

Invitation

INAUGURATION

Kanchipuram chapter

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DATE: FRIDAY, 22 AUGUST 2025

TIME: 11.30 AM

VENUE: HAND IN HAND ACADEMY

KALIYANUR, KANCHIPURAM

THE PLATFORM

EXPANDING HORIZONS, ENRICHING MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE

For over six decades, Madras Management Association (MMA) has been conducting impactful programmes in and around Chennai, promoting professional management and leadership excellence. In today's rapidly evolving global landscape, MMA recognises the need to extend its reach beyond metropolitan boundaries to the emerging growth centres across Tamil Nadu.

As part of this strategic vision, MMA has been actively establishing local chapters in fast-growing towns to support industries and SMEs with world-class management practices. With eleven chapters already functioning successfully across Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, MMA is proud to inaugurate its 12th Chapter at Kanchipuram.

The launch of the Kanchipuram Chapter marks a significant step towards taking management thought leadership closer to the heart of industrial and entrepreneurial activity in the region, benefiting local businesses, professionals, and aspiring managers alike.

Agenda

10.45 am	Registration	
11.25 am	Arrival of dignitaries and take their place on the dias	
11.30 am	Welcome & Introductory Remarks	Dr Kalpana Sankar Chairperson, MMA Kanchipuram Chapter & Co-founder and Chairperson, Hand in Hand India
11.40 am	Special Address on “ Challenges in Entrepreneurship ”	Mr C Siva Kumar Director, Roots Industries India Ltd & Chairman, MMA Board for Chapters
12.00 noon	Overview of MMA Chapter & Installation of Office-Bearers of MMA Kanchipuram Chapter 2025-26	<i>Introduction of Office-Bearers</i> Gp Capt R Vijayakumar (Retd), VSM Executive Director, MMA
12.20 pm	Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest	Mr Lakshminarayanan Duraiswamy President, MMA & Managing Director, Sundaram Home Finance Ltd
12.45 pm	Q&A	
12.55 pm	Vote of Thanks	Mr S Chandrasekar Co-Chairman, MMA Kanchipuram Chapter & Director, Hand In Hand Academy
01.00 pm	Lunch	



Installation of Office Bearers: 2025-26

Chairperson

Dr Kalpana Sankar - Co-founder and Chairperson, Hand in Hand India

Co-Chair

Mr S Chandrasekar - Director, Hand In Hand Academy For Social Entrepreneurship

Mr Krishnan R - Director, Groupo Antolin

Dr Ravi Veeraraghavan - Officiating Director, XIME Chennai

Mr Karthik Balasubramanian - Executive Director, Precision Machine & Auto Components (P) Ltd

Profile

Mr Lakshminarayanan Duraiswamy is currently the Managing Director of Sundaram Home Finance Limited. He has over 30 years of experience in the financial services industry, with expertise in risk management, operations and strategy. He was the Chief Operating Officer of Sundaram AMC till 2019. He joined Sundaram Asset Management Company in 2009 and prior to that, he worked for GE Capital India and Australia in various risk management and business development roles across commercial finance, consumer finance and healthcare. He started his career with Citibank in retail operations before moving to GE Capital.

Mr Lakshminarayanan is a commerce graduate, qualified Cost Accountant and Master of Business Administration (Loyola Institute of Business Administration, Chennai). He is also the President of Madras Management Association.



***Lakshminarayanan
Duraiswamy***

***PRESIDENT, MMA &
MANAGING DIRECTOR
SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD***

Profile

A Strategic thought leader, Quality Driven, Passionate serial entrepreneur, he has nearly redefined the perception of the Small and Medium Industry in the Manufacturing space, especially around Asset Light Manufacturing, apart from guiding his Retail organizations towards an innovative and customer centric excellence model.

A Strategic thinker, he believes in creating and sharing wealth, which he has demonstrated across the group, a mid-tier conglomerate, straddling the domains of Asset Light Manufacturing, Consultancy and Retail.

His trend setting HR initiatives has been featured regularly in most leading business journals like The Business Line, Economic Times, Auto Monitor, The Business Standard, The Financial Express to name a few.

He is currently the Director – Roots Industries India Limited, Skillveri Training Solutions Pvt Ltd, Planys Technologies, Managing Partner – R.V. Industries, Prabha Associates, Partner - Timelinks and Partner & Promoter – Punniamoorthi Pillai Departmental Stores.

He is winner of various national and state awards which includes the “Inc India Award” for the top 100 people to be watched out for the “Excellence in HR Practices”.



C Siva Kumar

***DIRECTOR, ROOTS INDUSTRIES
INDIA LTD &
CHAIRMAN, MMA BOARD FOR
CHAPTERS***

Profile

Dr. Kalpana Sankar is a microfinance and gender expert with over two decades of experience. She holds doctorates in nuclear physics and gender studies respectively. Passionate about the empowerment of women, she co-founded Hand in Hand in 2004. She has been pivotal in replicating the model globally across 8 countries and across 16 states in India. She is also Managing Director of Belstar, one of India's top ten microfinance institutions.



Dr Kalpana Sankar

***CHAIRPERSON, MMA
KANCHIPURAM CHAPTER &
CO-FOUNDER AND CHAIRPERSON,
HAND IN HAND INDIA***

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