

Celebrating 18 Years of DBM: With the DBM Family

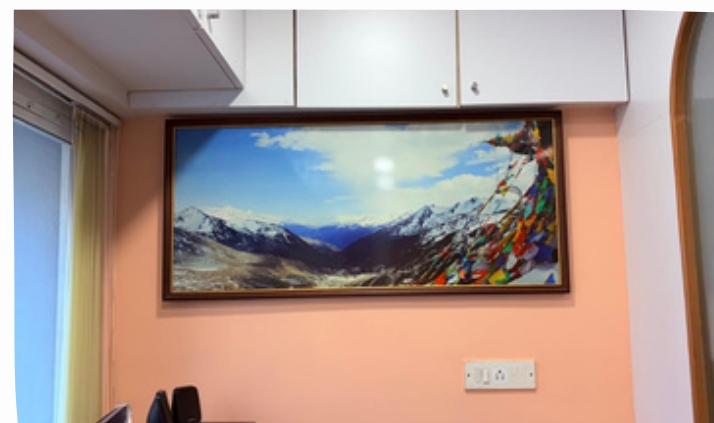
Marking an important milestone, DBM India celebrated its 18th anniversary with the team and members who have been closely associated with the organisation's journey of service and transformation.

Following a special celebration earlier with DBM alumni, the organisation came together once again to commemorate this milestone with its trustees, leadership team, and members from the Mumbai and Pune centres.



During the event, **Mr. Paramjeet Singh, Managing Trustee of DBM India**, presented a comprehensive overview of the organisation's achievements over the past years – highlighting the impact created through education support, skill development, and livelihood initiatives.

Mr. K. K. Jhunjunwala shared thoughtful reflections on **how to live a meaningful life**, while **Mr. K. P. Singh** spoke about the **importance of embracing change and evolving with time**. **Ms. Malvika Khatpal** also addressed the team on the **importance of mindfulness and resilience** in navigating challenges. Their words deeply inspired the entire team and reinforced the collective commitment to creating lasting social change.



The celebration took place in the presence of esteemed trustees Mr. K. P. Singh, Mr. K. K. Jhunjunwala, Mr. Joginder Singh Uberoi, Ms. Divya Bajpai, and Ms. Leena Srivastava, along with key members Ms. Farheen Peshimam, Mr. Paramjeet Singh, Col. Alexander, and Mr. Manish Saraf.

During the celebration, **the DBM Pune team, along with Col. Alexander, presented a beautiful Himalayan painting to Paramjeet Singh to be displayed at the DBM Head office as a token of appreciation to mark DBM India completing 18 years of impact and service.**

The gathering was filled with reflections and inspiration, as the trustees shared motivational insights encouraging the team to continue working with dedication and compassion to uplift underserved communities.

The celebration concluded on a joyful note, with team members and trustees coming together for photographs at the selfie booth, sharing conversations, laughter, and moments of togetherness. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Mumbai and Pune teams to connect, celebrate their shared mission, and look ahead to the many lives yet to be transformed.

Eighteen years of DBM India is not just a milestone – it is a testament to the power of commitment, compassion, and collective effort in building brighter futures.

DBM India Recognised at Angels of Mumbai 2025

We are delighted to share a proud and humbling milestone for DBM India. **On 27th February**, the organisation **was honoured as one of the 11 “Angels of Mumbai” by The Free Press Journal**, in recognition of its impactful and transformative work in uplifting underserved communities across the city.

The awardees were selected by an eminent jury panel chaired by **Mr. S. J. Kathawalla, Retired Judge of the Bombay High Court**, along with distinguished members including

- **Ms. Ziaa Lalkaka, CEO of HT Parekh Foundation;**
- **Ms. Chetna Gala Sinha, Founder of Mann Deshi Foundation;**
- **Ms. Amita Chauhan, Board Member of Social Venture Partners India;**
- **Ms. Archana Chandra, CEO of Jai Vakeel Foundation; and**
- **Ms. Vinti Lodha, Trustee of Lodha Foundation.**

Their thoughtful evaluation recognised organisations that are creating meaningful change on the ground and improving the lives of Mumbaikars.

The award was presented by the **Mayor of Mumbai, Ms. Ritu Tawde**, in a truly inspiring ceremony that celebrated the spirit of service and commitment within the city’s social sector.

During his address, **Justice S. J. Kathawalla** commended all the award-winning organisations for their dedication and relentless efforts to improve lives across Mumbai. In a remarkable and generous gesture, he further **announced that from his personal capacity he would extend an additional recognition to five NGOs from among the eleven awardees whose work particularly resonated with him. It was a moment of immense pride and gratitude when DBM India was named among those five organisations.**

The recognition also received coverage in the pages of The Free Press Journal, further highlighting the impactful work being carried out by DBM India.

This double recognition is a proud and humbling moment for the organisation and reflects the collective effort of our donors, trustees, supporters, and dedicated team members. **We extend our heartfelt gratitude to The Free Press Journal, the esteemed jury members, and especially Justice S. J. Kathawalla for this inspiring recognition.**

This honour is not just a milestone but a reminder of our continued responsibility to create opportunities and transform lives.



Holistic Learning at DBM Udaan Centres

At DBM India, learning is designed to go beyond textbooks. Through discussions, activities, and collaborative projects, students are encouraged to develop critical thinking, confidence, empathy, and real-world understanding. Recent initiatives across the centres have created meaningful learning experiences that are shaping students into responsible and capable individuals.

- **Stronger Academic Support:** A parents' meeting at the Deonar Centre (with 20 out of 24 parents attending) helped strengthen collaboration between educators and families. Discussions around preliminary exam performance and effective study strategies ensured students receive better academic guidance and support.
- **Critical Thinking & Perspective Building:** Through a debate on Artificial Intelligence and bias, students learned to evaluate different viewpoints, build logical arguments, and question how technology can influence society.
- **Developing Social Awareness:** In a group project on "Achieving Social Justice," students proposed new laws to uplift marginalized communities, demonstrating empathy, awareness, and a growing sense of civic responsibility.
- **Understanding Equality & Privilege:** The Human Knot activity helped students reflect on social privilege and the importance of working together to create a more inclusive and equal society.
- **Connecting Learning to Real Life:** Activity-based sessions such as building town models to understand urbanization and practical demonstrations in trigonometry helped students connect classroom concepts with real-world applications.
- **Strengthening Scientific Curiosity:** Interactive sessions like the Chemistry skit on reactants and catalysts and the Mendel's Monohybrid Cross activity made scientific concepts easier to understand while encouraging curiosity and experimentation.
- **Building Confidence & Communication:** Presentations on camera technology and types of lenses, along with literature discussions on the poem "Planner," helped students improve their communication skills, analytical thinking, and confidence in expressing ideas.

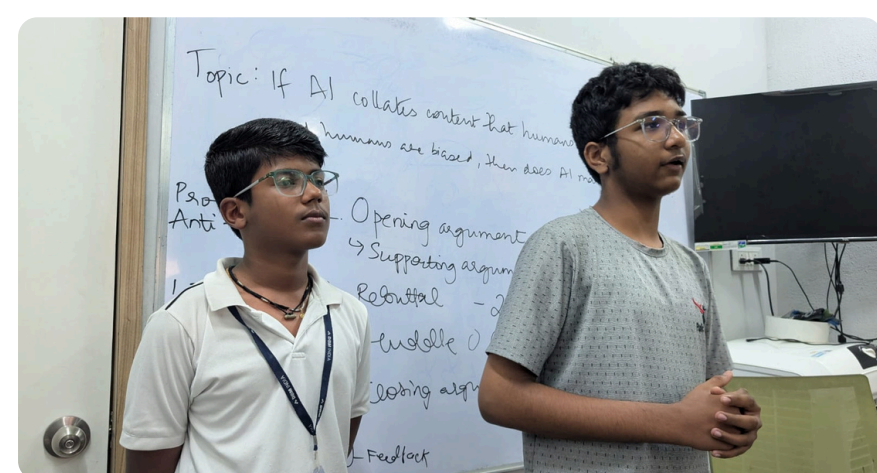
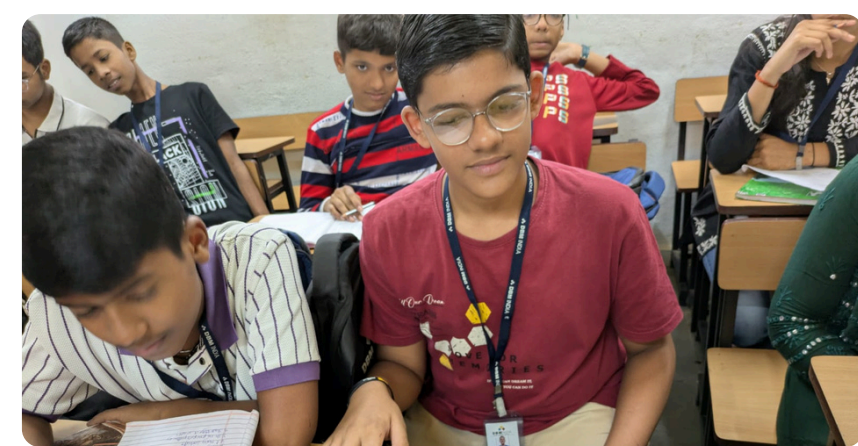
Through such initiatives, DBM India continues to nurture students who are not only academically strong but also socially aware, confident, and ready to contribute positively to the world.

Udaan Student Achievements

DBM India Udaan students continue to make us proud with their academic accomplishments.

- **Sahil Pawar**, currently in Class 12, scored an impressive 94.5 percentile in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main, marking an important milestone in his academic journey.
- **Jatin Gupta**, also in Class 12, successfully cleared the Common Law Admission Test (CLAT).

These achievements reflect the dedication, perseverance, and hard work of our students as they strive to build brighter futures.



Celebrating Excellence. Honouring Hard Work.

DBM India is proud to present the achievements of our Udaan Students.



JATIN GUPTA
Successfully Cleared the
CLAT Examination
Securing his pathway to a career in Law



SAHIL PAWAR
Cleared JEE Mains 2026 – Session 1
With a Remarkable 94.5 Percentile
Taking a confident step toward his
engineering dream.

Every success story strengthens our belief that no dream is too big when guidance is strong.

Batch Inaugurations



New Beginnings at the Khar Centre

The grand inauguration of the BFSI and Skill 2 Win Batch was successfully conducted at the Khar Centre. We were honored by the presence of Ms. Farheen Peshimam, whose motivating and encouraging words inspired the students to begin their journey with confidence and determination.

The students were formally introduced during the session, marking the beginning of a new chapter of learning and growth.

We sincerely thank **LIC Housing Finance Ltd** for their support in empowering our students and strengthening their career pathways.

A Promising Start for the New GDA Batch- Turbhe Centre

At the Turbhe Centre, we proudly inaugurated GDA Batch, marking the beginning of a new journey of learning and growth. The event was graced by our Chief Guest **Mr. Vrushabh Gore from Alivus Life Sciences**, along with Ms. Farheen Peshimam and Ms. Shweta Dodeja, whose motivating presence energized the students.

Alumni from the previous GDA Batch shared their inspiring success stories, encouraging the new batch to stay focused and confident. Students were welcomed with a token of love from DBM India, and confidently introduced themselves, reflecting enthusiasm and readiness for the journey ahead. The ceremony concluded on an inspiring note.

We extend our sincere thanks to **Alivus Life Sciences** for their valuable support in empowering our students and strengthening their career journeys.



Empowering Futures: CISCO Course Inauguration at Khar Centre

DBM India proudly inaugurated two CISCO courses for the BFSI batch at the Khar Centre, marking an important step in strengthening students' digital and professional skills.

The event was graced by **Chief Guest Ms. Daksha Verma**, who attended along with her colleagues and encouraged the students as they begin this valuable learning journey.

Mr. Paramjeet Singh also guided and motivated the students, inspiring them to make the most of this opportunity.

As a thoughtful gesture, Ms. Daksha distributed snacks and gifts to all the students, adding warmth and celebration to the occasion. Students expressed their heartfelt gratitude sharing how the **CISCO courses** will help strengthen their skills and open new career opportunities.

This initiative reflects DBM India's commitment to equipping students with relevant knowledge and opportunities that prepare them for a brighter professional future.



Certificate Distributions

GDA Students Graduate at Trombay & Khar Centres

A proud and inspiring day unfolded at the Trombay and Khar Centres as we celebrated the GDA Batch Certificate Distribution Ceremony.

At the Trombay Centre, students were congratulated for successfully completing the GDA course.

Mr. Devendra Singh Verma, MAFFFL, encouraged students to focus on continuous learning, financial planning, and savings for a secure future.

At the Khar Centre, the ceremony was graced by: **Mr. Devendra Singh Verma, MAFFFL** and **Mr. Satish Patanar, MAFFFL**. Their inspiring words motivated students to step confidently into the professional world, remain focused, and stay connected for continued guidance and growth.

Certificates were handed over amidst proud smiles and heartfelt gratitude, marking not just course completion – but the beginning of new careers, confidence, and brighter futures.



Celebrating New Beginnings: Warehouse Batch Graduation

The Warehouse Certificate Batch at Bhiwandi Centre successfully concluded with a Certificate Distribution Ceremony, celebrating the achievements of the graduating students. The event was held in the presence of distinguished guests **Mr. Madan Dodeja, Ms. Shweta Dodeja, Mr. Suraj Dodeja, and Ms. Farheen Peshimam**.

Students were delighted to receive their certificates of completion, proudly sharing their personal journeys and how the course helped them secure employment and move towards financial independence. Their stories reflected the confidence and opportunities gained through the training.

During the ceremony, Mr. Madan Dodeja also addressed the students, motivating them with his encouraging words and inspiring them to continue working hard as they step into their professional journeys.



Certificate Distributions

A Milestone Achieved: CRM Batch Graduation Ceremony

The CRM Batch Certificate Distribution Ceremony was conducted successfully in the presence of our esteemed guests **Mr. Rajiv Shinde from IIFL Foundation** and Ms. Farheen Peshimam, who inspired and motivated the students with their encouraging words.

Certificates were awarded to students upon the successful completion of their CRM training. The students expressed heartfelt gratitude towards DBM India for its continuous support and guidance.

The event concluded smoothly, with Mr. Rajiv Shinde motivating the students to step confidently into the corporate world, marking another milestone of achievement and empowerment.

We extend our sincere thanks to **IIFL Foundation** for their continued support in empowering our students and strengthening their career pathways.



Celebrating Student Achievements at the Chembur Centre

A proud Certificate Distribution Ceremony was held at the Chembur Centre of DBM India, celebrating the achievements of students from the ITES, BFSI, CRM, and MKCL courses. The enthusiastic participants received their certificates in recognition of their hard work, dedication, and commitment to learning.

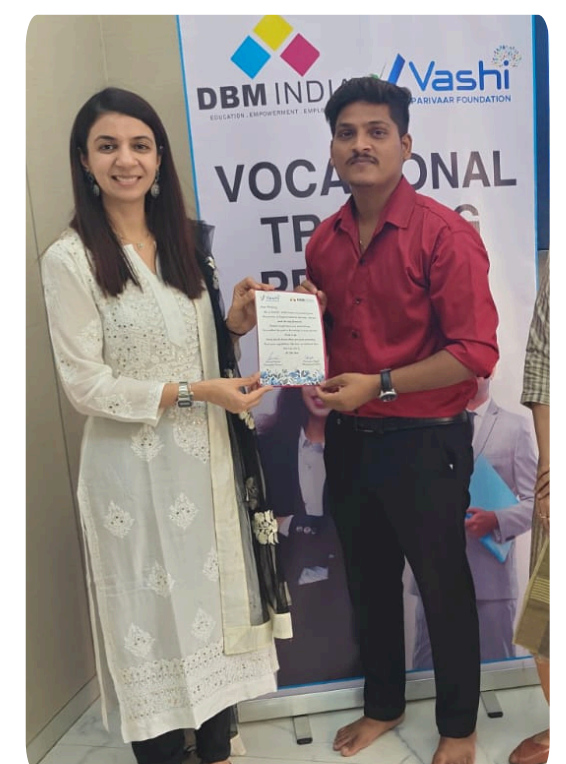
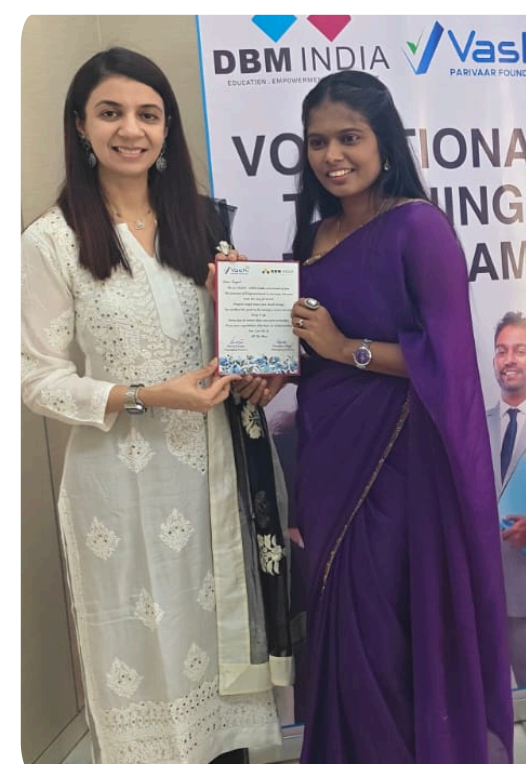
The event became even more special as several students shared their inspiring personal journeys, highlighting the challenges they overcame and the milestones they achieved through the programme.



A Heartfelt Send-Off for GDA Batch Turbhe Centre

A warm send-off was organised for the GDA Batch 2 students at DBM India, in the presence of **Ms. Shweta Dodeja from Vashi Parivar Foundation** and Ms. Parvinder Kaur, whose encouraging words made the occasion special.

A touching highlight was a surprise video capturing the students' training journey, bringing back memories and emotions. As they begin their On-the-Job Training (OJT), students shared how confident and ready they feel for this next step. The event concluded with the distribution of "Thank You" cards, a small gesture of appreciation and encouragement for the journey ahead.



Other activities

Practical Learning Session at the Trombay Centre

The Trombay Centre of DBM India hosted an informative session on the application and update processes for PAN and Aadhaar cards. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Ibrahim Shaikh, a proud DBM alumni, who engaged with ECCE and IT students through an interactive presentation.

Along with a live demonstration, Mr. Shaikh shared important government links and conducted a Q&A session, helping students clarify their doubts and better understand these essential digital services. The session equipped students with practical knowledge and confidence to navigate important documentation processes independently.



Industry Interaction at the Trombay Centre

Mr. Prajwal Aiwale from Meyer Vitabiotics visited the Trombay Centre of DBM India to interact with the ECCE batch. During the session, students confidently showcased their progress and shared key insights and learnings gained throughout their course.

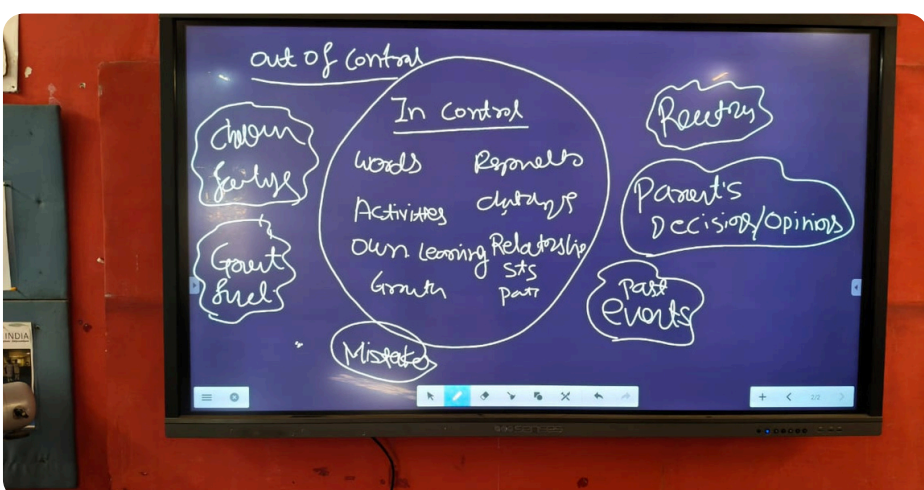
The interaction provided students with valuable encouragement and an opportunity to present their growth, strengthening their confidence, communication skills, and readiness for professional environments.



Building Self-Awareness: Understanding the Circle of Control

A reflective session on the “Circle of Control” was conducted with ECCE students at DBM India. The session introduced the concepts of “in my control” and “out of my control,” helping students recognise the difference between personal choices and external circumstances.

Through discussion and guided reflection, students learned to focus on their strengths, actions, and attitudes—the areas they can influence—while learning to let go of factors beyond their control. The activity encouraged self-awareness, emotional resilience, and a positive mindset, empowering students to take responsibility for their growth and confidently navigate challenges in both their personal and professional journeys.



DBM Scholarship and Mentorship Program



Students from the DBM Scholarship and Mentorship Program continue to make remarkable progress across academics, creativity, and competitions:

- **Bhavna Patwa** (Hotel Management, ITM Institute of Hotel Management) has successfully learned to count numbers from 1–100 in Spanish, adding a new language skill to her learning journey.
- **Devansh Singh** (Diploma in Mechanical Engineering, Bhagubhai Polytechnic) scored the highest marks among all Udaan students studying mechanical engineering in the 1st semester examinations.
- **Rohit Yadav** (currently in Class 11 – Science) has written a book titled Absolute Reality, showcasing his creativity and passion for writing.
- **Sumeet Kharkhar** (Diploma in Mechanical Engineering, Bhagubhai Polytechnic) and his team CuriousCity won an award for answering robotics-related questions at IIT Bombay Techfest. His team also won the regional FIRST Tech Challenge robotics competition held 24–26 January at Dhirubhai Ambani International School and secured 3rd place at the national level in Gurugram.
- **Yash Mokal** (Hotel Management, ITM Institute of Hotel Management) won 3rd place in an intercollegiate competition held on 29 January at Sahyog College, Thane, competing against institutes including ITM Nerul, ITM Oshiwara, Bharati Vidyapeeth, and BP Marine Academy.

These achievements reflect the dedication, talent, and determination of Udaan students as they continue to reach new heights.

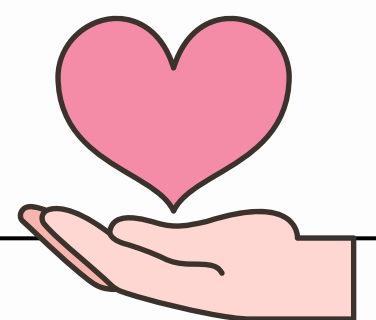


Supporting a Life-Saving Initiative

DBM India proudly supported the **blood donation drive** organised by **BCAS Foundation in collaboration with Tata Memorial Centre** by providing dedicated volunteers. Their participation helped ensure the smooth conduct of the drive and contributed to an important initiative aimed at saving lives and supporting patients in need.



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