

Newsletter

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Foreword

Dean (Academics)

Exciting News from Academics Outreach!

I am thrilled at the release of the latest edition of our annual newsletter packed with the new and continuing impactful programs!, to hosting a summer bootcamp where school students tackled environmental challenges with sustainable solutions, to launching initiatives that attract top UG and PG talent, and hosting thought-provoking TEDx lectures—there's something for everyone.

Take a look to see how we're making a difference, together, to the community!

Narayanan D. Kurur
Dean Academics



From the ADONI's Desk



For me the journey so far at the office of Academic Outreach and New Initiatives has been amazing, From learning the student lingo and their working style, to making new friends in the IIT Delhi community and beyond, every day is truly a new one. Presenting to you our engagements in the last year, which came to life because of the generous support from the IIT Delhi fraternity.

Hope you have as much fun reading it as much as we did preparing and living it.

Shilpi Sharma
Associate Dean Academics (Outreach & New Initiatives)

From the Former ADONI's Desk

The newsletter highlights key initiatives undertaken by the Office of Academic Outreach and New Initiatives over the past year. My tenure as Associate Dean Academics (Outreach & New Initiatives) concluded in November 2024, and this marks the final newsletter during my term. This year saw the revival of one of our flagship programs, Change Maker 2.0, organised after a three-year hiatus with the theme "Sustainability and Innovation." Several initiatives gained significant momentum, including STS-Spins, while new programs such as Anveshan were successfully launched in 2025.

These efforts aim to drive positive social impact and raise the visibility of IIT Delhi through technology-driven outreach in partnership with governmental and non-governmental organisations.

I look forward to seeing these initiatives continue to evolve and to the launch of many more in the years ahead.

Subodh V. Sharma
Former Associate Dean Academics (Outreach & New Initiatives)



Academic Outreach Committee (2024-25)



Prof. Biswajita Parida
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Studies



Prof. Charu Monga
Department of Design



Prof. Divya Nayar
Department of Materials
Science and Engineering



Prof. Eri Ikeda
Department of Management
Studies



Prof. L. N. Ramasubramanian
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Science and Engineering



Prof. Preeti Srivastava
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Engineering and Biotechnology



Prof. Rahul Mishra
Centre for Applied Research in
Electronics



Prof. Rohit Vaish
Department of Computer
Science and Engineering



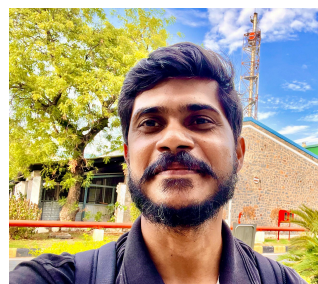
Prof. Shilpi Sharma
Department of Biochemical
Engineering and Biotechnology
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Prof. Soumik Siddhanta
Department of Chemistry



Prof. Subodh V. Sharma
Department of Computer
Science and Engineering
(1st Sept, 2022 - 30th Nov 2024)



Sumit Kumar Singh
General Secretary (CAIC)



Prof. Sumitash Jana
Department of Humanities &
Social Sciences



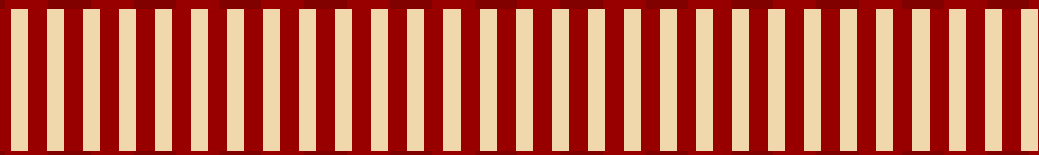
Prof. Tarak Karmakar
Department of Chemistry



Prof. Yama Dixit
Centre for Atmospheric
Sciences



Flagship Events



ANVESHAN

Innovation & Exploration Across Disciplines



Anveshan, an initiative under #experienceIITD, is designed specifically for UG and PG students to explore various academic disciplines and make informed decisions about higher studies.

The event organised on 22 March 2025 witnessed participation of approximately 550 students from across eleven Indian states and one Union Territory at IIT Delhi's Hauz Khas campus for an exciting day filled with activities including expert talks, panel discussions, demonstrations by student technical clubs.

The students also got a chance to interact with the students of IIT Delhi where they got to hear directly from the horse's mouth. They also engaged in discussions with the esteemed faculty members of IITD which helped them to better understand their academic options and career paths.



The program grew from nearly 200 attendees in 2024's edition to almost 550 in 2025, demonstrating its growing impact.



Glimpses of Anveshan

CHANGE MAKERS



The **Change Makers 2.0 Summer Bootcamp** was successfully conducted at IIT Delhi from 9th to 27th June 2025. With the theme of **"Sustainability and Innovation,"** the bootcamp brought together 106 passionate high school students and first-year undergraduates from across India and beyond.

Participants were encouraged to identify critical environmental challenges such as air pollution, waste management, water scarcity and pollution, carbon emissions, heat waves, and unsustainable behaviour. Through sessions on design thinking, behavioural thinking, systems thinking, prototyping, and communication design, the students developed problem-solving mindsets, and worked towards preliminary solutions in their chosen areas.



The bootcamp concluded with 18 student teams exhibiting diverse prototypes ranging from electro-mechanical devices to chemistry- and bio-based solutions, behaviour change initiatives, apps and communication campaigns.

The participants also engaged in unique activities such as a cleanliness drive inspired by the Bhil tradition of "Halma," a Shinrin-yoku (forest bathing) session, and a lively cultural evening. The program successfully sowed the seeds of change-making by combining the expertise of IIT Delhi to tackle pressing local problems.

ENGAGEMENT WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS



This engagement discusses key technological advancements and policy recommendations with Indian Parliamentarians, including but not restricted to Green Technology & Sustainable Environment, Quantum Technology & Cybersecurity, and building India's Semiconductor Ecosystem. The session provides a meaningful dialogue between academia and policymakers on critical technologies shaping India's future.

The first session under this engagement took place on 6th February 2025, during which three IIT Delhi faculty members, Prof. C. T. Dhanya (Civil Engineering), Prof. Sumitava Mukherjee (Humanities and Social Sciences), and Prof. Krishna AchutaRao (Centre for Atmospheric Sciences), visited the Parliament and interacted with the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Water Resources under the Institute for Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies (ICPS).

They presented the latest science on critical topics, including climate change and the water cycle by Prof. Krishna AchutaRao, the impact of climate change on water security by Prof. C. T. Dhanya, and the psychology and behavioural dimensions of recycled water, water scarcity and usability by Prof. Sumitava Mukherjee. The session garnered praise, and the committee concluded with a request to the IIT Delhi faculty members to return with responses in a follow-up session.

MANASVI

STEM Mentorship Program for High School Girls



Manasvi is a flagship initiative of the Academic Outreach and New Initiatives Office at IIT Delhi, partially sponsored by American Express in 2024 and Ratna Sagar Pvt. Ltd. in 2025, designed to inspire young girls to explore careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).

The winter phase of the 3rd batch, held from 7th to 11th January 2025, concluded successfully with over 50 girls completing the program.

In May 2025 (13th to 17th), Manasvi onboarded around 100 girls for Batch-4 from various government and private schools, almost twice the number from last year. As part of the program, participants engaged on campus in STEM-related activities, attended talks and panel discussions by inspiring women in STEM, including IIT Delhi faculty, and interacted with IIT Delhi students.



These sessions helped them open up, share their aspirations and vulnerabilities, and step out of their comfort zones. The next two phases are scheduled for October and December 2025.



Glimpses of Manasvi

OPEN HOUSE

for JEE Advanced 2025 Qualified Candidates



The 2025 edition of the IIT Delhi Open House provided prospective students with a unique opportunity to explore the campus and gain insights before making their admission decisions.

The events began with IIT Delhi Calling (Pre-Demo Day), held online on 6th June 2025, followed by in-person sessions on 7th June in Delhi and Mumbai, and on 8th June in Bengaluru. **For the first time, the Open House was organised across three locations expanding its reach to connect with aspiring students nationwide.**

The Open House featured an address by Prof. Banerjee, Director (IIT Delhi), and interactive sessions with the Deans (Academics and Student Affairs).

Students engaged with esteemed faculty members and current students, learning about academics, research, and the vibrant student life at IIT Delhi. Additionally, various student clubs and societies showcased engaging demonstrations and exhibits, giving attendees a glimpse into the dynamic extracurricular landscape of IIT Delhi.



Glimpses of Open House

SCI-TECH SPINS LECTURE SERIES



The Sci-Tech Spins lecture series is an outreach initiative for school students of classes 9 to 12, from various government-aided and private schools in the Delhi-NCR region attend these lectures. The series is designed to bridge the gap between academia and society while encouraging curiosity and innovation.

The series has witnessed significant growth, with attendance increasing from an average of 60 students per session last year to over 500 students in the recent lectures. Over the past year, six lectures have been conducted under the Sci-Tech Spins series.

They also get a chance to interact with IITD faculty after the lecture in an informal setting, which helps them ask questions beyond the scope of the lecture.

The series is growing constantly, with more schools being added to the outreach network and an increasing number of students participating in each session.



STS-Spins Lectures Playlist

Our Sci-Tech Spins Speakers

**STS
25**

Understanding Environmental Problems and their Solutions



Prof. B. J. Alappat
Department of Civil Engineering

**STS
24**

Cake Cutting, Rental Harmony and Triangles



Prof. Rohit Vaish
Department of Computer Science and Engineering

**STS
23**

Earth's Oceans: The Physics Behind their Might



Prof. Ritabrata Thakur
Department of Applied Mechanics

**STS
22**

Tiny Machines on Chip: Exploring the World of MEMS Sensors



Prof. Dhiman Mallick
Department of Electrical Engineering

**STS
21**

Circuit Design: A Blend of Art and Science



Prof. Ankesh Jain
Department of Electrical Engineering

**STS
20**

Materials Engineering Perspectives on Electrochemical Energy Storage System



Prof. K. S. N. Vikrant
Department of Materials Science & Engineering

TEDxIIT DELHI

Where Tech Engages Society to Empower Minds



TEDxIITDelhi, held on 13th April 2025 at IIT Delhi, brought together several speakers from academia and industry to explore how technology can drive societal progress and empower individuals. The event’s speaker lineup was unveiled by Sabeer Bhatia, the co-founder of Hotmail (now Microsoft Outlook).

The event featured inspiring talks from the faculty and students of IIT Delhi, including:

1. **Prof. Awanish Pandey**
Optics and Photonics Centre [Link to the TEDx talk](#)
2. **Prof. Subodh V. Sharma**
Dept. of Comp. Sci. and Engg. [Link to the TEDx talk](#)
3. **Ms. Kusum Saini**
Ph.D. student [Link to the TEDx talk](#)
4. **Mr. Vaibhav Gupta,**
Global Rank 1 of International Quant Championship 2023, and student of IIT Delhi [Link to the TEDx talk](#)

Industry speakers included Mr. Ishan Sharma (Founder, MarkitUP), Ms. Oli Ikechi-D’Amico, and Mr. Bipin Preet Singh (Managing Director, Co-Founder, and CEO of One MobiKwik Systems Ltd.), who is also an alumnus of IIT Delhi.

Exposure Visits to IIT Delhi

Glimpses of Some of Our International Guests



79th Know India Program

IIT Delhi hosted 27 journalists of Indian origin from different countries as part of the 79th edition of the Know India Programme by the Ministry of External Affairs on 2nd December 2024.

Japanese Delegates' Visit

A delegation from the Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education visited IIT Delhi on 29th January 2025 to understand India's academic structure and educational philosophy.



Dr. Michael Hsieh

On February 12th 2025, Dr. Hsieh, a tech and AI expert from Stanford University, delivered a talk on "Anxieties about the Tech Revolution? (Don't) Learn to Code!".

Central Asia Youth Delegation

In collaboration with the Ministry of Youth & Sports Affairs, IITD hosted a group of 100 youth delegates from Central Asian countries on 26th March 2025.



Exposure Visits to IIT Delhi

Glimpses of Some of Our National Guests

Indian Army- National Integration Tour

As part of the National Integration Tour by the Indian Army, a group of 24 students accompanied by teachers from Ladakh visited IIT Delhi on 05 December 2024. They interacted with IIT Delhi students, explored the Axl8r club, and toured the IITD campus.



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Uttar Pradesh Government School

A group of ~40 students from government schools in UP visited IIT Delhi in March 2025 as part of the UP government's Exposure Visit Program.

Government Engineering College Wayanad, Kerala

On 29th January, 2025, a group of ~70 students from Government Engineering College Wayanad, Kerala visited IIT Delhi.



LECTURE HALL COMPLEX



Haryana Teachers' Visit

IIT Delhi hosted 170 teachers from Haryana's technical institutions over a period of two months (Feb'25 to Mar'25) as part of the state's 'Faculty Exposure Visit' programme. They visited departmental labs, interacted with faculty members and got an exposure of training and placement activities at IITD.

Institute Lectures & Seminars



Through this lecture series, IIT Delhi has hosted several distinguished national and international scholars, thought leaders, professionals, and change-makers who have made significant contributions to academia and society. In the last year, we hosted nine distinguished national and international guests as IL speakers, who delivered inspiring talks at IIT Delhi.

Do we fully understand the fundamental electromagnetic interactions?



Prof. Elena Besley

Professor of Theoretical and Computational Chemistry
University of Nottingham, UK

Inside the Minds and Brains of Designers: The Cognition and Neurocognition of Design



Prof. John Gero

Professor in Computer Science and Architecture
University of North Carolina, USA

Advances in Understanding Atmospheric Aerosol Formation: From Molecular Scale Reactions to Global Impacts



Prof. Katrianne Lehtipalo

Professor of Atmospheric Science and Physics
University of Helsinki, Finland

What is so Responsible about Responsible AI?



Prof. Geoffrey Rockwell

Professor, Faculty of Arts
University of Alberta, Canada

Design Inquiry as Cooperative Learning



Prof. Liam Fennesy

Associate Dean, Learning & Teaching
(School of Design)
RMIT University, Australia

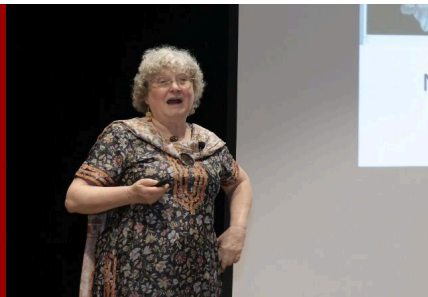
Slipping Through the Net: Can Data Science Help Target Energy Transitions & Policy Interventions ?



Prof. Ruchi Choudhary

Professor of Architectural
Engineering
University of Cambridge, UK

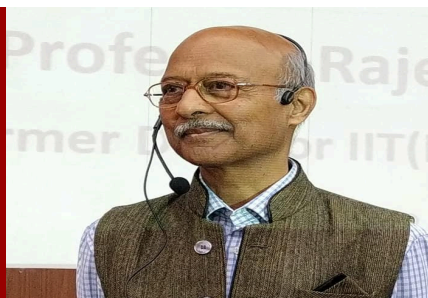
Mathematicians Helping Art Historians and Art Conservators



Dr. Ingrid Daubechies

Professor of Architectural
Engineering
University of Cambridge, UK

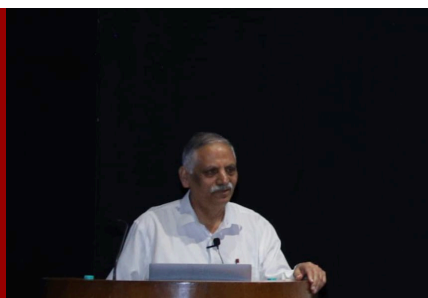
AI, Human Consciousness and Human Society



Prof. Rajeev Sangal

Professor of Architectural
Engineering
University of Cambridge, UK

Renewable Energy-
A Sustainable Solution for
Humanity



Prof. Bhim Singh

Professor - Department of Electrical
Engineering
Indian Institute of Technology Delhi,
India



Special Events



IIT Delhi & CNBC TV18- Health X Conversations



IIT Delhi collaborated twice with CNBC TV18, once in August 2024 and again in April 2025. In August 2024, the event **Future Female Forward** focused on the theme **Visionary Leadership and How Women Are Steering the Country's Economic Growth**.

On 21st April 2025, IIT Delhi, in collaboration with CNBC TV18, hosted **Health X Conversations** presented by Optum. The session aimed to **spotlight healthcare innovation by bringing leading CEOs and founders to campus** for inspiring dialogues with students.

The event featured Sandeep Dadlani, Chief Digital & Technology Officer at UnitedHealth Group, and Rahul Bhotika, Chief AI Officer at UnitedHealth Group.

Dr. Werner Vogels, Global CTO of Amazon, Visits IIT Delhi



On 26th September 2024, **Dr. Werner Vogels, CTO of Amazon**, delivered an engaging talk on **"AI for Good,"** attended by a packed audience of students and faculty.

He shared his insights on **how AI can address global challenges**, drawing from his work with startups focused on education and social impact.

Dr. Vogels also met with the Director, Deans, and the esteemed faculty from the Department of Computer Science. He also took a tour of the IITD campus.

The visit concluded at the Research and Innovation Park where he interacted with various startups incubated at IIT Delhi.

Konkan Railways Training Program NI



As part of an MoU between IIT Delhi and Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL), **A group of 32 students went for a 5-day training program to Konkan Rail Academy** under the Skilling Engineers for Professional Success (SEPS) initiative in October 2024.

The objective of the initiative was to increase the retention of students in core engineering disciplines, a mutual goal of both KRCL and IIT Delhi.

The program was very well received by the KRCL Officials and the beneficiary students who were selected and underwent the training.

The visit included classroom sessions and field training.

AI to Empower, Not Threaten: Meta's Yann LeCun at IIT Delhi



On 24th October 2024, **Dr. Yann LeCun, Meta's Chief AI Scientist and a pioneer in AI, visited IIT Delhi for a panel discussion titled "From Neural Mimics to Smart Assistants- A Journey into AI's Next Frontiers."**

The event, organised by the Office of Academic Outreach and New Initiatives (IIT Delhi) in collaboration with the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India and META, was produced by Teamwork Arts.

The panel discussion was moderated by IITD alumna and CEO of WYSA Jo Aggarwal and co-anchored by Vishal Gondal, CEO of GOQii.

Dr. LeCun highlighted India's unique role in AI due to its cultural and linguistic diversity, envisioning smart glasses translating local dialects in real time to support rural communities. He also stressed the importance of open-source models like LLaMA 3 to enable AI applications across India's 22 official languages.

Jake Sullivan, U.S. National Security Advisor, Visits IIT Delhi



On January 6, 2025, IIT Delhi, in collaboration with the I-Hub Foundation for Robotics (IHFC), hosted Mr. **Jake Sullivan**, National Security Advisor of the United States of America.

The event was jointly organized by the Office of Dean International Programmes and Academic Outreach. Mr. Sullivan delivered an insightful talk on **"The United States and India: Building a Shared Future,"** addressing faculty, students, industry representatives and guests from the U.S. Embassy.

He emphasized strengthening the India-U.S. strategic partnership through joint technology development and innovation. Mr. Sullivan concluded on an optimistic note, envisioning American and Indian researchers, firms and students working together on next-generation technologies, vaccines and space exploration in the coming decade.

Mr. Amandeep Gill, UN SG's Envoy on Technology

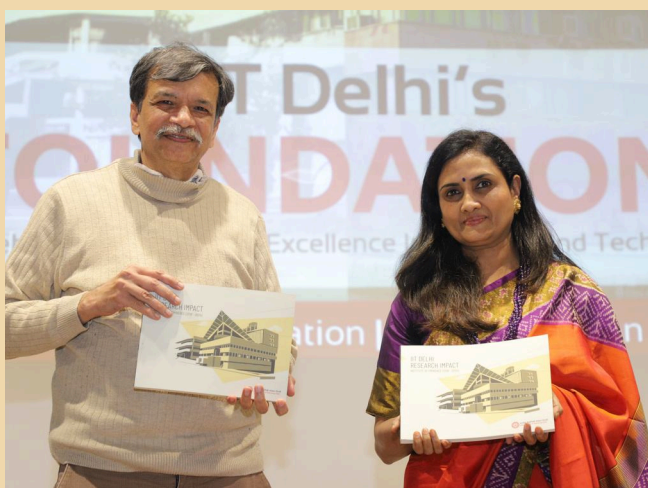


On 8th January 2025, Mr. **Amandeep Singh Gill**, UN Under-Secretary-General, Secretary-General's Envoy on Technology, visited IIT Delhi to deliver a talk on **"Technology and AI Governance."**

Mr. Gill also toured startups at the Foundation for Innovation and Technology Transfer (FITT), interacting with teams from Cyran AI, Mobisec, Tensor Dynamics and Synergy Quantum to learn about their solutions for societal impact.

The event included a fireside chat with Mr. Gill, moderated by Prof. Vaishnavi Sundarajan from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.

Foundation Day 2025



IIT Delhi celebrated its Foundation Day on 27th January 2025. The guest on the occasion was **Ms. Jaya Jagadish, Country Head and SVP, Silicon Design Engineering, AMD India Private Limited.**

The day featured a fireside chat with Ms. Jaya, followed by the presentation of the Research Impact Report by Prof. Vivek Buwa, Dean Planning.

The winners of the Faculty Research Award were also felicitated on this special day by **Prof. Rangan Banerjee, Director (IIT Delhi),** alongside Ms. Jaya Jagadish.

Glimpses



Women Leadership in STEM: Celebrating Role Models at IIT Delhi



IIT Delhi hosted a group of 20 mid-career women in STEM as part of the Women Leadership in STEM initiative by the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) and WomenLift Health on 29th January 2025.

The day-long program featured talks by Prof. Kanika Bhal on "**Women Leaders in STEM,**" Prof. Manidipa Banerjee on "**Balancing Science and Life,**" and Prof. Eri Ikeda on "**Navigating the Indian System as a Female and Foreigner.**"

It also included a panel discussion on women thriving in innovation and entrepreneurship, and the day concluded with a visit to the Central Research Facility (CRF) at IIT Delhi.

Fireside Chat with Cameron Adams, Co-Founder of Canva



On 12th February 2025, **Mr. Cameron Adams, Co-founder of Canva**, visited IIT Delhi for an interactive session with the IITD community.

The event featured a fireside chat moderated by **Prof. Saurabh Tewari, Department of Design**, where **Mr. Adams shared insights on design, creativity and his entrepreneurial journey.**

Following the discussion, he answered questions from students and faculty on topics ranging from design thinking to building Canva as a global platform. **This was Mr. Adams' first visit to India, making the occasion especially memorable for the IIT Delhi community.**

Macmillan Budding Scientist 2024-25



The Grand Finale of the **Macmillan Budding Scientist** program was held on 20th February 2025 at IIT Delhi, hosting teams from the North Zone and Middle East Zone.

This year, over 1,800 teams from 1,185 schools participated across zones, with the top 10 teams shortlisted for the finale. Students showcased impressive scientific curiosity and problem-solving skills through their innovative projects, which were evaluated by an esteemed jury including **Prof. Soumik Siddhanta** and **Prof. Biswajita Parida** from IIT Delhi.

The event highlighted IIT Delhi's continued efforts to nurture curiosity and inspire young minds to explore the wonders of science and innovation.

Inaugural Chidambaram Memorial Lecture on National Science Day

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On National Science Day (28 February 2025), IIT Delhi launched the **Chidambaram Memorial Lecture Series** in loving memory of the late **Dr. R. Chidambaram**, a renowned scientist and former Chairperson of the Board of Governors, IIT Delhi.

The lecture was attended by the family members of Dr. Chidambaram as special guests. **Prof. Rangan Banerjee**, Director (IIT Delhi), shared fond memories of his time with Dr. Chidambaram and his contributions to IIT Delhi. **The lecture series was unveiled by Shri K. N. Vyas**, Former Chairperson, Atomic Energy Commission, and Former Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE). Dr. Vyas also highlighted the role of Dr. Chidambaram in India's nuclear advancements.

The **inaugural lecture was delivered by Prof. Abhay Karandikar**, Secretary, DST, during which he focused on transforming India's S&T landscape towards Viksit Bharat, emphasizing structural reforms, funding, and private sector R&D to drive innovation.

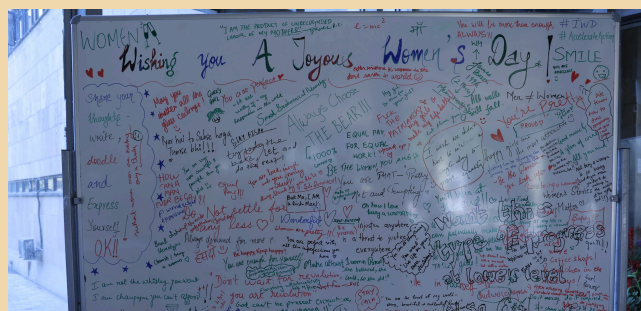
Following the lecture, the proceedings continued with the launch of the Research Synergy Forum, which aims to strengthen the academic and research skills of Master's and PhD students at IIT Delhi.

Winners of the **Prastuti and Srijan** competitions, organised by the Academic Outreach Office for PhD scholars to creatively showcase their research, were also felicitated on the occasion.

International Women's Day 2025



The Office of Academic Outreach & New Initiatives, Initiative for Gender Equity and Sensitisation (IGES), and the Office of Dean (Faculty) jointly organized the International Women's Day 2025 celebrations with the theme **#AccelerateAction**, featuring a keynote talk by **Dr. Soumya Swaminathan**, Chairperson, M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, **M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation** Chairperson, **M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation** on **"Holding Up Half the Sky."**



The celebration included **'Baaton Baaton Mein' (NI)**, the initiative called together the faculty and staff members to share their experiences of being a working women and also opened up about the challenges they faced by them in their journey.

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TRYST'25



TRYST, IIT Delhi is North India's largest science, technological and management festival organized by the student community of IIT Delhi. From enchanting guest lectures to learning hands-on skills through workshops, from exciting departmental activities and competitions to mesmerizing techno-cultural nights, from meeting eminent personalities to discovering science as never seen before, TRYST has it all.

With 75+ events and participation of 60,000 students from across the nation, team TRYST ensures there is something fun for everyone. The event took place from 10-12th March 2025 at IIT Delhi.

Aarogya: IIT Delhi's Health Series

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The Office of Academic Outreach and New Initiatives, in collaboration with the IIT Delhi Hospital, launched the Aarogya Lecture Series to promote healthier lifestyles within the IIT Delhi community.

Highlights of the Aarogya Lecture Series:

- 20th March 2025: Protect your Kidneys to Save the Heart by Dr. R.P. Mathur, ILBS Hospital, New Delhi
- 1st April 2025: Backache – Dos and Don'ts by Prof. Bhavuk Garg, AIIMS, New Delhi
- 27th May 2025: Understanding Cataracts: Causes, Symptoms & Modern Treatment Options by Dr. Amit Khosla, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi

[Link to videos](#)



SBI College Youth Ideathon 2025 Grand Finale

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The Grand Finale of SBI College Youth Ideathon (CYI) 2025, India's largest college entrepreneurship launchpad, was jointly organized by IIT Delhi in collaboration with MEPSC (under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship), ThinkStartup Foundation on 5th and 6th April 2025.

The event saw participation from over 44,000 students across 1,000 colleges, with the Top 100 teams invited to IIT Delhi to showcase their innovative ideas in live pitch rounds, bringing together the nation's brightest student innovators for an inspiring showcase of entrepreneurial talent.

Heat & Eat (Dayananda Sagar University) emerged as the winner for their self-heating food boxes, while Team **GFoot** from IIT Delhi emerged as the first runner-up for their low-carbon footwear technology reducing emissions by 80%.

CYI 2025 drew inspiration from national initiatives such as NEP 2020, Atma Nirbhar Bharat, Startup India, and Make in India, aiming to cultivate creativity and innovation among students and empower them to turn their ideas into reality.

Youth Speak Forum by AIESEC and IIT Delhi



AIESEC in Delhi IIT, in collaboration with IIT Delhi's office of Academic Outreach & New Initiatives, hosted the Youth Speak Forum (YSF) 2025 on April 20, 2025.

The forum brought together over 500 students from 50+ colleges across Delhi NCR for powerful keynote talks, panel discussions, and workshops focused on the UN Sustainable Development Goals, especially education, innovation, and sustainability.

Speakers included Prof. Deepak Jain (IIT Delhi), Krishna Kumar (BHEL), Gauri Agarwal (UN Women), Shark Tank featured Entrepreneurs and other changemakers.

YSF 2025 wasn't just a conference; it was a launchpad for tomorrow's changemakers.

CAIC Student Elections 2025



The elections are held annually for the positions of General Secretary, Convenors and Overall Coordinators to various Technical Clubs and Societies under CAIC.

The elections were held in two phases on 25th and 29th April 2025.

The CAIC elections were held using dual voting platform that seamlessly combines traditional paper ballots with electronic recording.

Over 2000 votes were cast during the CAIC elections, with 0% discrepancy recorded across electronic and paper ballots, validating the robustness and reliability of the newly developed platform.

Walking Among the Stars: An interaction with Astronauts



On 8th May 2025, IIT Delhi hosted “Walking Among the Stars: An Interaction with Astronauts,” featuring Sirisha Bandla (Virgin Galactic, USA/India), Angad Pratap (ISRO, India) and Hazzaa Al Mansoori (UAE).

The astronauts visited the Intelligent Robotic Teammate Lab, engaged with student researchers, and participated in an insightful panel discussion on space science, technology, and human resilience.

The winners of the **National Space Hackathon 2025** were also felicitated by the astronauts. **Team Galactic Hackers** from Techno Main Salt Lake, West Bengal won the first prize, **Team Monospace** from Ramrao Adik Institute of Technology, Maharashtra secured second place, and **Team Icybee** from Dwarkadas J. Sanghvi College of Engineering, Maharashtra was awarded third place.

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Jigyasa: Taking Science to the Masses ^{NI}



The inaugural event under '**Jigyasa**' was celebrated to commemorate **National Technology Day**, on 12th May 2025, at J.C. Bose University of Science and Technology, YMCA, Faridabad.

The event commenced with a welcome address by **Prof. Sushil Kumar Tomar**, Vice Chancellor of **J.C. Bose University of Science and Technology, YMCA**, followed by a session by Chief Guest **Prof. Maithili Sharan** from the Centre for Atmospheric Sciences, IITD, who spoke about the **history of India's nuclear programme** and the significance of developing indigenous technology. The event also included a talk on AI research at IIT Delhi by **Prof. Chetan Arora** and a panel discussion on the role of AI in human life, concluding with reflections on its growing impact.

Students, research scholars, and scientists from both IIT Delhi and JC Bose UST, YMCA, showcased their research through posters and demonstrations, engaging visitors in thought-provoking discussions.

CAIC Night - 2025

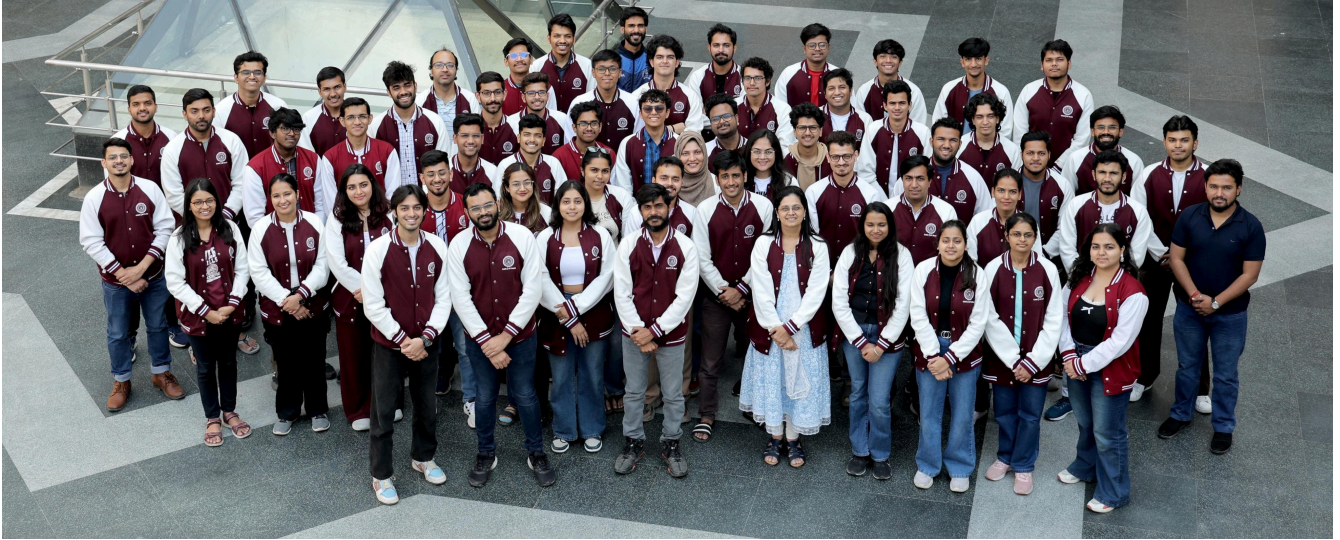


Co-Curricular and Academic Interaction Council (CAIC) Night 2025 was held on **13th May 2025** as a formal farewell to the **outgoing CAIC team**. The event was organized by the incoming CAIC team.

Presided over by the Dean (Academics) and Associate Dean Academics (Outreach & New Initiatives) as guests of honour, the event recognized the contributions of the **outgoing team** and felicitated winners across categories such as curriculum, outreach, and co-curricular activities.

The evening featured brief addresses, a felicitation ceremony, and concluded with dinner, allowing for reflections and informal interactions.

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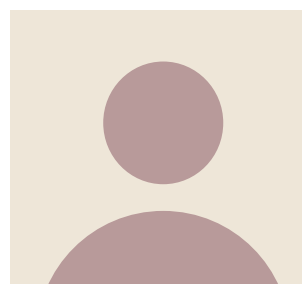
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