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**Bharat Higher Education Summit (BHES) 2025**  
**Theme – Developing Next Generation Leaders in Higher Education**

**Day One: Inaugural Session – 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025, Mahindra University**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Description</b>
1630 hrs	60 mins	Hi-Tea & Arrival of Guests
<b>1730 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Day One - Inaugural Session</b>
1730 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Yajulu Medury</b> , Chairperson, CIPU Southern India Regional Council and Vice Chancellor, Mahindra University, Hyderabad
1740 hrs	10 mins	Theme Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Pathak</b> , Honorary President, CIPU and Director General, Sarala Birla University, Ranchi
1750 hrs	15 mins	Presidential Address by <b>Dr. Rahul V. Karad</b> , Chief Patron, CIPU & Executive President, MIT-World Peace University
1805 hrs	15 mins	Special Address by <b>Mr. Murali Bukkapatnam</b> , Chairman, Global Board of Trustees, TiE and Founder & CEO, Volksy Technologies, Hyderabad
1820 hrs	15 mins	Keynote Address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Anil Sahasrabudhe</b> , Chairman, Executive Committee, NAAC and Chairman, NBA
1835 hrs	15 mins	Inaugural address by <b>Prof. (Dr.) T. G. Sitharam</b> , Chairman, AICTE
1850 hrs	10 mins	Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks by <b>Prof. (Dr.) G. K. Shirude</b> , Hon. Vice President, CIPU and Vice Chancellor, Sri Balaji University, Pune (SBUP)
1900 hrs		Networking Dinner



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### **Day Two: Plenary Sessions – 24th April 2025, Mahindra University**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Description</b>
0900	20 mins	Special Address on ' <b>Challenges to Academic Leadership in the Next Decade</b> ' by <b>Prof. (Dr.) D.P. Agrawal</b> , Former Chairman, Union Public Service Commission
0920	20 mins	Guest of Honour Address on ' <b>Education as Soft Power – India's Global Influence through Higher Learning</b> ' by <b>Dr. Vijay Chauthaiwale</b> , In-Charge, Overseas Friends of BJP & Foreign Affairs Cell, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
<b>0940 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 1 – Public-Private Partnership in Research Capacity Building</b>
0940 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Rajasekharan Pillai</b> , Former Chairman, UGC and Vice Chancellor, Somaiya Vidyavihar University
0950 hrs	60 mins	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <b>Prof. (Dr.) Anil Kashyap</b> , President and Chancellor, NICMAR University, Pune <b>Prof. (Dr.) Roop Mahajan</b> , Lewis A. Hester Chair in Engineering, Virginia Tech <b>Prof. (Dr.) Padmakali Banerjee</b> , Vice Chancellor, IILM University, Gurugram <b>Dr. (Mrs.) C Tara Satyavathi</b> , Director, ICAR – Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad <b>Prof. (Dr.) Nihar Ranjan Biswas</b> , Vice Chancellor, Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Puducherry
1050 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1105 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
<b>1110 hrs</b>	<b>20 mins</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break</b>
<b>1130</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 2 – Leadership Skills for Digital Age</b>
1130 hrs	10 mins	Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Parvinder Singh</b> , Chairperson, CIPU Northern India Regional Council and Vice Chancellor, Lamrin Tech Skills University, Punjab



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1140 hrs	60 mins	Panel Discussion <b>Dr. Onkar Bagaria</b> , Trustee & CEO, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur <b>Prof. (Dr.) Rajita Kulkarni</b> , President, Sri Sri University, Cuttack <b>Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Pujari</b> , HOD of AI & CSE, Adviser & Professor Emeritus, Mahindra University, Hyderabad <b>Prof. (Dr.) Monika Sethi Sharma</b> , Vice Chancellor, K.K. Modi University, Chattisgarh
1240 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1255 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1300 hrs	60 mins	Lunch Break
<b>1400 hrs</b>	<b>90 mins</b>	<b>Panel Discussion 3 – Fostering Entrepreneurial Mindsets in Academia</b> Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Ramgopal Rao</b> , Group Vice Chancellor, BITS Pilani
1400 hrs	10 mins	Panel Discussion
1410 hrs	60 mins	<b>Prof. (Dr.) Pawan Kumar Singh</b> , Director, IIM Tiruchirappalli <b>Prof. (Dr.) Y.S.R. Murthy</b> , Vice Chancellor, The Assam Royal Global University <b>Dr. Madhu Chitkara</b> , Pro-Chancellor, Chitkara University, Punjab <b>Dr. Yogesh Brahmarkar</b> , Innovation Director, MoE's Innovation Cell <b>Mr. Rajesh Pagadala</b> , President, TIE Hyderabad and Founder & Managing Director, Pagadala Constructions Pvt. Ltd.
1510 hrs	15 mins	Open House
1525 hrs	5 mins	Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
1530 hrs	30 mins	Tea/Coffee Break



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- 1600 hrs 90 mins Panel Discussion 4 – Leadership in Research and Innovation**
- 1600 hrs 10 mins Welcome Remarks and Context Setting by **Prof. (Dr.) Sandeep Sancheti**, Chairperson, CIPU National Committee on R&D and Industry-Academia Collaboration and Vice President – Research Relations & Academic Affairs, Elsevier India
- 1610 hrs 60 mins Panel Discussion
- Prof. M. Krishnamurthy**, Centre Director, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Hyderabad
- Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Shaligram**, Hon. Director, ISRO-UoP Space Technology Cell, Savitribai Phule Pune University
- Prof. (Dr.) K. P. Venugopal Rao**, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Hyderabad
- Prof. (Dr.) Bishnu Pal**, Professor & Dean Ecole Centrale School of Engineering & HoD, Physics, Mahindra University
- Prof. (Dr.) Kumar Molugaram**, Vice Chancellor, Osmania University, Hyderabad
- 1710 hrs 15 mins Open House
- 1725 hrs 5 mins Felicitation of Speakers and Group Photo
- 1730 hrs 5 mins Vote of Thanks by **Mr. R. Karthik**, Director General, Confederation of Indian Private Universities (CIPU)

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