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IIM Raipur Teaches Good Governance at Chintan Shivir 2.0



Indian Institute of Management Raipur successfully hosted Chintan Shivir 2.0 in collaboration with the Government of Chhattisgarh. In the two days residential program, the cabinet ministers, including the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, engaged on this dynamic platform for introspection, strategic dialogue, and policy innovation, aimed at accelerating the state's inclusive and sustainable development.

Distinguished academicians and experts from premier institutions, including Dr. Ravindra H. Dholakia, Professor Emeritus at IIM Ahmedabad; Dr. Himanshu Rai, Director of IIM Indore; Shri Uday Mahurkar, former Central Information Commissioner and a senior journalist; and Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, former Rajya Sabha MP and President of ICCR, engaged in insightful discussions. Dr. Rajendra Pratap Gupta, a leading health policy expert and advisor to the government, and Shri Sanjeev Sanyal, Member of the PM's Economic Advisory Council, also contributed their subject matter perspectives.



The event was graced by the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Vishnu Deo Sai, along with Cabinet Ministers, senior bureaucrats, and eminent scholars. Together, they engaged in an intensive and collaborative dialogue on critical governance challenges, reform priorities, and strategic development roadmaps.

In his valedictory address, Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Vishnu Deo Sai stated, "Chintan Shivir 2.0, conducted through the collaboration of IIM Raipur and the Chhattisgarh Department of Good Governance, was a successful initiative where cabinet members were introduced to relevant topics that will help in running the government more efficiently. The topics chosen and the speakers were remarkable, and their teachings will greatly support us in achieving the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047."

Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur, said, "We are honored to facilitate this exchange of ideas among policymakers and thought leaders. Chintan Shivir 2.0 reflects our belief that academic institutions must go beyond classrooms and actively engage in real-world governance and leadership challenges. This platform not only fosters collaborative thinking between policymakers and scholars but also aligns with our larger mission of creating evidence-based, inclusive, and future-ready public systems.

During the IIM Raipur retreat, Chhattisgarh State Ministers stressed the need for a culture-sensitive development model combining local traditions to ensure sustainable prosperity in post-Naxal Chhattisgarh. Fiscal discipline to cut compulsory expenditure, raise capital outlays, and aim for 12% annual growth is needed to realize the vision of a developed state and India by 2047. Ministers stressed that leaders must prioritize long-term societal outcomes over short-term gains, demonstrating transformational leadership through personal accountability and ethical governance rooted in cultural values. In the state, fostering cultural unity was highlighted as essential for national integration and building social capital.

The program included sessions on "Seva, Sankalp, aur Seekh" (Service, Resolve, and Learning), and concluded with the inauguration of the "Sushasan Vatika" (Good Governance Garden) via a symbolic tree-planting ceremony.



Vision and Mission



Faculty Publications/ Award

Shuvabrata Chakraborty 2025. Titled "E-commerce Middle-mile Network Design with Delivery Speed Choices and Service Level Constraints" at the International Conference on Operations Research and Decision Science (ICORDS) 2025, organized by the Centre for Advanced Research in Applied Mathematics and Statistics (CARAMS), MAHE, Manipal, Karnataka, from 5th to 7th June 2025.



Shuvabrata Chakraborty
Asst. Professor

Award

Best Paper Award (2nd place) for the paper titled "E-commerce Middle-mile Network Design with Delivery Speed Choices and Service Level Constraints" presented at the International Conference on Operations Research and Decision Science (ICORDS) 2025, organized by the Centre for Advanced Research in Applied Mathematics and Statistics (CARAMS), MAHE, Manipal, Karnataka, from June 5-7, 2025.

MoU

Indian Institute of Management Raipur Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Center for Studies on Holistic Development (CSHD), Raipur, to foster collaboration in research, training, outreach, and academic engagement. The MoU, signed by Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur, and Shri Satish Gokul Panda, Secretary, CSHD, aims to build a framework for joint efforts in areas of mutual interest such as development economics, governance, sustainability, and rural entrepreneurship. The collaboration also focuses on interdisciplinary research, leadership development, and impactful policy initiatives.

Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur, stated, "Our partnership with CSHD is a purposeful step toward connecting academic excellence with grassroots realities. At IIM Raipur, we believe that management education must go beyond classrooms and contribute meaningfully to society. This collaboration allows us to co-create knowledge, develop socially-

responsive leaders, and support community-driven change. Together, we aim to foster a development model that is locally grounded, research-informed, and nationally relevant.”

This strategic partnership reinforces IIM Raipur's commitment to regional development, policy innovation, and academic excellence, aligning with national priorities and local needs.

Lectures delivered in Webinar/Seminar

Delivered lectures on "Lagrangian Relaxation" as an invited speaker Shuvabrata Chakraborty at the Large-Scale Optimization (LSO) Summer School 2025, organized by IIT Bombay from June 16 - 21, 2025.

Event

International Yoga Day 2025

The event commenced with a warm welcome address by Director Ram Kumar Kakani, who emphasized the importance of yoga in maintaining both personal and planetary health, aligning with the theme “Yoga for One Earth, One Health.” He encouraged participants to adopt yoga as a way of life for a healthier self and planet.



A certified yoga instructor led a session of the Common Yoga Protocol (CYP), which included a series of asanas, pranayama, and meditation. The session was designed to accommodate all levels, from beginners to advanced practitioners, ensuring maximum participation and benefit. SAC Chairperson, Prof. Ramkumar M. addressed the gathering, highlighting yoga's significance in fostering community and environmental consciousness. He discussed yoga as a tool for sustainable living and mental well-being, reinforcing the event's theme.





Olympic Day

IIM Raipur successfully conducted Olympic day celebration 23rd June 2025, with active participation from the student community. The Sports like Cricket, Volleyball and basketball event not only encouraged physical activity but also strengthened the values of the Olympic Movement. IIM Raipur remains committed to promoting such initiatives in the future to build a robust sporting culture at the grassroots level.



Executive Education and Consultancy

Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Raipur is pleased to announce an exciting series of Management Development Programs (MDPs) scheduled for June 2025. Designed for working professionals and senior executives, these programs aim to empower participants with cutting-edge knowledge and actionable skills across critical business domains.

The curriculum will focus on domains like finance, machine learning, and more. These Three MDPs will be conducted by esteemed faculty members, combining academic rigor with real-world applications. These MDPs were meticulously curated to address the evolving needs of industries and professionals. With a strong emphasis on real-world application, these programs offer participants a chance to engage in hands-on learning led by IIM Raipur's esteemed faculty.

Prof. Ram Kumar Kakani, Director, IIM Raipur shared his views, "In an era defined by volatility, data overload, and rapid innovation, organizations need leaders who can think critically, adapt swiftly, and act decisively. At IIM Raipur, our Management Development Programs are not just academic

interventions, they are transformational journeys. These programs are carefully curated to address skill gaps in finance, marketing, leadership, and data intelligence, with a strong emphasis on real-world application. Whether you are from the corporate world or public service sector, these learning experiences will equip you with tools to lead with foresight and impact.”

These programs offer a valuable platform for professionals to engage with leading academicians, gain industry-relevant knowledge, and develop a strategic mind-set. Participants will benefit from interactive discussions, case studies, and practical frameworks that can be applied directly to their organizations.

Month	Area	Program Title	Program Director(s)	Dates	No. of Days
June 2025	Finance & Accounting	Finance for Non-Finance Executives: Unlocking Financial Management Skills for Business Success	Dr. M. Kannadhasan	05 - 07 Jun 2025	3
	General Management	Building Core Leadership Competencies	Dr. Ram Kumar Kakani, Dr. Ritu Gupta	05 - 09 Jun 2025	5
	Information System	Machine Learning & Data Visualization for Senior Police Officers	Dr. Manojit Chattopadhyay, Dr. Sumeet Gupta	27 - 29 Jun 2025	5

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