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## **IIT Bombay Marks Strong Presence At AI Impact Summit, Inks Multiple MoUs**

**Mumbai, February 25, 2026:** IIT Bombay had a strong and distinctive presence at the AI Impact Summit, held from 16 to 21 February at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, reaffirming its leadership in advancing Artificial Intelligence for national impact. As India's premier Institute of Eminence, the Summit was highly relevant to IIT Bombay's faculty and researchers and the Institute's participation spanned research, policy dialogue, technology demonstrations and industry engagement.

Several IIT Bombay faculty members, including Prof. Sunita Sarawgi, Prof. Manjunath, Prof. Ashutosh Gupta, Dr. Richa Singh, Prof. Biplab Banerjee and many others, contributed as speakers and panellists across diverse thematic tracks. BharatGen @ IIT Bombay had a dedicated stall in Hall 1. The stall in MeitY pavilion was visited by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi. These efforts were led by Prof. Ganesh Ramakrishnan, who also represented IIT Bombay and BharatGen across multiple platforms at the Summit and shared the stage with AI stalwarts and the Hon'ble Prime Minister during the inauguration of the India AI Impact Summit.

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A major contribution came from 20+ faculty members who submitted nearly 40+ research initiatives aligned with the Summit's themes. CMInDS, the Department of Computer Science and Trust Lab showcased work on AI in finance; Prof. Archak Mittal demonstrated AI applications in mobility; Prof. Suyash Bire anchored initiatives in climate adaptation; Prof. Lina Sonne Vyas presented work on AI for villages and entrepreneurship; and Prof. Vibhor Pandhare shared his

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research on AI in manufacturing. In addition, the Koita Center for Digital Health showcased healthcare-focused AI initiatives, Prof. Nirmal Punjabi presented his research at the IIT Bombay stall and Dr. Kshitij Jadhav and team demonstrated the work done at RAD AI in radiology. Wng Cdr Rohan showcased TCAAI initiatives and Prof. Swaprava Nath demonstrated how AI could be used in strategic warfare and other areas. Prof. Preeti Rao showcased the TARA software.

At the India AI Impact Summit 2026, a session “*Sovereign Models: A Story of Vision and Technical Execution*” was hosted by BharatGen in association with the India AI Mission, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and India DST at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The session was graced by Hon’ble Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh; Prof. Ajay K. Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser to GoI; Mr. S. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology; Prof. Abhay Karandikar, Secretary DST; Dr. Kris Gopalakrishnan, Chairman, MGB, NMICPS, DST and other eminent dignitaries.

BharatGen, India’s sovereign, multilingual and multimodal AI initiative, seeded by DST under the NM-ICPS and now funded by MeitY through the India AI Mission as its largest recipient, is building a high-performance indigenous AI stack. The presentations by the CEO Rishi Bal and consortium members highlighted strong progress in foundational text, speech and vision models, alongside deployment-ready platforms with real deployment examples of apps for governance (MahaGPT), healthcare (Medsum- Amrita), education (Yojaka KEF and Spoken Tutorials), fintech (Insure Copilot and Policy explainer) and cultural preservation (Uccharanika and Gyan Samwad - Gyanbharatam) and a call to action of co-creating solutions with domain experts. A major milestone shared was the completion of text models across all 22 scheduled languages, with next-generation foundational models set to further strengthen India’s AI ecosystem. An MoU was also signed between Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, IIT Bombay Heritage Foundation and BharatGen in the presence of Deputy Director (FIA) Prof. Ravi Gudi and Prof. Anurag Mairal.

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Among all academic institutions, IIT Bombay's stall in Hall 6 recorded high engagement, enabling meaningful interactions between visitors, delegates, faculty and researchers. Teams from TIH, Educational Outreach, Research Park and External Engagement actively interacted with industry representatives to explore future collaborations.

Marked by the strong presence of faculty and researchers across domains, IIT Bombay's participation truly reflected the spirit of "One IIT Bombay" - bringing together research, translation and global partnerships to shape AI for societal impact.

## **About IIT Bombay:**

The Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, set up in 1958 as the second IIT, is recognised worldwide as a leader in the field of science and engineering education and research. The Institute was granted the status of 'Institution of Eminence' by the Ministry of Education (the then Ministry of Human Resources Development) on July 9, 2018. IIT Bombay is reputed for the quality of its faculty, cutting-edge research, industry relations and the outstanding caliber of students graduating from its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The Institute has 81 academic divisions. Over the last six decades, more than 75,000 engineers and scientists have graduated from the Institute. It is served by 760 faculty, including 121 women faculty (plus 241 part-time faculty), considered not

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only amongst the best within the country but also highly recognised in the world for achievements in the field of education and research. On June 19, 2025, IIT Bombay was ranked 2nd in India and 129th in the world in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings for 2026.

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