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GTU - School of Management Studies

Report on “Aarogyam Prabandham - 2026”

1. **Title of Event:** Leading Healthcare Through AI & Technology
2. **Type of Event:** Healthcare Conclave
3. **Date:** 8th March, 2026
Time: 9:30 AM
Venue: B0 Hall, GTU Campus, Chandkheda, Ahmedabad

4. **Description of the Event:**

GTU - School of Management Studies, Ahmedabad, organized “**Aarogya Prabandham 2026**” on March 8, 2026. Notably, this was the fourth consecutive year the institution hosted the conclave, centered on the theme “**Leading Healthcare through Artificial Intelligence and Technology,**” coinciding with International Women’s Day to promote greater participation of women in the medical field.

The event witnessed participation from around 150 attendees, including healthcare experts, hospital administrators, and aspiring medical professionals across Gujarat. A significant presence of women participants was observed throughout the sessions and discussions.

The program commenced with a Welcome address by **Dr. K. N. Kher, Registrar, GTU**, who warmly welcomed all dignitaries, experts, and participants. He emphasized the University’s continuous efforts to promote innovation, research, and industry collaboration in healthcare management. He also highlighted the growing importance of integrating artificial intelligence and digital technologies in healthcare education and practice to meet the evolving needs of the sector.



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Dr. Rajesh K. Jain, Director, GSMS, presented an overview of the conference, highlighting that ***Aarogyam Prabandham 2026*** is an important initiative under the PGDHM program aimed at strengthening healthcare management competencies. He emphasized that while the PGDHM program equips learners with essential knowledge in hospital operations, quality management, finance, and healthcare laws, the rapidly evolving healthcare landscape—driven by AI, digital technologies, and data analytics—demands broader exposure beyond the classroom.

He explained that the conclave serves as a dynamic platform to bridge this gap by bringing together healthcare professionals, academicians, and industry experts to discuss emerging trends, innovations, and best practices. Centered on the theme ***“Leading Healthcare Through AI & Technology,”*** the conference aimed to promote knowledge sharing, collaboration, and innovative thinking, enabling participants to better understand and adapt to the future of technology-driven healthcare systems.

The **Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Rajul K. Gajjar**, the University’s first female Vice-Chancellor, shared insightful perspectives on the technological revolution driven by AI and interdisciplinary advancements in India. She emphasized the importance of innovation, research, and leadership development to accelerate progress in the healthcare sector.

The **Chief Guest, Dr. A.M. Kadri**, Executive Director, SHSRC–G, Health and Family Welfare Department of the Government of Gujarat, elaborated on various healthcare management practices and how they enhance operational efficiency, ultimately benefiting the general public.

The **Guest of Honour, Dr. Rakesh Joshi**, Medical Superintendent at Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad, highlighted the importance of innovation and effective utilization of technology in healthcare. He also presented statistical insights into technology-driven diagnostics and surgical procedures in India over the past year. He emphasized that while AI and technology can support healthcare professionals, they cannot replace human expertise.

Renowned Senior Surgeon **Dr. Viren Shah**, Vice President of AHNA, a leading healthcare association in Gujarat, was also present as a distinguished guest.



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At the end of the inaugural session, the Vote of Thanks was delivered by **Dr. Pankajray Patel, Professor, GSMS** who expressed gratitude to all dignitaries, speakers, and participants while also highlighting the importance and objectives of the healthcare conclave Aarogyam Prabandham 2026.

The plenary sessions featured distinguished speakers who shared their expertise and insights on Emerging trends in healthcare technology. **Dr. Pragnesh Vachharajani**, Founder of Hitcon Healthcare, delivered an insightful session on **“Bridging Clinical Management & Artificial Intelligence.”** He elaborated on how artificial intelligence is revolutionizing clinical decision-making, enhancing diagnostic accuracy, and optimizing hospital operations. He further emphasized the importance of adopting AI-driven solutions to improve patient outcomes while maintaining efficiency and cost-effectiveness within healthcare systems.

Following this, **Dr. Mukesh Patel**, Chief Administrative Officer at Kiran Medical College & Hospital, Surat, delivered a session on **“Role of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Technologies in Hospital Administration.”** His address focused on the integration of digital tools in administrative functions, including workflow optimization, resource allocation, predictive analytics, and data management. He highlighted how digital transformation is no longer optional but essential for healthcare institutions aiming to deliver quality care and remain competitive in an evolving healthcare landscape.

The conclave also featured two highly engaging panel discussions that encouraged diverse perspectives and interactive dialogue among experts. The first panel discussion, titled **“Traditional Clinical Practices vs. Modern Practice in the Age of Technology,”** included eminent panelists **Dr. Viren Shah, Dr. Meeta Parikh, Dr. Chaitri Shah, Dr. Jigar Mehta, and Dr. Saumil Mandaliya**, and was effectively moderated by **Dr. Maulik Mehta**. The discussion explored the coexistence of traditional medical practices with modern technological advancements, addressing key concerns such as ethical considerations, resistance to change, skill gaps, and the importance of continuous professional development. The panelists emphasized that while technology is a powerful enabler, the human touch in healthcare remains irreplaceable.

The second panel discussion, titled **“Driving Healthcare Organizations through Artificial Intelligence & Technology,”** brought together distinguished experts including **CA Kavita Gandhi, Ms. Shilpa Agrawal, Dr. Harsh Amin, Dr. Vipul Nimavat, and Dr. Parth Vyas**, with moderation by **Ms. Nupur Mehta**. This session focused on the strategic and operational dimensions of implementing AI in healthcare organizations.



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The panelists discussed financial planning, leadership strategies, digital transformation frameworks, and the challenges faced by healthcare institutions in adopting advanced technologies. The discussion highlighted the need for strong leadership, adaptability, and a forward-thinking approach to successfully integrate AI into healthcare systems.

Throughout the event, participants actively engaged in discussions, gaining valuable insights into current trends, challenges, and future opportunities in healthcare management. The conclave provided an excellent opportunity for networking, knowledge exchange, and collaboration among professionals and students from diverse backgrounds.

5. Name of experts:

The conclave featured expert sessions by renowned healthcare professionals. **Dr. Pragnesh Vachharajani**, Founder of Hitcon Healthcare, delivered a session on Clinical Management & Artificial Intelligence, highlighting the role of AI in improving clinical decision-making and healthcare efficiency. **Dr. Mukesh Patel**, CAO of Kiran Hospital & Medical College, Surat, spoke on the Role of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Technologies in Hospital Administration, explaining how modern technologies are transforming hospital operations and management practices.

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Aarogyam Prabandham 2026 concluded on a highly successful note, leaving a lasting impact on all attendees. The event effectively underscored the significance of bridging the gap between healthcare and technology, reinforcing the vision of building a more efficient, accessible, and patient-centric healthcare system. It also reaffirmed Gujarat Technological University’s commitment to promoting innovation, academic excellence, and industry collaboration in the field of healthcare management.



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6. Number of participants:

A total of 150 participants from the health sector attended the event.

7. Flyer of the Event:

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Invitation
आरोव्यम् प्रबंधम् -2026
"Leading Healthcare Through AI & Technology"
(One Day Conclave for Healthcare Professionals)

PATRON
Dr. Rajul K. Gajjar
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
Gujarat Technological University

CHIEF GUEST
Dr. A. M. Kadri
Executive Director, SHSRC-G,
Health & Family Welfare Department, GoG

GUEST OF HONOUR
Dr. Rakesh Joshi
Medical Superintendent,
Civil Hospital- Ahmedabad

SPEAKERS

Dr. Pragnesh Vachharajani
Founder, Hilton Healthcare
Session : Binder : Clinical Management & Artificial Intelligence

Dr. Mukesh Patel
CAD, Kiran Hospital & Medical College, Surat
Session : Role of Artificial Intelligence and Digital Technologies in Hospital Administration

08th | March | 2026 Time - 09:30 AM onwards
GTU Campus, Chandkheda, Ahmedabad

PANEL DISCUSSION

- Traditional Clinical Practices vs. Modern Practices in the Age of Technology
- Driving Healthcare Organizations Through Artificial Intelligence & Technology

EVENT PARTNER

ANIMS, Aurobindo Hospital & Medical Multiplex, CCCT & Tissue Center, DIPTI SHAH Research Institute, JIYA, SSVIP, Chemist180

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Dr. Rajesh K. Jain (Director, GSMS)



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8. Feedback on the Event:

- The conclave gave useful insights into the role of AI and technology in healthcare.
- Sessions by Dr. Pragnesh Vachharajani and Dr. Mukesh Patel were informative and practical.
- Panel discussions provided different perspectives on modern healthcare practices.
- The event helped students understand emerging trends in the healthcare sector.

9. Social Media Post:





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10. Few Glimpses of the Event:





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