

20th Edition

NATIONAL WAREHOUSING EXCELLENCE SUMMIT 2026*“ Warehousing 4.0: Intelligent, Resilient and Sustainable Supply Chains”*

7th August 2026 | 1000hr -1700 hrs | Hotel Taj Santacruz, Mumbai

1015 - 1105 Hrs**INAUGURAL SESSION**

1015-1025 Hrs	Welcome Address	Mr. Clifford Patrao Member, CII Institute of Logistics Advisory Council & Sr. Partner IBM Data & AI IBM Consulting APAC
1025-1035 Hrs	“The Intelligent Warehouse” Theme Address	Mr. Manish Saigal, Managing Director Alvarez & Marsal
1035-1045 Hrs	Special Address	Mr. Vinit Majgaonkar, Chairman – CII IL SCM Tech and Chairman Armstrong Dematic

Release of Publication: “The Intelligent Warehouse: The Convergence of AI, Energy, and Transportation

1045-1100 Hrs	Engineering Procurement & Constructive Perspective	Mr. Deepak Sharma Group Chief Procurement Officer and President Supply Chain Management Kalpaturu Projects International Ltd
1100-1105 Hrs	Closing Remarks	Mr. Clifford Patrao
1105-1120 Hrs	Break	

1120 – 1300 Hrs**SESSION I: INTELLIGENT AUTOMATION AND THE DIGITAL
WAREHOUSE**

Warehouse operations are undergoing a fundamental transformation. The convergence of AI-driven warehouse management systems, autonomous mobile robots, computer vision, and IoT-enabled asset tracking is reshaping how inventory is managed, orders are fulfilled, and exceptions are resolved. For Indian warehousing to reach world-class operational benchmarks, technology adoption must move decisively from pilot-stage experimentation to enterprise-wide deployment - and the roadmap for doing so requires clarity on use cases, economics, and integration architecture.

- How are leading operators deploying AI-powered WMS and advanced analytics to optimise slotting, labour allocation, and throughput at scale?
- How can we expand deployment of autonomous mobile robots, AS/RS systems, and co-bots within existing infrastructure constraints without requiring greenfield investment?
- What role does computer vision play in inbound quality control, packing accuracy, and exception management - and how mature is Indian adoption?
- How should CIOs and supply chain leaders structure technology roadmaps to progress from fragmented point solutions to integrated digital warehouse ecosystems?
- What cybersecurity and data governance frameworks are essential as warehouse connectivity and data interdependence intensify?

Session Chairman Mr. Vinit Majgaonkar
Chairman
Armstrong Dematic

Panel Discussion

Mr. Amitava Das, Vice President Digitalization and Projects, Hindalco Industries Ltd
Mr. Ram Bhadouria, General Manager Engineering & Projects South Asia, Unilever
Mr. Harshad Bhat, Head Logistics & Planning, Wuerth India Pvt Ltd
Mr. Satish Rao, Head Warehouse & Distribution, Raymond Lifestyle Ltd
Mr. Manoj Baraskar, Chief Executive Officer, RAMS Digital
Mr. Gautam Saurav, Regional Head, TCI Supply Chain Solutions

1245- 1300 Hrs Q & A Session
1300 - 1345 Hrs Lunch Break

1345 – 1515 Hrs**SESSION II: SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SPECIALISED
OPERATIONS**

Sustainability and specialisation have crossed from competitive differentiator to threshold requirement. Institutional investors, multinational occupiers, and tightening regulatory frameworks are collectively driving demand for green-certified, energy-efficient facilities at a pace that outstrips current supply. Simultaneously, the structural growth of pharmaceutical exports, organised food retail, and temperature-sensitive fulfilment is creating demand for cold chain and controlled-environment warehousing that India's existing infrastructure remains insufficiently equipped to serve.

- What role must developers, occupiers, and government play in co-creating sustainable, specialised logistics infrastructure at the pace and scale to match rising demand?
- How are leading developers and operators integrating net-zero design principles, on-site renewable energy, and green certification into new builds and retrofits - and who is bearing the incremental cost?
- What do ESG-linked leasing structures and sustainability performance contracts look like in practice, and how are landlord-tenant relationships being restructured around shared environmental accountability?
- Where does India's cold chain infrastructure gap sit today, and which sectors - pharmaceutical, agri-food, or e-grocery - present the most compelling investment cases, especially in view of WHO-GDP, FSSAI, and advanced temperature monitoring standards?
- How can multi-temperature facility design and IoT-enabled condition monitoring deliver both regulatory compliance and commercial differentiation?

Session Chairman**Mr Sudipto Pramanik,**
Vice President Operations
Prologis**Panel Discussion****Mr. Vijay Nagariya**, Vice President Supply Chain & Organized Retail, Drums Food International Pvt Ltd.**Mr. Ramdas Jadhav**, Head of Logistics, Henkel Adhesive Ltd.**Mr. Mandar Kulkarni**, General Manager Supply Chain Management, Warehouse and Logistics, Sun Pharma**Mr. Shyamasundar DS**, National Warehousing Lead, Mondelez International**Mr. Manoranjan Nayak**, Head Logistics, Shipping and warehousing, African industries Group**Mr. Anand Varadrajan**, Vice President Consumer Sector & FTWZ Growth, SCO, DP World**1500 - 1515 Hrs Q & A Session****1515 - 1530 Hrs Networking Tea Break**

1530 – 1700 Hrs**SESSION III: POLICY, INVESTMENT AND TALENT FOR SECTOR WIDE
SCALE**

India's warehousing ambition requires decisive alignment across three enabling pillars: capital, policy, and people. Institutional investors are deploying capital into logistics infrastructure - yet land availability, clearance complexity, and regulatory friction remain persistent constraints that erode returns and delay timelines. Simultaneously, the sector's talent pipeline is structurally inadequate for the automation-intensive, compliance-driven operating environment that is emerging, requiring a fundamental redesign of how skills are developed, certified, and advanced across the workforce.

- What are the most material policy and regulatory bottlenecks constraining Grade A warehouse development - and what specific action from central and state governments would move the needle?
- How are REITs, InvITs, and infrastructure debt instruments reshaping the capital structure and risk profile of warehousing investment in India?
- What is the credible investment thesis for tier-2 and tier-3 city warehousing - and how do developers and occupiers jointly unlock these markets?
- How must qualification frameworks and competency standards be redesigned to prepare the warehouse workforce for a fully digital, automated, and data-driven operating environment?
- How are India's leading operators building the employer brand and career architecture required to attract technology-enabled talent to a sector historically reliant on blue-collar workforce models?
- What governance structures, incentive mechanisms, and industry compacts are required to drive meaningful gender inclusion and workforce formalisation at scale?

Session Chairman**Mr. Sriram Ramnarayan**
Chief Business Officer,
Freight Tiger**Panel Discussion****Mr. Gopal Digaskar**, Senior Logistics Leader, India & Sub-Continent, Dow Chemical International Pvt Ltd**Mr. Ajay Singh**, Chief Supply Chain Officer, Hindustan Platinum**Mr. Vijay Jangid**, Head Supply Chain & Logistics, Bisleri**Mr. Ketan Bhosale**, Head Warehousing and Sales operations, Boat Lifestyle**Mr. Shreyas Ghan**, Zonal Operations Head West, TVS Supply Chain Solutions**Mr. Aabhaas Parik**, Senior Director, Alvarez & Marsal**1645 - 1700 Hrs Q & A Session**

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