

## Zarin Daruwala

### Group CEO, PL group (Prabhudas Lilladher)



Zarin Daruwala was the Cluster Chief Executive Officer, India and South Asia markets (Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka) for Standard Chartered bank till March, 2025. She has joined Prabhudas Lilladher as the group CEO in October, 2025. Prabhudas Lilladher is an 80 year old firm engaged in equity broking, investment banking, wealth management and asset management. In a career spanning over 36 years, she has worked across all areas of banking, ranging from wholesale banking, agri-finance, corporate finance, corporate planning, investment banking and credit.

She was selected as one of the Top 30 most powerful women in Indian business by Business Today seven times. She has been featured in the coveted "BT Hall of Fame" for being a consistent performer. She consistently features in the 50 most powerful Women in Business listing by Fortune India, and Business World has listed her among the 75 Most Influential Women in India. She has also been recognised for "Outstanding Contribution toward Banking and Financial Services" for 2017-18 by the Ladies' wing of IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry. In addition, Zarin was featured in "Top 100 Most Influential BFSI Leaders", released by the World BFSI Congress and Awards. She has been recognised as the Banking CEO of the Year for India by The European Global Business Awards 2023.

A rank holder in Chartered Accountancy, Zarin has also won the President's gold medal, topping the all-India Company Secretary exams. She has also been conferred the CA Business Achiever award by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Before Standard Chartered, Zarin worked at ICICI Bank, where she spent 26 years of her career, starting as a management trainee and eventually becoming President and Head of the Wholesale Banking business. She has also served on the Board of Directors of key ICICI group companies, ICICI Lombard General Insurance and ICICI Securities. She was also on the board of JSW Steel for almost eight years. She is an independent director on PhonePe Ltd Board.