Dear Colleagues / Friends,

It gives us immense pleasure to invite you to the National program on "**The Connected Campus: Engaging today's learners, Harnessing Technology in the digital era**" which will be held online from **12th – 16th October 2026**, organized by the Association of Indian Universities, KAHER-Academic and Administrative Development Centre (AIU-KAHER AADC).

The contemporary higher education campus is evolving beyond the traditional classroom into a connected ecosystem shaped by changing learner expectations, digital technologies, artificial intelligence, social media and growing awareness of student wellbeing and safety. Creating a truly connected campus requires more than adopting new technologies—it calls for engaged teaching, responsible digital practices, supportive relationships and a culture of safety, inclusion and accountability.

This five-day program brings together key dimensions of the connected campus, beginning with learner engagement and adult learning, moving through the purposeful use of technology and AI, and addressing the essential human dimensions of safety, mental health, mentorship and social accountability. Participants will explore practical approaches for creating learning environments in which students feel engaged, supported, respected and connected.

The program aims to encourage faculty to view their role not only as teachers, but also as mentors, facilitators, role models and contributors to a safe and socially responsible educational environment

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Objectives:

By the end of the program, participants will be able to:

1. Apply principles of adult learning and learner engagement to create more meaningful and student-centred educational experiences.
2. Explore the purposeful use of digital technologies, AI and social media to enhance teaching and learning while promoting responsible digital practices.
3. Recognise and strengthen their role in creating safe, supportive and inclusive campuses, including appropriate prevention, response and referral mechanisms for harassment, discrimination and ragging.
4. Promote student wellbeing, mentorship and social accountability as integral components of a connected and sustainable higher education campus.

Expected Outcome

By the end of the program, participants will be able to translate the principles of a connected, safe and supportive campus into practical faculty-level actions, integrating learner-centred teaching, responsible technology use, student wellbeing, mentorship, safety and social accountability into their everyday educational practice.

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Registration Fees : **Rs. 590/-** (500+GST)

Mode of delivery : **Online**

Last day for Registration : **10th October 2026 (Before 12:30 pm)**

Registration Link: https://forms.gle/j2GFhT2MvsGa8GG39

Participants may deposit the prescribed amount On-line

Name of the beneficiary : **Registrar, KLE Academy of Higher Education and Research, Belagavi**

Type of Account : SB

Name of the Bank : Canara Bank

Branch : Nehru Nagar, Belagavi,

Account No. 05042170000039

Bank IFSC Code : CNRB0010504

No cheques will be accepted

E-mail ID and Mobile number is mandatory.

Cash will also be accepted

Registration forms along with transaction details should be sent to the program coordinator's email address (mentioned in the brochure)

Mode of Payment: NEFT / Online UPI



QR Code for Payment

Program Schedule

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Date & Time	Topics	Resource Faculty
Day 1_12.10.2026 : The Connected Campus: Foundations		
10.30 am - 11.00 am	Inauguration	
11.00 am - 12.30 pm	***Key note Address: "The connected Campus: Reimagining Learner Engagement in the current era"***	Dr. V. M. Pattanshetti
2.30 pm - 4.30 pm	Engaging Gen Zs: Applying Adult learning principles in higher education.	Dr. Sunita Y. Patil
Day 2_13.10.2026: Technology as a Teaching Partner		
10:00 am - 12:00 Noon	Role of Technology and Digital tools in teaching today	Dr. Chinmay Shah
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Role of AI and Social media Education	Dr. Harshal Sabane
Day 3_14.10.2026: — Building Safe, Supportive Cultures		
10:00 am - 12:00 Noon	Building Safe, Supportive Campuses: From Policy on Paper to Everyday Practice	Dr. D H Rao
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Prevention and Response: Harassment, Discrimination, Ragging and the Redressal Ecosystem	Dr. Chinmay Shah
Day 4_ 15.10.2026: — Mental Health and Wellbeing		
10:00 am - 12:00 Noon	Mental Health First Aid for Student: Recognizing Distress, Responding, Referring	Dr. Dhruti Prasad
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Role of Mentorship programs on students' wellbeing	Dr. Animesh Jain
Day 5_16.10.2026:: Social accountability for a safe and connected campus		
10:00 am - 12:00 Noon	Social Accountability for a Safe Campus: The Shared Responsibility of Teachers and Institutions	Dr. Jyotsa Sriranga
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Creating Sustainable development Goals (SDGs) for a safe supportive campus in Higher Education	Dr. Roopa Bellad

Who should attend:
Teachers, Deans, Principals.

Resource Persons:

- **Dr. V. M. Pattanshetti,**
  Registrar,
  KAHER, Belagavi
- **Dr. Roopa Bellad**
  Dean, Faculty of Medicine,
  Convener, NMC Nodal center for Faculty Development,
  Professor of Pediatrics,
  J. N. Medical College, KAHER, Belagavi.
- **Dr. Chinmay Shah**,
  Dean, Government Medical College,
  Professor & Head, Department of Physiology,
  GMC, Bhavnagar, Gujarat.
- **Dr. Harshal Sabane**
  Professor & Head,
  Department of Community Medicine,
  SSR Medical College, Mauritius**.**
- **Dr. Animesh Jain**
  Professor,
  Department of Community Medicine,
  KMC, Mangalore.
- **Dr. D H Rao** **M.E., M.S., PhD., MBA, PhD in Engineering, PhD in Management**
  Educationist and Trainer.
- **Dr. Jyotsna Sriranga**
  Director and CEO Urja- Catalysts for Transformation,
  Hon Secretary, Academy of Health Professions Educators (AHPE), India.
- **Ms. Dhruthi S. Prasad**
  Assistant Professor,
  Department of Psychology,
  JAIN University, Bengaluru.
- **Dr. Sunita Y. Patil,**
  Professor of Pathology,
  J. N. Medical College,
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