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Panel Discussion on "Bridging the gap between Academia & Industry."

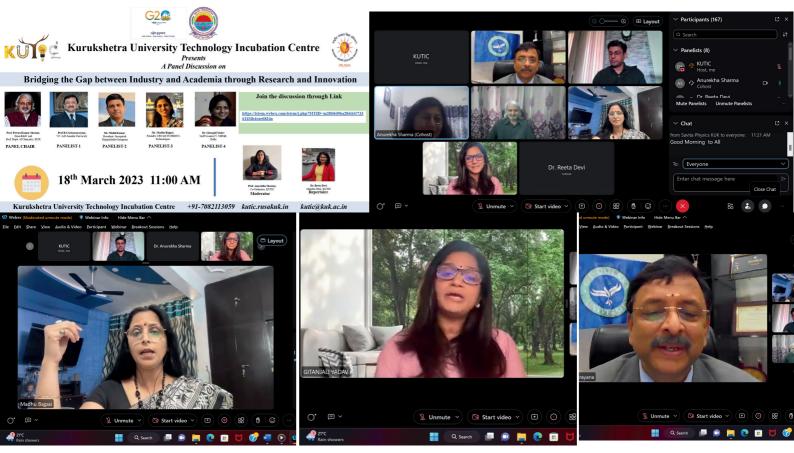
Kurukshetra University Technology Incubation Centre (KUTIC) organized a panel discussion on March 18, 2023, with the theme "Bridging the gap between Academia & Industry." The panel was chaired by Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma, Dean R&D and Professor of Chemistry at Kurukshetra University.

The discussion featured esteemed panellists from both academia and industry, including Prof. B.S. Satyanarayann, Vice Chancellor of GD Goenka University; Dr. Gitanjali Yadav, Staff Scientist at NIPGR; Mr. Nikhil Kumar, President of Geospatial MapmyIndia; and Ms. Madhu Bajpai, Founder, CEO & CTO of RIMUS Technologies. Prof. Anurekha Sharma, Coordinator & Professor of Electronic Science, moderated the session.

The panelists and the audience engaged in a thought-provoking discussion on the importance of creating strong industry-academia linkages. Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma emphasized the need for both academia and industry to have clear long-term and short-term visions, with academia focusing on research and skill development, while industry should align projects with local issues and support skilled manpower. He also suggested the creation of a central instruments cluster for hands-on student experience with industry tools.

The panelists highlighted the cultural shift needed in India to foster stronger collaborations between academia and industry. They discussed the role of CSR funding, the importance of linking theoretical knowledge to practical applications, and the need for industry to invest in research.

In conclusion, the panel discussion shed light on the challenges and opportunities for bridging the gap between academia and industry in India. The event was seen as a valuable step towards fostering stronger collaborations and creating a more dynamic ecosystem for research and innovation.



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