

UP AI & Health Innovation Conference
12th & 13th January 2026 (Monday & Tuesday) 09:30 hrs - 17:30 hrs, Hotel Centrum, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Agenda Day 1
12th January 2026 (Monday)

Time	Session		Speakers
9:30 AM to 10:00 AM	Registration & Welcome Snacks		
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	INAUGURAL SESSION Outlining UP AI & Health Innovation Conference	Gracious Presence: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Shri Awanish Kumar Awasthi (IAS) Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Govt. of UP Shri Manoj Kumar Singh (IAS) — Chief Executive Officer (CEO), State Transformation Commission (STC), Government of Uttar Pradesh Shri Anurag Yadav, IAS, Principal Secretary, Information Technology and Electronics Department (IT & Electronics), Govt. UP Dr. Vinod Kumar Paul, Member NITI Aayog, Govt. of India 	Lamp Lighting Ceremony/ Opening Remarks <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Shri Amit Kumar Ghosh, IAS, ACS Medical Health & Medical Education, Govt. UP Mr. Abhishek Singh IAS, Director General, National Informatics Centre (NIC) & Additional Secretary, MeitY Dr. Sunil Kumar Barnwal, IAS, CEO (NHA), Govt. Of India Shri Ajit Singh Pal, Minister of State, IT and Electronics, Government of Uttar Pradesh Shri. Jitin Prasada, Union Minister of State for Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Ministry of Electronic & IT, Government of India Shri Brajesh Pathak, Hon'ble Dy. CM & Health Minister, Govt. UP <p>Chief Guest: Shri Yogi Aditya Nath, Hon'ble Chief Minister Govt. UP</p> <p>Vote of Thanks: Shri Mayankeshwar Sharan Singh Hon'ble Minister of State Medical Health & Family Welfare, Govt. UP</p>

11:30 AM - 11:45 AM Tea Break			
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	Plenary 1: The Global AI Landscape in Healthcare The session is on examining the global best practices in AI adoption across health systems and discusses how India can adapt proven models to scale safe, efficient, and inclusive AI-driven healthcare. Drawing from global case studies, the session explores how AI is reshaping healthcare delivery worldwide and how India can emerge as a leader in population-scale, low-cost AI innovation.	Key Note Speaker: Dr. Vinod Kumar Paul, Member NITI Aayog, Govt. of India Dr. Manoj Jhalani, IAS, Director, Health Systems Development, WHO Moderator: Dr. Ujjwal Kumar, IAS, Managing Director, UPMSCL	Panelists: 1. Dr. Vinod Kumar Paul, Member NITI Aayog, Govt. of India 2. Dr. Manoj Jhalani, IAS, Director, Health Systems Development, WHO 3. Mr. Nico Schittekatte, Counsellor for Health, Welfare & Sport, Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherland 4. Mr. Suhel Bidani Lead digital & AI Gates Foundation 5. Mr. Harsh Dhand, Research and AI Partner, Google APACs 6. Dr. Somil Nagpal, Lead Health Specialist for South Asia Region, World Bank
12:45 PM – 01:45 PM	Plenary 2: AI for Economic Growth and Social Good This session serves as a platform for advancing shared understanding, policy insights, and practical approaches on priority AI issues that require global collaboration. These Working Groups bring together governments and international organisations to identify challenges, exchange best practices, and shape actionable outcomes for the Summit.	Moderator: Smt. Neha Jain IAS (MD, UPDESCO)	Panelists: 1. Ms. Kavita Bhatia COO India AI Mission 2. Mr. Swadeep Singh- GM India AI Mission 3. Mr. Kartik Suri - GM India AI Mission
01:45 PM - 02:30 PM Lunch Break & Exhibition Walk /Industrial Presentation (Transforming healthcare for population scale impact – Mr. Samarth Masson Business Leader – Healthcare & Public Sector, AWS India			
02:30 PM- 03:45 PM	Plenary 3: The State of AI for Health in Indian States Different states in India are beginning to use and prepare for AI. This session explores how different states in India are beginning to use and prepare for AI, and what this means for people, public services and local innovation. It brings together early lessons and real examples	Key Note Speaker: Dr. Sunil Kumar Barnwal, IAS, CEO (NHA) Moderator: Dr. Sarika Mohan, IAS, Secretary, Medical Education Department, Uttar Pradesh	Panelists: 1. Dr. Sunil Kumar Barnwal IAS CEO (NHA) GOI. 2. Shri Akhil Kumar, IPS, Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO), Digital India Corporation (DIC)

	<p>to show where progress is happening and where support is still needed</p> <p>Where are states seeing the biggest gaps, and what kind of central, inter-state, or ecosystem support is needed to accelerate readiness?</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Siddharth Singh, IAS — Commissioner & Secretary, Medical Education & Research Department, Government of Assam Dr. Mannan Akhtar, IAS, Commissioner, Delhi Development Authority (DDA) Smt. Archana Verma, IAS, CEO SACHIS Dr Karthik Adapa, IAS, Regional Adviser, Digital Health, WHO-SEARO Mr. Samarth Masson Business Leader – Healthcare & Public Sector, AWS India
03:45 PM- 05:15 PM	<p>Plenary 4: Accelerating Health DPI (Digital Public Infrastructure), Data Driven Governance, HIS and Regional Data Hubs for India</p> <p>This session will explore AI as a native layer within the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), enabling scalable use cases such as clinical triage, automated summarisation, care navigation, and fraud detection. It will also discuss how targeted GPU credits for ABDM ecosystem partners can reduce compute barriers and accelerate secure, governed AI adoption, while examining the role of state-level regional data hubs—covering data availability, governance, and high-performance computing infrastructure—and highlighting progress and key gaps shaping state readiness.</p>	<p>Key Note Speaker: Shri J. Satyanarayan (IAS), former UIDAI</p> <p>Moderator: Smt. Ritu Maheshwari, IAS, Secretary Medical Health & Family Welfare/ MD ABDM-UP</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Shri J. Satyanarayan (IAS), former UIDAI Shri. Bhuvanesh Kumar, IAS, CEO UIDAI Shri Harsh Gupta, IAS, Principal Secretary Health & Family Welfare Department, Karnataka Government Shri Kiran Gopal Vaska IAS, Joint Secretary & MD (ABDM), NHA Dr Karthik Adapa, IAS, Regional Adviser, Digital Health, WHO-SEARO Shri Lokesh Kumar, IAS, Secretary, Health Department, Bihar Shri Vivek Khaneja – Executive Director, Centre for Development of Advanced Computing Professor Sandeep Verma IIT Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
<p>05:15 PM - 05:45 PM Coffee Break / Lightning Talks (POCT)</p>			

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Agenda Day 2
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9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	<p>Plenary 5: Leveraging AI Tools to Strengthen India's Healthcare — Empowering Human Resource for Health (HRH), Scaling Telemedicine and Remote Care.</p> <p>This session explores how AI-driven tools can strengthen India's healthcare delivery by empowering the frontline workforce—health professionals, ASHAs, Anganwadi workers, and ANMs—while scaling telemedicine and remote care to underserved populations. It focuses on practical, field-tested use cases and the system enablers needed for responsible, inclusive, and scalable AI adoption across community and facility-based care.</p>	<p>Key Note Speaker: Smt. Gayatri A. Rathore, IAS, Principal Secretary, Medical & Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Rajasthan</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Pinky Jowel, IAS, Secretary, Medical Health & Family Welfare/ MD NHM UP</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Smt. Gayatri A. Rathore, IAS, Principal Secretary, Medical & Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Rajasthan 2. Shri Arvind Kumar, Director General (DG), Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) 3. Prof. R.K. Singh, Head of Department for Telemedicine & Digital Health & Emergency Medicine, SGPGIMS, Lucknow 4. Dr. Sanjay Sood, Project Director, e-Sanjeevani CDAC Mohali 5. Prof. Sriram Ganapathy, Associate Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, Indian Institute of Science (IISc) 6. Col. Sameer Kanwar, Director Digital Health & AI, PATH 7. Dr. Sujoy Kar, Chief Medical Information Officer & Vice-President — Apollo Hospitals TeleHealth
<p style="text-align: center;">11:00 AM - 11:30 AM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tea Break / Lightning Talks (Enabling better care for more people with AI – Mr. Brajesh Kumar Singh, Business Head - Imaging, ISC Zone PD Imaging Growth)</p>			
11:30 AM- 01:00 PM	<p>Plenary 6: Harnessing AI for Reinventing Medical/Clinical Diagnostics and Surgeries</p> <p>How AI is transforming medical tests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radiology AI (X-ray, CT, MRI) • AI for TB & Chest X-ray Triage 	<p>Key Note Speaker: Shri Awanish Kumar Awasthi (IAS) Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Govt. of UP</p> <p>Moderator: Smt. Kritika Sharma, IAS, Special Secretary Medical Education Department, GoUP</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shri Awanish Kumar Awasthi (IAS) Advisor to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Govt. of UP 2. Prof M.L.B. Bhatt. Director. Kalyan Singh Super Specialty Cancer Institute, Lucknow. 3. Dr. (Brig.) Rakesh Kumar Gupta — Director, GIMS, Greater Noida

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathology AI (slides, reports) • AI in Oncology & Pathology • Point-of-care smart devices • Faster, more accurate diagnoses 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Dr. Pradeep Venkatesh AIIMS Delhi AI in ophthalmology diagnostics. 5. Dr. Alpan Raval, Chief Scientist – AI and ML, Wadhwani AI. 6. Dr. Geetha Manjunath Founder and CEO (also CTO) of NIRAMAI Health Analytix 7. Ms. Anasuya Mohan Rao — Clinical Partnerships Leader, Magnetic Resonance, Philips India Limited
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	<p>Plenary 7: Harnessing AI for New and Emerging Healthcare Challenges</p> <p>This session explores how AI-driven health solutions can expand access to care in underserved areas/communities. It examines practical use cases, the infrastructural and workforce conditions required for deployment and the opportunities to close persistent gaps in service delivery through AI applications.</p>	<p>Key Note Speaker: Shri Madhukar Bhagat, Joint Secretary (E-Health), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Aryaka Akhouri, IAS, Special Secretary Department of Medical, Health & Family Welfare, Government of Uttar Pradesh</p>	<p>Panelists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shri Madhukar Bhagat, Joint Secretary (E-Health), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India 2. Shri G Veerapandian, IAS Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare Department and Mission Director, National Health Mission (NHM), Government of Andhra Pradesh 3. Dr. Lakshmanan S., IAS — MD, National Health Mission (NHM), Assam 4. Prof. (Dr.) Ajai Singh — Vice Chancellor, Uttar Pradesh University of Medical Sciences (UPUMS), Saifai 5. Prof. (Dr.) C. M. Singh – Director, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences (RMLIMS), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh 6. Shri Aditya Vivek Patkar- Director (and CEO) of Plus91 Technologies Private Limited
<p>02:00 PM - 03:00 PM</p> <p>Lunch Break & Exhibition Walk/Industrial Presentation (GE Healthcare)</p>			
03:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Hackathon Finale & Startup Pitch Session		Top 5 finalists from the pre-conference hackathon (in partnership with Chandigarh University) pitch their solutions. Live judging and audience Q&A.
04:00 PM - 05:15 PM	Plenary 8: AI Roadmap for States	This session outlines a structured roadmap for States and UTs to strengthen their digital health and AI ecosystems. It highlights priority actions across infrastructure, data systems, workforce capacity, governance and service delivery to enable scalable and citizen-centred innovation	<p>Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Smt. Punya Salila Srivastava, IAS, Health Secretary Ministry of Health & Family Welfare GoI (Online) 2- Shri Amit Kumar Ghosh, IAS ACS Medical Health & Medical Education, GoUP

			<p>3- Dr. P. Senthilkumar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Medical Health, Government of Tamil Nadu.</p> <p>4- Shri Anurag Yadav, IAS, Principal Secretary, Information Technology and Electronics Department (IT & Electronics), Govt. UP</p> <p>5- Prof. Soniya Nityanand, MD, PhD – Vice-Chancellor, King George’s Medical University (KGMU), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.</p> <p>6- Dr. R K Dhiman, Director, SGPGI, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh.</p> <p>7- Prof. Manindra Agarwal, Director, IIT Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh</p>
05:15 PM - 06:00 PM	Valedictory Session		<p>Guest of Honour:</p> <p>1- Shri. Mayankeshwar Sharan Singh Hon’ble Minister of State Medical Health & Family Welfare, Govt. UP</p> <p>2- Shri. Sunil Kumar Sharma Hon’ble Minister IT, Govt. UP</p> <p>Chief Guest:</p> <p>Shri Brajesh Pathak, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh.</p> <p>Summary of conference outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announcement of way forward and the National Summit. Launch of state AI Mission
06:00 PM – 06:05 PM	Vote of Thanks & Conference Concludes		