

Conference Agenda

Day 1 – Sunday, 22 February 2026

Time	Jasmine Hall 1 (Plenary)	Meeting Room 204 (Parallel)	Meeting Room 202 (Parallel)
09:00–10:00	Registration		
10:00 – 11:20	Cultivating Equity: Bridging The Gender Digital Divide Through Responsible AI	Traceability as Digital Public Infrastructure(DPI) for Agri-Commodities: A Blueprint for Population Scale Implementation and Global Interoperability	The Trust Engine: Accelerating AI4Agri through Institutional Financing Architecture
11:20 – 11:30	Inauguration of the Exhibition Area followed by a Guided Stall Visit		
11:30–13:00	Keynote Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shri. Nandan Nilekani – Chairman and Co-founder, Infosys and Founding Chairman UIDAI (Aadhaar) • Shri. Rajesh Aggarwal – Hon'ble Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra • Shri. Parameswaran Iyer – Executive Director, The World Bank Group • Shri. Dejan Jakovljevic – Chief Information Officer and Director, Digital FAO and Agro-Informatics Division, FAO • Shri. J. Satyanarayana – Chief Advisor, C4IR India, World Economic Forum • Smt. Brenda Gunde – Lead Global Technical Specialist, ICT for Development, IFAD • Dr. Angela Lusigi – UNDP Resident Representative India 		
13:00–14:20	Lunch		
14:20–14:50	Keynote Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Mangi Lal Jat, Hon'ble DG, ICAR and Secretary (DARE) – Ministry of Agriculture and FW, Government of India • Ms. Mio Oka – Country Director, India Resident Mission, ADB • Smt. Kanta Singh – Country Representative – India, UN Women 		
15:00–16:10	Inaugural Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory Address by Shri. Vikas Chandra Rastogi – Hon'ble ACS (Agriculture), Government of Maharashtra • Shri. Dattatray Bharane – Hon'ble Minister (Agriculture), Government of Maharashtra • Dr. Jitendra Singh – Hon'ble Union Minister of State, Government of India • Launch Event of MahaAgX, Bhili tribal language Large Language Model (LLM) , MahaVISTAAR Voice Telephony, Plant Pest & Disease Detection • MoUs Exchange • Inaugural Address by Shri. Devendra Fadnavis – Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra 		
16:10–17:00	Tea break		
17:00–18:30	AI across the Value Chain: Unlocking Inclusivity, Sustainability and efficiency	Shared digital foundations and Governance and Funding Architecture for AI4ARN	Reverse Pitching, FPO as adoption gateways for AI startups in Agriculture
18:30–19:30	-	Maharashtra Agriculture Data Exchange (MahaAgX): Secure, Interoperable, and Consent-Driven DPI Accelerating AI-Powered Agricultural Innovation	AI Convergence Pathways: Unlocking exponential gains through Emerging tech convergences
19.30– 21.00	Cultural Evening		

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Day 2 – Monday, 23 February 2026

Time	Jasmine 1 (Plenary Session)	Meeting Room: 204 (Breakout Session)	Meeting Room: 202 (Breakout Session)
10:30–11:30	Status of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and Digital Public Goods (DPGs) for Agriculture at the Global Level	Scaling up Digital Agri Finance Models	Coding for Equality: Policy Levers for a Gender-Responsive Agri-AI Ecosystem
10:30–11:30	Round Table – Mainstreaming Artificial Intelligence in Agricultural Education: Skills, Innovation, Incubation and Institutional Transformation		
11:30–12:00	Tea break		
12:00–13:00	Investing in Agri-AI Futures: Investment, Markets & Scalable Innovations	Safety, Transparency & Risk Management Mechanisms	Transforming Agriculture at Scale through Remote Sensing and Geospatial Intelligence
13:00–14:00	Lunch		
14:00–15:00	Building a Global AI-Powered Agricultural Research Network (AI4ARN)	Co-designing for Her: Inclusive and Equitable AI Solutions for Women Farmers in India and Globally	Generative AI for Agriculture: Unlocking First-Mile Intelligence
15:00–15:30	Tea break		
15:30–17:00	Investment Arena		
17:00–17:30	Valedictory Session		



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