Bharat Bodhan AI Conclave 2026 concludes with shared resolve for responsible AI driven transformation in Education

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The Bharat Bodhan AI Conclave 2026, organised by the Ministry of Education, concluded in New Delhi today, reaffirming a collective commitment towards responsible AI-driven transformation of India's education ecosystem.

On Day 2, the following two sessions were held:

Day 2 – Session 1: Governance Platforms & Scalable AI Systems

Moderated by Prof. Manindra Aggarwal, Director, IIT Kanpur, the session highlighted that states are shifting from monitoring to intervention-based governance using AI-enabled platforms. Dashboards are enabling real-time decision-making, and integrated student–teacher–school systems are replacing fragmented tools. The discussion reinforced that scaling AI will require statewide ecosystem platforms rather than standalone solutions.

Day 2 – Session 2: Multilingual AI, Teacher Empowerment & Practice-Led Learning

Moderated by Prof. Manoj Kumar Tiwari, Director, IIM Mumbai, the session emphasised that multilingual AI is essential for equitable national adoption. Speakers noted that AI must strengthen teacher agency and support contextual pedagogy rather than drive uniform digital templates. Practice-based learning frameworks were shown to improve learner engagement, and states showcased mature models integrating AI for teacher support, student learning, and governance.

Across discussions, three overarching conclusions emerged:

- India already has strong AI-in-education solutions, but they need to be scaled to reach every learner
- Teacher support is the single biggest leverage point for improving learning outcomes.
- The next phase requires a national orchestration platform

Following these session, a Debriefing Session was held in which Secretary, School Education & Literacy, Shri Sanjay Kumar; Secretary, Higher Education, Dr Vineet Joshi; Director, IIT Madras, Prof V Kamakoti; academic leaders, researchers, and founders from leading startups working in AI for Education, participated. The four moderators of earlier sessions presented key takeaways and outcomes from their respective technical sessions.

Shri Sanjay Kumar noted that the last two and a half days of deliberations were highly encouraging, showcasing the remarkable work being undertaken across the country by states, institutions, and organizations in integrating AI into education. He emphasised that AI offers a unique opportunity to combine scale with personalization through adaptive learning interventions tailored to the needs of every child. He underscored that with equitable access at the core, these innovations can significantly improve learning outcomes, strengthen inclusion, and empower teachers and learners alike. He also highlighted the importance of building collaborative platforms to share and scale best practices nationwide, alongside sustained investments in research, development, and strong institutional ecosystems. He added that promoting joyful and meaningful education in the mother tongue, while advancing strategic initiatives such as a sovereign Large Language Model, would further strengthen India's linguistic diversity and technological self-reliance.

Prof V Kamakoti said while India has strong AI solutions, the key mandate remains scale, coordination, and interoperability. He stressed that AI must enhance inclusion, preserve language diversity, and strengthen all learners without creating divides.

The Bharat Bodhan AI Conclave 2026 brought together an unprecedented gathering of India's education and technology ecosystem, with more than **~3,100 registrations**, **~2,000 students**, **600+ delegates**, and nearly **120 exhibitors** showcasing AI-enabled innovations. The two-day event convened policymakers, state governments, researchers, philanthropic institutions, and ed-tech innovators to examine how Artificial Intelligence can transform school education—particularly foundational literacy & numeracy (FLN), teacher effectiveness, governance efficiency, and multilingual inclusion.

The Bharat Bodhan AI Conclave 2026 provided a collaborative platform bringing together policymakers, educators, technology leaders, and academic experts to deliberate on AI-driven transformation in education.

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