

Headline: - A Platform celebrating Diverse Perspectives and Stories Untold

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The fourth edition of TEDxIHMR U concluded recently at IHMR University Themed 'Ignite the Unseen', the event brought together individuals whose ideas, work and journeys often remain outside the mainstream, yet they create meaningful change.

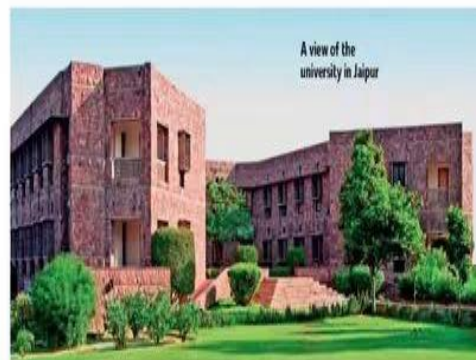
The speaker lineup featured voices from diverse fields, including Dr Malika Sarabhai, Padma Bhushan awardee and Director of Darpana Academy; Dr Shibu Vijayan, Chief Medical Officer for Global Health at Qure.ai; Om Prakash Gurjar, 2006 International Children's Peace Prize laureate and founder of Paathshala Trust; Gauri Yadwadkar, Lead at Roundglass Music and a singer, composer and musicologist; R Udayan Lahiry, entrepreneur, wildlife conservationist and former Managing Director of the Medica Group of Hospitals; and Prateek Madhav, National Award-winning disability rights advocate and CEO and co-founder of ATF.

Through their diverse experiences in performing arts, public health, child rights, assistive technology, music, entrepreneurship and wildlife conservation, the speakers offered the audience insights into people and ideas that are often overlooked but have the potential to shape society.

The event also featured a special performance by Abhishek Mudgal. A theatre director, actor, founder of Rang Mastaaney and stage manager at the National School of Drama, Delhi, Mudgal brought a distinctive theatrical dimension to the TEDxIHMR U stage with his act, *Maharathi*.

The 2026 edition reflected efforts to create a platform where conversations extend beyond conventional boundaries and bring together perspectives from health, innovation, entrepreneurship, social impact, culture and the arts.

Yamini Agarwal, Director, IHMR Startups, said, "This edition brought together an extraordinary range of voices



A view of the university in Jaipur

and experiences. We believe meaningful innovation comes from conversations that connect different disciplines, perspectives and lived experiences."

PR Sodani, President, IHMR University said, "TEDxIHMR U provides a platform for ideas and experiences that can challenge perspectives and inspire meaningful change. The theme 'Ignite the Unseen' reflects our belief in recognising voices and contributions that deserve greater attention."

Since its inception in 2023, it has provided a platform for thought-provoking ideas and conversations, bringing together changemakers and audiences to explore perspectives that can influence individuals, communities and society.

In the spirit of 'Ideas worth spreading', TEDx is a programme of local, self-organised events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience.



Yamini Agarwal, Director, IHMR Foundation



L-R: Ayan Agarwal, Yamini Agarwal, Dr Nidhi Pundhir, Om Prakash Gurjar, Gauri Yadwadkar, Manisha Agarwal, Dr Ashok Agarwal, Dr Malika Sarabhai, Prateek Madhav, Dr Shibu Vijayan, Dr P R Sodani, R Udayan Lahiry



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