



Venue : GBU Auditorium,
Gandhinagar

17th - 18th August
2026

WiSDom-WONDER 2026 CONCLAVE INYAS Flagship Program

Women Outreach Network for Development, Empowerment & Research

Program Schedule

Day - 1

17th AUGUST 2026

09:00 AM – 10:00 AM Registration, Networking & Ice-breaking Session

INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00 AM – 10:05 AM
10:05 AM – 10:10 AM
10:10 AM – 10:20 AM
10:20 AM – 10:35 AM
10:35 AM – 10:50 AM
10:50 AM – 10:55 AM
10:55 AM – 11:30 AM

Commencement of the Inaugural Session
Welcome Address – WONDER Conclave, INYAS (Dr. Nisha Singh)
Address by the Chair, INYAS (Dr. M. Tyagi)
Address by Secretary, DST, Government of Gujarat (Smt. P. Bharti, IAS)
Address by the President, INSA (Prof. S. C. Mande)
Vote of Thanks – CC (WiSDom), INYAS (Dr. M. Krishania)
Group Photograph & Tea Break

Session – 1 : Sustainability engineering and environment intelligent systems

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Time	Activity
11:30 AM – 11:35 AM	Introduction to the Programme by Session Chair (Prof. Kiran Bala, IIT Indore)
11:35 AM – 12:10 PM	Keynote speaker: Dr. Manjula Reddy (JC Bose National Fellow, CSIR-CCMB, Hyderabad) Title: <i>Building a sustainable career in science: a woman scientist's perspective</i>
12:10 PM – 12:45 PM	Keynote speaker: Dr. Geetha Vani Rayasam (Director, CSIR-NIScPR, New Delhi) Talk: <i>Responsible Science Communication and Integrity in AI era</i>
12:45 PM – 1:00 PM	Discussion and Q&A
01:00 PM – 02:00 PM	Lunch Break
02:00 PM -3:00 PM	Interactive Panel Discussion Theme: <i>Can Intelligent Systems Accelerate Sustainable Development?</i> Moderator: Dr. Neelam Kungwani, GBU, Gandhinagar Panellists: 1) Dr. Meena Krishania, BRIC-NABI, Mohali 2) Dr. Neetu Jha, ICT, Mumbai 3) Dr. Dhiraj Bhatia, IIT, Gandhinagar 4) Dr. Kanti Kiran, GBU, Gandhinagar 5) Dr. Manoj K. Patel, CSIR-CSIO, Chandigarh

Technical Session II: Women Leadership & Governance in Science

Time	Activity
03:00 PM – 03:05 PM	Introduction to the Programme by Session Chair (Prof. Rakesh Rawal, Director, GBU)
03:05 PM – 03:25 PM	Keynote speaker: Dr. Snehal Bhagthariya, Joint Director GSBTM, DST, GoG Gandhinagar
03:25 PM – 04:00 PM	Interactive Leadership Dialogue Theme: <i>Women Shaping the Future of Science</i> Moderator: Dr. Sandhiya Lakshmanan, CSIR–NIScPR, New Delhi Panellists: • Dr. Chhama Awasthi – DST, Delhi • Dr. Daxa Sakhiya – GSBTM, Gandhinagar • Dr. Jayanthi Ganapathi – GIDE, Bhuj • Dr. Jiban Jyoti – INST, Mohali • Dr. Sangeeta Singh – ICAR, IGFRI, Jhansi
04:00 PM – 4:15 PM	Tea Break & GBU Tour Coordinator: Dr. Priyanka Kumari, Dr. Kanti Kiran, Dr. Balaram Mohpatra

Interactive Research Session

Time	Activity
4:15 PM – 6:10 PM	Young Researcher Forum and Flash Talk presentation Coordinators: Prof. Rakesh Rawal, GBU, Gandhinagar Prof. Meenu Saraf, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad Dr. Neetu Jha, ICT, Mumbai Dr. Mahesh Rao, ICAR-NIPB, New Delhi
4:15 PM – 6:10 PM	Cultural Program
7:30 PM Onwards	Gala Dinner (Gift City Club, Gandhinagar)



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Session III : Life Sciences, Sustainable Technologies & Translational Research

Time	Activity
10:00 AM – 10:05 AM	Introduction to Technical Session III (Dr. Nisha Singh, GBU)
10:05 AM – 10:30 AM	Keynote speaker: Dr. Sneha Lata Singla-Pareek (Head and Group Leader, ICGEB, New Delhi) <i>Title: Breaking Barriers, Growing Resilience: Are We Ready to Feed Nine Billion?</i>
10:30 AM – 11:10 AM (Two parallel sessions)	Participants leadership/team Activities for Early career Faculty & Scientists (Dr. Kiran Bala, Dr. Jiban Jyoti and Dr. Nisha Singh) Poster session (Coordinators: Prof. Sudhir P. Singh, Dr. Vishal Suthar, Dr. Balaram Mohapatra, Dr. Mahesh Rao and Dr. Mitali Dabi)
11:10 AM – 11:30 AM	Tea break

Session IV : Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Industry Linkages

Time	Activity
11:30 AM-11:35 AM	Introduction to Technical Session IV (Dr. Gunjan Sharma, GBU)
11:35 AM- 12:10 PM	Keynote speaker: Dr. Shikha Dhawan (Founder, Biozazen, New Delhi)
12:10 PM – 12:40 PM	Theme: Bridging Academia, Government, Industry and Start-ups Moderator: Dr. Gunjan Sharma, GBU Panellists: 1) Dr. Anasuya L. Bhadalkar, GSBTM, Gandhinagar 2) Dr. Anuj Jakhar, IIT Madras 3) Dr. Prachi Motiyani, GU, Ahmedabad 4) Dr. Reshma Gills, ICAR, NAARM, Hyderabad 5) Dr. Ashok K Yadav, BARC, Mumbai

12:40 PM – 1:00 PM	Valedictory Ceremony Chief Guest Address- Prof. Ashwani Pareek (Executive Director, BRIC-NABI, Mohali) Title: “Why Science? Why Persist? Why Lead?”
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Award ceremony: Prof. Ashwani Pareek and Dr. J. C. Lilani
1:30 PM	Lunch
2:00 PM onwards	Departure for Adalaj Stepwell and Akshardham, Gandhinagar (Coordinators: Ms. Himani Peshavaria, Nisha Tahiliani) Mob no- +91 94290 46161, 6357028224



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