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Dear Sirs,

Please find attached the press release announcing that *"Nucleus Software Celebrates 25 Years of Partnership & Innovation in Japan at Imperial Hotel, Tokyo Reaffirms Long-Term Commitment to Japan's Financial Ecosystem and Global Fintech Collaboration"*

This is for your information and records.

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PRESS RELEASE



Nucleus Software Celebrates 25 Years of Partnership & Innovation in Japan at Imperial Hotel, Tokyo Reaffirms Long-Term Commitment to Japan's Financial Ecosystem and Global Fintech Collaboration

Noida, January 08, 2026: Nucleus Software Japan K.K., marked an important milestone as it celebrated **25 years of partnership and innovation in Japan** with a distinguished gathering at **Imperial Hotel, Tokyo**.

The evening brought together a distinguished gathering of **Japan's leading financial executives, global fintech stewards, and long-standing partners** reflecting the depth of Nucleus Software's relationship with the Japanese financial community. The evening was enriched by the presence of several distinguished leaders from Japan's financial ecosystem from Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group (SMFG), SBI Shinsei Bank, Mizuho Bank, Toyota Financial Services, Nippon Steel (NS Solutions Corporation) and other prominent institutions.

A traditional **Japanese Shamisen performance** opened the event, symbolizing Japan's timeless balance between heritage and forward-looking innovation - the same spirit that has guided this partnership for quarter of a century for Nucleus Software.

Mr. Masamoto Yashiro, Former Chairman & CEO of Shinsei Bank, shared reflections on Shinsei Bank's journey of renewal and resilience, underscoring the importance of building systems with path-breaking innovations decades back. He underlined immense contribution of **Mr. Dhananjaya Dvivedi**, Former Senior Managing Executive Officer, CIO of Shinsei Bank, by deploying small modern computers instead of huge machines at 1/10th of the estimated investment and 4~5 times faster. His remarks resonated strongly with Nucleus Software's ethos and its continued commitment to serving Japan's financial sector by prioritising innovation and speed to deliver value.

Mr. Akio Isowa, Senior Managing Executive Officer & Group CDIO of SMBC Group, and keynote speaker of this event, spoke about SMBC's digital initiatives in Japan, globally and India in particular, to anchor innovation in trust and long-term purpose. He also mentioned how Nucleus Software has been continuously supporting SMFG in India, noting how shared engineering excellence and aligned vision continue to create meaningful value.

The evening also featured a fireside discussion on “**SBI Shinsei Bank Transformation Journey & What Lies Ahead**,” with insights from **Mr. Michiyuki Okano**, IT Special Advisor and Former Senior Managing Executive Officer, and **Mr. Hitoshi Asano**, Managing Executive Officer, In Charge of Group IT and Head of IT Systems at **SBI Shinsei Bank**, alongside leaders from the banking fraternity. The conversation explored how long-term technology decisions, disciplined execution, and global partnerships have shaped Shinsei Bank's evolution and continue to guide its future digital roadmap.

The presence of global leaders such as **Mr. Rajeev Kannan**, Managing Executive Officer & Head of India Division, SMBC; **Mr. Sopnendu Mohanty**, Group CEO GFTN, Advisor to Monetary Authority of Singapore; and **Mr. Pieter Pranken**, Managing Director GFTN Japan, Advisor to Monetary Authority of Singapore, who discussed Japan's increasingly pivotal role in the global fintech landscape. Their perspectives highlighted the importance of collaboration across borders, especially in areas like AI governance, trusted financial infrastructure, and the future of open & secure digital ecosystems.

Conversations throughout the evening emphasized how Japan's financial institutions - built on discipline, precision, and stewardship - are now advancing toward a more AI-enabled, ecosystem-driven future. The dialogues reinforced a shared belief that the next wave of transformation will be powered not just by technology, but by trusted partnerships that combine global innovation with Japan's commitment to excellence.

Expressing gratitude to partners and guests, **Mr. Vishnu R. Dusad**, Co-Founder & Managing Director of Nucleus Software, reaffirmed the organisation's dedication to supporting Japan with platforms engineered for stability, security, and long-term value. **Mr. Parag Bhise**, CEO & Executive Director of Nucleus Software, reflected on the company's journey, noting that Japan has always been a global benchmark for responsible innovation and that Nucleus Software's mission is to continue building technologies that empower institutions to scale with confidence in an increasingly intelligent world.

The evening concluded with a warm exchange of ideas among leaders from banking, technology and fintech communities. As Nucleus Software steps into its next chapter in Japan, it does so with renewed commitment - to deepen strategic partnerships, support the country's digital transformation objectives, and contribute meaningfully to the future of finance through trusted, AI-ready, globally connected platforms.

With 25 years of collaboration behind and a new era of digital possibilities ahead, Nucleus Software remains honoured to be part of Japan's journey toward a more resilient, intelligent, and innovative financial future.

About Nucleus Software

Nucleus Software Exports Ltd. Is a publicly traded (BSE: 531209, NSE: NUCLEUS), software product company that provides lending and transaction banking products to global financial leaders.

Nucleus Software delivers disruptive Fintech Solutions to 200+ Banks and Financial Institutions across 50 countries supporting Retail Lending, Corporate & SME Finance, Islamic Finance, Automotive Finance, Captive Automotive Finance, Cash Management, Mobile & Internet Banking, Transaction Banking and more. Our solutions manage over \$15 trillion value of yearly transactions, with over 26 million transactions each day through our globally integrated transaction banking platform. Our lending platform manages \$1.2 trillion+ value of loans globally, while enabling 500,000+ users to log in daily.

Our Flagship Products **FinnOne Neo®** and **FinnAxia®** are backed by more than 4 decades of BFSI domain expertise and an inbuilt AI powered platform to realize the digital transformation goals of FIs worldwide.

1. **FinnOne Neo®**: The next-generation **digital lending platform**, designed to revolutionize the lending process. FinnOne Neo® is built on an advanced technology platform, empowering financial institutions to streamline their lending operations, enhance customer experiences, and drive business growth.
2. **FinnAxia®**: An integrated **global transaction banking suite**, trusted by banks worldwide to optimize their transaction banking processes. With FinnAxia®, financial institutions can efficiently manage their cash management, trade finance, liquidity management, and other transaction banking activities on a single platform, thereby improving operational efficiency, visibility, and enhancing client relationships.
3. **PaySe®**: The world's first **online and offline digital payment solution**, created with the vision to democratize money. This innovative payment solution offers users a seamless and convenient way to conduct digital transactions, both online and offline, facilitating financial inclusion and empowering individuals and businesses.
4. **Nucleus Software Digital Services**: Our comprehensive suite of services is tailored to assist banks and financial institutions in their digital transformation journey and maintain an optimal technology infrastructure. Through Nucleus Software Digital Services, we offer a holistic approach to digital transformation, enabling organizations to deliver seamless customer experiences, achieve operational and cost efficiencies, and gain actionable insights to drive strategic decision-making.

These offerings collectively underline Nucleus Software's commitment to driving innovation and empowering financial institutions to thrive in an increasingly digital world.

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