



**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Hon'ble Prime Minister of India



# RISSE

**Conclave 2026**

RESEARCH, INDUSTRY, START-UP, ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONCLAVE 2026



“Innovation & Entrepreneurship Driven Growth for Viksit Bharat 2047”

# ABOUT RISE



**RISE Conclave 2026** is a premier national platform on innovation and entrepreneurship that brings together research institutions, industry leaders, start-ups, academia, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and students to deliberate, collaborate, and co-create solutions aligned with India's Whole-of-Science and Innovation vision. Organised under the **"Whole-of-Government, Whole-of-Society and Whole-of-Science and Innovation"** framework and spearheaded by Council of Scientific & Industrial Research and its constituent laboratories CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru, CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) & CSIR-Fourth Paradigm Institute (4PI). The conclave builds on the success of its earlier editions held in Jammu, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Lucknow, and Chennai. The **Bengaluru edition** will be hosted in **Bengaluru**, with the **Hon'ble Union Minister of Science & Technology** Dr. Jitendra Singh gracing the occasion as the Chief Guest.

## Objectives of RISE

- Create an integrated platform linking science, innovation, industry, start-ups, academia and policy.
- Accelerate technology translation and commercialization.
- Enable strategic partnerships, investment pathways and job-linked incubation.
- Engage and prepare students and young innovators for entrepreneurship.

## Expected Outcomes

- New collaborations among laboratories, universities, industry and start-ups.
- Showcasing of cutting-edge technologies and deployable innovations.
- Structured start-up-industry engagement leading to pilots, licensing and scale-ups.
- Stronger regional innovation ecosystem with national and global visibility.
- Highlighting CSIR as a spearhead for science and innovation in India.



The conclave will host 100+ exhibitors, mainly start-ups and MSMEs supported by CSIR, ISRO, DST, DBT, ICAR, ICMR and MoES institutions, along with focused sessions on industry interaction, expert insights and entrepreneurship development.

## About CSIR-NAL

National Aerospace Laboratories (CSIR-NAL) is India's premier R&D laboratory, a constituent of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR). The laboratory has taken up major aircraft programmes like two-seater flying trainer (Hansa-NG) and Multi-Role Light Transport Aircraft (19 seat SARAS-Mk II) to enhance the air connectivity under Govt. of India's UDAN scheme. The aircraft programs aim to meet the country's civil aviation requirements and to synergize the multidisciplinary expertise of the laboratory meeting the objectives of Atmanirbhar Bharat. The contributions of CSIR-NAL towards developing technologies for national programs notably for the Light Combat Aircraft program of ADA, the satellite and Launch Vehicle programs of ISRO and the missile programs of DRDO thus helped the country in overcoming the technology-denial regimes at critical junctures. CSIR-NAL building unique test facilities recognised as National Facilities, which are best in the country and comparable to best elsewhere in the world.

**For more information visit [www.nal.res.in](http://www.nal.res.in)**

## About CSIR-CFTRI

CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) is a premier institution under the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India. Established in 1950, CSIR-CFTRI has a mandate to foster R&D in the area of food science and technology to reduce post-harvest losses, focusing mainly on developing sustainable technologies, addressing food & nutritional security, improving food safety, and also supporting Indian food industries and other stake holders through technology transfer, human resource development, and scientific leadership. Over the years, CSIR-CFTRI has introduced numerous innovative products and processes to the market, aligning with cutting-edge R&D practices and evolving consumer lifestyles. The Institute paved the growth of food industry in India which now valued at around 530 billion USD. Notable achievements include the development of Infant foods, Instant ready-mixes, parboiling of paddy, healthy food formulations, and superfoods. The societal interventions have empowered a large number of farmers by providing affordable and sustainable methods for value addition to agricultural commodities, contributing to rural economy and employment generation.

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## About CSIR-4PI

CSIR Fourth Paradigm Institute (CSIR-4PI) is a dynamic and rapidly evolving organization that plays a pivotal role in strengthening computational research capabilities across CSIR. It is uniquely positioned as the only CSIR laboratory dedicated to data-intensive science, artificial intelligence, and high-performance computing, enabling it to lead transformative advancements in emerging data science domains that address societal and strategic challenges.

The Institute's mission is to pioneer data-driven, interdisciplinary research across diverse fields by leveraging a state-of-the-art data science ecosystem and fostering impactful industry collaborations for societal benefit. It aims to synergize transdisciplinary expertise across CSIR, creating a unified platform equipped with advanced big data technologies and optimized services to accelerate data-intensive scientific discovery in the country.

CSIR-4PI is also committed to developing cutting-edge data science solutions as a cross-cutting capability across CSIR themes, with the vision of establishing itself as a premier Institute of Excellence in Big Data and Artificial Intelligence.

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# Tentative Programme (DRAFT)



## Day 1: Saturday, 13.06.2026

Time	Event Details
<b>Inaugural Key Events</b>	
<b>09:45 AM to 10:45 AM</b>	<b>Inauguration of the Conclave</b> Welcome & Inaugural Address by Secretary DSIR & DG, CSIR Address by Director NAL, Director CFTRI, Director - 4PI Keynote Address by Mr. Sangeeth S Nambiar, Director - Innovation & Research Partnership, Bosch Global Software Technologies Exchange of ToT/MoU with Industries – NAL/CFTRI/4PI Address by the Chief Guest, Hon'ble Minister for S&T Vote of Thanks by Director, CSIR-NAL
<b>10:45 AM to 11:15 AM</b>	<b>Inauguration of the Exhibition</b> Inauguration of Start-ups Exhibition & S&T Exhibition Pavilions (NAL, CFTRI, 4PI, DST, DBT, ISRO, BIRAC, ICAR, MoES) by the Hon'ble Minister for S&T Interaction with Start-up Entrepreneurs by the Hon'ble Minister for S&T
<b>11:15 AM to 11:45 AM</b>	Media press conference and media bytes – Hon'ble MoST Moderators : NAL/CFTRI/4PI/MoST Office
<b>11:45 AM to 12:15 PM</b>	<b>Interaction with young scientists, researchers and students</b> – by the Hon'ble MoST Moderators: NAL /CFTRI / 4PI/MoST Office
<b>12:15 PM to 12:45 PM</b>	<b>Round Table (by invite only): Industry/Start-up/Entrepreneurs with Hon'ble MoST</b> Moderators: NAL /CFTRI / 4PI/MoST Office
<b>12:45 PM to 01:15 PM</b>	<b>Luncheon Networking (by invite only) – with Hon'ble Minister</b>

## Time

## Sessions & Panel Discussion

### Theme : Aerospace Technologies for Growth

**01:15 PM  
to  
02:30 PM**

#### **Spotlight: Academia – R&D Lab – Industry Collaboration for Solving Industry Challenges in Aerospace**

**Keynote Speaker & Moderator \*** : Prof. Gopalan Jagadeesh,  
Chair, Dept. of Aerospace Engineering, IISc, Bengaluru

#### **Panel Speakers\* :**

Dr. Abhay A Pashilkar, Director, CSIR-NAL

Mr. M. Sankaran, Director, URSC-ISRO,

Dr. Siddharth Balachandran, Head, Airbus Innovation Centre,

Dr. Ankit Metha, Co-Founder & CEO, Idea Forge Technology,

Mr. Vijay Prajapati, Head, Corporate Engineering, Tata

Advanced Systems Ltd.,

#### **Q&A : 15 Minutes**

**02.30 PM  
to  
03.45 PM**

#### **Panel Discussion: Building the Next Generation Start-ups in Aerospace**

**Key Note Speaker \*** : Mr. Sridhar Vembu, Founder, Zoho  
Corporation

#### **Panel Speakers\* :**

Prof. Srivardhini Jha, Chairperson, NSRCEL, IIMB

Ms. Payal Satish, Chief Commercial Officer, Sarla Aviation,

Mr. Tanveer Ahmed, Co-Founder & CTO, Digantara

Technologies,

Mr. Arjun Rao, Founding Partner, Speciale Invest,

Mr. Srijith Sreenivasan, Director, Continuous Improvement,

Schneider Electric

**Moderator cum panellist:** Mr. Jacob Poulouse, Chief of  
Operations, mach33.aero

#### **Q&A : 15 Minutes**

**03.30 PM  
to  
05.15 PM**

#### **Promoting & Supporting Start-ups- Exploitation of NAL's Patent Portfolio by Start-ups**

**Presentation by young Scientists on NAL's Patent Portfolio**

**Panel Discussion:** Cluster Chairman, NAL moderated by  
Dr. Harish C Barshilia, Advisor (M&A)

## Day 2 : Sunday, 14.06.2026

Time	Event Details
<b>Sessions &amp; Panel Discussion</b> <b>Theme : AI for Everyone: Navigating Technology, Society and Ethics</b>	
<b>09:30 AM to 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Promoting Start-ups: The Founder's Playbook: A Manual for Start-up Success</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Dr Srinivas Bhogle / Dr Vidyadhar Mudkavi, Honorary Emeritus Scientist, CSIR 4PI <b>Panel Speakers * :</b> Dr Gopal Krishna Patra, Director, CSIR-4PI Prof Chiranjib Bhattacharyya - Department of CSA, IISc Shri Lakshya Priyadarshi - Vice President, Quantum Platforms & Solutions, QPiAI Dr Purnendru Chatterjee - Founder and Chairman of The Chatterjee Group (TCG) Dr Pratyush Kumar, CEO, Sarvam AI Shri Mohammed Y Safirulla, Director, IndiaAI Mission, MeitY Dr Geetha Manjunath, Founder & CEO, Niramai, AI <b>Q&amp;A : 15 Minutes</b>
<b>Sessions &amp; Panel Discussion</b> <b>Theme: AGRI-FOOD NEXUS 2026 – Architecting the Lab-to-Market Pipeline</b>	
<b>11:00 AM to 01:00 PM</b>	<b>Promoting Start-ups: The Founder's Playbook: A Manual for Start-up Success</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Umesh H. Hebbar, Chief Scientist, CSIR-CFTRI <b>Panel Speakers *:</b> Mr. Nikhil Kamath (Zerodha), Mr. Abhay Hanjura (Licious), Mr. Deepinder Goyal (Zomato), Ms. Rajni Bector (Mrs. Bector Foods) Mr. Sachin Bansal (Flipkart) <b>Q&amp;A : 15 Minutes</b>
<b>01:00 PM to 02:00 PM</b>	<b>Networking Lunch</b>

**02:00 PM  
to  
03:00 AM**

## **Angel & Venture Capital: Pitch and Valuation Masterclass & Funding**

**Moderator:** Dr. Vikas Singh Chauhan, Chief Scientist, CSIR-CFTRI

### **Panel Speakers \*:**

Ms. Vineeta Singh (SUGAR Cosmetics)  
Mr. Kunal Bahl (Titan Capital & Snapdeal)  
Mr. Musthafa P (ID Fresh)  
Mr. Hari Menon (BigBasket)

**Q&A : 15 Minutes**

**03:00 PM  
to  
04:30 PM**

## **Panel Discussion: Are We Solving the Right Problems? Aligning Academic Research with Industry Needs**

**Moderator:** Prof. Rajeshwar S. Matche, Chief Scientist, CSIR-CFTRI

### **Panel Speakers \* :**

- Mr. Vikas Gupta (Tata Consumer Products)
- Mr. Hemant Malik (ITC Ltd – Foods Business Division)
- Mr. Sanjay Sharma (Orkla India)
- Mr. Anand Chordia (Suhana)
- Director, Biological Sciences (ISRO)
- Vice-Chancellor (GKVK, UAS)
- Director (CSIR-CFTRI)

**Q&A : 15 Minutes**

**04:30 PM**

**Conclave Concludes with High –Tea**

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