

## **A Reunion Beyond Geographies: From Campus to New York and New Jersey**

**On February 21, 2026**



From Right to Left: Mr. Siddharth Somaiya and Dr. Abhishek Ghosh with Somaiya New York and New Jersey alumni

The Somaiya spirit transcends geographies, finding expression wherever its alumni gather, as reflected in the Somaiya New York & New Jersey Alumni Reunion held on February 21, 2026 in Manhattan, New York City.

The reunion brought together more than 55 alumni, representing diverse batches, institutions, and professional journeys. The afternoon opened with an informal meet and greet, allowing alumni to reconnect, exchange updates, and relive shared

memories of campus life at Somaiya. The warmth in the room was a reminder that while careers may take Somaiyans across continents, the connection to their alma mater remains enduring.

### **Insightful Conversations & Institutional Vision**

A key highlight of the gathering was the engaging address by Mr. Siddharth Somaiya, Somaiya Academic Council and Dr. Abhishek Ghosh, Dean - Faculty Dharma Studies. Their presentation offered alumni a comprehensive update on the University's growth trajectory, academic advancements, and future direction.



Particular interest was generated around the University's evolving focus on Dharma Studies. Alumni were introduced to the programme's philosophy and its thoughtfully designed contemporary curriculum. The course approaches Dharma through an interdisciplinary lens, connecting ethics, leadership, sustainability, governance, and civilisational studies, enabling students to address modern societal challenges while staying rooted in Indian knowledge systems. The discussion also highlighted progress in arts, sports, innovation, and entrepreneurship, reinforcing Somaiya's commitment to holistic development. The interactive Q&A session that followed allowed alumni to explore themes of global alumni engagement, industry-academia collaboration, and long-term institutional development.

### **Strengthening Bonds Across Borders**



The reunion concluded with a lively lunch and networking session, where conversations extended beyond nostalgia into future collaboration and contribution. The enthusiastic response from alumni reflected the growing strength of the Somaiya community in the New York and New Jersey region.



For many present, the afternoon reaffirmed a shared sentiment: distance may change coordinates, but it does not dilute connection. From Somaiya Vidyavihar to Manhattan, the values of curiosity, humility, and purpose continue to unite Somaiyans worldwide.

As the global alumni network continues to expand, gatherings like these serve as meaningful reminders that Somaiya's foundation remains strong wherever its alumni may be.

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