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# EMPRESARIO STARTUP SUMMIT 2026

**THEME:**

**NEXTGEN YOUTH INNOVATORS**

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**

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Date: 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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12<sup>th</sup> March 2026, Thursday (Track 1) Empresario

Time	Agenda	Representatives	Venue
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Registration		
10:30 AM - 11:45 AM	Inauguration of Empresario Startup Summit	Lamp Lighting & Saraswati Vandana  Welcome Address by <b>Dr. Sunil Shukla</b> , Director General, EDII  Address by, <b>Dr. Dipan Sahu</b> , Assistant Innovation Director, MoE Innovation Cell  Address by <b>Ms. Prachi Patwari</b> , Executive Director, Nexus Infratech Pvt. Ltd. And Chairperson (2024-25) of GCCI Business Women Committee  Address by <b>Mr. Yatindra Sharma</b> , Convenor, CII Gujarat Start-up TaskForce, & Managing Partner, Invesco Fiscal Services LLP  Address by <b>Shri Arjun Modhwadia</b> , Minister for Science and Technology, Govt. of Gujarat  Vote of Thanks – Dr. Satya Acharya	Prekshagruh
11:45 PM – 12:00 PM	Inauguration of Startup Exhibition		Plaza-I



<b>12.00 PM – 01.00 PM</b>	<b>Visit to Startup Exhibition</b>		Plaza – I
<b>2.00 PM – 4.00 PM</b>	<b>Career Opportunity in Innovation and Entrepreneurship</b>	<b>Dr. Dipan Sahu</b> , Assistant Innovation Director, MoE Innovation Cell	Prekshagruh
<b>4.00 PM – 4.30 PM</b>	<b>Master Class with Odoo</b>	<b>Mr. Malhar Pandya</b> , Odoo	Prekshagruh
<b>4:30 PM - 5:15 PM</b>	<b>Interaction with Edupreneur</b>	<b>Mr. Sumit Singh Gandhi</b> , Founder and CEO, CATKing Educare	Prekshagruh
<b>05:30 PM – 06:00 PM</b>	Standup Comedy	<b>Artist</b> Mr. Shubham Upadhyay Ms. Ruchi Jha Mr. Shlok Oza	Prekshagruh
<b>06:30 PM</b>	Talent Fest	Youth Talent Fest – Inter-Institute Competition	Prekshagruh

### **12<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (Track 2): RAMP Project**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Speakers</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>02:30 PM – 02:45 PM</b>	Introduction to the RAMP Project	RAMP Team	Manthan Hall
<b>02:45 PM – 03:15 PM</b>	Overview of the RAMP Project	Deloitte Team	Prekshagruh
<b>03:15 PM – 03:45 PM</b>	Implementation Framework for RAMP & Introduction of the Project Team	RAMP Team	Prekshagruh
<b>03:45 PM – 04:00 PM</b>	Keynote Address	Shri R. D. Barhatt, Joint Commissioner of Industries, Government of Gujarat	Prekshagruh



**13th March 2026, Friday**

**Theme: Navachar Se Adhikar: Empowering Innovators through IPR**

Time	Agenda	Representatives	Venue
<b>09:30 AM – 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Registration</b>		
<b>10:30 AM – 11:45 AM</b>	Inauguration of IP YATRA	Lamp Lightning & Saraswati Vandana  Welcome Address by <b>Dr. Sunil Shukla</b> , Director General, EDII  Address by <b>Shri Jatin Trivedi</b> , Managing Partner, Y. J. Trivedi & Co.  Address by <b>Smt. G. Latha, IAS</b> Commissioner, Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute - Tamil Nadu (EDII-TN)  Vote of Thanks	Prekshagruh
<b>12:00 PM – 01:00 PM</b>	<b>Special Talk</b>	Interaction with <b>Shri Aman Gupta</b>	Prekshagruh

**13th March 2026, Friday (Track 1) Empresario**

<b>02:00 PM – 03:00 PM</b>	Workshop Content Creation for Business Marketing	<b>Mr. Vaibhav Kadnar</b> , Founder, NexGen Media	Prekshagruh
<b>3:00 PM – 4:30 PM</b>	Panel Discussion -1 “The New Age of Entrepreneurs” Moderation by:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Ankit Khichadiya</b>, Director, Rangoli Ice-Cream</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Vikas Mundhra</b>, Founder &amp; CEO, Magenta Insights.</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Abhinav Gupta</b>, CEO, Budha College</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Dhyey Shah</b>, Shivalik Group</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Amit Kumar Dwivedi</b>, EDII</li> </ul>	Prekshagruh



<b>4:30 PM – 5:15 PM</b>	Panel Discussion -2 “Opportunities in Orange Economy”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mr. Parth Shah,</b> parthnow</li><li>• <b>Mr. Aniruddh Thakor,</b> (Social Entrepreneur) Founder, Apnidharohar</li><li>• <b>Mr. Vishal Shah</b> Prayogshala</li><li>• <b>Dr. Etinder Pal Singh,</b> EDII</li></ul>	Prekshagruh
<b>5:15 PM – 6:00 PM</b>	Panel Discussion -3 “From Pitch to Growth: Stories from Shark Tank India Startups”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Mr. Mitesh Shethwala,</b> Founder &amp; CEO, Currently</li><li>• <b>Mr. Anant Tomar,</b> Founder &amp; CEO, Motion Automotive</li><li>• <b>Mr. Jayesh Nai,</b> Co-Founder, Prahantam Pvt. Ltd</li><li>• <b>Mr. Darshan Gattani,</b> Co-Founder, Stroom</li><li>• <b>Dr. Abdul Razak,</b> EDII</li></ul>	Prekshagruh

### 13th March 2026, Friday (Track 2): IP YATRA

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>02:30 PM – 03:00 PM</b>	<b>Welcome Address of GI Event</b>	Welcome Address  Address by <b>Ms. Gopi Trivedi</b> , Senior Partner, Y.J.Trivedi & Co.	Manthan
<b>03:00 PM – 04:00 PM</b>	<b>Stakeholder Meet / GI Workshop</b>	<b>Stakeholder Meet of GI Invites</b>	Manthan
<b>04:00 PM – 05:00 PM</b>	<b>Felicitation of SDA GI Certificate</b>	<b>Felicitation of GI Certificate for Surat Diamond Cut to SDA by Prof (Dr) Unnat Pandit</b> , Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks (CGPDTM) DPIIT, Gol.	Manthan
<b>05.00 PM onwards</b>	GI Authorized User Certificate Distribution	GI Authorized User Certificate Distribution with Thanks Note & Closing Remarks followed by Networking Hi-Tea	Manthan



8:00 PM onwards	Musical Evening with Live Band	Stone Keys Band	Plaza II
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### 14th March 2026, Saturday (Track 1) Empresario

Time	Agenda	Representatives	Venue
10:00 AM - 02:00 PM	SSIP Pitching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Dhara Thakore</b>, Ecosystem Engagement Lead, WEN Accelerate</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Bhaskar Jani</b>, EDII</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Kaushik Choudhury</b>, CEO AIC - IPR</li> <li>• <b>iCreate</b></li> </ul>	Adhyayan – V Adhyayan – VI Chintan – I Chintan – II
	Student Pitching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms. Nehal Prajapati</b>, Manager, KIIF</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Srinadh Mattaparthi</b>, Senior Manager, KIIF</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Harsh Parekh</b>, Project Manager Ihub</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Yash Pandya</b>, Director, Aarambh Incubation Center - and Assistant Professor</li> </ul>	
	Startup Pitching	<p><b>Investors:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovations Venture Studio</li> <li>• House of Star</li> <li>• India Accelerator</li> <li>• RaM Ventures</li> <li>• ShuruUp</li> <li>• Iroller Capital</li> <li>• Acxelerate India</li> <li>• DevX</li> </ul>	
	Grand Finale: Tech BIP Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Etinder Pal Singh</b>, EDII</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Amritkant Mishra</b>, EDII</li> </ul>	



<b>02:00 PM – 4:00 PM</b>	E Auction	Brainstorming Activity for Students	Sido Hall
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### **14th March 2026 (Track 2): IP YATRA**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>10:30 AM - 11:30 AM</b>	<b>Innovate, Protect, Grow:</b> Patent & Design Strategies for MSMEs	<b>Shri Nilesh Pandit</b> , IPR Lead, Tata Consultancy Services	Manthan
<b>11:30 PM - 12:30 PM</b>	<b>Brand to Asset:</b> Leveraging Trademarks & Copyrights for Growth	<b>Ms. Neha Verma</b> , Legal Head & Company Secretary, Puniska	Manthan

<b>07:00 PM</b>	<b>Main Event</b>	<b>Pre-event</b> (Opening Artist) <b>Main Event Artist (Madhur Sharma</b> and team) <b>Post Event</b> (DJ Paranox)	<b>Cricket Ground</b>
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