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Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, is hosting the **India – AI Impact Summit 2026, Scheduled from 19-20 February 2026 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, India.** The India–AI Impact Summit 2026, was announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the France AI Action Summit and it will be the first-ever global AI summit hosted in the Global South. **Hon'ble Prime Minister to inaugurate the summit,** envisioned as the year's leading global AI forum, to drive inclusive, impactful, and action-oriented AI through global collaboration**.**

2.   Building on the momentum of leading international forums such as the UK AI Safety Summit, the AI Seoul Summit, the France AI Action Summit, and the Global AI Summit on Africa, this high-level convening marks a critical inflection point. It will strengthen existing multilateral initiatives while advancing new priorities, deliverables, and cooperative frameworks—moving from high-level political statements to demonstrable impact and tangible progress in global AI cooperation.

3.   The Summit charts a path towards a future where the transformative power of AI serves humanity, drives inclusive growth, fosters social development, and promotes people-centric innovations that protect our planet. It also seeks to amplify the voice of the Global South, ensuring that technological advancements and opportunities are shared broadly, not concentrated in a few regions. For more information, visit **https://impact.indiaai.gov.in/about-summit** .

4.   **The Three Sutras:** The India - AI Impact Summit will be anchored on three foundational pillars, known as 'Sutras'—a Sanskrit term meaning guiding principles or essential threads that weave together wisdom and action. These three Sutras i.e. People, Planet and Progress, define how AI can be harnessed through multilateral cooperation for collective benefit.

5.   **The Seven Chakras:** Building upon the three foundational Sutras, the deliberations at the AI Impact Summit will be organized around seven interconnected Chakras, areas of multilateral cooperation designed to channel collective energy toward holistic societal transformation. These Seven Chakras represent focused domains of international collaboration that translate the broader principles of People, Planet, and Progress into concrete areas of action:
   i.   Human Capital
   ii.   Inclusion for Social Empowerment
   iii. Safe and Trusted AI
   iv.   Resilience, Innovation, and Efficiency
   v.   Science
   vi.   Democratizing AI Resources
   vii. AI for Economic Growth and Social Good

6.   **Pre-Summit Events for India - AI Impact Summit 2026**
        As part of various pre-Summit events, **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) is organizing various flagship initiatives to highlight the Summit** and its objectives, especially on leveraging transformative AI towards inclusive growth and innovation, sustainable development and equitable progress for all. Among the flagship initiatives to be hosted for the AI Impact Summit, the following would feature during the coming two months.

a. **AI for ALL**: Global Impact Challenge to identify leading AI solutions across sectors turning vision into impact.
b. **AI by HER**: Global Impact Challenge to promote the scaling and adoption of women-led AI solutions to enable social impact.
c. **YUVAi**: Global Youth Challenge to showcase innovation by youth (13 -21 years) while fostering AI enabled problem-solving for social good.

7.   **Registration and Application**: The application for participating in the above events are open. The details of these flagships are in the link: **https://impact.indiaai.gov.in/home/pre-summit-events** along with communication guidelines and other related material.

8.   **Main Summit Events for India - AI Impact Summit 2026: Call for Proposals**
        The Call for Proposals invites organizations worldwide to host events which will be included in the official Summit program for the India - AI Impact Summit 2026. The events must be conducted in person at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, from 16th February to 20th February 2026. Organizations are encouraged to design sessions that align with the Summit's themes, foster diverse participation, and generate actionable insights or outcomes that strengthen the global dialogue on AI for People, Planet, and Progress. By hosting events at the Summit, organizations can play a meaningful role in shaping its deliberations and driving outcomes that advance impactful and globally relevant discourse on AI. More details are available at **https://impact.indiaai.gov.in/home/main-summit-events**

9.   For Application, Registration, and any further query, interested delegates / association / company's / representatives can contact the **IndiaAI Mission Team at fellow1.gpai-india@meity.gov.in / fellow3.gpai-india@meity.gov.in and impact-summit@indiaai.gov.in**.

10.   In case any additional information is required, please feel free to contact Amit Kumar (Marketing Executive), email com2.berne@mea.gov.in. For the latest updates on trade and events in India, please visit the Embassy of India, Berne website (www.indembassybern.gov.in/trade.php).

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