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## AI for ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT India AI Impact Summit 2026

Panel Discussion & Training

**2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026**

*Organized by*

Gandhi Institute of Engineering and Technology University (GIET), Gunupur,  
Odisha

### **Theme 4: Democratizing AI Resources**

Panel Discussion on **Democratizing AI Resources**

Hands on Training for Faculty on  
**Application of Generative AI & Agentic AI Tools  
for Mentoring & Nurturing Innovation and Start-  
ups in HEIs**

### **Panel Discussion Agenda**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event Mega Audi 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026</b>
10:30AM-10:35AM	Inviting the Guests to the Dias
10:35AM-10:40AM	Lighting of the Lamp and Saraswati Vandana
10:40AM-10:45AM	Welcome Address by <b>Dr. K M Gopal</b> , Dy. Dean, Computational Sciences, GIET University
10:45AM-12:15PM	Panel Discussion on <b>Democratizing AI Resources</b> <b>Mr. Bala Yellapantula</b> , Technical Program Manager, Bio-Rad Laboratories, California <b>Mr. Ravi Kishore</b> , Sr. Technical Architect, HCL Tech, Hyderabad <b>Mr. Lakshmi pathi Dantuluri</b> , CEO – VD Digital Alliance LLP, Visakhapatnam <b>Mr. Kishan Vatsavaya</b> , Founder & CEO – Vatsa ProCons, LLP, Hyderabad <i>Moderator</i> <b>Dr. Ramaraju Poosapati</b> , Head of Enterprise Architecture – UK BFSI Client, TCS, Hyderabad
12:15PM-12:30PM	Felicitation to Guest

As part of the AI for ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT: India AI Impact Summit 2026, Gandhi Institute of Engineering and Technology University (GIET), Gunupur, Odisha, organized a Panel Discussion and Hands-on Training for Faculty on 2nd February 2026 under Theme 4: Democratizing AI Resources. The program focused on enabling equitable access to AI tools and knowledge, with special emphasis on the application of Generative AI and Agentic AI tools for mentoring, nurturing innovation, and supporting start-ups in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs). The event commenced with the traditional lamp lighting and welcome

address by Dr. K. M. Gopal, Dy. Dean, Computational Sciences, followed by an insightful panel discussion featuring eminent industry experts from Bio-Rad Laboratories, HCL Technologies, VD Digital Alliance LLP, and Vatsa ProCons LLP. Moderated by Dr. Ramaraju Poosapati (TCS, Hyderabad), the discussion highlighted industry-academia collaboration, capacity building, and practical pathways for empowering faculty (25 Faculties) and students (270 Students Participated) to contribute effectively to a self-reliant, AI-driven India.

In his closing remarks, the Moderator succinctly summarized the deliberations by highlighting the five key growth drivers outlined in the Union Budget 2026, emphasizing their transformative role in accelerating India's AI ecosystem. He reiterated that Atmanirbhar Bharat is not merely a policy vision but a strategic pathway to build indigenous innovation, global competitiveness, and sustainable technological leadership. Stressing that the 2026 Budget delivers the three critical pillars Compute through advanced GPU infrastructure, Capital through enhanced R&D funding, and Capabilities through large-scale skilling and AI labs, he underlined how these enablers collectively empower academia, industry, and start-ups. Concluding on an inspiring note, he remarked, "We have the data, we now have the compute, and today's discussion shows we have the vision. It's time to move from 'AI in India' to 'AI by India, for the World.'"





### Hands on Training

Time	Event Lab-II 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026
11:00AM-01:00PM	Hands on Training for on <b>Application of Generative AI &amp; Agentic AI Tools for Mentoring &amp; Nurturing Innovation and Start-ups in HEIs</b>
01:00PM-02:00PM	Lunch Break
02:00PM-04:00PM	Hands on Training for on <b>Application of Generative AI &amp; Agentic AI Tools for Mentoring &amp; Nurturing Innovation and Start-ups in HEIs</b>
04:00PM-04:05PM	Felicitation to Guest

As part of the AI for ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT: India AI Impact Summit 2026, Gandhi Institute of Engineering and Technology University (GIET), Gunupur, Odisha, organized an intensive Hands-on Training program on 2nd February 2026 at Lab-II, focused on the application of Generative AI and Agentic AI tools for mentoring, nurturing innovation, and supporting start-ups in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs). Conducted in two interactive sessions from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM and 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM (70 Faculty members Participated), the training emphasized practical exposure, real-world use cases, and tool-driven workflows to empower faculty in guiding student innovation and

entrepreneurial initiatives. The program fostered experiential learning through demonstrations and guided practice, followed by a felicitation ceremony acknowledging the resource persons, thereby reinforcing GIET University's commitment to capacity building and the vision of a self-reliant, AI-enabled India.

