

PRE ACTIVITIES

Teacher & Student Engagement Strategies

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- 200 FDP trainings aim to expand from 50-60 colleges to more colleges for training teachers to become ambassadors
- Class Representatives (CRs) act as student ambassadors to form groups and collect student email IDs for access to the Wadhwani Foundation platform

Bootcamps for Innovative Learning

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- Class Representatives (CRs) also help create student groups and gather email IDs for platform access, supporting innovative learning through bootcamps

UNIT & NSS Special Force Initiative

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- Over 10,000 participants will work on innovative projects
- Special bootcamps will focus on Agentic AI and involve NSS students and teachers
- The initiative will align with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for greater impact



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SNDT Women's University, Mumbai

Innovation Mahakumbha 2025

*A State Level Confluence of
Innovation and Entrepreneurship*

Organized

SNDT Women's University, Mumbai

Date : 9th November 2025

Venue : SNDT Women's University, Juhu Campus, Mumbai

About SNDT Women's University :

Founded in 1916 by Bharat Ratna Maharshi Dr. Dhondo Keshav Karve, SNDT Women's University holds the distinction of being the first Women's University in India and South-East Asia. Established with the visionary objective of advancing women's education and empowerment, the University has been a pioneering force in creating educational opportunities exclusively for women for over a century.

With multiple campuses spread across Maharashtra, SNDT Women's University continues to uphold its founding ideals by offering diverse academic programs designed to meet the evolving socio-economic needs of society. The institution remains deeply committed to fostering intellectual growth, self-reliance, and leadership among women.

Guided by its inspiring motto : **“An enlightened woman is a source of infinite strength”** the University stands as a symbol of progress and empowerment, nurturing generations of women to contribute meaningfully to the nation and the world.

About the Initiative :

SNDT Women's University, Mumbai-India's first women's university-has been selected for funding under the Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) and accorded the prestigious status of a MERU (Multidisciplinary Education and Research University).

This recognition marks a transformative step toward enhancing institutional capacity, modernizing infrastructure, strengthening research, and building faculty competencies. As a MERU, the University is committed to advancing innovation-led outcomes in patents, publications, industry collaborations, and entrepreneurship-empowering students to be creators, not just learners.

About the Event :

Aligned with the national vision for Viksit Bharat @2047, SNDT Women's University proudly presents Innovation Mahakumbha 2025 - Innovation and Entrepreneurship Summit, a landmark event bringing together universities, industries, innovators, and entrepreneurs on 9th November 2025 at the Juhu Campus, Mumbai.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis ji, has kindly consented to inaugurate this mega summit. The event will also be graced by Shri Chandrakant Dada Patil, Hon'ble Minister of Higher and Technical Education, Shri Mangal Prabha Lodha, Hon'ble Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and Shri Sudhir Mungantiwar, who have always extended their unwavering support to the University's endeavors.

Key Highlights of the Event :

• Showcase of 200+ Student-Led Startups and Innovations

High-potential entrepreneurial projects presented before investors, industry leaders, and mentors.

• Participation of MERU Universities

Display of innovation models, success stories, and outcomes under PM-USHA.

• Networking & Collaborations

Opportunities for MoUs, industry-sponsored research, and apprenticeship embedded degree

Training Activities Conducted by SNDT Women's University for the Preparation of the Innovation Mahakumbha

Short Report on Training Program

Title : Make Your Own Agentic AI - A Technical Activity by SNDT Women's University and the Wadhvani Foundation

Venue : Usha Mittal Institute of Technology (UMIT), Mumbai

Dates : 11th and 12th August, 2025

Overview :

The Make Your Own Agentic AI initiative, jointly organized by SNDT Women's University and the Wadhvani Foundation, was conducted at Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Mumbai. The two-day hands-on technical activity introduced participants to the emerging field of Agentic Artificial Intelligence (AI), bridging the gap between AI theory and real-world application. The program empowered learners to conceptualize, design, and develop AI agents capable of autonomous decision-making and problem-solving.

Objectives :

The primary objectives of the training were to :

- Familiarize participants with the concept and architecture of agentic AI systems.
- Provide practical exposure to AI tools, frameworks, and development environments.
- Encourage innovative thinking for creating autonomous AI solutions.
- Promote collaboration, creativity, and problem-solving through project-based learning.

Key Components :

1. Introduction to Agentic AI: Understanding autonomous agents and their decision cycles.
2. Tool & Framework Training: Hands-on sessions using LangChain, OpenAI APIs, and vector databases.
3. Design Phase: Defining problem statements and logical flow of AI agents.
4. Implementation & Testing: Developing, integrating, and testing goal-oriented AI agents.
5. Demonstration & Feedback: Presentation of AI projects with peer and mentor evaluation.

Outcomes :

A total of 300 participants successfully completed the activity and gained :

- A solid foundation in agent-based AI systems.
- Practical experience in building functional AI agents.
- Exposure to real-world AI applications.
- Confidence in utilizing AI development tools and APIs.

Significance :

The initiative aligns with SNDT Women's University's commitment to nurturing 21st-century skills, fostering innovation, and promoting technology-driven learning. By focusing on Agentic AI, the program prepared participants for emerging opportunities in AI-driven industries, strengthening their readiness for future technological challenges.



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programs.

• Industry and Government Linkages

Involvement of corporate partners, NGOs, funding agencies, and government departments to build a robust innovation ecosystem.

• Virtual Exhibition using AR–VR Technology

A trailblazing digital showcase conceptualized by engineering students under the mentorship of Experts reflecting SNDTWU's commitment to integrating advanced technologies in education.

India's Demographic Dividend & Skill Imperative :

With 65% of India's population in the working-age group and 26% aged between 10 to 24 years, India stands at a demographic advantage. Yet, only 4.1% of the workforce is formally skilled.

The Innovation Mahakumbha 2025 seeks to bridge this gap by integrating Vocational Education and Training (VET) with innovation, entrepreneurship, and skill excellence, empowering youth for the global workforce.

Objectives :

- Promote excellence in skills, education, and innovation.
- Bridge the gap between industry needs and skilled manpower.
- Foster international collaborations for technology and knowledge exchange.
- Support start-ups and entrepreneurship through mentoring, incubation, and funding.

Industry Partnership Features :

1. Education & Training (VET) Support

- o Development of occupational and training standards aligned with industry needs.
- o Establishment of skill academies and sustainable training facilities with partners like Wadhwani Foundation.
- o Adoption of global best practices in vocational training.

1. Industry Alignment

- o Competitions and assessments simulating real-world challenges.
- o Involvement of 150+ Industry Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) for mentoring and evaluation.
- o Training and recruitment collaborations with leading industries.

1. Participation & Engagement

- o Representation from 200+ academic and industry institutions across diverse domains:
 - 🌀 Creative Arts & Fashion
 - 🌀 Information & Communication Technology
 - 🌀 Manufacturing & Engineering Technology
 - 🌀 Social & Personal Services

🌀 Fashion Technology, Food Technology, Event Management, and more.

1. Collaborative Ecosystem

- o Joint participation of Government, Academia, Industry, and Chambers of Commerce.
- o Support from national partners for mentorship, sponsorships, and technical guidance.
- o A unique platform for networking and talent discovery.

Benefits to Industry Partners :

- Access to a future-ready talent pool trained to global standards.
- Enhanced brand visibility through sponsorships, mentoring, and leadership roles.
- Contribution to National Skill Mission and PM-USHA objectives.
- Strengthening India's innovation-driven economy through collaboration and co-creation.

Towards a Viksit Bharat 2047

Through the Innovation Mahakumbha 2025, SNDT Women's University reaffirms its unwavering commitment to the national mission of Skilling, Reskilling, and Upskilling India.

This event serves as a convergence point for Academia, Industry, and Government, fostering a dynamic ecosystem that celebrates innovation, empowers youth, and builds a future-ready workforce aligned with NEP 2020 and Vision India @2047.

Join the Movement

Let us together make Innovation Mahakumbha 2025 a milestone in India's journey toward inclusive, innovation-led, and globally competitive higher education.

- ◆ **Venue :** SNDT Women's University, Juhu Campus, Mumbai
- ◆ **Date :** Sunday, 9th November 2025
- ◆ **In Collaboration With :** Wadhvani Foundation & WISE SNDTWU
- ◆ **Website :** www.sndt.ac.in

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