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To

The HoDs/ CoDs of:-
Deptt of CSE (AI&ML)
Deptt of Physical Sciences
Deptt of Management
Deptt of Agriculture
Deptt of Education
Deptt of Hospitality

Sub: Organizing a MIC driven activity on AI (Artificial Intelligence)

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the Letter received from Ministry of Education (copy attached), all IIC institutions must conduct various events on the role of Artificial Intelligence with the objective of mainstreaming AI awareness, capacity building, and skilling across HEIs. As a part of MIC driven activity for the calendar year 2025-26, the following departments are requested to conduct the events from 21st January 2026 to 6th February 2026. The departments can schedule the dates of events at their convenience.

Name of deptt	Organizer (HoD/CoD)	IIC Coordinator	Theme	Date, time and venue
Deptt of CSE (AI & ML)	Mr. Akashdeep Rana	Ms. Gurjeet Kaur	AI and modern technology	To be decided by the deptt between (21 st Jan 2026 to 6 th Feb 2026)
Deptt of Physical Sciences	Dr. Honey Sharma	Dr. Younis Majeed	AI in research	
Deptt of Management	Dr. Varinderjeet Singh	Dr. Gagandeep Singh	AI in Business	
Deptt of Agriculture	Dr. Vikrant Jaryan	Dr. Vikrant Jaryan	AI applications in Agriculture	
Deptt of Education	Dr. Vikas Sharma	Dr. Sukhmeet Kaur Sandhu	AI in education	
Deptt of Hotel Mgt and Tourism	Mr. Pawan Kumar	Dr. Manish Rai	AI in Tourism and hospitality	

Note:

1. The report shall be submitted in the prescribed format in *.docx format, which shall be provided by the IIC Cell of SBBSU.
2. The attendance of participants/students shall be taken in the prescribed format (to be provided by the IIC Cell). The participation of at least 50 students and 5 faculty members are mandatory for any activity.
3. A video of duration of not more than 1 minute shall be recorded; upto 5 photographs showing the highlights of the events shall be taken, which will be shared on the social media later.

Thanking you
Dr. Ajay Pathania
President, IIC

CC: Dean Academic, SBBSU for information

MIC Driven Activity

Semester 1

Quarter 2

Activity Name	AI for Atmanirbhar Bharat: HEI Pre-Summit Engagements towards IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026
Mode	Offline, hybrid or online mode
Participants	Maximum possible participation of Students, Alumni, Faculty and External stakeholders
Social Media Link	IIC institutions are required to promote and publish their AI activities in various social media platform and tag all relevant stakeholders and central and state agencies and departments involved such as PMO, MietY, AI Impact Summit, MoE, AICTE, MIC, IIC etc.
Description	<p>Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a key driver of global economic growth, productivity, and innovation. Its adoption is expected to add USD 500–957 billion to India's GDP by 2035, positioning AI as a critical enabler of the national visions of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat. Recognizing this strategic importance, the Government of India launched the IndiaAI Mission on March 7, 2024, to strengthen India's leadership in AI and promote inclusive and responsible AI development. The Mission facilitates access to compute infrastructure, AI-ready datasets, AI models, talent development opportunities, and innovation support. AICTE has also declared 2025 as the 'Year of AI', with the objective of mainstreaming AI awareness, capacity building, and skilling across HEIs.</p> <p>AI-driven disruptions have underscored the urgent need to strengthen the higher education ecosystem through a transformative approach that embeds ethical AI use, sustainability, and the preparation of AI-ready graduates.</p> <p>Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), irrespective of their digital maturity, are central to this effort. They face increasing pressure to build an AI-ready talent pipeline, advance interdisciplinary research, and collaborate with industry to translate AI innovation into real-world impact and entrepreneurship.</p> <p>The IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026, scheduled to be held in New Delhi on February 19–20, 2026, positions AI as a national priority and focuses on translating global AI commitments into tangible outcomes. The Summit emphasizes coordinated action among government, industry, and academia to enable inclusive growth and strengthen India's leadership in AI.</p> <p>In this context, HEI-level Pre-Summit Events aim to bridge education, upskilling and re-skilling, research, and industry needs, aligned with the Summit's seven interconnected themes: (1) Safe and Trusted AI, (2) Human Capital, (3) Science, (4) Resilience, Innovation & Efficiency, (5) Inclusion for Social Empowerment, (6) Democratizing AI Resources, and (7) Economic Growth & Social Good.</p> <p>In alignment with this national priority, a series of AI-focused Pre-Summit Events across HEIs is planned to conduct nationwide momentum and engagement, for the IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026 and empowering students, educators, and institutions to contribute meaningfully to India's AI commitments.</p> <p>Recognizing the strategic importance of AI Impact Summit and for India's future, the AICTE, MIC, announces a MIC-driven activity on "AI for Atmanirbhar Bharat: HEI Pre-Summit Engagements towards IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026" for all IIC Institutions across the country. Through this focused campaign, institutions will organize structured AI-related activities on their campuses between 19th January and 9th February 2026.</p>

Activity reports must be uploaded on the IIC portal by or before 10th February 2026.

Expected Outcomes

These activities are expected to deliver the following outcomes:

- Increased AI awareness and readiness among students and faculty
- Enhanced understanding of the AI value chain, career pathways, and emerging job roles
- Strengthened HEI-Industry collaboration for improved outcomes
- Curriculum alignment with labour-market needs
- Awareness and adoption of effective AI-enabled pedagogy
- Ethical use of AI tools, addressing issues of plagiarism, bias, and hallucination
- Strengthened AI research and innovation ecosystems within institutions
- Capacity building for administrators and faculty, including women in STEM
- Development of future-ready academic programs

Refer to this link for more information- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/134qu45XhkKmH-QABXo0oYXgmEpORwzsP/view?usp=sharing>

Activity Guidelines

- Each IIC Institution shall organize **at least one AI-focused activity** between **19th January and 9th February 2026**, in **offline, hybrid or online mode**.
- Engagements may include demonstrations of student-led AI innovations, showcases of AI solutions by incubated startups, panel discussions, roundtables, workshops, industry forums, presentations, and other suitable formats.
- IIC Institutions are expected to document participation details, capture photographs, and actively disseminate outcomes through their official communication and social media channels to amplify impact and share best practices.
- In case multiple events are being organised, one of the key event can be reported as MIC Driven and remaining activity reports can be submitted under Self-Driven Activity category.

Activity Report Submission Guidelines

- All participating IIC Institutions must submit their activity reports through the **IIC Portal**.
- To add the activity under IIC, log in to the IIC portal, navigate to **Manage Activity-MIC Driven Activity (Quarter-2)**, and add it to **"My Activity Calendar 2025-26."**
- Institutions are required to prepare an overall activity report and upload it in **PDF format** under the **"Overall Report of the Activity"** option in *My Activity Calendar 2025-26*.
- The report should include the logos of **IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026, IIC, MIC, AICTE**, and the **institution**, along with the activity title and session details, objectives of the event, speaker details, key discussion points, and actionable insights shared by the speakers.
- The report must include participant details and **up to 5 photographs** (for offline events) or **screenshots** (for online events), along with key outcomes, media coverage (if any), attendance proof, and feedback from guests and participants.
- For wider dissemination, institutions are encouraged to share a brief summary of the activity on their official social media platforms and tag the **Ministry of Education, AICTE, MoEs Innovation Cell, India AI Mission, Meity**, and other relevant stakeholders and share the URL Link of social media while submitting the report.



Issue Note

Pre-Summit Events in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)

Context

Artificial Intelligence is a key driver of global economic growth, productivity, and innovation. Its adoption is expected to add USD 500–957 billion to India's GDP by 2035, making AI a key lever for national visions of **Atmanirbhar Bharat** and **Viksit Bharat**.

Recognizing this, the Government of India launched the **IndiaAI Mission** on March 7, 2024 to strengthen India's leadership in AI and enable inclusive, responsible AI development. The Mission enables access to compute infrastructure, AI-ready datasets, AI models, talent development opportunities, and innovation support.

AI-driven disruptions highlighted the need to urgently strengthen the Higher Education system through a **transformative approach** that embeds ethical AI use, sustainability, and preparation of AI-ready graduates.

Higher Education Institutions, regardless of their digital maturity, are central to this effort as they face **increasing pressure to build an AI-ready talent pipeline, advance interdisciplinary research, and partner with industry** to translate AI innovation into real-world impact and entrepreneurship.

The **IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026**, to be held in New Delhi on February 19- 20, 2026, positions AI as a national priority and focuses on **translating global AI commitments into real-world impact**. It highlights the need for coordinated action between government, industry and academia as provided by the summit, for inclusive growth and AI leadership.

In this context, HEI-level Pre-Events aim to link education, upskilling/re-skilling, research, and industry needs to the Summit's seven interconnected themes: (1) Safe and Trusted AI, (2) Human Capital, (3) Science, (4) Resilience, Innovation & Efficiency, (5) Inclusion for Social Empowerment, (6) Democratizing AI Resources, and (7) Economic Growth & Social Good.

The series of AI-focused **Pre-Summit Events across 200 HEIs** aim to bolster **nationwide momentum and engagement**, feeding into the IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026, **empowering students, educators, and HEIs** for India's AI commitments.

AI for Bharat | Role of HEIs

HEIs are crucial for expanding AI penetration across education, research, and industry roles. As demand for AI-ready graduates increases, institutions are integrating AI into curricula, teaching–learning processes, research, and academic operations.

Close industry collaborations ensure that AI adoption translates into improved learning outcomes, employability, innovation, and enhanced employability of students. HEIs can demonstrate their advances related to AI adoption and use by showcasing how they:

01

Build student capabilities in data-driven decision making, AI application development, and system integration.

02

Integrate AI into teaching, learning, research, and institutional administration to deepen AI penetration across HEIs.

03

Align higher education curricula, research agendas, and pedagogy with the IndiaAI Impact Summit themes and AI-enabled industry roles.

04

Expose students across disciplines to AI tools, methods, and real-world applications, beyond computer science and IT programs.

05

Highlight evolving career opportunities and job roles across the AI value chain.

06

Define clear pathways for student and faculty upskilling and reskilling to improve AI readiness for industry and research.

07

Encourage indigenous AI innovations and scalable solutions for the masses and inclusive economic growth.

By aligning with the seven IndiaAI Impact Summit themes, HEIs can showcase how education is both AI-enabled and AI-enabling. The Pre-Summit Events aim to help students move up the AI value chain from users to creators.

Furthermore, helping students and faculty engage with real-world AI applications, production environments, and AI ethics fills the gap between AI education and employment.

Discussion Points aligned with **IndiaAI Impact Summit** Themes

01 Human Capital Enhancement for an AI-Ready Workforce

- » Explores the rapid evolution of the industry and job market due to AI.
 - » As the nature of work shifts, the demand for skills is moving toward roles that **leverage AI for human-centered designs and outcomes**. Discussions will focus on **enhancing curricula based on model frameworks and industry inputs on emerging roles**.
 - » Participants will examine **interdisciplinary learning and upskilling** to prepare for **careers across the AI value chain** and to enable students to be trained for an **AI-based knowledge economy**.
 - » This discussion theme **addresses how HEIs can lead the large-scale transformation of India's human resource talent to meet these new global demands**.
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02 Economic Growth & Social Good:

- » This point focuses on **building indigenous AI solutions** for economic and social impact. Students and faculty learn **how to move from AI users to creators up the AI value chain**.
 - » The discussion explores **how HEIs can translate campus-based AI research projects** into viable startups, industry partnerships, and social impact solutions.
 - » HEIs can examine ways to strengthen **student-led AI innovation** through Innovation Councils, structured **incubation and start-up support**, and **pre-incubation ecosystems** that enable idea scouting, early prototyping, access to data, and basic business support. These mechanisms can help **AI ideas progress from classrooms to real-world solutions**.
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03 Science and R&D Strengthened by AI:

- » This point examines **how AI is transforming scientific research** from traditional R&D approaches to data-driven, AI-enabled methods.
 - » Participants explore **how AI accelerates discovery, improves research quality, productivity**, and helps HEIs achieve research outcomes across higher Technology Readiness Levels.
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Discussion Points aligned with **IndiaAI Impact Summit** Themes

04 Democratizing AI Resources

- » HEIs can discuss expanding access to AI infrastructure and tools through **shared AI labs and open-access computing facilities**, and by developing and disseminating AI tools and models to students across disciplines.
 - » Institutions can explore **interdisciplinary short AI courses**, and **hands-on learning** opportunities that enable **technical and non-technical students to acquire AI skills** for their domains.
 - » The discussions can highlight the role of **student-led AI clubs, innovation communities, and informal labs where students can tinker**, experiment, and collaboratively develop AI tools and applications. This allows participants in HEIs to build advanced AI solutions regardless of their location or existing infrastructure.
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05 Resilience, Innovation & Efficiency

- » **Expansion of AI infrastructure** requires tremendous amount of energy. It has a significant carbon footprint and impact on climate.
 - » This point aims to **raise awareness about frugal AI and developing sustainable AI solutions** for low-resource areas.
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06 Inclusion and Social Empowerment with AI Innovations

- » This discussion point focuses on **AI for quality and accessible education** across the country.
 - » Participants will explore **opportunities for personalized learning, adaptive assessments, assisted learning for persons with special learning needs, and multi-lingual teaching-learning** for expanded access to inclusive and equitable quality education.
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07 Safe and Trusted AI in Higher Education Institutions

- » Focuses on the AI for academic work, use of data science, **AI safety, ethics, and transparency** in academia and student-led innovation.
- » Explore how to build reliable systems that use data responsibly.

Key Challenges and Enablers

Integrating AI into Education is crucial to ensure that large segment of learners get adequately aligned to future employment opportunities. However, several systemic challenges remain which need to be addressed.

Prominent challenges and mitigation mechanisms are outlined below:

Infrastructure and Capacity Constraints

Limited AI infrastructure access, industry linkages, and innovation funding constrains HEIs from fully realizing the potential of AI. This presents an opportunity for inter-institutional collaboration and innovative resource pooling models.

Limited Access to High-Quality, Context-Relevant Data

The lack of well-curated datasets aligned to Indian languages, sectors, and societal needs pose a challenge for applied AI research. HEIs have an opportunity to develop, curate, and responsibly share locally relevant datasets through mutually beneficial collaborations.

Translating Research Into Real-World Impact

While AI research and student projects are growing, pathways to scale, commercialization, or social deployment remain underdeveloped. Strengthening innovation councils, pre-incubation support, and industry partnerships can help bridge this gap.

Ecosystem and Responsible AI Enablement

Connects HEIs with industry and public-sector use cases while promoting ethical, safe, and trusted AI development.

Expectation from Pre-Summit Events

The Pre-Summit Events are expected to deliver the following *outcomes*:

Increased AI awareness and readiness among students and faculty.

Understanding the AI value chain, career pathways, and emerging job roles.

Strengthened HEI-Industry collaboration for improved outcomes.

Curriculum alignment with labour-market needs.

Awareness and adoption of effective AI-enabled pedagogy.

Ethical use of AI tools, addressing plagiarism, bias, and hallucination.

Enhanced AI research and innovation ecosystems within institutions.

Capacity building for administrators and faculty, including women in STEM.

Development of **future-ready academic programs**.



Jan 15 - Feb 10, 2026

As next steps, HEIs are encouraged to **conduct in-person Pre-Summit Events between January 15- February 10, 2026**, aligned with previously outlined points.

Engagements should include **demonstrations of student-led AI innovations, showcase AI solutions by incubated startups, panel discussions, roundtables, workshops, industry forums, presentations, and other suitable formats.**



Institutions are also expected to **document participation details, capture photographs, and actively disseminate outcomes through their official communication and social media channels** to amplify impact and share best practices.