

# SHIKHAR 2024

**Shikhar: A National Level Paper Presentation Competition**, a flagship event of **N. L. Dalmia Institute of Management Studies and Research** was held on **26<sup>th</sup> September 2024** by the **General Management Committee**. Students across different B-Schools across India participated in the event throwing their insightful vision for the future of India. The topic for Shikhar 2024 was “**Atal Innovation Mission: A Catalyst for Viksit Bharat**”.

The event was graced by the Vice-President of NLDES: Mr. Mudit Dalmia, CEO of NLDES: Prof. Dr. Seema Saini, Director of NLDES: Prof. Dr. M. A. Khan, Dean of NLDMISR: Prof. Dr. Joyeeta Chatterjee, Prof. Dr. A. A. Attarawala, faculty members and the first-year students of the PGDM Batch 2024-26.

SHIKHAR 2024 was judged by the panel of the following judges:

- **JK Sachdeva**  
President – Purchase at Brahmaputra Infrastructure Ltd.
- **Dr. Bala Subhramaniam Santhanam**  
Professor at Vivekanand Education Society Institute of Management Studies and Research
- **Bijay Kumar**  
IAS (Retd.) as Additional Chief Secretary to Govt of Maharashtra, Former member of Maharashtra Administrative Tribunal (A) and Former Executive Director IL&FS in the Govt appointed Board of Directors.

The event was started by taking the blessings of Saraswati Ji with the Saraswati Vandana. The dignitaries were introduced to the participants and the students present at the event. Bijay Kumar, the keynote speaker of the event, inspired the students with his proud journey of life.



The event was preceded by presentations given by the students sighting their long-term opinions and suggestions on the Atal Innovation Mission and how it can be a catalyst on becoming Viksit Bharat.

The Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) is a flagship initiative launched by the Government of India under the NITI Aayog. Its primary goal is to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship across the country. This topic was chosen for SHIKHAR 2024 to foster and ignite entrepreneurship among the young minds who are the future of India.

#### **The key insights of SHIKHAR 2024 are as follows:**

- Students focused on the point that why innovation and entrepreneurship are important for India.
- The initiatives taken under AIM were highlighted like Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL) for school students, Atal Incubation Centres (AIC) to support startups, and other various innovation challenges.
- A connection between the GDP, population of the country and the opportunities that AIM provides to the people was shown by the students with appropriate statistical data.
- Videos were played showing feedback from the people post the AIM initiative and how it has proven beneficial.
- Results from the primary data collected by the students were shown and conclusion was drawn that how India can be an entrepreneur-oriented nation and how AIM will be a positive roadmap for the people in this journey to entrepreneurship.

Mr. Mudit Dalmia, the Vice-President of NLDES announced the winners of the Competition as mentioned below:

**WINNERS:** Team Analysis Paralysis

From T. A. Pai Management Institute  
(TAPMI)



**FIRST RUNNER UP:** Team SIRIUS

From N. L. Dalmia Institute of  
Management Studies and Research  
(NLDIMSR)



**SECOND RUNNER UP:** Team Silver  
Arrows

Welingkar Institute of Management  
Development and Research (WeSchool)



Towards the end, the judges gave their reviews on the presentations given by the students and motivated the students to work for the development of India in connection with their personal goals. Lastly, the event was concluded by a vote of thanks from the student co-ordinator and by a rise for the national anthem.