

# FICCI Higher Education Excellence Awards 2026

## Excellence in AI & Digital Transformation in Teaching & Learning

Category	Category Definition
Excellence in AI & Digital Transformation in Teaching & Learning	<i>This category recognizes institutions that have made significant progress in enhancing core infrastructure, capabilities and teaching practices, from curriculum design to content creation, classroom delivery, assessments, grading, student feedback &amp; mentoring, analytics, faculty and inter-disciplinary collaboration and research using Artificial Intelligence.</i>

Section 1 – Basic information*				
Institution name				
Institution address		City:	State:	Zone: Choose an item.
Date of incorporation	Click here to enter a date.			
Type of institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Institution		<input type="checkbox"/> Private Institution	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Central Government Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Institute of Eminence	<input type="checkbox"/> Central Government Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Institute of Eminence
	<input type="checkbox"/> State Government Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Institute of National Importance	<input type="checkbox"/> State Government Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Institute of National Importance
	<input type="checkbox"/> Deemed to be University	<input type="checkbox"/> Others: (Please specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Deemed to be University	<input type="checkbox"/> Others: (Please specify) _____
Level of education provided	<input type="checkbox"/> Under-Graduate <input type="checkbox"/> Ph.D./Doctorate <input type="checkbox"/> Others (please specify) .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Post-Graduate <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma/Certificate	
Website				

Section 2 – Contact Details *	
Name of Vice Chancellor or Director or Registrar or another equivalent person	
Designation	
E-mail ID	
Contact Number	
Name of the SPOC for the Awards (Same as above)	

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Section 3 – Operational Matrix*		
Parameters	FY 2024- 2025	FY 2025-2026
% of academic programs newly redesigned or significantly revised to incorporate digital and/or AI-enabled approaches	<input type="checkbox"/> <5% <input type="checkbox"/> 5–15% <input type="checkbox"/> 16–30% <input type="checkbox"/> 31–50% <input type="checkbox"/> >50%	<input type="checkbox"/> <5% <input type="checkbox"/> 5–15% <input type="checkbox"/> 16–30% <input type="checkbox"/> 31–50% <input type="checkbox"/> >50%
% of courses delivered using structured digital and/or AI-enabled teaching methods during the academic year	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%
% of courses with digital and/or AI-enabled assessment conducted during the academic year	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%
% of faculty trained and actively applying digital/AI-enabled teaching methods during the academic year	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%	<input type="checkbox"/> <20% <input type="checkbox"/> 20–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> 61–80% <input type="checkbox"/> >80%
Improvement in student learning outcomes in courses with digital/AI-enabled interventions	<input type="checkbox"/> <3% <input type="checkbox"/> 3–7% <input type="checkbox"/> 8–15% <input type="checkbox"/> 16–25% <input type="checkbox"/> >25%	<input type="checkbox"/> <3% <input type="checkbox"/> 3–7% <input type="checkbox"/> 8–15% <input type="checkbox"/> 16–25% <input type="checkbox"/> >25%
% of courses using data-driven or AI-enabled personalization/adaptive learning mechanisms	<input type="checkbox"/> <10% <input type="checkbox"/> 10–25% <input type="checkbox"/> 26–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> >60%	<input type="checkbox"/> <10% <input type="checkbox"/> 10–25% <input type="checkbox"/> 26–40% <input type="checkbox"/> 41–60% <input type="checkbox"/> >60%
<i>(Please note that the numbers provided here will be validated at later stage hence it should be backed up with sufficient and relevant supporting documents)</i>		

Section 4 – Case Study*	
<b>Note:</b>	

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- **The below case study must pertain to ONLY one initiative/project implemented in relevance to this category. Please fill a different application form if you wish to apply with another initiative/s**
- **This section should reflect the strategic vision and institutional priorities of the institution. It must be completed or reviewed by a member of the academic or leadership team (e.g., Director, Vice Chancellor, Dean, or Registrar). Inputs collected or compiled by administrative staff must be validated before final submission.**

<p>Initiative Start Date: (DD/MM/YYYY)</p> <p>Initiative End Date: (DD/MM/YYYY) / Ongoing</p> <p>Name of Initiative/ Project</p> <p>Please select areas under which your initiative falls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Core Infrastructure</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Capabilities</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Teaching Practices</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum Design</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Content Creation</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Delivery</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Assessments</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Grading</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Student Feedback &amp; Mentoring</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Industry Readiness / Careers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Analytics</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Inter-Disciplinary Collaboration</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Research</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other, Please Specify _____</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">Click here to enter a date / Ongoing</p>
<p>1. Describe a flagship initiative undertaken by your institution that demonstrates digital transformation and/or AI-enabled innovation.</p> <p>(Max 200 words, preferably in bullets)</p> <p><b><i>Note: You may describe either a single flagship initiative or a cluster of interrelated projects, provided they collectively reflect a cohesive institutional strategy and measurable impact.</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Problem or need addressed</li> <li>• Objective of the initiative</li> <li>• Target group and scale</li> <li>• Key components of the initiative</li> <li>• Implementation approach</li> <li>• Role of digital technologies and/or AI</li> <li>• Key challenges addressed</li> <li>• Innovation in design, delivery, or institutional systems</li> </ul>
<p>2. What measurable outcomes has the initiative achieved?</p> <p>Include specific quantitative metrics and relevant qualitative outcomes</p> <p>(Max 200 words, preferably in bullets)</p>	<p><b>Your response should clearly cover:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nature of transformation achieved (process, academic, operational, or outcome-driven)</li> <li>• Key measurable outcomes achieved</li> <li>• Degree of change observed over the implementation period</li> <li>• Impact on processes, outcomes, or stakeholder experience</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scale and coverage of implementation within the institution</li> </ul>
<p>3. Why should your institution be recognized in this category?</p> <p>(Max 200 words, preferably in bullets)</p>	<p><b>Your response should clearly cover:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What makes this initiative unique in its approach</li> <li>How it differs from conventional or standard practices</li> <li>Alignment with institutional vision and priorities</li> <li>Replicability or scalability</li> <li>Long-term sustainability and strategic importance</li> </ul>

Section 5 – Supporting Documents*	
Certificate of Incorporation/Registration certificate *	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
Curriculum revision records / Board of Studies approvals*	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
LMS / ERP / AI platform analytics reports*	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
Digital / AI-enabled assessment records*	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
Faculty training and certification record*	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
<p>AI Report covering: *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AI tool used</li> <li>% of content generated or paraphrased</li> <li>% Plagiarism</li> </ul> <p><i>(Max 20% AI-generated content allowed)</i></p>	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
<p>Why should your institution win this award? <i>(Max 2 pages)</i></p> <p><i>Please note : This document must be completed or reviewed by a senior member of the academic or leadership team.</i></p>	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>
Any other collaterals (awards/ articles/certificates, etc.)	<u><b>Attach file</b></u>

<b>Section 6 – Declaration*</b>
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As a matter of record, I/we hereby declare that the information provided in the application form and the supporting documents submitted for the FICCI Higher Education Excellence Awards 2026 is, to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete. I/we understand that in the event any information is found to be false, untrue, misleading, or misrepresented, I/we shall be held liable and responsible for the same.

I/we declare that below is true:

- Initiative/ project is completely executed and fully implemented in the period April 01, 2024, to March 31, 2026
- The impact demonstrated and results showcased by initiative/ project is in the period April 01, 2025, to March 31, 2026

I/we, on behalf of my/our organization, <name of organization>, authorise FICCI to use the content submitted as part of my/our nomination, in whole or in part and use and display such entry, which shall include trade publications, press releases, electronic posting to the awards website, electronic hyperlinks to the website of the participant, and any display format selected by FICCI during the awards ceremony or at a later point in time, for a period of five years.

I/we further agree that the information provided has been approved by the Registrar or equivalent personnel of my/ our institution.

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

