase India's rich cultural heritage and promote people-to-people diplomacy. Through his efforts, Dr. Iqbal has helped to strengthen cultural ties between India and the world, promoting mutual understanding and cooperation.





**Ashish Chauhan**  
MD & CEO, National Stock  
Exchange of India (NSE)

In the realm of India's financial landscape, Ashish Chauhan, the MD & CEO of the National Stock Exchange (NSE), stands as a pivotal figure driving the country's economic growth trajectory. His visionary leadership and unwavering commitment to bolstering corporate governance and social responsibility have positioned the NSE as a catalyst in steering India towards the coveted \$5 trillion economy milestone.

Chauhan's perspective on the symbiotic relationship between business and society reflects a profound understanding of India's corporate ethos. He emphasizes the evolution towards formalized social contributions, citing the Companies Act 2013 mandating CSR commitments beyond a certain threshold of profits. This ethos, he asserts, distinguishes India globally, embedding the essence of social good within its business framework.

In his discourse, Chauhan spotlights the establishment of the social stock exchange, an initiative articulated in the 2019-20 Budget. He envisions reinstating trust in the social sector, asserting that over the 30 years since the inception of the NSE and the

# An Impactful Approach to Governance and Growth

The visionary's leadership is shaping India's economic growth, emphasizing governance, trust, and inclusive growth

subsequent advancements in corporate governance, India has emerged as a paragon, not only in technological prowess but also in ethical business practices.

A pivotal aspect of Chauhan's vision revolves around fostering trust among investors, especially those from remote corners of the country. His conviction lies in ensuring that a person, regardless of their geographical location, can invest their hard-earned money with unwavering faith in the country's institutions, governance, and the entrepreneurs behind the ventures.

Under Chauhan's stewardship, the NSE has solidified its position as one of the most regulated and stable markets globally. His emphasis on transparency, authenticity, and efficient information dissemination underscores the pivotal role of the exchange in nurturing a robust and equitable financial ecosystem. Chauhan acknowledges the evolving landscape of investors, particularly the younger demographic, and underscores the necessity to instill prudent investment behavior. The NSE's efforts in creating awareness, showcasing disciplined investing, and advocating for safer investment avenues like mutual funds mirror its commitment to fostering financial literacy and responsible investment practices.

Looking ahead, Chauhan envisions exchanges as the nucleus propelling India's growth trajectory. He

underscores their role in capital formation, instilling trust in investors, providing avenues for raising capital, and ensuring safe transactions. Additionally, he emphasizes the need to adapt to emerging financial instruments like bond futures, electricity, and carbon trading, while steadfastly upholding the core values of an exchange as a regulator and trust-builder. Chauhan's unwavering focus on the social purpose of exchanges and their pivotal role as a utility emphasizes the enduring importance of trust and governance. His resolute stance on upholding corporate governance and fostering a safe and regulated environment underscores the NSE's commitment to maintaining stakeholders' trust for generations to come.

In Ashish Chauhan's unwavering commitment and visionary leadership, the NSE finds itself not merely as a financial entity but as a beacon driving India's economic prowess towards an aspirational \$5 trillion economy. Under his guidance, the NSE stands poised to continue shaping India's financial landscape, fostering trust, and enabling equitable growth for all stakeholders.

In summary, Ashish Chauhan's strategic vision and steadfast dedication position the NSE at the forefront of India's journey towards economic prosperity, encapsulating the ideals of governance, trust, and inclusive growth.

# Future Forward Hospitality

Pranjal Jha, a new-age entrepreneur, shares with Outlook his innovative approach towards linking premium hospitality and real estate with aviation, in conversation with Aditi Chakraborty



**Pranjal Jha**, AeroVillage Panheli Owner

**Q How did you come up with this innovative concept of linking hospitality and real estate with aviation?**

I was in Denmark for a month during for one of many intercultural camps when I chanced upon flying out in a small aircraft near Copenhagen for a quick lunch. Flying in a private aircraft is wrongly associated with billionaires and celebrities, and it got me thinking that there was a potential for general aviation in India catering to a large consumer base with fine taste and aspiration who can afford luxury.

I got into flying in 2015, and the next step was to commercialize it through hospitality.

Panheli has a location advantage. Short flights from Mumbai, Pune, and Goa, etc., in close proximity make it exciting. Local flying in the valleys is like flying through the grand canyon if it was green! The resort is in a natural setting amidst a cashew plantation and mango orchard, coupled with offerings like riverside breakfast, providing an immersive experience. The pandemic wave boosted our business as people were fleeing from the cities for fresh air.

**Q What is the market response to AeroVillage?**

AeroVillage has the element of delight for our customers. Through word-of-mouth and social media, we have been getting repeat customers who venture out for our signature 'Transformational Luxury', a step ahead of 'Experiential Luxury'. We also host month long programs and camps where delegates from all over the world come and reside at the property to exchange cultures and values whilst being one with nature. There is much demand from our flyers' fraternity for specific aircraft. It qualifies for aero-sport. Unlike business hotels, leisure experiential and transformational resorts require human interface. We ensure a personalized touch, though we are tech-enabled in most of our operations. Besides, our real estate project is ready for launch in a couple of months. To form a homogenous community living in a luxurious setup sharing similar mindsets and ethos, property owners invest through invitation only. This innovative living experience coupled with aviation will also boost tourism.

**Q How are you advocating a sustainable ecosystem?**

To minimize environmental impact, we conserve resources through our solar panel systems and net metering to generate, utilize, or send the excessive energy back to the grid through a credit system. Tree plantation, rainwater harvesting, and recycling of used water for irrigation through Bio STPs to promote a green infrastructure. For the AeroVillage residential project, boundaries are made of local indigenous trees to protect and promote the local flora and fauna. Additionally, every member of the AeroVillage community will be giving back to nature through Solar, Rainwater harvesting and minimal emissions and discharge to the environment. It also provides income to local nurseries and related small businesses. Mobilizing human resources, we have employed local staff. From the perspective of women's empowerment, the housekeeping is run by an all-women team. We offer internships to students from local colleges in hospitality, engineering, civil construction, etc., encouraging them not to migrate from the village to the city.



**Ajaypal Singh Banga**  
World Bank President

## Leading India's Resilience Amid Global Slowdowns

Ajaypal Singh Banga is known to dream big and it doesn't get much bigger than heading the World Bank

In an era marred by economic uncertainties globally, Ajaypal Singh Banga, the newly appointed President of the World Bank, is amplifying India's role as a beacon of resilience and economic fortitude. Banga, the first person of Indian origin to helm the prestigious institution, has expressed confidence in India's ability to thrive amidst global challenges during his recent interactions.

During his visit to a skill center in Dwarka, Banga commended India's proactive measures, citing the nation's strength in withstanding the adversities posed by the pandemic. "India is doing a lot of things which are helping it to stay ahead during times of a global slowdown," he remarked, emphasizing the significance of the country's high percentage of GDP generated domestically.

Recognized for his extensive experience across diverse sectors spanning over four decades, Banga's nomination by President Joe Biden and subsequent confirmation by The World Bank's Board of Governors in May 2023 signified a pivotal moment for both India and the global financial landscape.

Banga's strategic vision encompasses leveraging India's potential for growth in high-income jobs, particularly in technology and manufacturing sectors. He emphasized the urgency for India to capitalize on the "China plus strategy," citing a finite window of opportunity spanning three to five years as supply chains seek alternative locations.

Furthermore, the World Bank President stressed the importance of fostering cooperation between the World Bank and India, discussing pertinent issues related to the G20 and highlighting the significance of domestic consumption in bolstering the Indian economy amidst the ongoing global slowdown.

Banga outlined his immediate priorities upon assuming his role at the World Bank. His ambitious

**BANGA'S FORESIGHT INTO INDIA'S ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE UNDERSCORES THE CRITICAL ROLE THAT DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION PLAYS IN SHIELDING THE NATION FROM EXTERNAL ECONOMIC DOWNTURNS**

agenda includes eradicating poverty while ensuring a sustainable planet, followed by the implementation of a robust capital adequacy framework to maximize the institution's balance sheet efficacy. Additionally, he aspires to transform the World Bank into a more efficient entity, aiming to expedite processes and operations.

Banga's foresight into India's economic landscape underscores the critical role that domestic consumption plays in shielding the nation from external economic downturns. His expertise and focus on financial inclusion, digital transformation, and sustainable development position him uniquely to navigate the World Bank towards fostering growth, alleviating poverty, and addressing climate change concerns.

The appointment of Ajaypal Singh Banga signifies a paradigm shift in global leadership, propelling India's representation on the international stage and reinforcing the country's resilience in the face of economic challenges. As he takes the reins of the World Bank, Banga's tenure holds the promise of steering both India and the global economy toward stability and sustainable growth.

## A Visionary and a Changemaker

Dr Thumbay Moideen, Founder, Thumbay Group is known for his strong commitment to innovation and quality - factors that have made him the sole Indian to own and operate the largest private medical university outside India



**Dr Thumbay Moideen**, Founder President, Thumbay Group

Born and raised in India, Dr Moideen's journey began with a chance encounter with a member of the Ajman royal family, which led to the setting up of the iconic Gulf Medical University in Ajman. After a journey of 27 years marked by key milestones, the Thumbay Group has evolved into a prominent conglomerate with over 110 touchpoints across the seven emirates and associations with over 70 global institutions. These have propelled the group's growth and its contributions to medical education, healthcare, and research.

### A legacy of responsibility

As a Mangalore boy, Dr Moideen recognised the pressing need for accessible and affordable healthcare services in India. This propelled his vision and journey to redefine the standards of these industries: world-class yet accessible.

What sets Dr Moideen apart from the ranks of dynamic entrepreneurs and business leaders is his dedication to social responsibility. His belief that businesses should focus not just on profits but also on the well-being of the communities

they serve, has been the origin point for the Group's involvement in numerous philanthropic activities. These include offering free medical services to the poor, providing disaster relief, and supporting educational programmes for underprivileged children.

Such initiatives underscore Dr Moideen's commitment to inclusivity. Scholarships to underprivileged students enable them to pursue higher education and professional careers have had a profound impact, with students from disadvantaged backgrounds being able to pursue their dreams.

Under Dr Moideen's leadership, the Group's comprehensive Corporate Social Responsibility agenda ensures a long-term commitment to uplift economically weaker sections of society, and to bring about a positive impact in the society as a whole, through activities addressing the needs of education, healthcare, employment, among others.

### Awards and recognitions

In 2024, Dr Moideen received the 'Rajyotsava Award' from the Karnataka government for his

contributions to education, healthcare, and research in the Gulf region. In 2022, the Maharaja of Mysore honoured Dr Moideen with the 'Vishwa Manyu' award. He also got the 'Gulf Karnataka Ratna' for being an NRI businessman in the Gulf. Named CEO of the Year in Education, he has also been featured in Forbes and Arabian Business. He is the recipient of Honorary Doctorate from Amity University, Dubai; Mangalore University, India; Fergana Medical Institute of Public Health, Uzbekistan and a D.Litt degree from Chitkara University, Chandigarh, India.

### Steering change

Dr Moideen is one of those rare individuals who has never forgotten to give back to his country of origin. His vision and efforts exemplify the essence of a changemaker in today's world, influencing not only the industries he operates in but also the lives of thousands of individuals. As the world grapples with ever-shifting dynamics, it is heartening to know that individuals such as Dr Moideen remain steadfast in their commitment to change for the greater good.





**Zarin Daruwala**, Cluster CEO of Standard Chartered Bank, India and South Asia Markets

## Breaking the Glass Ceiling

Customer-focused and bottom-line-driven, Zarin Daruwala believes an increase in per capita wealth and a rise in consumption are factors fueling the engine of economic growth

**T**he financialization of assets is predicted to double in tandem with the per capita GDP reaching the \$4,000 inflection point, shifting away from the conventional savings paths of gold and land. The publicly owned India Stack is decentralized, democratizes data, is interoperable, and will keep pushing financial inclusion, whether it's through Aadhaar, which serves 1.3 billion Indians, or UPI, the biggest payment network globally.

Strong banking, capital markets, and insurance regulators have also had a significant influence on borrower behavior. Due to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, misbehaving promoters now forfeit

control of their businesses in the event of a default, considerably altering borrower behavior.

The government's policy initiatives in several important reform areas have struck the right note. In the future, we anticipate that the private sector will add to the alluring narrative of investment and consumption. India is the decade that we own. India is positioned to become a global economic powerhouse and a leader in sustainable development and human empowerment by leveraging its inherent strengths. The world is eagerly observing India as it begins its next phase of development and prosperity.

A phenomenal banker, Zarin

Daruwala, turned around the loss-making franchise, Standard Chartered Bank, and made it profitable, boosting sustained growth. StanChart is one of India's oldest foreign banks, and it was going through one of its lowest phases, marked by mounting debts and increasing losses. Since she took over in April 2016, it has been a rollercoaster ride for Zarin, but she remained steadfast, and, under her leadership, the bank's journey in the last few years has been nothing short of extraordinary.

The strategic initiative that brought the bank back to profitability was 'de-risking' the asset base by reducing NPAs and seeking a good mix between retail and corporate clients. Other measures that her team took included reworking the suboptimal products to make them more market-relevant and economical for the bank. Focusing on the balance sheet, there was a massive drive to increase the retail customer base, current account balances, and high-quality asset growth. Digitalization took place in a big way, and it catapulted the growth of the bank with a focus on key areas like onboarding, online customer servicing, video KYC, and payments, which proved beneficial post-2019 as 75% of StanChart customers adopted digital banking, which was higher than the market average by 10%.

Her hands-on past experience helped her make the right decisions for StanChart by setting steep targets to prevent any more losses. Instead of increasing the number of branches, Daruwala chose to focus on improving the efficiency and profitability of the existing sector.

A new-age leader, Daruwala sets an example through her management style that enforces her work philosophy, 'people work for people'.

## Discovering the Cosmic Blueprint

One of India's most trusted astrology experts, Sohini Sastri illuminating lives with astrological insights and relevant solutions



**Dr Sohini Sastri**, 2 times President Award-winning Astrologer, Life Coach, and Philanthropist

**D**r Sohini Sastri is a distinguished figure in the world of astrology, known for her profound knowledge, accurate predictions, and compassionate guidance. She has earned the rare honour of being a two-time recipient of the prestigious President Award for her outstanding contributions to astrology and society. Dr Sastri's remarkable journey in the field of astrology reflects a unique blend of intellectual depth, spiritual insight, and a commitment to humanitarian work.

Hailing from a renowned family with deep-rooted spiritual and intellectual traditions, Dr Sastri has established herself as a leading authority in astrology. She holds a D'Litt and a prestigious Grand PhD in Astrology, showcasing her exceptional academic achievements. Dr Sohini Sastri is well-known for her precise talent as an astrologer. Her expertise is in her extensive

understanding of how the movement of the stars affects the fate of all living things. As a KP astrologer, her proficiency encompasses not only traditional astrology but also colour therapy, gemology, palmistry, and Vaastu, offering comprehensive remedies to life's challenges. She is very popular as the first choice of Bollywood celebrities too.

Dr Sohini Sastri's remarkable work has earned her global recognition. She has been honoured as the Best Astrologer in the World and consistently ranks among the Top 10 Astrologers in India. Her name was etched in the World Book of Records (2022), and she also received the prestigious Global Book of Excellence award in England. Adding to her list of accolades, she was recognized as the Most Searched Astrologer in India, reflecting the immense trust and following she has garnered over the years.

A true philanthropist and social worker at heart, Dr Sastri

has dedicated her life to uplifting others. Her counselling sessions have brought clarity and peace to countless individuals facing personal and professional challenges. She actively participates in social initiatives, promoting education, mental health awareness, and women's empowerment.

Dr Sohini Sastri is also a prolific author, having written four insightful books on astrology in simple language, making complex astrological concepts accessible to the general public. Her writings reflect her mission to demystify astrology and empower individuals with knowledge and self-awareness.

With her deep astrological insights, compassionate nature, and unwavering dedication, Dr Sohini Sastri continues to touch lives and illuminate paths worldwide. Her legacy is not only defined by her accolades but also by the positive impact she has made on people's lives through her wisdom and guidance.



Rosy Ahluwalia, Founder, Dikha Rang

## Leading Fashion Revolution

Rosy Ahluwalia is proving that fashion isn't just about what we wear—it's about the stories we tell, the traditions we honor, and the future we shape

Rosy Ahluwalia, an acclaimed Indian fashion designer, through her visionary brand, Dikha Rang is redefining sustainable luxury in India's handwoven fabric with contemporary silhouettes, intricate craftsmanship, and global appeal.

### New-Age Khadi

Khadi has long been associated with simplicity and tradition, but Dikha Rang is changing the narrative. Rosy Ahluwalia sees Khadi not just as a fabric of the past but as a medium for high fashion, capable of gracing global runways. Through structured tailoring, fluid drapes, and exquisite embroidery, her collections bring forth a bold, luxurious take on this heritage textile.

Her recent showcases at Bharat Tex 2024 and 2025 were a testament to this vision, where Dikha Rang presented Khadi like never before—a fabric transformed through layering, innovative dyeing techniques, and contemporary design elements. Each collection celebrates India's textile legacy while making Khadi relevant for modern consumers worldwide.

### Sustainability and Craftsmanship

At the heart of Dikha Rang is Rosy's deep commitment to sustainability. She collaborates with skilled artisans across India, ensuring their traditional craftsmanship is preserved and uplifted. By promoting handwoven textiles, zero-waste techniques, and slow fashion, she reinforces that luxury and sustainability can

seamlessly coexist.

Rosy also champions the idea of remake and reuse, giving garments a second life while maintaining their elegance and exclusivity. This approach not only reduces waste but also reaffirms Dikha Rang's status as a responsible, forward-thinking brand in the global fashion industry.

### A Fashion Movement

What sets Dikha Rang apart is its fusion of culture, creativity, and craftsmanship. The brand is not just about fashion—it's about storytelling. Each collection is inspired by India's rich textile heritage while being designed for the modern, fashion-forward consumer.

From intricately embroidered jackets to avant-garde drapes, every piece embodies a unique blend of tradition and innovation. Dikha Rang challenges outdated perceptions of Khadi, proving that it can be elegant, edgy, and luxurious all at once.

The brand's strong presence at major fashion events and its growing recognition among industry leaders and fashion enthusiasts are a testament to its impact. Dikha Rang is setting new benchmarks for how heritage textiles can be reinvented, proving that Khadi is not just surviving in the world of fashion—it is thriving.

### Game-Changer in Fashion

Rosy Ahluwalia's Dikha Rang is more than a fashion label—it's a movement reshaping how the world views Khadi and Indian craftsmanship. By pushing the boundaries of tradition and innovation, she is ensuring that this heritage fabric stands not just as a relic of the past but as the future of sustainable luxury fashion.

## Transformative Leadership in Medicine

A visionary leader, Dr Unmesh Vidyadhar Takalkar, changed the healthcare landscape of Aurangabad by bringing in world-class medical facilities and comprehensive care



Dr Unmesh Vidyadhar Takalkar  
CMD, Care CIIGMA Hospitals, Aurangabad

Often referred to as the 'surgical maestro,' Dr Takalkar has performed over 150,000 procedures. He has trained over fifty postgraduate students in surgery and endoscopic procedures. A prolific writer and contributor to the medical world, with an experience of over 30 years, his scholarly articles and papers have been published in all leading medical journals globally.

After specialising in oncology at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, Dr Takalkar joined Government Medical College Aurangabad for MPC selection. He gained international exposure in Switzerland and completed a fellowship in pancreatic surgery. To enhance expertise in endoscopy, he trained at the University of South Carolina. Dr Takalkar earned fellowships from the American Gastroenterology Association, the Union of International Cancer Control, the Society for Surgery of Alimentary Tract, and the American Gastroenterology Association, and is a member of major national and international associations in his domain.

The game changer in his career trajectory was establishing CIIGMA Hospital in 2007 to provide access and world-class treatment

to the people of Aurangabad. In a groundbreaking move, CIIGMA Hospital forged strategic partnerships with Care Hospital, ushering in a new era of medical collaboration and innovation. It is now known as Care CIIGMA Hospital, which played a pivotal role in metamorphosing Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar into a healthcare hub.

The hospital's state-of-the-art facilities encompass cardiology, cardiothoracic and vascular surgery, neurology and neurosurgery, laparoscopic surgery, gynaecology, obstetrics, nuclear medicine, pulmonology, ENT, head and neck surgery, dialysis and kidney transplantation, orthopaedics, radiology, urology, paediatrics, endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism, rheumatology, haematology, gastroenterology, oncology, psychiatry, and all other elite specialities. Patients no longer need to travel to larger cities like Mumbai, Pune, or Hyderabad for advanced medical treatment. Dr Takalkar's emphasis on group expansion to every tehsil of Maharashtra aims at providing effective and quality treatment for all.

Dr Takalkar advocates healthcare consciousness, preventive

checkups, and the use of health cards, believing them to be instrumental in emergencies by enabling swift assessment of an individual's medical history. This multifaceted approach exemplifies Care CIIGMA Hospital's commitment to pushing the boundaries of medical care, embracing innovation, and prioritising proactive healthcare measures. A team of dedicated doctors, under the leadership of Dr Takalkar, caters to patients from Vidarbha, Marathwada, Khandesh Nagar, and Nashik districts, providing super-speciality treatment at affordable rates. The hospital is accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Health Care Providers (NABH) and ISO: 9001, EMS: 14001 for maintaining quality standards.

His leadership extends to social causes through the CIIGMA Health Foundation that supports medical education, provides free medical aid, endoscopic diagnosis/treatment camps at subsidised rates, and conducts community outreach programs. Dr Takalkar is the recipient of many prestigious awards, such as the Jeevan Gaurav Puraskar for initiating the work on organ retrieval and heart transplant in the Marathwada region.