

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Conference

29<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Organised by  
**Sarla Anil Modi School of Economics, NMIMS Mumbai**

## Theme - Digital Transformation and Economic Development in India: Charting the Path to Inclusive Growth

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Economics Conference (AEC) by Sarla Anil Modi School of Economics (SAMSOE), NMIMS, Mumbai, in collaboration with The Indian Econometric Society (TIES), focuses on digital transformation and economic growth in India. Digital transformation has emerged as a key driver of economic growth and societal progress globally. In India, the integration of digital technologies across various sectors has the potential to unlock unprecedented opportunities for innovation, productivity, and inclusivity. Government initiatives such as "Digital India," coupled with rapid advancements in technology, have positioned India to harness the benefits of a digital economy. However, the journey toward comprehensive digital transformation presents challenges, including digital literacy, infrastructure gaps, data privacy concerns, and regional disparities. The conference aims to provide a platform for researchers to explore the interplay between digital transformation and economic development in India while ensuring inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

### The conference will cover but not limited to the following key themes:

- Digital Economy and Growth: Impact of digital technologies on GDP growth and job creation.
- Role of start-up's and innovation in driving economic transformation.
- Infrastructure and Connectivity: Bridging the urban-rural digital divide.
- Building resilient digital infrastructure for a connected India.
- Digital Governance: E-governance and its role in enhancing public service delivery.
- Data privacy, cybersecurity, and regulatory frameworks.
- Empowering the Workforce: Upskilling and reskilling for a digital future.
- Role of digital literacy in fostering economic inclusivity.
- Sectoral Transformation: Adoption of digital technologies in agriculture, healthcare, education, and manufacturing.
- Opportunities and challenges in promoting Industry 4.0.
- India's Global Vision for Digital Transformation: Pushing digital transformation globally through frameworks and digital public infrastructure.

**Venue:** Sarla Anil Modi School of Economics (SAMSOE), SVKM'S NMIMS, Mumbai

Submit research papers which should not exceed 8,000 words and must include a brief abstract of 250 words, through email to [aec@nmims.edu](mailto:aec@nmims.edu). There is no submission fee.

Authors of papers that are selected for presentation during the conference will have to pay a registration fee of Rs. 2000. Details regarding mode of payment will be communicated to the selected participants.

**Research Colloquium:** We plan to host a Research Colloquium on the conference day specifically tailored for economics students in the initial phases of their research (UG, PG, 1st Year Ph.D.). The research presentation at the colloquium can cover general themes and does not need to strictly align with the conference themes.

Participants can submit either complete papers or research proposals, indicating their intention to present within the conference or research colloquium during the submission process. Submission should be emailed to [aec@nmims.edu](mailto:aec@nmims.edu). No registration fee will be charged from authors of papers that are selected for presentation during the research colloquium.

### Important Dates

Last date for submission of Full Papers/Research Proposals	:	05 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
Notification of accepted Papers	:	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
Last date for registration	:	12 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
Date of Conference Presentation	:	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2025

**Note:**

All paper presenters will receive the certificate of presentation.  
Best paper will be awarded a certificate of appreciation and a Cash Prize.

### Conference Organising Committee

**Convener:**

**Prof. Amita Vaidya**, Director, SAMSOE

**Co- Conveners:**

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