



10TH EDITION

THE EDU MEET 2026 & EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Focus: Future of Education and Skilling – Vision 2030

Date: Friday, 21st August 2026

Venue: Kolkata



Education has a vital role to play in developing the knowledge, skills, attitude and values that enable people to contribute and benefit from an inclusive and sustainable future. Learning to form clear and purposeful goals, work with others with different perspectives, find untapped opportunities and identify multiple solutions to big problems will be essential in the coming years. Education need to aim to do more than prepare young people for the world of work; it needs to equip students with the skills they need to become active, responsible and engaged citizens.

The Vision for 2030 prioritizes lifelong upskilling, adaptive learning, and AI-driven personalization. Education systems are shifting from standardized rote learning to developing transformative competencies—such as critical thinking, emotional intelligence, and student agency—to prepare learners for a complex, tech-driven world. The Future of Education and Skilling: Vision @ 2030 outlines a paradigm shift from rote, credential-based learning to a holistic, outcome-oriented model. It emphasizes building core foundations, transformative competencies, and learner agency to navigate a technology-driven, interconnected global economy. Tomorrow's education shifts away from standardized instruction to a highly personalized approach that focuses on what is universally required to thrive.

India's 2030 education vision shifts toward AI literacy, vocational integration and hybrid learning. Key initiatives to train 1M Indians in AI and the expansion of the Future Skills Prime platform. The government aims to integrate skill training directly into the schooling system, preparing the workforce. By 2030, India will have the largest number of young populations in the globe, a population size which will be a boon only if these young people are skilled enough to join the workforce. Quality education will play a major role in it.



The National Education Policy (NEP) mandates to blend formal schooling with vocational pathways, digital literacy, and AI-driven education to meet 2030 workforce demands. The future of India's economy, social harmony, innovation capacity, and global competitiveness will depend heavily on whether its education system can successfully transition from outdated, examination-centric structures toward a modern, skill-driven, research-oriented and ethically governed ecosystem.

With this perspective, ASSOCHAM is organizing the **10th Edition of Edu Meet on 21st August 2026**, in **Kolkata**. The Conclave will have parallel sessions, engaging discussions with subject experts and industry leaders focusing on Higher Education, School Education and Skill Development.

Focussed discussions shall be around –

-  Integrating Vocations & Education
-  Emerging Technologies
-  Industry-Academia Alignment
-  Holistic Development & Core Competencies
-  Bridging the urban – rural education gap



Excellence Awards 2026

On the occasion of our annual Edu Meet, we are organizing Excellence Awards 2026 for recognizing excellence in the education sector

(For registration purposes, please use the attached nomination form. Kindly note that Awards are made at the discretion of the selection committee, based on nominations received)

Why Nominate?



Recognition and Credibility: Winning an award can enhance the organization's reputation and credibility in the industry.

Motivation and Morale: The nomination process itself can boost employee morale and motivation, recognizing their hard work and dedication.

Benchmarking and Learning: Participation allows the organization to benchmark its performance against industry standards and learn from best practices of other nominees.

Networking Opportunities: Being part of the award process can lead to valuable networking opportunities with other industry leaders and experts.

Publicity and Branding: Winning or even being nominated can provide valuable publicity and branding opportunities, enhancing the organization's visibility in the market.

Stakeholder Confidence: Winning an award can instill confidence in stakeholders, including customers, investors, and partners, about the organization's commitment to excellence.

Continuous Improvement: The nomination process encourages organizations to reflect on their practices and strive for continuous improvement in various aspects of their operations.



Who Should Attend

Schools Colleges Universities vocational education and training Preschools Study Abroad Advisors

Faculty (Teachers, Lecturers, Researchers, Professors, Head of Department, Deans),

Vice-Chancellors

Chancellors

Policy Makers and Stakeholders

Government representatives

Franchise

non-governmental organization staff and private providers

Owners

Partnership Opportunity

Deliverables	Platinum Partner	Diamond Partner	Gold Partner	Silver Partner
Sponsorship Amount (plus 18% GST)	₹5,00,000/-	₹4,00,000/-	₹3,00,000/-	₹2,00,000/-
Speaking Slot in Inaugural Session	✓	✓	x	x
Speaking Slot in Panel Session	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corporate Video Presentation	✓	✓	✓	x
Logo Display on LED Backdrop	✓	✓	✓	✓
Logo Display in ‘Thank you Partners’ standee	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corporate Standees	4 No.	3 No.	2 No.	1 No.
Social Media Promotion	✓	✓	✓	✓
Logo Display on the Event Banner in ASSOCHAM website	✓	✓	✓	✓
Company Literature in Delegate Kits	✓	✓	✓	x
Complimentary Awards Nominations	1 No.	1 No.	x	x
Complimentary Delegates	10 Nos.	7 Nos.	5 Nos.	3 Nos.

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