

TEDxGIPE 2026 - Detailed Event Flow

Date: 24th January 2026, Saturday

Venue: Kale Hall, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics

I. Pre-Event Engagements (Morning Session)

Meeting of Guest Speakers with Faculty & Placement Committee

- **Participants:** Guest Speakers, Faculty Members, Placement Committee
- **Purpose:** This meeting aims to create a structured platform for dialogue between alumni professionals and institute stakeholders, focusing on academic engagement, industry academia collaboration and avenues for student mentoring and placements.
- **Time:** 10:30 AM
- **Venue:** UGC Conference Room

II. Main Event Proceedings

Audience Registration & Seating: 2:00 PM onwards

A registration desk will be set up outside Kale Hall from 2:00 PM onwards and will be managed by five members of the Alumni Committee. Each attendee will be required to present their TEDxGIPE 2026 ticket, which carries a unique registration number. The registration team will verify the ticket details at the desk before granting entry. Upon successful verification, attendees will be guided into Kale Hall and seated as per the designated seating arrangements. Separate and reserved seating will be ensured for the Chief Guest, guest speakers, faculty members and other dignitaries, followed by seating for the registered audience.

III. Inaugural Session

Event Start Time: 2:30 PM

- **Welcome Address by the Hosts of the Event** - 2 members from the Alumni Committee
- **Saraswati Vandana and Musical Performance by GIPE Music Committee & Lighting of the Lamp** (10-15 minutes)
- **Welcome Address by the Vice Chancellor, GIPE** (10 minutes)
- **Chief Guest Address - Mrs. Rasika Gupta** (10 minutes)

IV. TEDx Talks - Part I

◆ Apoorva Javadekar

Chief Economist, Muthoot Fincorp Ltd (Non-Alumnus)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)

- ◆ **Rupa Rege**
*Former Group Chief Economist, L&T Finance
(GIPE Alumna, Batch 1982–1984)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)*
- ◆ **Ankita Sarmah**
*Assistant Professor, IIIT Guwahati
(GIPE Alumna, Batch 2012–2014)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)*

V. Intermission

Tea / Networking Break (20 minutes)

VI. Classical Cultural Performance by Adah (GIPE Dance Committee) (10 minutes)

VII. TEDx Talks - Part II

- ◆ **Saurav Kumar**
*Assistant Manager & Consultant, GenAI Team, Deloitte
(GIPE Alumnus, Batch 2021–2023)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)*
- ◆ **Debopam Chaudhuri**
*Chief Economist, Piramal Enterprises Limited
(GIPE Alumnus, Batch 2003–2005)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)*
- ◆ **Suparna Diwakar**
*Chief Consultant, National Syllabus and TLM Committee
(GIPE Alumna, Batch 1986–1988)
(12–14 minutes, max 18 minutes)*

VIII. Valedictory Session

- **Vote of Thanks** By President, Alumni Committee (5 minutes)
- **National Anthem** (1 minute)

IX. Post-Event Engagement

- **Informal Interaction / Buffer Time**

X. Dinner

- **8:00 PM onwards**

- **Hosted For:**
Guest Speakers, Alumni, Faculty Members, Alumni Committee, Placement Cell Core Team
- **Note:** For alumni attending the dinner, the dinner charges will be included along with the TEDx ticket.