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India's Challenges with the Impossible Trinity

The Alumni Committee is pleased to welcome **Dr. Rupa Rege Nitsure** to **TEDxGIPE 2026**. An alumna of GIPE, she has held senior roles in India's banking and financial sector, being a Former Group Chief Economist at L&T Finance and Chief Economist at Bank of Baroda.

She has also served on Reserve Bank of India committees, contributing to the development of India's macroeconomic and monetary policy framework. She turns complex economic shifts into insights for institutions, markets and public discourse. Her experience offers a rare view into how economic ideas are shaped, debated and implemented.

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Credit Inequality: The Growth that We Don't See

At **TEDxGIPE 2026**, we're excited to welcome **Debopam Chaudhuri** back to campus. An *alumnus* of the institute and Chief Economist at Piramal Enterprises Limited, his work spans macroeconomic research, policy analysis and market strategy.

What truly stands out is how effortlessly he makes sense of complexity. With decades of experience navigating markets and policy environments, he has a way of connecting large economic shifts to the everyday decisions they quietly influence. His perspective offers not just analysis, but clarity, turning abstract forces into ideas that feel relevant and human.

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Small Starts, Long Reach: How Entrepreneurship Creates Change Beyond Profit

The Alumni Committee is delighted to welcome **Dr. Ankita Sarmah** to **TEDxGIPE 2026**. An alumna of the Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics and an Assistant Professor at the Indian Institute of Information Technology Guwahati, her work lies at the intersection of developmental economics, entrepreneurship and MSME research.

What distinguishes her is a rare ability to anchor abstract economic frameworks in the practical realities of entrepreneurship. She arrives on the TEDx stage not to explain the economy, but to reframe how we see growth, work and impact.

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From a Whisper to a Wave: How Small Human Shifts Create Big Change in the Age of AI

Taking the **TEDxGIPE 2026** stage is **Saurav Kumar**, an *alumnus* of the institute and a professional working in the field of applied artificial intelligence. His work spans complex operational settings across multiple industries, where advanced technologies must perform reliably at scale.

With experience navigating both technical design and on-ground implementation, he brings clarity to how artificial intelligence moves from concept to execution. On the TEDx stage, his insights will reflect practical understanding of how technology shapes decision-making, efficiency and outcomes in real-world environments.

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Regenerating the Beautiful Tree

The Alumni Committee is pleased to welcome **Suparna Diwakar** to **TEDxGIPE 2026**. A GIPE alumna and Chief Consultant to the National Syllabus & TLM Committee, her work spans and encompasses education, curriculum design and long-term institutional thinking, with a strong grounding in classroom realities.

What sets her apart is her ability to engage seamlessly with systems thinking. Drawing on decades of hands-on experience, she brings to the TEDx stage a perspective that is both reflective and actionable, marked by clarity, depth and a deep commitment to reimagining learning for the future.

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India's Productivity Puzzle: Credit, Capital and the Missing Link

At the intersection of data and credit, stands **Apoorva Javadekar**, Chief Economist at Muthoot Fincorp, one of the voices at **TEDxGIPE 2026**. His work involves closely tracking credit cycles, interest rate movements and lending behaviour in a financial landscape.

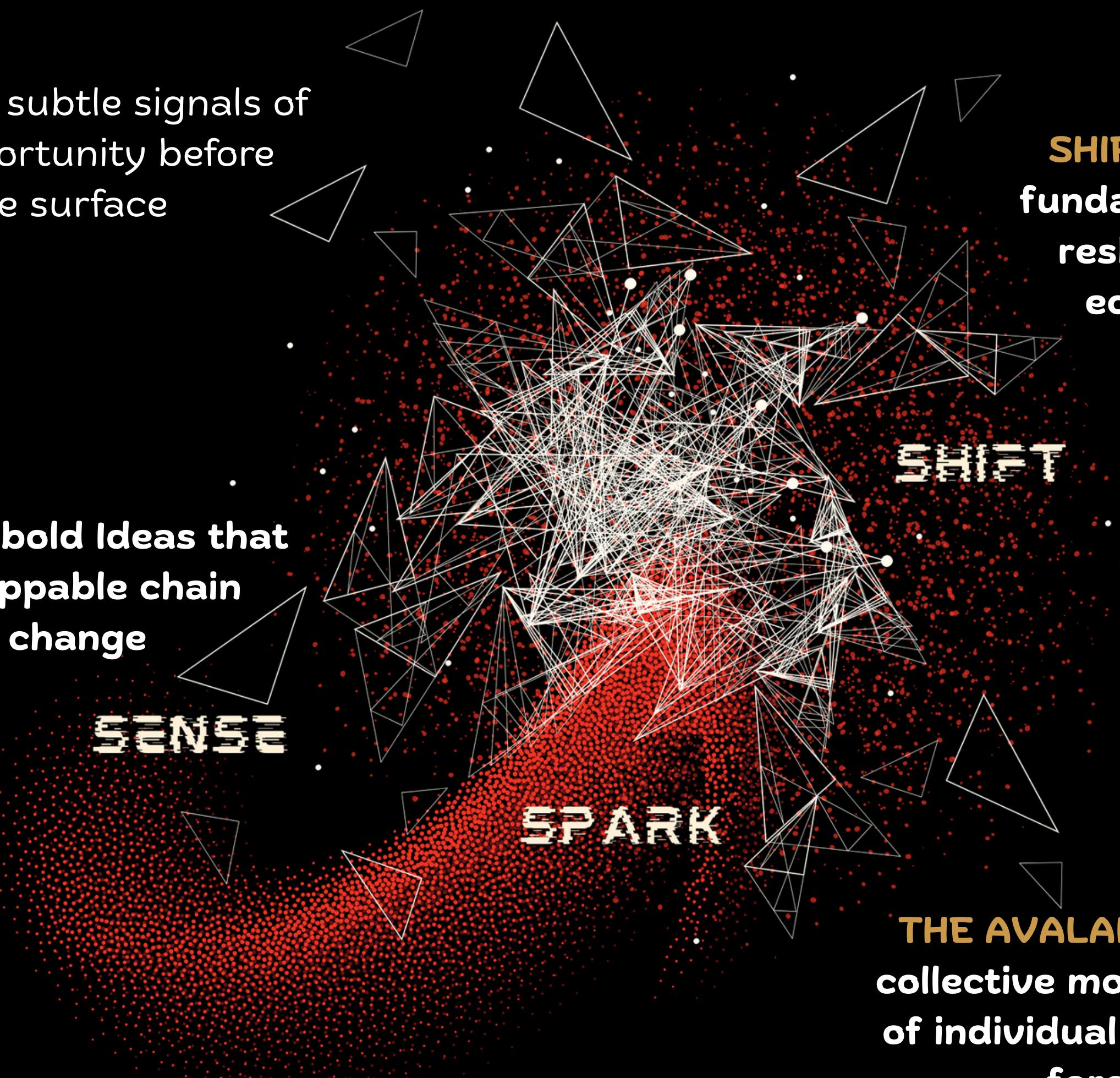
Known for his analytical approach to risk and resilience, he brings clarity to how financial institutions navigate uncertainty and respond to stress. On the TEDx stage, his insights will go beyond numbers, offering a strategic lens on how finance adapts in moments of change, often long before those shifts become visible.

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