

ABOUT

Think India – A pan India initiative to bring together the best talents of the country and to infuse in them a ‘Nation First’ attitude, aimed at developing the nationalistic spirit and inspiring young India to be of service to the society. It is a platform for the “*Leaders of Tomorrow*” where they deliberate on issues of national importance, raise their concerns and offer innovative solutions to the problems faced by India.

Think India felt the need to bind the students with an Indian nationalistic string to harness this part of national treasure in furthering our aim of national reconstruction. Students from IISc (Indian Institute of Science), IIMB (Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore), NIMHANS (National Institute of Mental health and Neuro Sciences) and NLSIU (National Law School of India University, Bangalore) joined together to create a joint forum for the students from premier institutes of India in 2006. A formal forum took place at the Art of Living Ashram, Bengaluru in 2007.

Vision of Think India

Think India envisions creating a new generation of leaders who are intellectually aware, socially committed, and nationally rooted. With a strong belief in the power of youth, the initiative aims to nurture thinkers, policymakers, and change-makers from premier institutions across India. Its vision is to build a network of students who channel their academic excellence, professional competence, and patriotic zeal towards solving India’s socio-legal, political, and economic challenges. By fostering a spirit of nation-building, Think India aspires to transform India’s bright minds into dedicated contributors for the nation’s holistic development.

History of Think India

Established in 2006 in Bengaluru, Think India began as a collective of students from premier institutions who were passionate about India’s progress and

development. The initiative quickly gained momentum with its first conference in 2007 and the first national workshop in 2011. Over the years, it expanded its presence through national summits, city chapters, and a series of internship and fellowship programs. Notable milestones include the launch of Vidhi, Niti, and Samvad internships, and international collaborations supporting students at Geneva and New York. From a city-level forum to a nationwide movement, Think India has become a dynamic platform for empowering youth and driving impactful change across various sectors.

PURPOSE:

1. Think, design and develop sustainable development strategies for underdeveloped and rural Bharat,
2. Think and act to meet the environmental, cultural and security needs of Bharat and the World,
3. Motivate and support the initiatives of the organisations and individuals to inculcate India-centric action, propagation and implementation of thought and designs,
4. Initiate and sustain India-centric thoughts and activities on campus and among intelligentsia,
5. Denounce, in thought and action, all forms of terrorism, illegitimate interference in religious and cultural matters and any forces and design, working against our national interest,
6. Actively oppose any sectarian and narrow-minded activities of fissiparous tendencies and engage ourselves to promote social harmony in every possible way.
7. Support and uphold the concept of gender justice and promote family values, the unique contribution of Bharat to the world civilization.

2006

- **Inception:** Think India was founded in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- **First City-Level Workshop** organized.

2007

- **First Conference:** Held at Swami Vivekananda Yoga University, Bengaluru (Art of Living Campus).

2010

- **First National Team Announcement.**

2011

- **First National Workshop:** Titled "*India Today and Tomorrow*".

2012

- **First Law Summit:** "*Law – Fulcrum of Change*".

2013–2015

- Think India expanded to more institutions and cities (implicit from context).

2016

- **Second Law Summit** organized.

2017

- **Launch of Learning Platforms/Internships:**
 - **Vidhi** – Legal Internship Program.
 - **Niti** – Public Policy Internship Program.
 - **Parliamentary Internship Program.**
 - **International Law Commission Internship.**

- **Think India Fellowship.**

2019

- **Launch of Additional Internships:**
 - **Samvad** – Media Internship.
 - **Shrua** – Startup Internship.

2020 onwards

- **Expansion of Internship Centers:** 10 prominent cities including Delhi, Lucknow, Kolkata, Ranchi, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Mumbai, and Chandigarh.
- **Support for International Internships:** Scholarships provided to selected students for Geneva & New York-based internships.

TEAM

1. **Shri Sumit Pandey - National Incharge**
2. **Kum Akanksha Warade - National Convenor (IIM Mumbai)**
3. **Shri Sarthak Agarwal - National Co-Convenor (DNLU Jabalpur)**
4. **Shri Sarthak Pandya - National Co-Convenor (IIT Kharagpur)**
5. **Kum Muskan Lakhwani - National Co-Convenor (IIT Tirupati)**

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6. **Shri Saket Sourav - National SM & IT Convenor (NLUJAA Guwahati)**
7. **Shri Shivam Goel- National SM & IT Co-Convenor (Delhi)**
8. **Kum Mansi Rathi - National SM & IT Co-Convenor (MNIT Jaipur)**

- 9. Kum Soniya Kawade - National SM & IT Co-Convenor (MNLU Nagpur)**
- 10. Shri Manish - National SM & IT Co-Convenor (IIT Rorkee)**
- 11. Shri Dayal Mahato- National SM & IT Co-Convenor (NIT Agartala)**

COORDINATORS OF INSTITUTES

- NLU Coordinator: Shri Vijjua Pundir (RGNLU, Patiala)**
- NLU Co-Coordinator: Shri Abhay Trivedi (MNLU, Nagpur)**
- IIT Coordinator: Shri Happy Gohil (IIT Kharagpur)**
- IIT Co-Coordinator: Shri Harsh Kumar Singh (IIT Delhi)**
- IIT Co-Coordinator: Shri Gautam (IIT Roorkee)**
- NIT Coordinator: Shri Anadi Brahma (NIT Jamshedpur)**
- NIT Co-Coordinator: Shri Govind (NIT Trichy)**
- NIT Co-Coordinator: Shri Ajit Singh (MANIT Bhopal)**
- IIM Coordinator: Shri Gyaneshwar Mishra (IIM Indore)**
- NIFT Coordinator: Kum Samridhi Upadhye (NIFT Mumbai)**
- IISER Coordinator: Kum Riddhika Mishra (IISER Pune)**
- SPA Coordinator: Kum Sameeksha (SPA Delhi)**

2. Internship & Legal Program Coordinators

- Vidhi Coordinator: Shri Kshitij Pratap Singh (RGNLU Patiala)**
- Vidhi Co-Coordinator: Shri Abhishek Mishra (DBRANLU Sonapat)**
- Vidhi ILC Coordinator: Shri Mridul Thaploo (RMLNLU Lucknow)**

- **Sansadiya Coordinator: Shri Piyush Kamal (NLU Delhi)**
- **Shuruaat Coordinator: Shri Divya Dhanotiya (Indore)**
- **Shuruaat Co-Coordinator: Shri Vaibhav Raj Thakur (IIIT Guwahati)**
- **Shuruaat Co-Coordinator: Shri Ayush Singh (IIT Patna)**
- **NITI Coordinator: Shri Navneeth Krishna (Bangalore)**
- **NITI Co-Coordinator: Kum Ritabrita Das (IIM Ahmedabad)**
- **NITI Co-Coordinator: Kum Tanisha Garg (NIT Silchar)**
- **Deeksha Coordinator: Koshish Pradhan (IIT Kharagpur)**
- **Deeksha Co-coordinator: Shri Ankush Sharma (IIT Roorkee)**

Incharges

1. **Shri Abhishek Maurya – North & North West Zone, Zonal In charge**
2. **Shri Gaurav Mishra – CWC and North East Sampark**
3. **Shri Shrinivas Suryavanshi - South Zone and South Central Zonal In charge**
4. **Shri Akash Jha – Planning and Architecture Coordinator (ITPI Delhi)**

INTERNSHIPS:

ANUBHOOTI - Anubhooti meaning ‘realization’ is an opportunity to learn from the experiences of Social Leaders of the society – Real-Life Role Models – working at the grass-roots. This Social Internship Project of Think India in association with pioneering Social Organisations; aims to bring synergies among students of top-most institutes of India and crusaders working for a social change.

VIDHI - “VIDHI” the Litigation Internship Program of Think India, is a medium for finest Young Law Students to connect and involve them with the diverse

network of law practitioners striving for excellence in field of law and contribute in empowering society and citizens.

VIDHI aims at training and promoting a generation of lawyers and legal practitioners who are socially awakened. The program will help law students in understanding the procedural aspects and knowledge to excel in the profession along with serving the society and the nation.

VIDHI INTERNATIONAL LAW COMMISSION

The **VIDHI International Law Commission Internship** is a highly prestigious and sought-after opportunity that allows exceptional law students to immerse themselves in the world of international legal discourse. Students selected for this elite program are granted the rare honor of working under the direct guidance of a **Member Designate at the International Law Commission, Geneva** a body at the forefront of shaping and codifying international law. This unparalleled exposure provides interns with firsthand experience in global legal frameworks, diplomacy, and high-level research, offering an intellectually stimulating environment that few academic experiences can rival. It is a distinguished platform for aspiring international legal scholars to refine their skills, contribute to critical legal processes, and walk alongside some of the world's most influential legal minds.

NITI - "NITI" the Public Policy Internship Program of Think India promotes research by connecting students with the research organisations and Think Tanks based in Delhi, Mumbai & Lucknow. NITI aims at generating policy makers and researchers of tomorrow who will know how to make good policies and analyze the impact of policies on the society.

NITI facilitates research, convergence of ideas, positions and visions that aspire to strengthen the nation and preserve her unity and integrity and contribute towards her progress and integral development.

SANSADIYA - With changing learning patterns, the participation of Students in Legislative Policy Framework has risen. Bills are often put into the public forum

for discussions and suggestions. Students in course of their Internship are assisting Members of Parliament on issues which are put forth for discussion in Parliament.

Think India, through SANSADIYA aims at creating a similar learning platform for student community through Internship with Members of Parliament and Ministers for One-Month and assist them with issues like Analysis of Bill, Drafting Questions.

SAMVAD - Media is the fourth pillar in any democracy and journalists in today's age of information play a vital role in being the voice of those who go unheard. Confidence, commitment to truth & attention to detail are the qualities that journalists are required to possess. In a young aspirational nation like ours, it is the need of the hour to produce journalists who believe in fearless reporting.

Hence, the aim to provide a holistic journalism experience to young students along with, industry guidance.

SHURUAT - For the economic growth of any country, Start-Ups pay a very vital role. They not only enhance the economic prosperity of a country but are a major source of job creation. In a developing country like India, which is poised to be in the top economies of the world, Start-Ups will play a significant role in wealth creation.

To help young innovators and entrepreneurs, Think India will have it is the first ever StartUp Internship program where students will be able to work and interact with successful Start-Ups across the country. This internship will help the interns understand the complexities of opening a Start-Up, the government support, fundraising; tax liabilities are other issues that Start-Ups in India face & how they overcome these hurdles to becomes a successful business entity.

DIKSHA

The Deeksha Internship, a prestigious and transformative research initiative by Think India, stands as a gateway for the nation's brightest minds to engage in unparalleled academic and professional growth. This program forges powerful

connections between driven students and renowned faculty from India's most esteemed institutions such as IISc, IITs, IIMs, NITs and NLUs offering an extraordinary opportunity to delve into groundbreaking research that shapes the future.

More than just an internship, Deeksha is a launchpad for ambitious scholars in STEM, Management, and Law, empowering them with hands-on experience, rigorous mentorship, and an immersive environment to hone their research acumen. It is a crucible where raw potential is transformed into intellectual excellence, preparing the next generation of leaders and innovators.

Flagship Events of Think India

At Think India, we firmly believe in nurturing a solution-oriented mindset among the youth and providing platforms where ideas, talent, and innovation converge for the betterment of society. We engage actively with students from premier institutions across the nation and proudly host several annual events that bring together intellectuals, policymakers, legal experts, and young visionaries. Below are our key events:

Jagruti – The All India Youth Conference

Jagruti is an annual All India Youth Conference co-organized by Think India and the Students of the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru. Held at the prestigious JN Tata Auditorium, this two-day event serves as a dynamic platform for young minds to engage with pressing national issues and contribute to the discourse on India's development.

Jagruti aims to awaken the spirit of youth leadership by fostering discussions on themes central to India's progress. The conference brings together students, researchers, policymakers, and social leaders to deliberate on topics that resonate with the nation's aspirations.

It offers a rich blend of thematic sessions led by subject experts, focusing on critical areas such as rural economy, education, health, and technological innovation. The conference includes interactive workshops that promote

collaborative problem-solving and innovation among youth. Competitions such as model exhibitions, research presentations, documentaries, and street plays allow participants to showcase their ideas, with recognition awarded to outstanding contributions.

National NIT Students' Conference

Initiated by students of NIT Surat, The All India NIT Students' Conference is a national-level gathering organized by Think India, bringing together students from various National Institutes of Technology (NITs) across India. This conference serves as a platform for NIT students to discuss, network, and engage with esteemed experts on issues of national importance.

The conference aims to promote social harmony, fulfill the needs of Bharat, and provide support and motivation to students. It facilitates discussions on topics such as public policy, legal activism, education policy, and technological innovation. Participants have the opportunity to attend workshops, seminars, and interactive sessions led by professionals and academicians.

NITI HUNT – The Policy Drafting Competition

NITI HUNT is an annual event designed for students passionate about public policy.

Organized in collaboration with NITIE Mumbai, this competition challenges participants to draft practical and impactful policy proposals based on real-world problem statements provided by various ministries and departments of the Government of India.

Selected submissions are shared with the concerned ministries for further consideration, thereby giving students a direct channel to influence governance and contribute meaningfully to policymaking.

National Symposium on Landmark Judgments

The National Symposium on Landmark Judgments is an annual flagship event organized by Think India every January at the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library (Teen Murti Bhawan), New Delhi. This symposium serves as a premier platform for law students, researchers, and legal professionals to engage in in-depth discussions on the most significant judicial decisions of the preceding year.

Since its inception in 2017, the symposium has consistently brought together esteemed legal minds, including senior advocates, academicians, and jurists, to dissect and deliberate upon landmark judgments that have shaped India's legal landscape. The event aims to foster critical thinking and enhance legal awareness among the youth, particularly those pursuing careers in law and public policy.

Think India National Convention

A celebration of youth power and national spirit, The Think India National Convention is a major event held once every two years, bringing together students, alumni, researchers, and young professionals from top universities across India, like IITs, NITs, IIMs, and NLUs. The convention provides a platform for youth to discuss important national issues, share ideas, and work on solutions for India's growth and development.

The convention features prominent guests including Union Ministers, policy leaders, entrepreneurs, and changemakers. It stands as a melting pot of ideas and inspiration, reinforcing Think India's commitment to national development through youth leadership.

Annual Volunteer Workshops

The Think India National Workshop is a special event held every year to gather Think India volunteers from all over India. The workshop helps them develop important skills in areas like leadership, event organization, legal knowledge, policy advocacy, and community involvement.

It also provides a valuable space for reviewing ongoing initiatives, planning future activities, and building stronger bonds among the Think India family. It gives volunteers the chance to reflect on past projects, share insights, and strategize together on how to move forward with new ideas and initiatives. This collaborative environment helps strengthen teamwork and fosters a deeper sense of community among volunteers from across India.

MOUs OF THINK INDIA WITH VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS

1. School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), Delhi
2. Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU-A), Aurangabad
3. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Patna
4. Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU-N), Nagpur
5. Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT), Nagpur
6. North Eastern Regional Institute of Science and Technology (NERIST), Arunachal Pradesh
7. Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad (IIIT Allahabad)
8. Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad (IIT ISM Dhanbad)
9. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Puducherry
10. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Agartala

11. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Raipur
12. Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University (RMLNLU), Lucknow
13. Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Patiala
14. National Institute of Technology (NIT), Manipur
15. Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Manipur
16. Maharashtra National Law University(MNLU-M), Mumbai
17. Institute of Chemical Technology (ICT), Mumbai

Registered as Clubs

1. Indian Institute of Technology. Roorkee
2. National Institute of Technology, Delhi
3. National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

Registered as Gymkhana Society

1. Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
2. Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

Registered as Forum

1. National Institute of Technology, Durgapur