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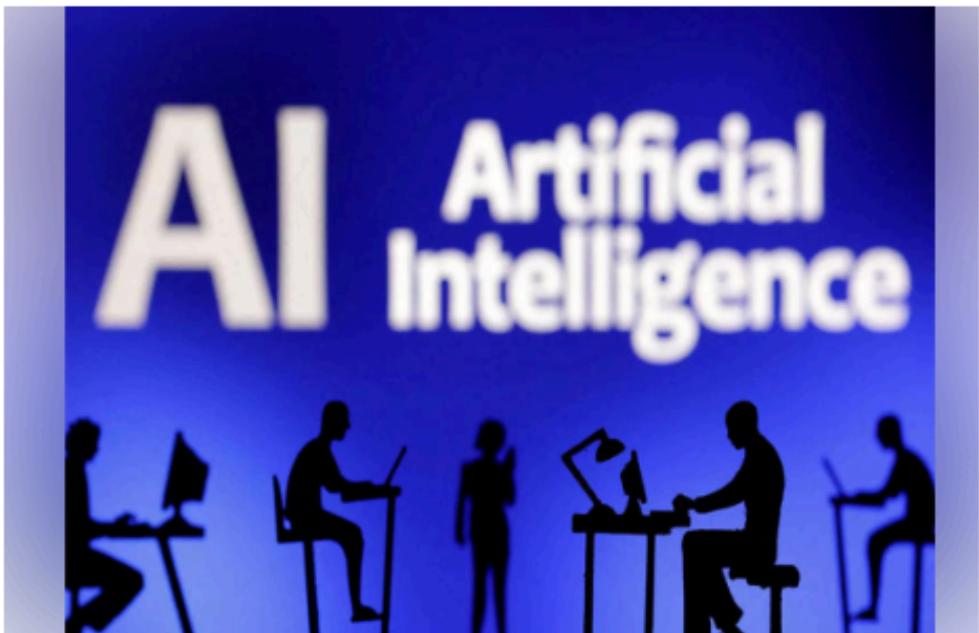
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As a precursor to the India-AI Impact Summit 2026, it will lay the groundwork for cross-sector collaborations aimed at driving inclusive, responsible, and scalable AI solutions that reflect India's diverse needs and ambitions.

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India's AI Future Takes Center Stage at 2026 Summit Pre-Event in Delhi

AI4India, with Intel and IHFC, is hosting the official pre-event for the India-AI Impact Summit 2026 at IIT Delhi. The event aims to build inclusive AI solutions for India's diverse challenges through keynote sessions and panel discussions. It will feature over 30 speakers, launch a major report on AI and employability, and host an expo for 25 emerging AI startups. The initiative underscores a collaborative push to drive responsible and scalable AI innovation aligned with national development goals.

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AI4India, in partnership with Intel India, BharatGen, and IHFC—the Technology Innovation Hub of IIT Delhi—will host the official pre-event for the India-AI Impact Summit 2026 on Friday (January 23).

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Held at the Research & Innovation Park at IIT Delhi, the event is themed "Building Inclusive AI for India and the World: Uplift, Empower, Enrich."

It aims to position artificial intelligence as a transformative tool for addressing national challenges while reinforcing India's role in the global technology ecosystem.

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The report, Future of Employability in the Age of AI: India's Playbook for Students, Institutions, and Industry, draws on more than 85 interviews conducted between November and December 2025 with leaders from industry, academia, government, EdTech, staffing firms, and student communities.

The urgency of this research stems from three intersecting crises that, if left unaddressed in 2026, carry the risk of a fundamental decoupling of Indian higher education from the global economy with a direct impact on the employability of an entire generation of fresh graduates, it asserted.

At the policy level, the report urged the government to declare AI literacy a national baseline across disciplines, rather than confining it to technical education.

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Intel India President Gokul Subramaniam. (Photo: ANI)

Intel India calls for privacy-driven AI growth as India advances data protection laws

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New Delhi [India], January 23 (ANI): Intel India is working on technology architectures to safeguard AI models and data, while India develops its regulatory framework under the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) regime, Company's President, Gokul Subramaniam told ANI on Friday.

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Ashutosh Dutt Sharma, CEO, IHFC-IIT Delhi, called for collaboration between research institutions, industry, and public systems. "AI must move beyond experimentation to deliver measurable societal outcomes at scale," he said, underlining the urgency of translating AI innovation into real-world impact.

A central concern was preparing India's workforce for an AI-driven future. Shashi Shekhar Vempati, Co-Founder, AI4India, highlighted youth employability. "There is a lot of anxiety globally about AI taking away jobs. What we need to address is the anxiety our youth feels about employability. Preparing students and employers for an AI-driven future is not optional anymore," he said.

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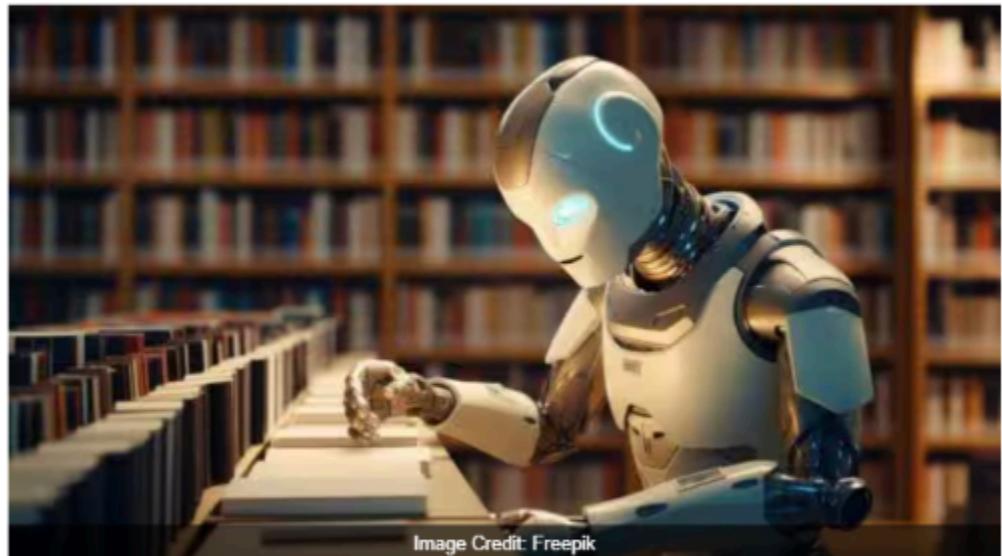
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India must realign education, skilling, hiring for AI era: AI4India report

EdTech and skilling platforms, meanwhile, are advised to move beyond tool-centric tutorials toward capability-building programmes that emphasise reasoning, evaluation, and multi-tool orchestration.



New Delhi: India must urgently realign its education, skilling, and hiring systems to keep pace with the rapid transformation of work driven by artificial intelligence, according to a new report released by AI4India. The study outlines

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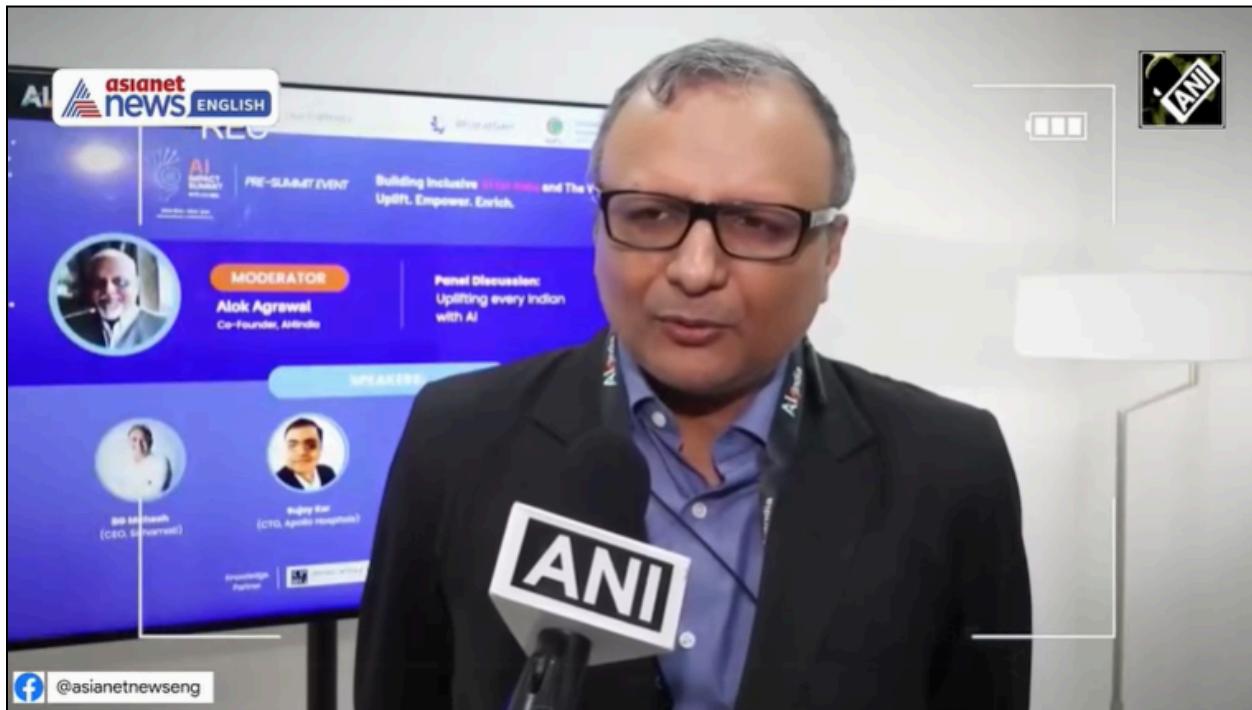
Intel India, together with AI4India, BharatGen, and IHFC, will host a pre-event for the upcoming India-AI Impact Summit 2026 at IIT Delhi.

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Twenty-five AI startups will show off their ideas, plus a new report will highlight how AI is shaping jobs.

IHFC also will offer up to ₹2 crore in funding for standout AI ventures—so there's real support to turn smart ideas into reality.

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Get latest articles and stories on Business at LatestLY. Speaking to ANI on the sidelines of a pre-summit conclave ahead of the AI India Impact Summit 2026, Agrawal said India must focus on enriching and structuring local data to build AI models relevant to its diverse population. "One very strong thing coming out is that there is a lot of data which is available... but we don't have the right framework to use it or make it available to model developers," Agrawal said.

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