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Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
Department of Personnel and Training
(Training Division)

3rd Floor Block-IV, Old JNU Campus,
New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110067,
Dated: 20th July, 2026

To

1. Secretaries (All Ministries/Departments in Government of India)
2. The Chief Secretaries to all State Governments
3. Administrators of Union Territories
4. All the Cadre Controlling Authorities
5. Directors General/Directors of Central & State Training Institutes

Sub: Long Term Domestic Training Programme "Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategy" (ECP-PPLS) by Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.

Sir/Madam,

It is hereby informed that **Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad** in collaboration with this Department is offering a Long Term Domestic Programme viz "Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategy" (ECP-PPLS) from **September 9th, 2026**. ECP-PPLS is designed as a 5 Month programme wherein first 5 days on the IIM Ahmedabad Campus followed by 8 alternate weekends in Delhi.

Course pedagogy:

2. The ECP-PPLS has been conceptualized as an officer friendly domestic training programme on Public Policy Leadership & Strategy without any international component. This provides the advantage of minimal dislocation of officers from their workplaces and allows them to continue with their current assignment/posting during the duration of the course. The Programme is designed to develop leaders who can effectively navigate and shape modern governance. This programme equips professionals with key skills in policy analysis, strategic planning, stakeholder management, and ethical decision-making. By in-person learning, the course prepares executives to address complex societal, economic, and environmental challenges, empowering them to drive impactful public policy initiatives.

3. The programme is open to officers belonging to All India Services (Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service and Indian Forest Service), Central Civil Services (Group 'A'), faculty members of State Administrative Training Institutes (ATIs) and Central Training Institutes (CTIs) and also Officers of the State Civil Services (Group 'A') subject to the eligibility conditions as enclosed.

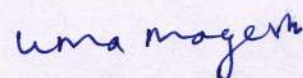
4. Details of the '**Terms and Conditions**' of the programme, application form and other documents are enclosed with this letter. Further details with regard to this programme may be ascertained from Ms. Gloria Rose Raibin, Executive Education, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad – 380015 [Email: ecppls-exed@iima.ac.in] and websites of Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad <https://exed.iima.ac.in/public-policy-leadership-strategy-executive-programme> and DoP&T, Training Division's website <https://trgdiv.dopt.gov.in/>

5. Nominations of suitable eligible officers in the prescribed pro-forma may please be sent to this Department through their Cadre Controlling Authorities so as to reach us on or before **August 15th, 2026**. Nominations received after this date will not be considered. As it is an open programme, Candidates can directly apply to IIM Ahmedabad with intimation to this department. The nominations would be scrutinized and officers shortlisted by the selection committee based on profile and statement of purpose, fulfilling the conditions of eligibility will be nominated for the programme. Final selection will be subject to receipt of his/her formal application, duly recommended by the Cadre Controlling Authorities along with Vigilance Clearance and approval of Competent Authority in DoPT. Therefore, it is in the interest of the officers to get their applications routed through their Cadre Controlling Authorities as early as possible.

6. All Ministries/ Departments/ State Governments/ UTs/ CCAs etc. are advised to give wide publicity to the programme, upload this circular on their websites for the information of all concerned and encourage the officers to apply.

Encl: Terms and conditions

Yours faithfully,



(Uma Magesh)

Under Secretary to the Government of India
Telephone: 011-26706382

Copy to:

1. The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, New Delhi
2. Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, New Delhi
3. The Election Commission of India, New Delhi
4. Controller General of Accounts, New Delhi
5. Deputy Director General (Training), Department of Post, Dak Bhavan, New Delhi
6. Deputy Director General (Training), Department of Telecom, Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi
7. Director (Training), Railway Board, Rail Bhavan, New Delhi
8. Director (Police), Ministry of Home Affairs for nomination of IPS Officers
9. Director General, CPWD Training Institute, Sankalp Bhavan, New Delhi
10. Director, Bureau of Police Research and Development, CGO Complex, New Delhi
11. Establishment Officer, DoPT, Kartavya Bhavan - 03, New Delhi
12. DoPT (CS Division), GPOA, Netaji Nagar, New Delhi
13. Shri Mukesh Maheshwari, AGM-Business Development & Corporate Relations, Executive Education, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad – 380015 with request to consider applications received on or before August 15th, 2026.
14. NIC, Training Division, for uploading the notification on DoP&T website (<https://dopt.gov.in/>) and Training Division's <https://trgdiv.dopt.gov.in/> webpage.

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Terms and conditions

1st Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategic (ECP-PPLS) at Indian Institute of Management - Ahmedabad

The 1st Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategic – ECP-PPLS at Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad will commence from **September 9th, 2026**. The ECP-PPLS has been conceptualized as an officer friendly domestic training programme on Public Policy Leadership & Strategic without any international component. This provides the advantage of minimal dislocation of officers from their workplaces and allows them to continue with their current assignment/posting during the duration of the course. The Programme is designed to develop leaders who can effectively navigate and shape modern governance. This program equips professionals with key skills in policy analysis, strategic planning, stakeholder management, and ethical decision-making. By in-person learning, the course prepares executives to address complex societal, economic, and environmental challenges, empowering them to drive impactful public policy initiatives.

2. Eligibility:

The programme is open to officers of All India Services (IAS, IPS & IFoS), Central Civil Services (Group 'A'), faculty members of State Administrative Training Institutes (ATIs) and also officers of the State Civil Services (Group 'A') subject to the following eligibility conditions:

Length of service	Officers should have completed 5 years of Group 'A' service as on commencement of the programme.
Age	The officers should have at least five years remaining service after completion of the programme.
Earlier Training	The officers should not have undergone a training Programme of 12-weeks or more duration in India during a period of 5 years preceding the date of commencement of this Programme. Further, the officer should not have undergone a Programme of training abroad of more than 2-weeks in preceding 2-years, more than one month in preceding 3-years or more than six months in the preceding 5-years.

3. **Course Fees:** (a) The course fee for the programme is **Rs. 3.99 Lakh** (Rupee Three Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Only) + **Goods & Service Tax (GST)** as per applicable rates per participant. The fee is inclusive of accommodation and meals during the on-campus module at IIM Ahmedabad. Travel to Ahmedabad and all expenses for Delhi session are not included. The nomination for the programme and payment of course fee shall be made by the Cadre Controlling Authorities [*for example, DoP&T for IAS, Central Secretariat Service (CSS) and Central Secretariat Stenographers' Service (CSSS) Officers, MHA for IPS officers, MOEF for IFoS officers etc.*]. In case an officer is posted in an office outside his/her cadre establishment, the nomination may be done by that office in consultation with his/her Cadre Controlling Authority.

(b) The Programme fee [Rs. 3.99 Lakh (Rs. Three Lakh Ninety-Nine Thousand Only)] plus Goods & Service Tax (GST) as per applicable rates need to be paid in full at the time of joining the programme or/and in any case within 30 days of commencement of programme.

4. **Programme structure**

The duration of this programme is Five Months. Since Delhi is the epicenter of public policy in India, the programme is designed primarily for a Delhi-based audience; particularly public servants and policy professionals working with government, policy think tanks, private sector, and even others wanting to switch to core-policy work in and around the NCR.

To balance accessibility with the immersive experience of IIM Ahmedabad, the programme will be delivered at both IIMA and Delhi (where IIMA faculty will travel). Recognising the time constraints of working professionals, especially government officers, the Delhi sessions will be scheduled over weekends. The Programme will run over five months and will include:

First 5 days on the IIM Ahmedabad campus

8 full (alternate) weekends in Delhi (*Location – Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi*)

Continuous tutorials and coursework throughout the duration

Each day will typically consist of four sessions (with each session at IIMA lasting 75 minutes), resulting in approximately 84 sessions over the course of the programme. Teaching Assistants will provide ongoing remote support to help participants engage deeply with coursework and assignments. The Programme confers IIMA alumni status to all successful participants.

5. **Curricular Design:**

Foundations

- Economics for Public Policy
- Institutions, Markets and State
- Data Science and Decision- Making
- Policy Processes & Frameworks

Perspectives

- Designing Policy: Mechanisms, Behaviour and Choice
- Public Programme Design and Evaluation
- Technology, Data and Digital Governance
- Fiscal Systems: Public Finance and Budgeting
- Geopolitics and the Global Policy Environment
- Leadership and Negotiation in Public Systems
- Legal Frameworks for Public Policy and Governance
- Regulation, Lobbying and Public Procurement

Sectors

- Climate and Environmental Policy
- Energy Systems and Policy
- Public Health and Healthcare Systems
- Infrastructure and Urbanization
- Food Systems and Agribusiness Policy

6. **Hostel Facilities**

Indian Institute of Management – Ahmedabad will provide rent-free furnished residential AC accommodation and meals during the on campus module at IIMA to the participants.

7. **Conditions for officers admitted to the programme:**

In case of officers, sponsored by the Government of India/State Governments for this programme, the entire period of absence from duty on account of residencies/travel will be treated as on duty under FR 9(6)(b)(i).

8. **Selection procedure and forwarding of nominations**

- (i) The Cadre Controlling Authority (CCA) should recommend names of only those Group 'A' officers who are likely to stay with the CCA for some more time.
- (ii) Officers on deputation to Government of India under the Central Staffing Scheme must have completed at least **two years** of their tenure on central deputation on the date of this notification to become eligible to apply for this programme. It may

be noted that in respect of Officers appointed under the 'Central Staffing Scheme', 'NOC' from the Office of Establishment Officer, DOPT should be obtained before forwarding their applications/nominations for the Long Term Domestic Programme.

- (iii) The faculty members of the State ATIs who have completed at least **three years** on the date of starting of the programme are also eligible to apply for the programme. However, those faculty members who belong to State Civil Services need not necessarily fulfill this condition. The selected faculty members, however, would be required to stay in the ATI for next three years after completion of the programme.

9. Forwarding of nominations

- (i) Concurrence of State Governments, wherever necessary, would have to be obtained by the Cadre Controlling Authority before sending the nominations to DoP&T.
- (ii) Copy of the application form and other documents are attached. The same may also be obtained by sending an email to ecppls-exed@iima.ac.in or by logging on to Websites of IIM Ahmedabad <https://exed.iima.ac.in/public-policy-leadership-strategy-executive-programme> and DoP&T, Training Division's website <https://trgdiv.dopt.gov.in/>. Cadre Controlling Authorities are requested to forward duly filled applications in respect of suitable officers (who are clear from vigilance angle) along with complete information in **Part- B** of the Application Pro-forma so as to reach us on or before **August 15th, 2026**.
- (iii) Nominations received after the due date will not be considered.
- (iv) As it is an open programme, Candidate can directly apply to IIM Ahmedabad with intimation to this department. The nominations would be scrutinized and officers shortlisted by the selection committee based on profile and statement of purpose, fulfilling the conditions of eligibility will be nominated for the programme. Final selection will be subject to receipt of his/her formal application, duly recommended by the Cadre Controlling Authorities along with Vigilance Clearance and approval of Competent Authority in DoPT. Therefore, it is in the interest of the officers to get their applications routed through their Cadre Controlling Authorities as early as possible.

10. **Bond to be executed by the officer:**

Before joining the programme, the officer is required to execute a Bond to the extent that "in the event of his/her failing to resume duty or resigning or retiring from service or otherwise quitting service, without returning to duty after expiry or termination of the period of the programme or failing to complete the programme, or quitting the service at any time within a period of FIVE (5) years after completing the programme, the officer shall forthwith pay to the Government or as may be directed by the Government, on demand all charges and expenses that shall or may have been incurred by the Government for the training programme i.e. all monies paid to him/her or expended on his/her account during the programme period such as pay and allowances, leave salary, cost of fee, travelling and other expenses met by the Government/agency concerned together with interest thereon from the date of demand at Government rates for the time being in force on Government loans".



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Application for Admission in Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategic – (ECP-PPLS)

(Programme Commences on **September 9th, 2026**; Last date of receiving application is **15th August, 2026**)

(For Govt sponsored candidates)

PART-A

1. PERSONAL DETAILS				Paste a recent passport sized photograph
Title (Mr./Ms/Dr.)				
Full name in block letters (First name, Middle name, Surname)				
Father's full name				
Mother's full name				
Gender (Put ☒)	Male ☐	Female ☐	Date of birth	DD MM Year
Date of Superannuation	DD MM Year	Age as on 09-09-2026	Year Month	
Nationality			Religion	
Caste category (Put ☒)	General ☐	OBC ☐	SC ☐	ST ☐
Equivalent Rank in Govt. of India			Level in Pay Matrix as per 7 th CPC/ Grade Pay with Pay Band	
2. MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT DETAILS				
Name of the Ministry/ Department				
Designation of Applicant				
Office Address				
	State		PIN	
Telephone No.			Fax	
Service cadre with year of allotment				
Length of service in Group-A				
Are you presently on deputation to the Govt. of India (Put ☒)	Yes ☐	No ☐	If yes, from which date:	
Date of completion of tenure?				

3. ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

Address					
City		State		PIN	
Telephone No				Fax No	
Mobile No					
Email ID [In Capital Letters] (Main and alternate)					

4. ACADEMIC RECORD

Sr. No	Examination/ Degree/ Diploma passed	Name of the Board/University/ Institution	Passing Percentage/ Grade/ Division/CGPA	Year of Joining the Course	Year of Passing the Course
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					

5. DETAILS OF WORK EXPERIENCE

Sr. No	Post held	Department/ Organization	Tenure		Pay Scale	Nature of responsibility
			From	To		
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						

Total experience (in years)

6. DETAILS OF TRAINING PROGRAMS ATTENDED (IN INDIA & ABROAD) [Duration should be at least two weeks or more](Kindly refer to 'Earlier Training' caption under para 2 of Terms & Conditions)

S. No	Name of Course / Training Programme	Name of the Institution/ Place	Year	Duration (in weeks)
1				
2				
3				

7. Additional Information:- (please attach separate sheets regarding the following)

- Indicate the Public Policy area identified by you with the approval of your Ministry/Deptt./State Govt. etc. for preparation of the Policy document during the programme period.
- Briefly describe your job responsibilities and your achievements at your work place.
- Statement of Purpose: Why are you interested in pursuing this programme?
- Briefly describe your publications, leadership roles, community work or any other work you consider significant for your proposed study.
- Is there any other information that you would like to provide about yourself?

8. DECLARATION

I certify that the information given in this application form is correct and true to the best of my knowledge. I agree to abide by the decision of the authorities regarding my selection to the programme.

Place:

(Signature)

Date:

Instructions:

- The application form is to be sent through the Cadre Controlling Authority.
- You may send the application form directly to Ms. Uma Magesh, Under Secretary (Trg), Training Division, Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India, Room No - 315, 3rd Floor, Block-4, Old JNU Campus, New Delhi-110067 [E-mail: uma.magesh@nic.in] as well as to Ms. Gloria Rose Raibin, Executive Education, Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad – 380015 [Email: ecppls-exed@iima.ac.in]
- Please ensure that this application is routed through the Cadre Controlling Authority so as to reach DoPT (Training Division) latest by August 15th, 2026.
- The application envelop should be superscripted as "Application for admission in Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategic – ECP-PPLS at IIM Ahmedabad".

PART - B

(For the use of the Cadre Controlling Authority only)

Name of Applicant: _____

1. Is there any vigilance case pending or contemplated against the officer? (put √)	Yes ☐	No ☐	

2. Is there any standing adverse entry against the officer? (put √)	Yes ☐	No ☐	
If YES, please give details: 			

3. Is the applicant's overall ACR grading "Very Good"? (put √)	Yes ☐	No ☐	

4. Whether cadre clearance has been obtained? (put √)	Yes ☐	No ☐	
(For officers, who would be completing their deputation tenures prior to joining the ECP-PPLS? In such cases, clearance of the State Government/Parent department has to be obtained)			
Has the candidate been offered a central deputation also?			
	Yes ☐	No ☐	
If selected, will the candidate be released for the Programme?			
	Yes ☐	No ☐	

Cadre Controlling Authority:

Name of the Cadre Controlling Authority (Ministry/Department)			
Contact Person			
Designation			
Address			
		PIN	
Telephone No.			
Fax No.			
E-mail ID			

Place:

(Signature of the

Date:

Cadre Controlling Authority)

File No. _____

Office Seal (Compulsory)

Format of Bond to be executed by a Government Servant before proceeding for 1st Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategic – ECP-PPLS of Indian Institute of Management - Ahmedabad

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT I, _____, resident of _____, at present employed as _____ in the Ministry/Department _____, do hereby bind myself and my heirs, executors and administrators to pay to the President of India (hereinafter called the 'Government') on demand, 'all charges and expenses' that shall or may have been incurred by the Government for my ECP-PPLS programme by IIM Ahmedabad i.e. all monies paid to me or expended on my account during the programme period such as pay and allowances, leave salary, cost of fee, travelling and other expenses met by the govt./agency concerned, etc. being conducted by IIM Ahmedabad together with interest thereon from the date of demand at Government rates, for the time being in force, on Government loans or, if payment is made in a country other than India, the equivalent of the said amount in currency of that country converted at the official rate of exchange between that country and India AND TOGETHER with all costs between the attorney and the client.

WHEREAS I, _____, am being deputed for ECP-PPLS programme by IIM Ahmedabad.

AND WHEREAS for the better protection of the Government I have agreed to execute this bond with such conditions as written hereunder:

NOW THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE WRITTEN OBLIGATION IS THAT, in the event of my failing to resume duty, or resigning or retiring from service or otherwise quitting service, without returning to duty after expiry or termination of the period of the ECP-PPLS programme, OR failing to complete the programme, OR quitting the service at any time within a period of FIVE (5) years or before superannuation, whichever is earlier, after my return to duty, I shall forthwith pay to the Government or as may be directed by the Government, on demand the said sum together with interest thereon from the date of demand at Government rates for the time being in force on Government loans.

AND upon my making such payment the above written obligations shall be void and of no effect, otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

The Bond shall in all respects be governed by the laws of India for the time being in force and the rights and liabilities hereunder shall, where necessary, be accordingly determined by the appropriate Courts of India.

The Government of India has agreed to bear the stamp duty payable on this bond.

Signed and delivered this the _____ day of _____ month of the year 2026.

Signed and delivered by _____ (Name and Designation)

In the presence of _____ and _____

Witnessess: 1. _____

2. _____

ACCEPTED

On behalf of the President of India by the Cadre Controlling Authority
(Authorized Signatory) [Office Seal Compulsory]

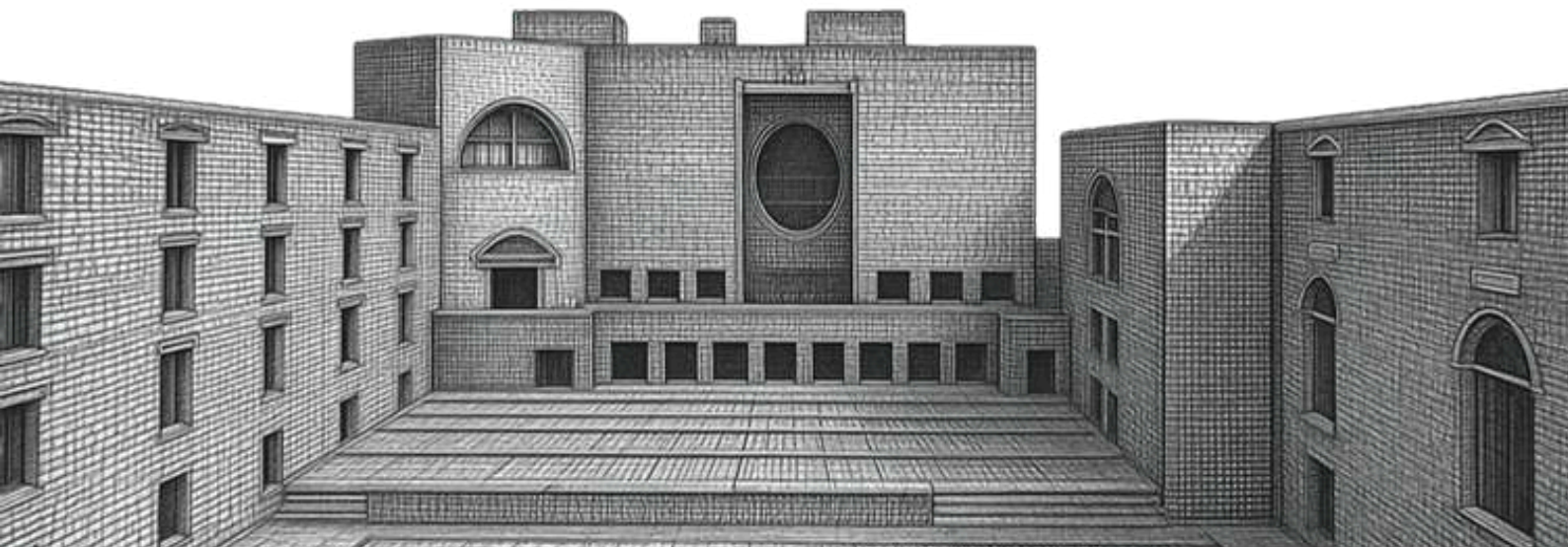


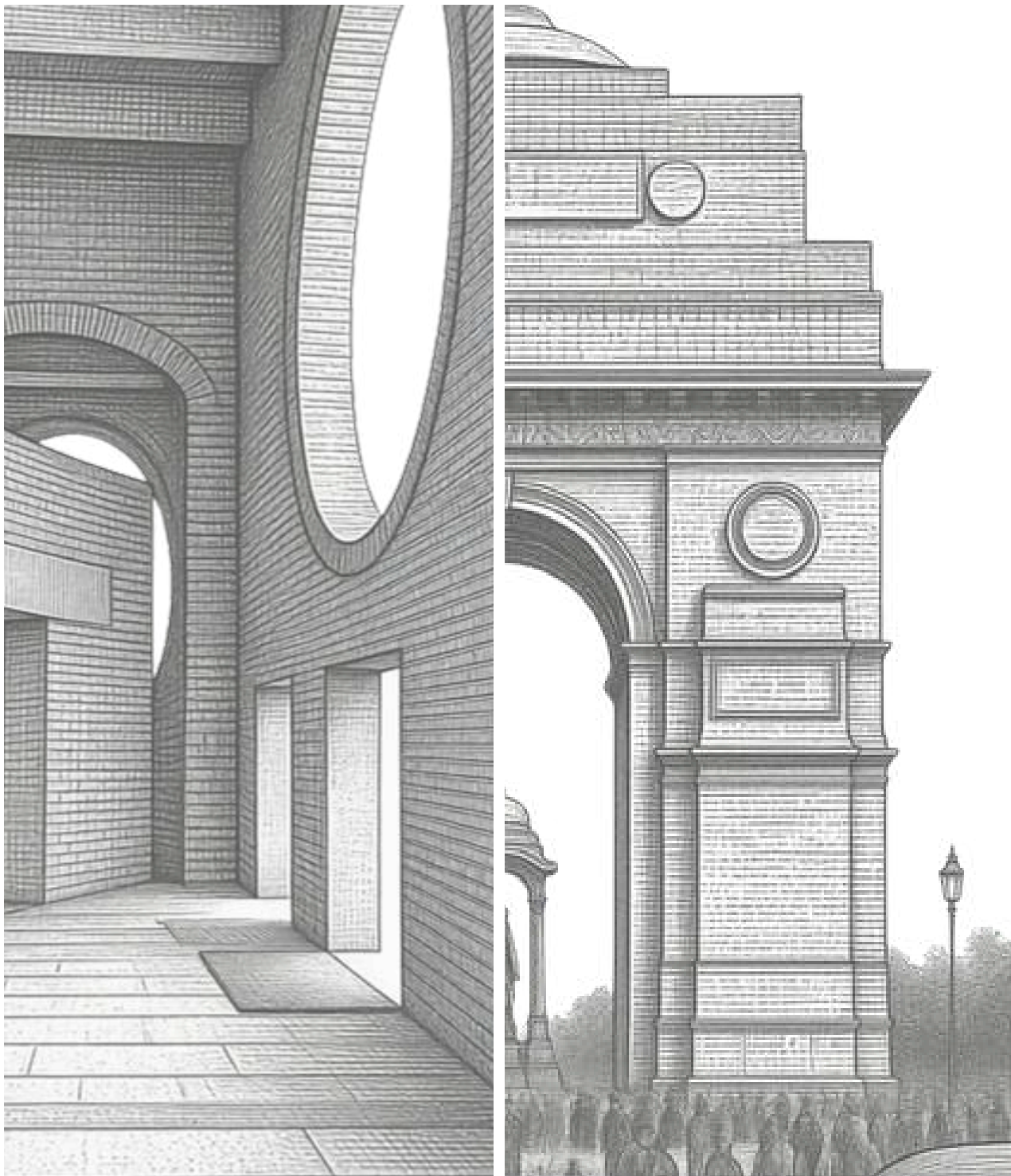
EXECUTIVE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME

in

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IIMA Campus | New Delhi Context

**A unique programme blending learning and
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OVERVIEW

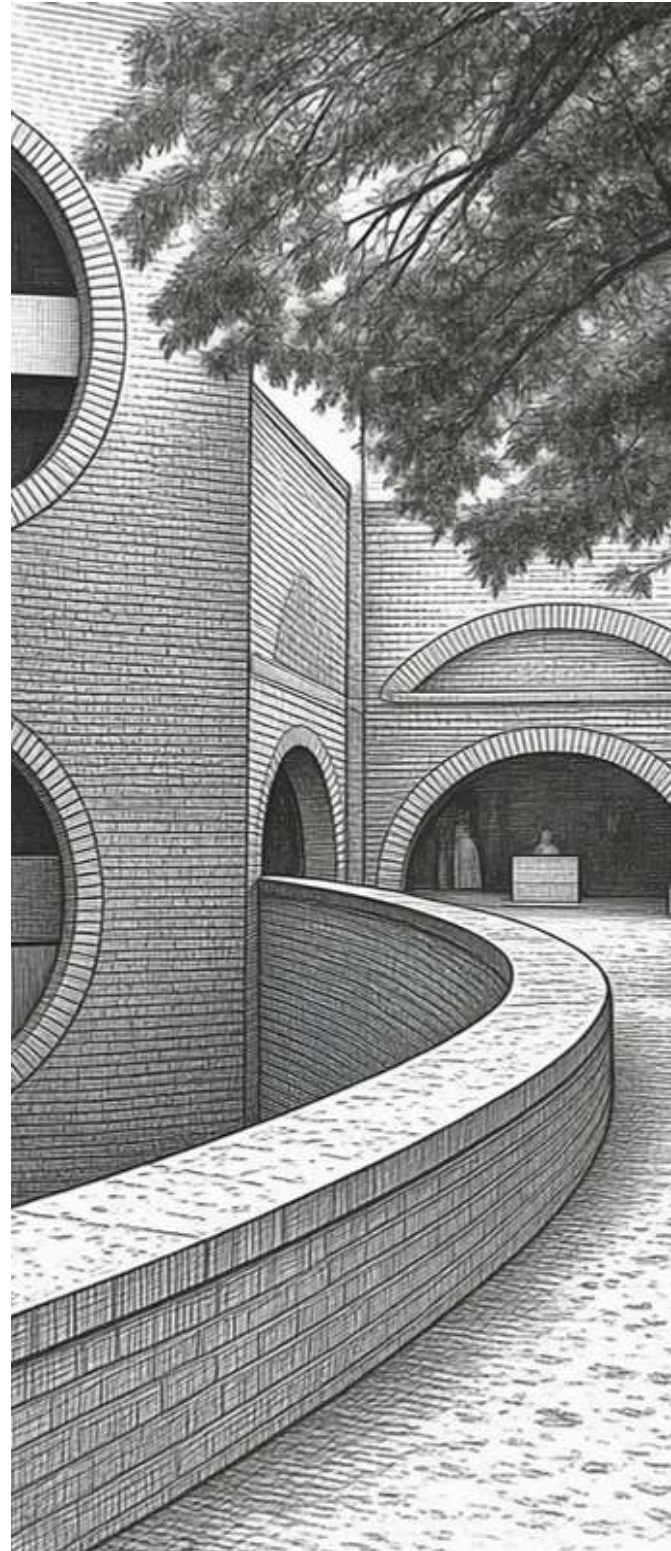
The JSW School of Public Policy is offering an Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategy.

Public policy challenges navigate across disciplines all the time. Questions of regulation in infrastructure, health, energy, technology, urbanisation for example, cut across institutions, sectors, and levels of government; often exposing silos, coordination gaps, and limits of narrow expertise. Responding to them requires a wider policy imagination: the ability to understand systems, read institutional incentives, and design interventions that are analytically sound, politically aware, and implementable.

The Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership & Strategy is designed for those who seek to develop this capability in an accelerated format. It is especially relevant for professionals whose work already intersects with public systems, and for those looking to switch more directly into policy roles. The programme helps participants move beyond issue-based thinking towards a more system-level understanding of how policy is framed, negotiated, coordinated, and delivered.

Anchored in rigorous classroom learning, case-based discussion, and practice-oriented engagement, the programme builds an integrated view of public systems and their interdependencies. Participants engage with core frameworks across economics, law, regulation, public finance, technology, governance, and sectoral policy to develop the judgment required for policy leadership.

Structured over five months, the programme combines a five-day immersion at the IIM Ahmedabad campus with eight full weekends in New Delhi. This format enables deep engagement with policy frameworks while remaining closely connected to the institutional and practical context in which public policy is shaped.



AREAS OF STUDY

FOUNDATIONS

- Economics for Public Policy
- Data Science and Decision-Making
- Institutions, Markets, and State
- Policy Processes and Frameworks

PERSPECTIVES

- Designing Policy: Mechanisms, Behaviour, and Choice
- Technology, Data, and Digital Governance
- Geopolitics and the Global Policy Environment
- Legal Frameworks for Public Policy and Governance
- Public Programme Design and Evaluation
- Fiscal Systems: Public Finance and Budgeting
- Leadership and Negotiation in Public Systems
- Regulation, Lobbying, and Public Procurement

SECTORS

- Climate and Environmental Policy
- Public Health and Healthcare Systems
- Food Systems and Agribusiness Policy
- Energy Systems and Policy
- Infrastructure and Urbanisation



This content is indicative and is subject to change.

OUTCOMES

The programme aims to produce a sincere shift in posture: from reactive execution to proactive strategy, from departmental thinking to whole-of-government vision, from managing complexity to shaping it.

Upon completion, participants will be able to:

01

Design with Strategic Foresight: Apply structured, systems-level thinking to understand complex policy environments and make informed decisions under uncertainty.

02

Navigate Institutions and Governance Structures: Understand how public institutions, regulatory frameworks, and fiscal systems operate, and work effectively within them.

03

Design and Evaluate Public Policy: Develop, assess, and refine public programmes using mechanism design, structured frameworks and evidence-based evaluative approaches.

04

Engage, Communicate, and Negotiate: Articulate policy ideas clearly, engage diverse stakeholders, and navigate negotiation processes in complex settings.

05

Connect Global Perspectives with Local Context: Draw on comparative policy systems, geopolitical dynamics, and global experiences to inform decisions which are contextually intelligent.



PROGRAMME APPROACH

The programme is designed to emphasise case-based, practice-oriented learning. Participants engage with structured frameworks and apply them to real policy contexts through a combination of classroom discussions, case-based learning, and practitioner insights.

RIGOR

Rigorous Classroom Engagement: Sessions are designed to build analytical depth through frameworks in global policy literature, through faculty-led discussions.

METHOD

Case-Based Learning: The programme draws on IIMA's case method to examine real policy challenges, enabling participants to analyse decisions, evaluate trade-offs, and consider implementation contexts.

PERSPECTIVE

Breadth of Policy Exposure: The programme covers a wide range of policy domains and sectors, enabling participants to develop a system-level understanding of public systems and their interconnections across sectors in an accelerated manner.

SCOPE

Interdisciplinary Approach: The curriculum integrates perspectives from economics, design, data science, law, management, and political economy to provide a comprehensive understanding of public systems.

PEOPLE

Networking & Peer Learning: A necessary part of the programme is strong element of networking, both at IIMA and Delhi, and learning from diverse professional and academic backgrounds.



CALENDAR

An immersive 5-month journey featuring intensive learning at IIMA and applied policy in New Delhi, with rigorous sessions from world-renowned faculty.

Classes during the first week (5 days) will be held at the IIMA campus in Ahmedabad. Thereafter, the location will be Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi on alternate full weekends.

Programme Commencement: September 9, 2026

Indicative Schedule:

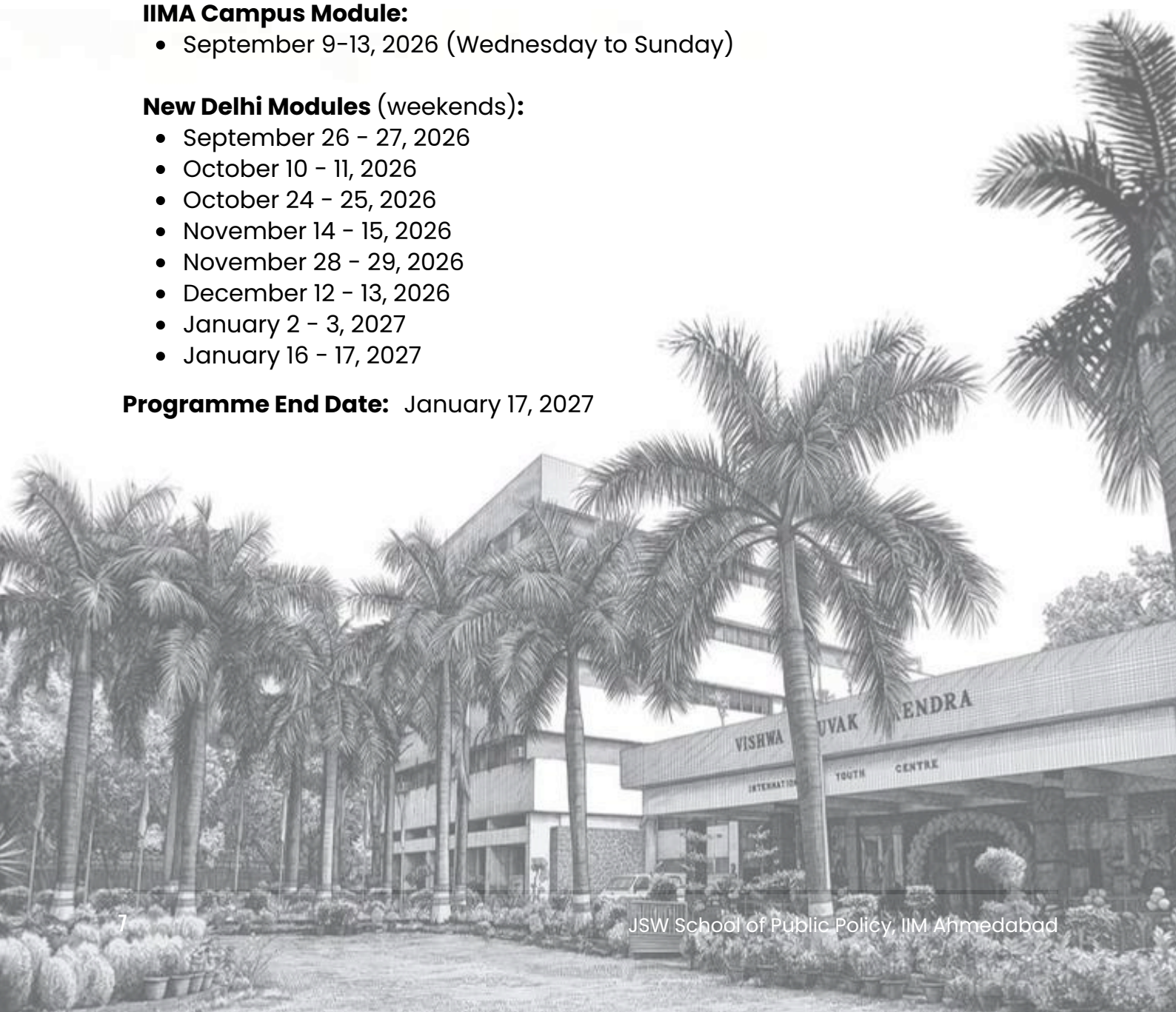
IIMA Campus Module:

- September 9-13, 2026 (Wednesday to Sunday)

New Delhi Modules (weekends):

- September 26 - 27, 2026
- October 10 - 11, 2026
- October 24 - 25, 2026
- November 14 - 15, 2026
- November 28 - 29, 2026
- December 12 - 13, 2026
- January 2 - 3, 2027
- January 16 - 17, 2027

Programme End Date: January 17, 2027



INDICATIVE PROGRAMME FACULTY



PROFESSOR YUGANK GOYAL (FACULTY CHAIR)

JSW School of Public Policy, IIMA
Email: yugankg@iima.ac.in

Yugank Goyal holds a PhD in Law and Economics from the University of Hamburg, Germany. His research focuses on institutional economics, legal systems, innovation, entrepreneurship, informal economies, and governance. His work examines how institutions and cultural systems shape economic development, with a particular interest in sustainability, technology, and decentralized systems, and consults with government routinely on a range of regulatory and policy projects.



PROFESSOR ANURAG AGARWAL

Strategy, IIMA

Anurag K. Agarwal is a Harvard Law School graduate with academic training in engineering and law. His consulting and research work focuses on business leadership, negotiation, strategy & law, infrastructure and PPPs, contracts & arbitration, banking, intellectual property, and medico-legal issues in healthcare. He has also worked extensively on international commercial arbitration, corporate governance, technology transfer, and dispute resolution.



PROFESSOR SANDIP CHAKRABARTI

Public Systems Group, IIMA

Sandip Chakrabarti holds a PhD in Economics from the University of California, Riverside, and has taught at institutions including the University of Oregon and TERI University before joining IIM Ahmedabad. His research and consulting focus on development economics, public policy, energy and environmental economics, urbanization, and infrastructure policy. He has worked extensively on issues related to sustainable development, climate policy and resource allocation.



PROFESSOR RAJESH CHANDWANI

Human Resources Management, IIMA

Rajesh Chandwani has a background in medicine and management, with an MBBS degree and a doctorate from IIM Bangalore. His research and consulting focus on healthcare management, affordable healthcare delivery, digital health, telemedicine, and the use of technology to improve healthcare access in underserved settings. He has also worked on mindfulness, employee well-being, and organizational behavior.



PROFESSOR NAMRATA CHINDARKAR

JSW School of Public Policy, IIMA

Namrata Chindarkar holds a PhD in Policy Studies from the University of Maryland. Her research and consulting focus on sustainable development and social policy. She specialises in quantitative analysis and impact evaluation, and has worked on research across three themes: access to basic infrastructure, individual and household welfare, and gender and development.



PROFESSOR SATISH DEODHAR

Economics, IIMA

A PhD in Agricultural Economics from The Ohio State University, his research spans agricultural trade, food quality management, imperfectly competitive markets, microfinance, and CSR. He is an Affiliate Fellow, Indian School of Political Economy and Founding Member, Pune International Centre, and teaches Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Economics of Food Quality.



PROFESSOR RANJAN KUMAR GHOSH

Centre for Management in Agriculture, IIMA

Ranjan Kumar Ghosh holds a PhD from Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany. His research and consulting focus on climate change adaptation, water resource management, agriculture, environmental sustainability, and development policy. He has worked with organizations such as the World Bank, GIZ, FAO, IWMI, and various government and international agencies on projects related to rural livelihoods, resilience, and natural resource governance.



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Tanmoy Majilla holds a PhD in Economics from Erasmus University Rotterdam. His research focuses on development economics, political economy, public policy, and institutional analysis, particularly around governance, social inequality, and state capacity. His work examines how political and institutional structures shape development outcomes, with interests spanning welfare delivery, decentralization, and the functioning of public institutions in India.



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Hari K. Nagarajan holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Oklahoma, USA. His research focuses on rural development, agricultural markets, land reforms, governance, gender, and development economics, particularly in the Indian context. He has worked at NCAER, IRMA earlier, and has consulted with organizations such as the World Bank, IFAD, SEBI, DFID, and IDRC, and has led major interdisciplinary projects on MGNREGS, land markets, inheritance rights, and rural livelihoods.



PROFESSOR VIVEK PANDEY

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Vivek Pandey holds a PhD in Applied Economics from Michigan State University. His research and consulting work focus on development policy, agribusiness systems, financial inclusion, livelihoods, rural development, and data-driven institutional design. He has led large-scale field experiments and policy interventions through the Verghese Kurien Policy Lab and has worked extensively on issues related to poverty, governance, health, agriculture, and welfare delivery in collaboration with governments and development institutions.



PROFESSOR PANKAJ SETIA

Information Systems, IIMA

Pankaj Setia consults and conducts executive education programs with leading organisations and government institutions. He holds a PhD in Information Technology Management from Michigan State University, and teaches courses on the leadership of digital organisations, strategic management of digital innovations, and digital transformation. Over the last ten years, based on his publications in the top two leading IS journals (on the Financial Times top 50 journal list), he has featured among the top 100 researchers in the field of Information Systems world wide.



PROFESSOR SUNIL SHARMA

Strategy, IIMA

Sunil Sharma holds an FPM (PhD equivalent) in Strategy from IIM Ahmedabad. His research and consulting focus on strategy execution, organizational capabilities, innovation management, and professional service firms. Before academia, he worked with NTPC, ONGC, McKinsey & Company, and Tata Power, and has advised organizations on strategic planning, organizational restructuring, leadership development, and business transformation.



MR. SUNJAY SUDHIR

JSW School of Public Policy, IIMA

Sunjay Sudhir holds a BTech from IIT Delhi and pursued diplomatic studies at the University of Oxford. A former Indian Foreign Service officer, his work has focused on international trade, economic diplomacy, energy security, and India's strategic partnerships in the Gulf region. He played a key role in the India-UAE CEPA negotiations and in facilitating initiatives and several global initiatives in the critical regions he served.

ADMISSIONS, ELIGIBILITY & FEES

The programme is designed for individuals seeking to build or advance their capacity in public policy and governance. The idea is to inspire public policy as a craft, and not just science.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

- Professionals working in government, public institutions, policy think tanks, consulting, and development organisations
- Individuals in the private sector, industry and civil society engaging with public systems and regulatory action
- Those looking to transition into policy-oriented roles from other allied disciplines.

Motivated, early-career applicants and recent graduates with a demonstrated interest in public policy are also encouraged to apply.

PROGRAMME LOCATION

IIMA Campus Module: The programme will be held at the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad campus from September 9 to 13, 2026. Participants would get full board and air-conditioned single room accommodation either on campus or with empanelled hotel partner. IIMA norms do not allow participants to have guests staying with them during the programme.

New Delhi Module: The programme will be held at Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Pt. Uma Shankar Dikshit Road, Teen Murti Marg, Chanakyaपुरी, New Delhi- 110021, in a **non-residential mode**.

HOW TO APPLY

To register for the programme, fill in the application form through the link below:

<https://exed.iima.ac.in/public-policy-leadership-strategy-executive-programme>

The closing date for receiving applications is **August 25, 2026**.

The last date for early bird discount is **August 19, 2026**.

All applications are subject to review and approval by the programme faculty (usually after the due date for receiving applications). A formal acceptance letter will be sent to the selected candidates. Applicants are requested to make their travel plans only after receiving the acceptance letter.

For more information, please write to **Mr. Abhijit Mahida** on email: ecppls-exed@iima.ac.in or call at +91 92277 93141.

CERTIFICATION

A Certificate of Participation will be issued to the participants at the end of the programme, subject to their having attended all the sessions of the programme. Absence from any session needs to be with the prior approval of the Programme Faculty Chair.

ALUMNI STATUS

Participants who successfully complete the programme will be granted IIMA alumni status.

PROGRAMME FEE

INR 3,99,000 plus GST per person for participants from India and its equivalent in US Dollars for participants from other countries. The fee includes tuition fee, programme materials, and boarding and lodging for IIMA Module.

The programme fee along with the application form should reach latest by **August 25, 2026**. In case of cancellations, the fee will be refunded only if a request is received at least 15 days prior to the start of the programme. If an application is not accepted, the fee will be refunded to the person/organisation concerned.

DISCOUNT

Early Bird Discount: Applications received with payments on or before **August 19, 2026**, will be entitled to an early bird discount of 7%. Early submission of fee and application does not, however, guarantee acceptance of the application.

Group Discount: Any organisation sponsoring four or more participants will be entitled to a discount of 7% on the total fee payable.

Organisations can avail themselves of both the early-bird and group discounts subject to a maximum overall discount of 10%.

Any organisation sponsoring 25 or more participants will be entitled to an overall discount of 15% on the programme fee payable.

The above discounts will be applicable only when the requisite numbers of participants actually attend the programmes.

Programme dates and fee are subject to change at the discretion of the Institute.

PAYMENT

The programme fee can be paid in one of these two ways:

A. Electronic Fund Transfer

- 1.Name of the Beneficiary: Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad
- 2.Savings Bank A/c IIMAHMOEP
- 3.HDFC Bank Limited, Ahmedabad Vastrapur Branch (IFSC Code: HDFC0000048, MICR Code: 380240003)
- 4.Name of Remitter: _____
(Please mention the name of the sponsoring organization)
- 5.Purpose of Remittance: **Executive Certificate Programme in Public Policy Leadership and Strategy**
- 6.IIMA Permanent Account Number (PAN): AAAT11247F
- 7.IIMA Tax Deduction Account Number (TAN): AHMI00189A
- 8.IIMA GST Registration Number: 24AAAT11247F1Z4 (SAC: 999293)

After making the payment, please email us the complete transaction details so that we can link your remittance with your nomination.

B. Payment Gateway

Please visit the following link for Payment Gateway:

<https://exed.iima.ac.in/public-policy-leadership-strategy-executive-programme/payment>

ABOUT JSW SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

The JSW School of Public Policy at the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad is established to be a centre of excellence, focused on advancing research, teaching, and engagement in public policy.

Building on IIMA's long-standing contribution to India's policy landscape, the School seeks to strengthen the design, implementation, and evaluation of public policy through rigorous inquiry and practice-oriented learning. It aims to develop a community of policy practitioners equipped to engage with complex policy systems.

The School brings together faculty, practitioners, and institutions from the public, private, and non-profit sectors to foster informed dialogue and collaboration. Its work spans research, executive education, and advisory engagement, with a focus on issues relevant to India and other emerging economies.

The School places emphasis on the development of case studies and applied research that reflect the realities of policymaking. Through partnerships with government bodies, industry, and international institutions, it seeks to contribute to capacity building and knowledge creation in the field of public policy.

Drawing on IIMA's rich tradition of developing leaders across sectors, the School emphasises learning that is closely anchored in practice. Its programmes are designed to bridge analytical frameworks with real-world application, enabling participants to engage with policy challenges in a structured and contextually grounded manner.



ACTIVITIES @ JSW-SPP

RESEARCH

Undertake research on public policy challenges, with a focus on design, implementation, and outcomes.

TEACHING

Deliver practice-focused educational programmes on contemporary policy themes for diverse stakeholders.

ENGAGEMENT

Work with public, private, and non-profit stakeholders to identify research gaps and training needs

ADMINISTRATION

Strengthen the School's academic and organisational foundations to support teaching and research programmes.



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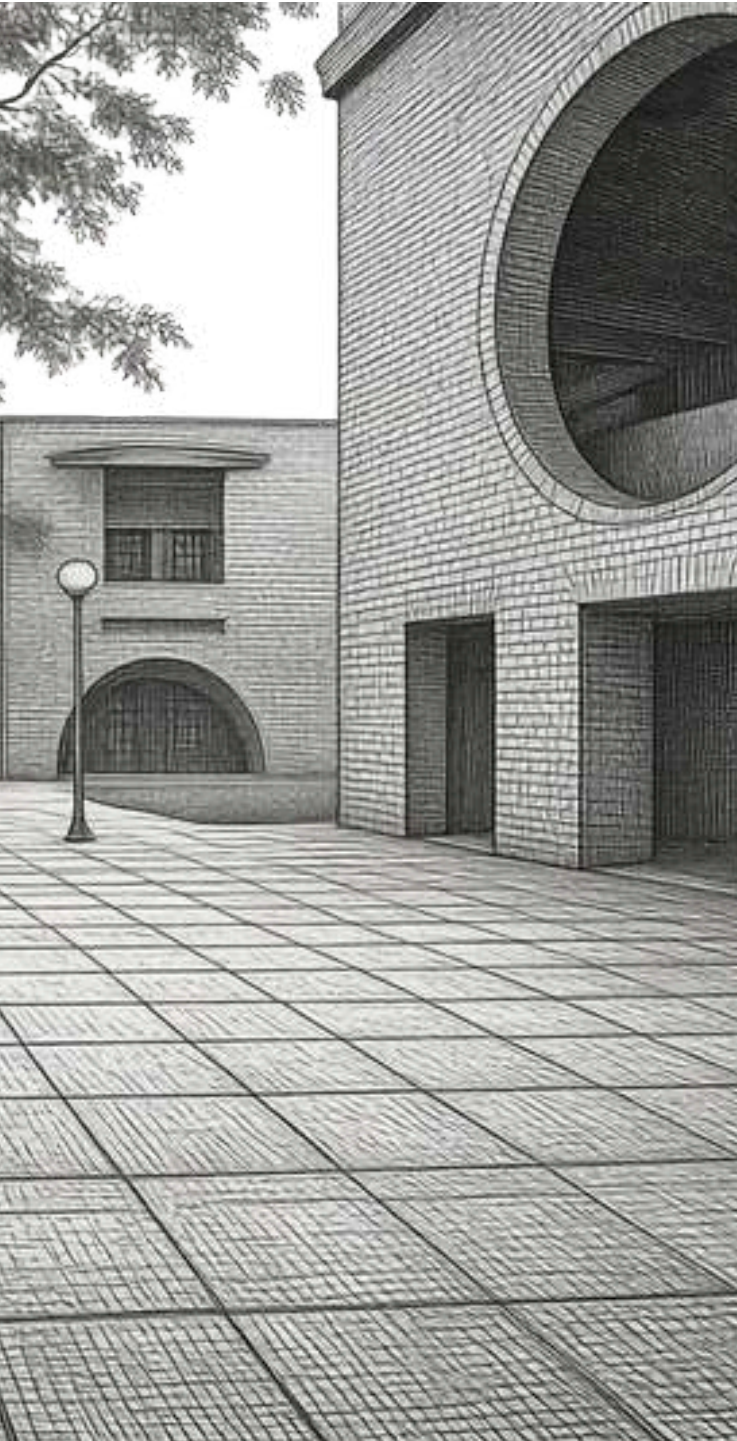
Share research through high-impact publications, policy briefs, conferences, and public engagement.

CASE STUDY DEVELOPMENT

Develop case studies that reflect the realities of policy design, implementation, and evaluation.

PARTNERSHIPS

Collaborate with national and international institutions to support research and teaching.



ABOUT INDIAN INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT AHMEDABAD [IIMA]

IIMA was set up by the Government of India in collaboration with the Government of Gujarat and Indian industrialists as an autonomous institution in 1961. The Institute provides education, training, consulting, and research facilities in management.

MAJOR PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY IIMA

- Two-Year Post Graduate Programme in Management (MBA)
- Two-Year Post Graduate Programme in Food and Agri-business Management (MBA-FABM)
- Ph.D. Programme in Management
- One-Year Post Graduate Programme in Management (MBA-PGPX)
- Short duration Executive Education programmes through open enrollment, customisation and online for various levels of experienced professionals across industry
- Faculty Development Programme (FDP)
- Blended MBA in Business Analytics & AI (BPGP: BA & AI)
- Armed Forces Programme (AFP)
- Blended Post Graduate Programme in Management (BPGP)

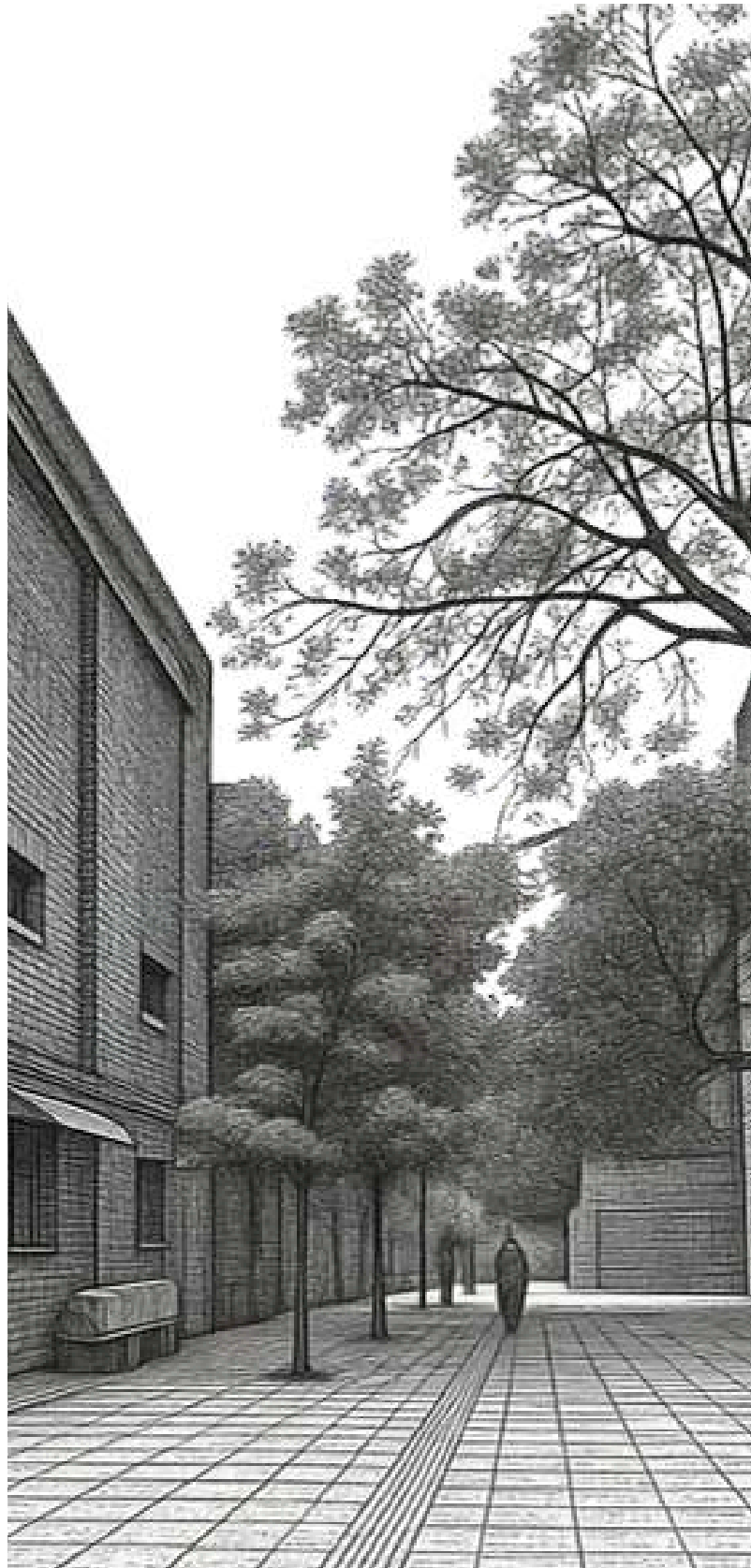
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Disciplinary Areas & Groups

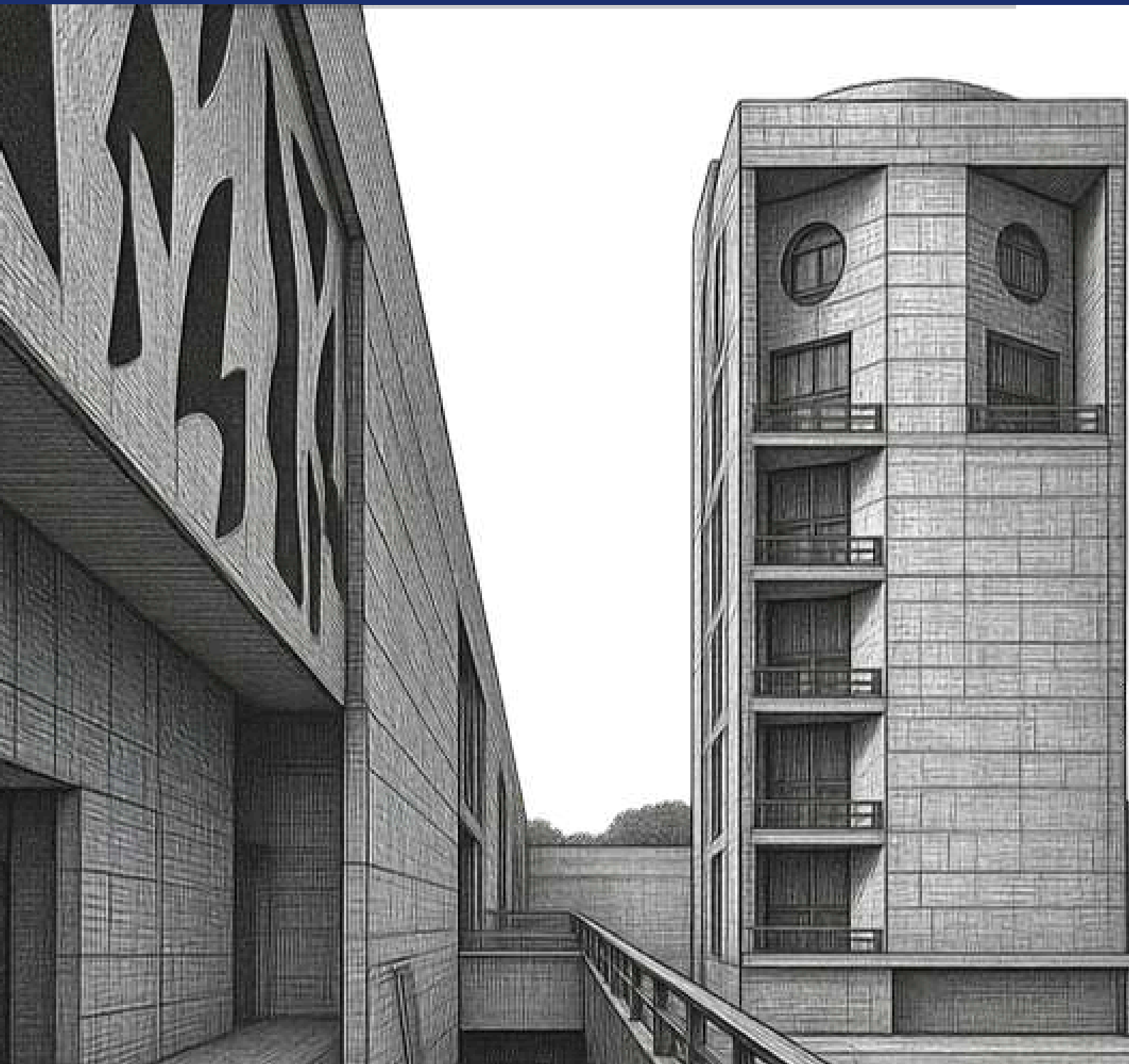
- Centre for Management in Agriculture
- Communication
- Economics
- Finance and Accounting
- Human Resources Management
- Information Systems
- Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour
- Operations and Decision Sciences (O&DS)
- Public Systems Group
- Ravi J Matthai Centre for Education Innovation
- Strategy

Research Centres

- Ashank Desai Centre for Leadership and Organisational Development
- Brij Disa Centre for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence
- Centre for Digital Transformation
- Centre for Management of Health Services
- Centre for Sustainability and Corporate Governance Research
- Centre for Transportation and Logistics
- IIMA Ventures (Formerly known as IIMA-CIIE)
- India Gold Policy Centre
- Madan Mohanka Centre of Excellence in Case Method of Learning
- Misra Centre for Financial Markets and Economy
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