

CORPORATE LEADERS OF ICMA



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Mr. Arif Aziz, FCMA is the Chief Executive Officer of Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co. of Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd., affiliated with DP World Dubai, and one of Pakistan's leading maritime, shipping, and logistics organizations. He brings over 28 years of senior executive experience across shipping, ports, logistics, finance, and corporate governance.

“The CMA qualification has been pivotal in shaping my ability to think strategically and lead with clarity and discipline. It goes beyond accounting and equips professionals to analyze complex situations, manage risk, and make decisions grounded in data and ethics. Throughout my career, especially in leadership roles within large and multinational organizations, these skills have proven essential. My advice to young members and students is simple and practical: treat the CMA as a lifelong framework, not a one-time achievement. Master the fundamentals, apply them rigorously in real business settings, and uphold integrity at all times. Technical competence may open doors, but consistent judgment, accountability, and ethical leadership are what sustain long-term professional success.”

Throughout his career, he has led large-scale operations and driven financial discipline, while strengthening compliance frameworks and delivering sustainable business growth in complex, highly regulated environments. A Fellow Member of ICMA Pakistan, he is known for combining strategic financial insight with practical operational leadership. His expertise spans corporate restructuring, risk management, stakeholder engagement, and performance optimization, with a consistent focus on accountability, transparency, and long-term value creation.



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Mr. Muhammad Imran Panawala, FCMA, is currently serving as Director of Strategy & Planning at PharmEvo (Pvt.) Ltd. A seasoned finance and operations leader with over 20 years of cross-functional experience across Accounting, Finance, Taxation, Sales & Distribution, Regulatory Affairs, Operations, and Supply Chain Management, he has worked in industries including Construction, FMCG, and Pharmaceuticals, bringing broad perspective and strong execution capability to complex business environments. Imran's core strengths include analytical thinking, team building, and organizational redesign and restructuring. He has successfully implemented technology-driven solutions across field operations, supply chain management, and budgeting systems, enhancing visibility, discipline, and performance, and contributes to professional development as a course review committee member and guest speaker at various institutes.

“The CMA qualification has been a turning point in my career across the FMCG and Pharmaceutical sectors. It strengthened my capabilities in financial leadership, strategic thinking, and decision-making and gave me the confidence to contribute at the boardroom level in shaping strategy, driving goals, and assessing the impact of critical choices. Aspiring CMAs should remember that the credential builds technical strength, but lasting growth comes from daily habits of dedication, consistency, hard work, self-discipline, collaboration, and self-motivation. Above all, learn to lead people with empathy and accountability. Keep evolving; in a rapidly changing world, those who combine the CMA qualification with a digital first mindset will lead.”