

	Grand Ballroom	Nyra (Level 1)	Narmada (Level 1)
09:00 – 09:45 am	Registration with coffee		
09:45 – 11:00 am	Inaugural ceremony – Welcome Address: Mr Ravin Nair, Managing Director, QS I-GAUGE – Special Address: Prof Dr Jagdish S Joshi, Vice Chancellor, Gujarat University – Special Address: Prof Dr Bharat Bhasker, Director, IIM Ahmedabad – QS Chair Address: Dr Ashwin Fernandes, Chair, QS India and Vice President, QS – Special Address: Shri Sudhir Nanavati, President, GLS University		
11:00 – 11:15 am	Networking coffee break		
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	Panel Discussion Democratising AI: Scalable adoption strategies and equitable access in Indian higher education – Ms Jaya Deshmukh (Chair) Director & CEO, MICA – Mr Ritesh Hada President, Karnavati University – Dr Devanshu Patel President, Parul University – Dr Deepak Bajaj Campus Director, Deakin University, GIFT City – Dr Nimay Kalyani Campus Director, University of Wollongong, GIFT City – Prof Dr Rajul K Gajjar Former Vice Chancellor, Gujarat Technological University	11:30 am – 01:00 pm Presidential Roundtable (Invite only) Crafting the next-generation graduate: University leadership for AI-driven future – Dr Geetika Madan Patel (Chair) Vice President, Parul University – Dr Sandip N Jha Chairman, Sandip University – Mr Thirumoorthy A President, Sri Shanmugha Group of Institutions – Prof Dr Sandeep Arora Chancellor, Kalinga University – Shri Pravesh Dudani Founder & Chancellor, Medhavi Skills University, Sikkim – Dr Daulat Singh Chauhan Pro Chancellor, ITM University – Dr Madan A Sendhil Chairman, Rathinam Group – Prof Dr Amit N Kolhe President, Sanjivani University – Dr Prashant Bhalla Chancellor, Manav Rachna University – Dr Shasi Anand Sridharan Vice President, Kalasalingam University – Dr Neema Agarwal Additional Managing Director, Noida Institute of Engineering and Technology – Dr Amit Saxena CEO, Sparsh Universe	11:30 am – 01:00 pm Vice Chancellors Roundtable (Invite only) The skill-first university: Leveraging AI to align curricula with emerging workforce needs – Dr Ashwani Kumar (Co-Chair) Vice Chancellor, Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences – Dr Ibrahim Rehman (Co-Chair) Director General & CEO, NAMTECH – Prof Dr R Elijah Blessing Vice Chancellor, Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences (Deemed to be University) – Dr Parag Sanghani CEO & Vice Chancellor, P P Savani University – Dr Jawahar Suriseti Vice Chancellor, Rungta International Skills University – Dr Atul Patel, Vice Chancellor Charotar University of Science and Technology – Dr Ravi Kumar Jain Vice Chancellor, IILM University, Gurugram – Dr Dharmesh Shah Provost, GLS University – Mr Sunil Dahiya Executive Vice President, Wadhwani Foundation – Dr Girish Jammigumpula Vice Chancellor, GMRIT Deemed to be University – Dr Ramandeep Saini Director Principal, Chandigarh Business School of Administration, Landran – Dr Vinayak Kalluri Registrar, SRM University–AP – Prof Dr Hari Kiran Vege Dean Academics & Director Education Research & Academic Strategy, KL University – Dr Vinay Kumar A Vice Chancellor, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education – Dr Nipun Batra Associate Professor, IIT Gandhinagar
01:15 – 02:00 pm	Networking lunch break		
02:00 – 03:00 pm	Panel Discussion Keeping higher education human: Cultivating trust and academic integrity – Dr Ashwin Fernandes (Chair) Chair, QS India and Vice President, QS – Prof Dr Utpal S Joshi Vice Chancellor, Saurashtra University, Rajkot – Ms Vinita Rohera Vice President, Gandhinagar University – Dr Daulat Singh Chauhan Pro Chancellor, ITM University – Dr Shasi Anand Sridharan Vice President, Kalasalingam University	02:00 – 03:30 pm Presidential Roundtable (Invite only) Transforming universities with AI: From one-time degrees to lifelong learning – Dr Lasya Thambidurai (Co-Chair) Trustee, St Peter's University – Mr Abhay G Chebbi (Co-Chair) Pro Chancellor, Alliance University – Ms Swati Munjal President, BML Munjal University – Mr Rahul Singhi Director and Co-Founder, Poornima Group – Dr Priam V Pillai Vice Chancellor, Pillai University – Mr Cecil Antony Chief Mentor & Managing Trustee, NSHM Knowledge Campus – Mr Ritesh Hada President, Karnavati University – Mr Hemant Sahal Founder & CEO, Digii – Dr Girish Desai Executive Director, Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust & Pimpri Chinchwad University – Mrs Sujatha Kshirsagar President & Chief Business Officer, Career Launcher – Dr Anil Kumar Chillimuntha President & CEO, METAS Group of Institutions – Mr Sunil Acharya Head – Global Accounts, Intel	02:00 – 03:30 pm Vice Chancellors Roundtable (Invite only) The adoption gap: Empowering faculty to match the pace of student AI usage – Prof Dr Dhaval Pujara (Chair) Provost, Adani University – Prof V N Rajasekharan Pillai Advisor & Professor of Eminence, Jio Institute – Prof Dr Jaskiran Kaur Campus Director, IMS Ghaziabad (University Courses Campus) – Dr Vijendra Chauhan Director General, Swami Rama Himalayan University – Dr Vijaysekhar Chellaboina Vice Chancellor, JK Lakshmiapat University – Prof Dr Rupesh Vasani Vice Chancellor, Swaminarayan University – Prof Dr Prafulkumar Udani Provost, Sankalchand Patel University – Dr Jelani Mohammed Dean & Director – Accreditations & Rankings, Narayana Business School – Dr Atul Kumar Vice Chancellor, Vikrant University – Dr Anilkumar Gupta Vice Chancellor, DY Patil Agriculture and Technical University – Dr U Chandrasekhar Vice Chancellor, Godavari Global University – Prof Dr M S Rao Vice Chancellor, Gokul Global University – Dr K Porkumaran Principal & Senior Professor, Sri Krishna College of Engineering & Technology
03:00 – 03:30 pm	• Key Highlights – AI adoption in Indian higher education • QS AI Capability Framework		
03:30 – 03:45 pm	Networking coffee break		
03:45 – 05:30 pm	Valedictory – Launch of the report : AI adoption in Indian higher education – Faculty perspective report 2026 – QS I-GAUGE Awards : Rated Institutions – Special Address: Shri Ajay Kumar Tomar (IPS, Retd.), Joint President & Group Head Cadre Excellence and Leadership Development, Adani Group and former Director General of Police, Gujarat – Special Address: Dr Dipesh Shah, Executive Director (Development) at International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA), GIFT City – Chief Guest Address: Shri Arjunbhai Devabhai Modhwadia, Hon'ble Minister, Science & Technology, Forests and Environment, Climate Change, Government of Gujarat		