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— NATIONAL ABILITY & INCLUSION FEST —

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Saksham Utsav

Dear Esteemed Partners, Industry Leaders, Academicians, Researchers, Practitioners, and Thought Leaders,

It is a privilege to invite you to be part of Saksham Utsav, a flagship national initiative dedicated to advancing inclusion, accessibility, and opportunity for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) across India. At a critical inflection point in our nation's developmental trajectory—where a significant population remains underserved despite rapid strides in technology, policy reform, and social innovation—there lies a compelling opportunity to reposition disability inclusion as a catalyst for inclusive growth, market expansion, and sustainable development.

Saksham Utsav is conceived as a multi-stakeholder convergence platform, integrating a Mega Inclusive Expo, National Seminars & Policy Dialogues, Cultural Showcases and Skill Development Workshops. Designed to enable cross-sectoral collaboration, knowledge exchange, and ecosystem building, the event will bring together government bodies, industry leaders, startups, academia, civil society, and end-users to co-create scalable, impact-driven solutions. It offers a strategic interface for organizations to align with ESG priorities, CSR mandates, and inclusive business models, while engaging with an emerging and high-potential accessibility market.

We invite your esteemed organization to leverage this platform to showcase cutting-edge products and technologies, engage in high-value networking, explore public-private partnerships, and unlock new avenues for investment and innovation. Participation will not only enhance your institutional visibility and thought leadership but also position you at the forefront of driving social impact, accessibility innovation, and responsible enterprise practices.

As we collectively move toward building an equitable and resilient society, Saksham Utsav aspires to serve as a transformative space where innovation meets purpose and collaboration translates into measurable outcomes. Together, let us shape a future where inclusion is not an obligation, but a strategic imperative—ensuring that every individual is empowered to participate, contribute, and thrive with dignity.

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Shri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister
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"The philosophy of India teaches us that every person in the society definitely has a special talent. We just need to bring it forward. I have always believed in the amazing talent of my Divyang friends. And I say with great pride that our Divyang brothers and sisters have further strengthened this belief of mine in a decade. I also feel proud to see how their achievements are giving a new shape to the resolutions of our society,"

"I say with full confidence that in 2047 when we celebrate the 100th anniversary of Independence, our Divyang friends will be seen as an inspiration to the whole world. Today we have to be determined for this goal. Let us all together build a society where no dream and goal is impossible. Only then we will be able to build a truly inclusive and developed India. And I certainly see a very big role of my Divyang brothers and sisters in this."

ABOUT THE EVENT

Saksham Utsav rises as a transformative national platform dedicated to empowering Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) by uniting innovation, opportunity, talent, and awareness under one roof. In a context where gaps in accessibility, employment, and social inclusion continue to persist despite rapid advancements in medical science, rehabilitation, assistive technologies, and inclusive policy frameworks, the need for a cohesive and action-oriented forum is both urgent and vital. This five-day international event seeks to bridge these divides by integrating science, culture, enterprise, and policy into a dynamic space for dialogue, innovation, and collaboration —catalysing meaningful engagement among stakeholders and fostering a more inclusive society where dignity, participation, and human potential are fully realised.

This multifaceted mega event will feature a vibrant blend of Expo, Seminars, Cultural Programs, Skill Development Initiatives, and Job Fairs, will go beyond discussion—towards action. Saksham Utsav advances the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 by positioning disability inclusion as a catalyst for innovation, workforce participation, and economic growth. Through accessible ecosystems, skilling, and inclusive enterprise development, it strengthens human capital and accelerates India's journey toward an equitable, resilient, and globally competitive future.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ **MEGA INCLUSIVE EXPO**
- ▶ **NATIONAL SEMINARS & POLICY DIALOGUES**
- ▶ **INCLUSIVE CULTURAL SHOWCASE**
- ▶ **SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP**
- ▶ **WORKSHOPS**

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*Strength does not
come from physical
capacity. It comes from
an indomitable will*

Mahatma Gandhi



IMPACT

Saksham Utsav will expand access to assistive technologies and rehabilitation services, enabling greater independence for persons with disabilities (PwDs), while creating direct employment pathways through skill development, job fairs, and industry engagement.

It will unite government, industry, academia, and civil society to drive collaboration, generate actionable policy recommendations, and position accessibility as both a social and economic priority—establishing a scalable national model for inclusion.

The outcomes can be summarised as follows

- ▶ Improved access to assistive technologies and services
- ▶ Employment opportunities for PwDs
- ▶ Stronger cross-sector partnerships
- ▶ Actionable policy recommendations
- ▶ Scalable model for inclusive development

OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Curate sector-focused seminars, workshops, and expert panels on disability management, rehabilitation, and inclusive development to enable actionable knowledge exchange and scalable service models.
- ✓ Advance policy dialogue through roundtables and stakeholder meets that align inclusion with ESG frameworks, national regulations, and responsible industry practices
- ✓ Enable cross-sector collaboration platforms bringing together industry leaders, startups, academia, policymakers, and NGOs to foster partnerships, co-creation, and sustainable business ecosystems.
- ✓ Drive public engagement through cultural programmes, awareness campaigns, and interactive exhibits to build demand for accessibility and position inclusion as both a social imperative and a high-potential growth sector.
- ✓ Host a dedicated innovation and expo zone to showcase market-ready assistive technologies, therapeutic interventions, and accessibility solutions, facilitating product demonstrations, B2B networking, and investor engagement.
- ✓ Establish a structured job fair and enterprise marketplace to connect Persons with Disabilities with employers, skill providers, and entrepreneurship opportunities, unlocking workforce participation and economic inclusion.



Saksham Utsav

MEGA INCLUSIVE EXPO

**Where Inclusion Meets Innovation and
Business Meets Impact**

The Mega Inclusive Expo at Saksham Utsav is a dynamic, multi-sectoral platform that brings together innovations, products, services, and solutions advancing accessibility and inclusion for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs). It enables businesses, startups, institutions, and social enterprises to showcase cutting-edge offerings, explore emerging markets, and build strategic partnerships, fostering both social impact and sustainable growth.

KEY EXHIBITION SEGMENTS

- Inclusive Products, Arts & Livelihoods
- Assistive Technologies & Accessibility Solutions
- Healthcare, Rehabilitation & Medical Ecosystem
- Wellness, Fitness & Adaptive Sports
- Daily Living & Smart Home Solutions
- Education, Skills & Employment Platforms
- Mobility, Transport & Accessible Travel
- Healthcare Infrastructure & Facility Solutions
- Personal Care & Specialty Medical Products
- Services, Consulting & Institutional Participation
- Emerging & High-Growth Sectors



Saksham Utsav

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON INCLUSIVE INDIA

Advancing Accessibility, Innovation and Equal Opportunities

January 21-23, 2027

The seminar series at Saksham Utsav constitutes the intellectual and strategic nucleus of the event, convening policymakers, industry leaders, researchers, and practitioners to advance dialogue on inclusion, accessibility, and empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs). Structured as focused thematic engagements, these sessions aim to bridge policy and practice, innovation and implementation, and social impact with economic opportunity—generating actionable insights, strategic partnerships, and scalable frameworks for an inclusive India.



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INCLUSIVE INNOVATION & HEALTHCARE ECOSYSTEM

Integrating technology and care, this track explores how innovation is transforming accessibility, rehabilitation, and holistic wellbeing.

- AI, robotics, and smart assistive technologies
- Affordable and scalable assistive solutions
- Advances in rehabilitation, therapies, and prosthetics
- Telemedicine and digital health accessibility
- Mental health, psychosocial support, and wellness integration
- Role of startups, research, and public-private partnerships



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INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, SKILLS & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

This track addresses the role of education and skilling in unlocking human potential and enabling meaningful participation in the workforce.

- Inclusive education policies and implementation
- Accessible ed-tech and learning ecosystems
- Future-ready skill development models
- Inclusive hiring and workplace accessibility
- Entrepreneurship and self-employment pathways
- Industry-academia collaboration

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DIGITAL INCLUSION- TECHNOLOGY WITHOUT BARRIERS

This theme explores how accessible technologies and digital innovation empower persons with disabilities and promote equal participation. It focuses on digital accessibility in education, employment, governance, communication, and independent living

- ▶ **Accessible Digital Platforms and E-Governance**
- ▶ **Assistive Technologies and Artificial Intelligence**
- ▶ **Digital Education and Inclusive Learning**
- ▶ **Employment, Entrepreneurship & Workplace Accessibility**
- ▶ **Cyber Inclusion, Digital Literacy and Future Technologies**

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INCLUSIVE LIVING ECOSYSTEMS & BARRIER-FREE ACCESSIBILITY

This theme explores universal design, accessible infrastructure, transportation, housing, public spaces, and technologies that enable independent living, equal participation, and inclusive communities for Persons with Disabilities.

- ▶ **Universal Design for Inclusive Living and Accessibility**
- ▶ **Building Inclusive and Barrier-Free Communities**
- ▶ **Accessible Buildings, Public Spaces and Urban Infrastructure**
- ▶ **Accessible Roads, Transportation and Mobility Systems**
- ▶ **Inclusive Housing, Communities and Environments**
- ▶ **Innovations, Policies and Technologies for an Accessible Future**

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INCLUSIVE ECONOMY, POLICY & MARKET SYSTEMS

Positioning inclusion as a driver of economic growth, this track focuses on policy frameworks, business strategies, and emerging market opportunities.

- ▶ **Disability inclusion as a business and growth strategy**
- ▶ **ESG, CSR, and responsible enterprise models**
- ▶ **Financial inclusion, insurance, and social security**
- ▶ **Legal frameworks and rights-based approaches**
- ▶ **Accessible infrastructure and smart cities**
- ▶ **Building inclusive markets and value chains**

CALL FOR PAPERS & POSTERS

Saksham Utsav invites researchers, academicians, practitioners, policymakers, industry experts, and students to contribute original research papers and posters to its National Seminars & Policy Dialogues—the intellectual core of the event. This platform seeks to foster critical inquiry, interdisciplinary dialogue, and actionable insights that bridge policy and practice, innovation and implementation, and social inclusion with economic opportunity for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs).

Contributors are encouraged to submit work that reflects innovative thinking, empirical research, case studies, policy analysis, and scalable models that can shape an inclusive and equitable future.

IMPORTANT DATES

- ▶ Abstract Submission Deadline: **30th Sept 2026**
- ▶ Notification of Acceptance: **15th Nov 2026**
- ▶ Full Paper Submission Deadline: **15th Dec 2026**

Email for abstract submission : seminarsakshamutsav@gmail.com

SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

▶ Research Papers

Conceptual, empirical, or policy-orientated studies (full papers)

▶ Posters

Visual presentations of research, innovations, case studies, or best practices

KEY GUIDELINES

- ▶ Submissions must be original and unpublished.
- ▶ Interdisciplinary and practice-oriented work is highly encouraged
- ▶ Selected papers may be considered for publication in conference proceedings or edited volumes
- ▶ Posters will be showcased during dedicated exhibition sessions



WORKSHOPS & INTERACTIVE FORUMS

KNOWLEDGE • SKILLS • OPPORTUNITIES • EMPOWERMENT

Saksham Utsav 2027 will feature a series of practical workshops, interactive sessions and specialised forums designed to translate awareness into access, opportunity and action. Led by experts, government representatives, professionals, institutions and technology partners, these programmes will empower Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), caregivers, students and other stakeholders with practical knowledge and resources.



DIGITAL INCLUSION & ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Hands-on sessions on digital accessibility, assistive technologies, accessible applications, AI-enabled solutions, digital literacy and emerging technologies that support independent living, education



KNOW YOUR RIGHTS & GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

Practical guidance on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RpwD) Act, disability certification/UDID, pensions, scholarships, concessions, reservations, financial assistance and other Central and State Government schemes and entitlements.



EMPLOYMENT, SKILLING & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Interactive programmes connecting PwDs with skilling agencies, employers, financial institutions and entrepreneurship support organisations, covering career opportunities, workplace inclusion, self employment, enterprise development and available support schemes.



DIYANGJAN SUPPORT CELLS • HIGHER EDUCATION FORUM

A special networking and capacity-building forum for Divyangjan/Equal Opportunity Cells and higher education institutions, with focus on UGC initiatives, accessible campuses, inclusive learning, reasonable accommodation, assistive technologies and sharing of institutional best practices.



STUDENT INNOVATION & PROJECT PRESENTATION PLATFORM

Interactive programmes connecting PwDs with skilling agencies, employers, financial institutions and entrepreneurship support organisations, covering career opportunities, workplace inclusion, self employment, enterprise development and available support schemes.



FROM AWARENESS TO ACTION

The workshops will create opportunities for learning, demonstrations, expert interaction, problem-solving and institutional networking, helping participants understand their rights, discover opportunities and connect with organisations that can provide continued support

STAKEHOLDER NETWORKING & COLLABORATION FORUMS

Building Partnerships for an Inclusive Future

As part of Saksham Utsav 2027, dedicated stakeholder forums will bring together policymakers, industry leaders, practitioners, and service providers to foster collaboration, share best practices, and develop actionable strategies for the empowerment and inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs). These forums aim to strengthen partnerships and drive meaningful, inclusive change.

1. Educational Institutions Meet

Advancing Inclusive Education for All

Key Discussion Areas

- ▶ Inclusive education policies and implementation strategies
- ▶ Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and accessible curricula
- ▶ Assistive technologies in classrooms and higher education
- ▶ Teacher training and capacity building for inclusive education
- ▶ Accessible examinations, assessments, and learning resources
- ▶ Research collaborations and innovation in disability studies
- ▶ Transition from education to employment

2. Skilling Institutions Meet

Building Pathways to Employment and Entrepreneurship

Key Discussion Areas

- ▶ Accessible vocational training and skill development models
- ▶ Industry-aligned curriculum design and certification programs
- ▶ Digital skills, emerging technologies, and future jobs
- ▶ Apprenticeship and internship opportunities
- ▶ Entrepreneurship development and startup support
- ▶ Inclusive workforce readiness and career guidance
- ▶ Public-private partnerships for employment generation

3. Caregiver & Rehabilitation Institutions Meet

Strengthening Care, Support, and Rehabilitation Services

Key Discussion Areas

- ▶ Best practices in rehabilitation and long-term care
- ▶ Community-based rehabilitation approaches
- ▶ Caregiver training, capacity building, and support systems
- ▶ Early intervention and family-centred services
- ▶ Mental health and psychosocial support
- ▶ Technology-enabled rehabilitation and tele-rehabilitation
- ▶ Standards, accreditation, and quality assurance in care services

Collective Impact Forum

Representatives from all stakeholder meetings will participate in a concluding session to present key recommendations, identify common priorities, and develop a shared action agenda for advancing disability inclusion across sectors. The outcomes will become part of “Saksham Utsav Declaration on Inclusion and Accessibility”, serving as a roadmap for collaborative action and sustained impact.



SAKSHAM KERALA INCLUSION YATRA

A STATEWIDE STAKEHOLDER CONNECT CAMPAIGN TOWARDS SAKSHAM UTSAV 2027

As a major prelude to Saksham Utsav 2027 – National Ability & Inclusion Fest, Saksham Kerala proposes to organise the Saksham Kerala 2026 across Kerala during November 2026.

Led by the state leadership of Saksham Kerala, the Yatra will travel across Kerala.

The Yatra will serve as a statewide platform for Connect – Listen – Collaborate – Mobilise, bringing diverse stakeholders together and building a strong network towards Saksham Utsav 2027.

STAKEHOLDER MEETS DURING THE YATRA

As part of the Yatra, Educational Institution, Meeting Meets, Skilling Institutions Meets, and Garden & Rehabilitation Institutions Meets will be organised by the Centre of Saksham Kerala, bringing together key stakeholders for networking, collaboration and collective action.

THE YATRA WILL ALSO

Connect and strengthen disability-sector networks across Kerala. Visit and showcase leading institutions, innovation and best practices. Build district and zone partnerships for continued collaboration. Promote accessibility, assistive technology, inclusive education, skills, training, etc.

Engage in commitment, local bodies, industry, CSR and professional organisations.

Recognise inspiring institutions, professionals and community initiatives. Build sustainable Kerala-wide inclusion Network beyond Saksham Utsav.

Connecting Kerala
for an inclusive future

- ✓ **14 Districts**
- ✓ **Diverse Stakeholders**
- ✓ **One Inclusive Kerala**

FROM YATRA TO UTSAV

The ideas, recommendations, institutional partnerships and successful models identified during the Yatra will converge at Saksham Utsav 2027, providing a worldwide foundation for discussions, exhibitions, collaborations and future initiatives.

A STATEWIDE MOVEMENT TOWARDS SAKSHAM UTSAV 2027

*One Journey
One Inclusive Kerala*



CULTURAL EVENINGS

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

The Cultural Evenings at Saksham Utsav 2026 are curated as vibrant expressions of talent, creativity, and resilience, offering Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) a distinguished platform to perform, inspire, and lead cultural dialogue. Blending art with advocacy, these evenings aim to challenge stereotypes, foster inclusion, and celebrate the richness of diverse abilities through performances that engage, move, and transform audiences.

INVITATION TO DIVYANGAN CELLS

Colleges and institutions are warmly invited to participate through their Divyangan Cells, presenting performances that showcase the artistic excellence and creative spirit of their students. This platform seeks to amplify inclusive campus initiatives and provide national visibility to emerging talent.

Music & Dance Expressions

- Classical and contemporary dance performances
- Vocal and instrumental music presentations
- Featured solo and group performances

Theatre & Creative Arts

- Inclusive theatre, skits, and dramatic storytelling
- Magic performances and creative showcases
- Poetry, literary expressions, and fusion arts

Grand Cultural Showcase

- Special performances by distinguished artists
- Integrated ensemble of music, dance, and theatre
- Felicitation and recognition of performers

These evenings stand as a celebration of human dignity and creative expression—echoing the truth that ability, when nurtured, becomes a powerful testimony of purpose and grace.



ABOUT THE ORGANISER

SAKSHAMA, KERALA

Sakshama Kerala is a committed and socially driven organisation dedicated to empowering persons with disabilities and promoting an inclusive, accessible, and equitable society. Guided by the philosophy of “ability beyond limitations,” the organisation works at the intersection of advocacy, capacity building, rehabilitation, and community engagement.

With a strong network of professionals, volunteers, institutions, and stakeholders, Saksham Kerala actively facilitates:

- Awareness and sensitisation programmes to foster inclusive mindsets
- Skill development and livelihood initiatives for sustainable empowerment
- Access to assistive technologies and rehabilitation services
Policy advocacy and collaboration with government and industry
- Platforms for talent, innovation, and inclusion through events, expos, and cultural programmes

Sakshama Kerala has been instrumental in bringing together government agencies, corporates, NGOs, and experts to create meaningful impact and scalable solutions in the disability sector.



SAKSHAM UTSAV 2027 - EXPO

GENERAL INFORMATION, FACILITIES & RULES



VENUE

Putharikandam Maidan,
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala



DATE

20-24 January 2027



LAST DATE FOR STALL BOOKING

15 October 2026



SPOT BOOKING

Not permitted

PARTICIPATION CHARGES

₹ 8000

Per Square Feet + GST

3 x 3m = 9 Sq m

**₹ 72,000 +
GST**

3 x 2m = 6 Sq m

**₹ 48,000 +
GST**

BULK BOOKINGS

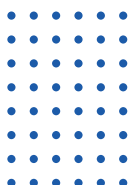
Special discounts may be available for bulk stall bookings, subject to organisers's approval.

STALL & COMMON FACILITIES

Standard stalls include PVC panels, carpet, fascia, spotlight, table, two chairs and plug point. Common facilities include security, fire safety, general illumination, publicity and exhibitor support. Additional furniture, electricity, lighting, decoration, display, technical and freight-handling services are available at extra cost.

IMPORTANT

The organisers may issue additional operational and safety instructions as required. Stall booking constitutes acceptance of all applicable Saksham Utsav 2027 Expo rules and guidelines.



ACCESSIBILITY & INCLUSION

Exhibitors are encouraged to ensure barrier-free access, accessible displays, clear signage and inclusive interaction with all visitors, particularly persons with disabilities.

SAFETY, DAMAGE & LIABILITY

Exhibitors are responsible for their personnel and for any damage caused to the venue or others' property. Insurance of exhibits and equipment is recommended.

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

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IS A FACT
Inclusion
IS AN ACT





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