

Jubilant Bhartia Foundation & McGill University to launch CoE in AI education and research in India

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To develop high-impact AI professionals ready for global careers



The Jubilant Bhartia Foundation in collaboration with McGill University (Canada), has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to create the Centre of Excellence (CoE) in artificial intelligence (AI) Education and Research.

The MoU was signed on the margins of an event with Canada's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Anita Anand, and Jayant Chaudhary, the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and also Minister of State for Education, Government of India.

The MoU was signed by Shyam S Bhartia, Founder & Chairman, Jubilant Bhartia Group and Hari S Bhartia, Founder & Co-Chairman, Jubilant Bhartia Group and Professor Deep Saini, President and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University.

This Centre of Excellence in AI Education and Research is designed to bridge the gap between academic learning and industry-relevant applications, with the goal of producing job-ready AI engineers and future research leaders.

It will first offer a Master's programme that combines strong academic foundations with applied learning and industry engagement. Students will work on projects connected to real technological challenges and emerging needs in the AI sector in India.

This partnership will leverage McGill University's research led AI ecosystem to create an innovative program that integrates strong theoretical foundations with practical implementation. The Centre will also serve as a research hub to foster AI solutions tailored to India's digital transformation journey.

The Centre will offer a Master's programme for India's graduates each year. The programme will emphasise rigorous academic quality, curriculum agility that adapts to evolving needs to remain relevant; applied learning through live projects and industry case studies; global best practices in AI research and innovation; and continuous assessment and mentorship from international faculty and leading industry experts.