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3rd BHARAT HIGHER EDUCATION SUMMIT

THEME

TOWARDS VIKSIT BHARAT 2047
Universities as Engines of National Growth

18th & 19th JUNE 2026

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3rd BHES AGENDA

DAY 01-INAUGURAL (1600-1910 Hrs)

TIME	DURATION	INAUGURAL DESCRIPTION
1600 hrs	60 mins	Arrival of Guests and Registration at Block D 8
1700 hrs	90 mins	Inaugural Session at Block D 1 Auditorium
1700 hrs	5 mins	Lamp Lighting
1705 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Address by Prof. (Dr.) Raviraja Seetharam , Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University, Punjab
1715 hrs	5 mins	Contest Setting by Mr. R. Karthik , Director General, CIPU
1720 hrs	10 mins	Theme Address by Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Pathak , Honorary President, CIPU and Director General, Sarala Birla University, Ranchi
1730 hrs	10 mins	Special Address by Prof. (Dr.) V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai , Former Chairman, UGC & Advisor & Professor of Eminence, Jio Institute, Mumbai
1740 hrs	10 mins	Guest of Honour Address by Mr. Bhaskar Chatterjee , Former Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Govt of India & Former Director General & CEO Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs
1750 hrs	15 mins	Presidential Address by Dr. Rahul V. Karad , Founder & Chief Patron, CIPU and Executive President, MIT-World Peace University, Pune
1805 hrs	15 mins	Thought Leadership Address by Mr. Debasis Satapathy , Executive Director, NBCC (India) Limited, New Delhi
1820 hrs	15 mins	Chief Guest Address by Shri. Anurag Singh Thakur , Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha & Chairman, Parliament Standing Committee on Coal, Mines & Steel & Former Union Minister for I&B & Youth Affairs & Sports
1835 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of the Chief Guest by Mr. Deepinder Singh Sandhu , Senior Managing Director, Chandigarh University
1840 hrs	10 mins	MoU Signing between CIPU & International Automobile Centre of Excellence, Gujarat
1850 hrs	5 mins	Cultural Performance
1855 hrs	10 mins	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks by Prof. (Dr.) Parvinder Singh , Advisor, CIPU & Director, International Academic Affairs, Eco Paryavaran Engineers and Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
1905 hrs	5 mins	Group Photo
1910 hrs	1 min	National Anthem
		Networking Dinner

DAY 02-PANEL DISCUSSION & VALEDICTORY (0900-1645 Hrs)

TIME	DURATION	DESCRIPTION
0900 hrs	45 min	Introduction to 'The Bharat Collective – A national league of leading Private Universities' by Prof. (Dr.) D. P. Agrawal , Distinguished Member, CIPU Board of Advisors and Former Chairman, UPSC & Interaction with the Leaders
0945 hrs	90 mins	Panel Discussion on 'From Knowledge to National Wealth: Universities as Drivers of Innovation, Start-ups, and Industrial Competitiveness'
0945 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by Prof. (Dr.) Raviraja Seetharam , Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University, Punjab
0955 hrs	60 mins	Panel Discussion Prof. (Dr.) Anoop Gupta , Vice Chancellor, GLA University, Uttar Pradesh Prof. (Dr.) V Rajendran , Vice Chancellor, AMET University, Chennai Mr. Abhay Chebbi , Pro-Chancellor, Alliance University, Bengaluru Prof. (Dr.) Raj Singh , Vice Chancellor, Bennett University, Greater Noida Mr. Sanjay Shah , Founder and CEO, Elevante AI, Bengaluru Prof. (Dr.) Nagajyothi Koripella , Vice Chancellor, B.E.S.T University, AP
1055 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1110 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1115 hrs	30 mins	Networking Tea Break
1145 hrs	90 mins	Panel Discussion on 'Building Human Capital for Viksit Bharat 2047 - Transforming Universities for Skills, Employability, and Future Work'
1145 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by Prof. (Dr.) Parvinder Singh , Advisor, CIPU & Director, International Academic Affairs, Eco Paryavaran Engineers and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. and Former Vice Chancellor, Rayat Bahra University, Punjab
1155 hrs	60 mins	Panel Discussion Prof. (Dr.) Sanjay Kumar Bahl , Vice Chancellor, Indus International University, Himachal Pradesh Prof. (Dr.) Prafulkumar M. Udani , Vice Chancellor, Sankalchand Patel University, Gujarat Prof. (Dr.) Murari Lal Gaur , Vice Chancellor, The Assam Kaziranga University, Koraikhowa Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit Jaswal , Vice Chancellor, SRM University, Haryana Prof. (Dr.) Yogesh Goswami , Vice Chancellor, Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya, Indore Prof. (Dr.) Sunil Pareek , Dean (Post Graduate Studies), National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship & Management (NIFTEM), Haryana
1255 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1310 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1315 hrs	45 mins	Lunch



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TIME	DURATION	DESCRIPTION
1400 hrs	80 mins	Panel Discussion on “What Industry Expects from Universities in Viksit Bharat 2047”
1400 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by Mr. Abhishek Ranjan , Chairperson Sustainability and CSR, The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India
1450 hrs	40 mins	Panel Discussion Mr. E. Rajiv , Executive Director, International Automobile Centre of Excellence, Gujarat Mr. Puneet Verma , Founder & CEO, Cybrain Software Solutions Private Limited, Mohali Mr. Vikram R Singh , Founder & CEO, Antier Solutions, Chandigarh Dr. Sandeep Garg , Managing Director, ECO Paryavaran Group, Punjab
1450 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1505 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1510 hrs	20 mins	Networking Tea Break
1530 hrs	75 mins	Valedictory & Awards
1530 hrs	5 mins	Opening remarks by Prof. (Dr.) Raviraja Seetharam , Vice Chancellor, Chandigarh University, Punjab
1535 hrs	10 mins	Prof. (Dr.) DP Agrawal , Chairman of the Jury, Distinguished Member, CIPU Board of Advisors, and Former Chairman, UPSC
1545 hrs	10 mins	Awards Ceremony
1555 hrs	10 mins	MoU between CIPU and Times Group-Bennett University for 'The Academy for Entrepreneurial Teaching & Transformative Learning'
1605 hrs	10 mins	Special Address by Mr. Ronjan Sodhi , Convenor of CIPU Sports Advisory Board, Olympian, Former World No. 1 Double Trap Shooter, Khel Ratna Awardee
1615 hrs	15 mins	Guest of Honour by Prof. (Dr.) Bhola Ram Gurjar , Director, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research, Chandigarh, Ministry of Education
1630 hrs	5 mins	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks by Prof. (Dr.) G.K Shirude , Honorary Vice President, CIPU and Vice Chancellor, Sri Balaji University, Pune

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