

The Unveiling of 3 'Ratnas' in Aparna's Authorial Journey

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The end of May marked the launch of the Second editions of three (3) bestselling books by Aparna Sharma, a Senior HR Professional and Independent Director on Corporate Boards. The books – *Reality Bytes – The Role of HR in Today's World* (English and Hindi) and *Between U & Me: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lessons* – are published by Vishwakarma Publications.

The event titled '**Unveiling of 3 Ratnas – Celebrating a Decade of Excellence – Aparna's Journey as an Author**' was conducted across three cities:

- **Pune:** 29th May, 2026, at the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute
- **Mumbai:** 30th May, 2026 at the Hall of Culture, Nehru Centre
- **Thane:** 31st May, 2026 at Hiranandani Estate Clubhouse

All three events were graced by professionals from the corporate world, family & friends as distinguished guests, and eminent speakers. During each event across different cities, in addition to the unveiling of the Second editions of the books, panel discussions were held, offering attendees opportunities to learn, reflect, and engage in meaningful conversations that extended beyond the written word.



The Chief Guest at the Pune event was Bharat Agarwal, President of Vishwakarma University (VU) and Executive Director of the Vishwakarma Institute of Technology (VIT), Pune. The distinguished panelists included C.M Dwivedi (HR Veteran & Board Director), Vishal Soni (CEO, Vishwakarma Publications), Ashwin Pasricha (CXO Coach (ICF-PCC) and Principal Consultant, Human Network & Associates, Tanveer Shaikh (Chief Creative Director and Founder of Tanveer's Hair Academy) (both featured in the book *Between U & Me*)) and Yogita Vaidya (Founder, Words Worth Literary Consultancy and Editor of the books).

The event at the Nehru Centre on 30th May, 2026, was graced by Dr. Shailesh Haribhakti (CA & Independent Director on multiple Boards) as the Guest of Honor. The event at Hiranandani Estate featured N. M. Sharma (Aparna's father) as the Chief Guest. Professor Vijayan (Dean-HR, WE School, Mumbai), Ms. Vandana Jadhav, a catering entrepreneur featured in *Between U & Me*, were also panelists in the event. Ashwin Pasricha, Tanveer Shaikh, and Yogita Vaidya served as panelists at all three events.

"It was a privilege to have such eminent guests and speakers join us at all the 3 events. I am truly humbled by their generous words of appreciation for all three of my 3 Books. Their insights on the topics discussed during the panel discussions were both thought-provoking and enlightening for the audience," smiled **Aparna Sharma**.

The panelists contributed to an engaging exchange of ideas, while enthusiastic participation from the audience made all three events highly interactive and insightful.

Given that all the proceeds from the book sales are directed towards the UDAAN Scholarships and USHA Awards initiated by Aparna Sharma to support the education of the girl child, many attendees eagerly booked their copies for both insightful reading and meaningful gifting.

The three-city launch set the stage for a global celebration of literature, leadership, and social responsibility, reflecting the enduring values that Aparna's work, books, and initiatives seek to promote. Through her words, professional contributions, and commitment to education, Aparna Sharma continues to inspire meaningful change as an accomplished HR thought leader, demonstrating that knowledge, compassion, and courage have the power to transform lives and communities.
