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BMM PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN 2026

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📍 Edison, NJ

Uniting Communities · Driving Impact · Inspiring Change

A leader rooted in Maharashtra's values — building bridges from **North America** to **Maharashtra and beyond**.

★ BMM EC 2024-26

"I am here to serve — with integrity, with compassion, and with the belief that our community becomes stronger when every family, every youth, and every mandal feels supported. My journey is the journey of thousands of Marathi families in America. Together, we can build a BMM that honors our heritage, embraces the future, and creates opportunities across generations and across borders."

"Serving community with purpose, leadership with integrity."

🌐 Global Vision

🏠 Community First

💡 Innovation & Service

A Journey, Heritage, and Community Leadership



Grounded in strong family values and shaped by the struggles and triumphs of immigrant life, I bring a rare blend of **compassion, cultural pride, operational excellence, business acumen, and community-first leadership**. My work spans slumps in Pune, Marathi Vishwa, BMM, global humanitarian missions, youth mentorship, and cross-border partnerships that strengthen the Marathi identity across generations.

For over 30 years, I have served the Marathi diaspora with humility, discipline, and a deep sense of purpose. A first-generation Maharashtrian American who arrived in the U.S. in the early 1990s after graduating from COEP and completing dual master's in Computer Science & Technology Management at Stevens Institute, New Jersey, I embodied the journey of the *sadharan maanus* — the common man who rises through dedication, not position.



I am deeply influenced by:

- The resilience of his parents and elders
- The sacrifices and support of his wife Ashwini
- The journeys of his children and their peers growing up between cultures
- The lived experiences of Marathi families navigating life in America
- Running a non-profit organization for 16+ years to save babies born prematurely in underserved areas.

These experiences shaped my belief that BMM must evolve to meet the needs of today's youth, professionals, families, and repatriating individuals — blending cultural, social, and business dimensions into one unified community ecosystem.

Why Am I running? My understanding & Goals

I am running because I care deeply about building a stronger, **more connected BMM** — one that stays rooted in our **Marathi heritage** while creating meaningful opportunities for **youth, professionals, families, entrepreneurs, and local mandals** across North America.

Over nearly three decades of community service, I have learned that lasting impact comes from **steady execution, honest communication, strong relationships, and a willingness to do the work**. I have helped lead initiatives such as BMM BConnect, U.S.–Maharashtra academic and business partnerships, youth-focused programs, and major fundraising efforts.



My **goal** is straightforward: serve the **institution**, support the **community**, and **deliver results people can see and trust**.

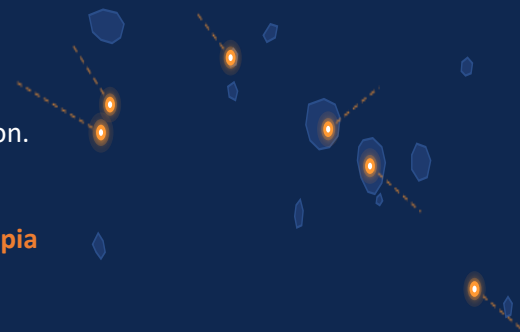
- Improve governance with clear processes, accountability, transparency, and sound legal safeguards.
- Support **local mandals** through better **collaboration, communication**, and shared resources.
- Create more opportunities for youth and professionals through **internships, mentoring, career networks**, and **leadership pathways**.
- Deepen **North America .– Maharashtra** partnerships in business, education, culture, and community service.

Global Humanitarian Footprint

16+ years of proven experience in managing Non-Profit Organization

BMM's reach spans continents — coordinating relief, education & cultural programs worldwide

Global Presence



GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN IMPACT

Founder — Pioneer Medical Research Foundation (16+ years) / [Project Palav](#)

A defining dimension of my work is his humanitarian work, driven by compassion and executed with precision.

Pioneers Medical's Key Accomplishments:

- 85+ medical projects completed across India, **Sri Lanka, Kenya, Ghana, Guatemala, Antigua, and Ethiopia**
- **100,000+ lives saved through neonatal and maternal health interventions**
- 500+ healthcare professionals trained under Helping Babies Breathe and neonatal education programs
- Supported facilities handling tens of thousands of deliveries and newborn admissions annually
- Led COVID relief programs in the U.S. and India
- Spearheaded development of a neonatal transport incubator
- Built digital training platforms for scalable medical education

This work reflects my belief that service must extend beyond geography — compassion has no borders.



Be the butterfly effect : Save Babies : One death is One too Many

Proven Record & Impact: A Track Record of Results

Key achievements from years of community leadership

My focus has always been on building long-term platforms, not one-time programs.

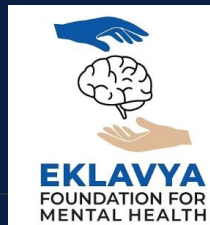
- Helped create BMM Bconnect through success of BMM 2022, a national professional ecosystem for founders, investors, students, and professionals.
- Led the largest business conference in BMM history at BMM 2022, with 650+ attendees and \$150K revenue.
- **Over last three conventions helped raise \$300K including @\$100K for Seattle 2026. Built donor confidence through transparent processes, follow-through, and outcome-focused stewardship.**
- Built partnerships with Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture (MCCIA).
- Working on building Industry – Academia collaboration across borders.
- **Developed a BMM Career exchange.**
<https://bmmonline.org/bconnect>

Major Event Leadership

Orchestrated the CM Maharashtra US Visit for BMM 2026 Convention in Seattle, including:

- Private charter routing
- Academic institution engagements
- MCCIA corridor integration
- Executive grade agenda design

Awaiting PM's approval for the visit



Cross Border Corridors

- Developed strategic partnerships with MCCIA to strengthen U.S.–India business connections.
- Created global community support channels through a partnership with <https://marathireferrals.com>
- Launching a medical shadowing initiative for aspiring medical students in India in July 2026.
- Developed a curated Maharashtra heritage immersion program with Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute (BORI), focused on temples, landscapes, food, culture, and living traditions, planned for launch in November 2026.
- Support for Repatriating Professionals
 - Built a BMM partnership with <https://ExH1B.com> to support individuals returning to India

Cultural & Community Engagement

- Supported Reshimgathi NJ & Atlanta with marketing and outreach; NJ event reached full capacity.
- Philanthropic support for schools in India across Sanskrit, Math, Sports, and Scout programs (Navin Marathi Shala, Ramanbaug, Ahilyadevi, to name a few)
- Support mental health awareness through work with the Eklavya Foundation, Pune, India. Developed collaboration with classical singer in New Jersey who has developed music for different ailments to help those suffering from depression.



MY LEADERSHIP PROMISE

My promise is to listen respectfully, work transparently, build collaboratively, and deliver results that strengthen BMM for future generations. I have worked with EC and BOT members in the past and will continue to do so with the same spirit of cooperation. I will focus on following practical priorities to help **BMM and member mandals** become stronger and more self-sustaining.

Expand internships, mentoring, student engagement, and next-generation leadership and entrepreneurship programs



A disciplined, transparent plan to double BMM's financial impact by 2028.
Transparency · Accountability · Community Impact from Day 01



Support programs that preserve Marathi language, arts, values, and intergenerational connection, while also creating a stronger framework for BMM visibility in mainstream North America.

Strengthen BMM BConnect as a trusted platform for careers, entrepreneurship, investment, and collaboration across entire Marathi Community.

Improve support for local mandals through shared playbooks, templates, partnerships, and volunteer resources **Mandal Growth**
== BMM Growth

To make the BMM Convention future-ready, we will benchmark best practices from Bengali, TANA, and Jain events and redesign our model for deeper engagement. Our goal is to create a vibrant, next-gen-focused convention that inspires broader participation and sustained community impact.

Fundraising Strategy & Execution Roadmap

A disciplined, transparent plan to double BMM's financial impact by 2028 with all Mandals working together with the same goal in mind...



THE LEADERSHIP PROMISE



*"I pledge to serve every BMM member with honesty, energy, and an unrelenting commitment to our community's future. **Together, we can build a stronger, more connected, and future-ready BMM.***

— Anand Chouthai, Candidate for BMM Leadership 2026

PROVEN RECORD OF SERVICE



Marathi Vishwa, New Jersey (30 Years)

- Lifetime volunteer Member with six years on the Board and one year as Secretary.
- BMM Representative (2024-2028)
- Managed vendors for six consecutive years, generating ~\$5,000 annually to support community programs.
- Strengthened governance, volunteer engagement, and operational discipline.
- BMM 2022 : BMM Bconnect Conference Chair, raised \$150K, first time in Bconnect's history we had 650 attendees.
- Continue to volunteer for Marathi Vishwa events.

Bruhan Maharashtra Mandal (BMM)

Extensive experience with BMM Convention, its importance, value, and need to make the Convention future-ready. My goal is to create a vibrant, next-gen-focused convention that inspires broader participation and sustained community impact. >

- Attended BMM Conventions in 2009, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2022, 2024
- Led BMM Business Conference making it historic by bringing Marathi leadership from all across the world together. Grew attendance from previous years form 100 (Ave) to 650 in BMM 2022 in New Jersey
- Generated @\$300K donations over last three conventions.
- Arranged may sessions with leaders across local & global at Bconnect: Dr. Mashelkar, Sudhir Kadam, Sudarshan Sathe, Sameer Limay, Dr. Narendra Joshi, Mohan Ranade to name a few
- Helped in many initiatives including Reshimgathee
- Evaluated most MOU's to ensure BMM is protected from legal issues
- Helped negotiate terms with BVG Group, ensuring all legal terms are in favor of BMM.