

**4th AIU**
International Youth Festival
24 to 26, March 2026



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About AIU

The Inter-University Board (IUB) of India, established on 23rd March 1925, marked a significant milestone in shaping the nation's higher education system. It was created to provide a unified platform for coordinating university activities and ensuring the welfare of students and institutions. Over time, this collaborative body expanded its scope across various spheres such as education, culture, and sports. In 1973, the IUB evolved into the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) - a prestigious organization that continues to lead India's higher education landscape. This transformation symbolized a deep commitment to excellence, innovation, and global engagement in education.

Since its inception, AIU has played a crucial role in strengthening and advancing higher education throughout the country. It fosters cooperation among all types of universities - conventional, open, deemed, state, central, private, and those of national importance - to create a cohesive and progressive educational environment. Guided by a vision to become a dynamic apex body, AIU actively promotes initiatives that enhance India's global standing in education. Through advocacy, collaboration, and partnerships with national and international agencies, AIU strives to position Indian universities as global leaders in academics, research, and community development. With its enduring commitment to excellence, AIU continues to inspire transformation, innovation, and collective growth in the field of higher education.



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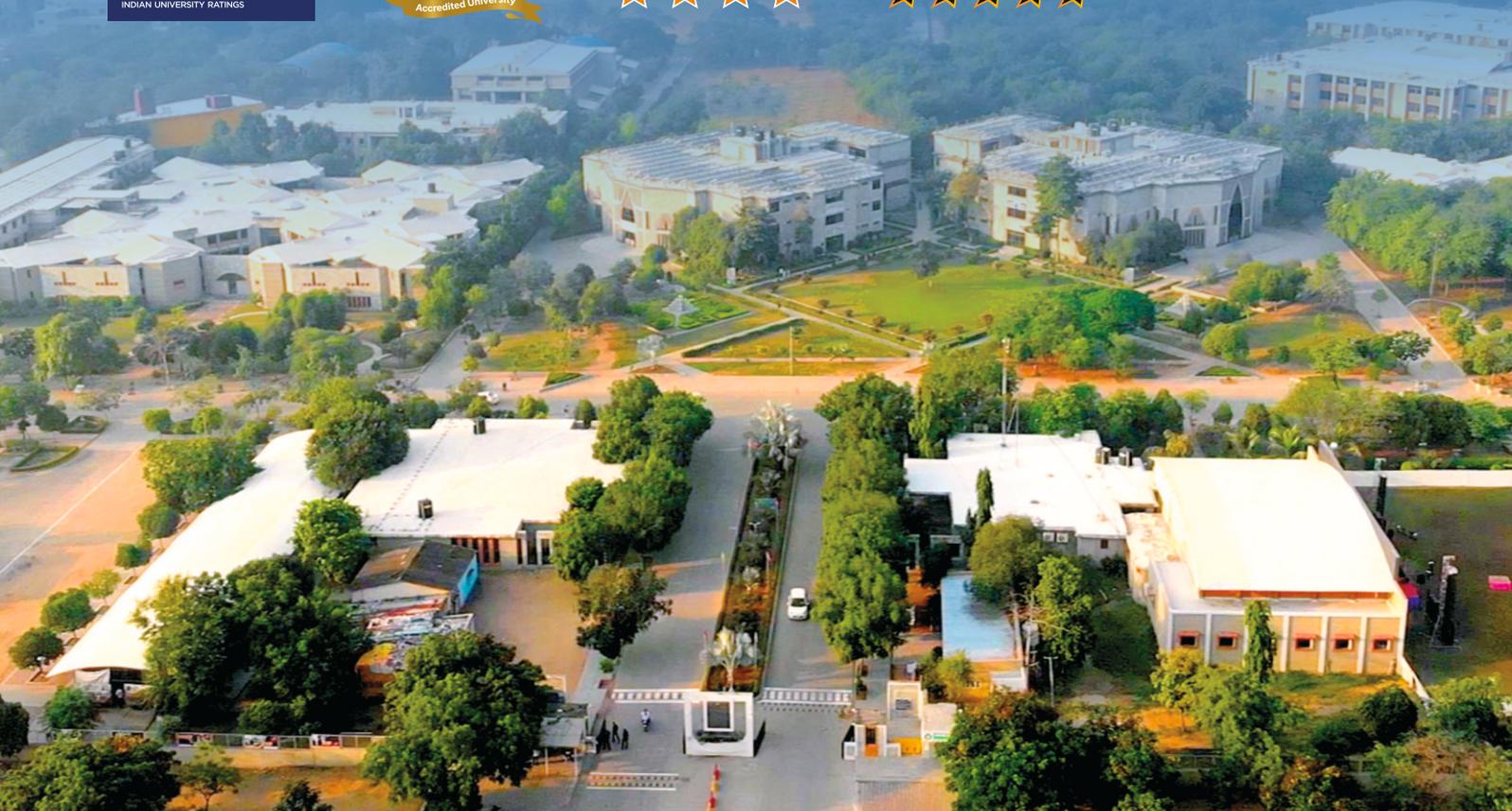
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About Host – Ganpat University

A leading NAAC Grade A university is known for its lush green, state-of-the-art infrastructure and offering innovative and industry-relevant undergraduate, postgraduate, diploma, and research programs. Major disciplines of study include Engineering, Management, Computer Applications, Pharmacy, Sciences, Commerce & Social Sciences, Architecture, Design & Planning, Maritime Studies, Health Care, Agriculture, and Food Technology.

Promoted under the motto of “Social Upliftment through Education,” the university was founded by philanthropic industrialists, technocrats, benevolent farmers, and affluent businessmen from around the globe. Established by the Government of Gujarat through notification No.19/2005 on April 12, 2005, the university quickly gained permanent membership with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi; the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), UK; and the International Association of Universities (IAU), France.

2005 Year of Establishment	11 Faculties	18 Total Institutes	6 Total Ph.D. Programs	44 Total PG Programs (After Graduation)	49 Total UG Programs (After 12th)
10 Total Diploma Programs	1200+ Total Staff at the University	279 Acre of Land	41748 Total Students Graduated Since Establishment	5000+ Students Joining Ganpat University Each Year	



About

4th AIU International Youth Festival 2025-26

Under the aegis of AIU, Ganpat University proudly announces the prestigious "4th AIU International Youth Festival 2025-26", showcasing the pinnacle of cultural convergence and unity. This year's festival, embodying a noble ethos grounded in the essence of collaboration and cross-cultural understanding, will convene 700+ artists from 30+ countries and universities across India and the globe. These artists will unite on a singular platform to showcase their rich cultural legacies through awe-inspiring performances of unparalleled magnificence.

This year's festivities will feature universities participating with their international students, each allocated specific opportunities to exhibit their cultural heritage and demonstrate traditional attire, ornaments, and more. In this exchange program, Ganpat University will play a pivotal role. Scheduled to grace the stage from 24th to 26th March 2026, the "4th AIU International Youth Festival" promises to be a dazzling tapestry of talent and cultural opulence. From riveting displays of folk art and music to mesmerising dance routines, talented artists from diverse backgrounds will captivate audiences with their cultural heritage reflected in traditional attire. International luminaries from nations such as the US, Russia, and Slovakia and beyond will regale spectators with

resplendent performances, fostering a sense of unity and harmony within our global community.



Ganpat University's steadfast commitment to nurturing holistic student development and celebrating artistic prowess alongside cultural eminence shines brilliantly through this grand event. It offers a beacon of opportunity for cultural dialogue and exchange. As we champion the ethos of world diversity and heritage, we extend a heartfelt invitation to the global artistic community and universities with international students to join us in illuminating a path toward a more unified world through the universal language of cultural expression. Join us in this illustrious celebration of artistic and cultural grandeur, where each performance serves as a testament to the power of unity and the richness of global heritage. Let us come together to inspire, connect and celebrate the profound beauty of our shared humanity.



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Schedule (Sequence of Events)

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Managers' Meet
Cultural Procession
Inaugural Ceremony" followed by Cultural Performances

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Performances by International Artists & Indian Groups

Thursday, March 26, 2026

Valedictory Ceremony followed by Performances by International Artists & Indian Groups

Important Instructions & Guidelines

PARTICULARS FOR REGISTRATION:

Requirements at the time of Registration.

PARTICULARS TO BE SUBMITTED	
Registration Form	Online
Digital Photograph of each Participant / Accompanists / Team Managers	Online
Scanned Copy of Passport (Front & Back)	Online

About The Performances



Folk/Tribal Dance

The artists from various countries will showcase their traditional dance forms by dressing up in ethnic attires and depicting their culture and ethnicity. It is a platform for all to represent their cultural roots in front of other countries and initiate recognition to their form of art.



Folkloric Band

Musicians from various countries perform their regional music with a band performance as an expression of life and the tradition of their respective Country.

The Legacy of Ganpat University's Events





List of Participating Countries



India



Malaysia



Bhutan



Bulgaria



Tanzania



Italy



Philippines



Nepal



Sri Lanka



Spain



USA



Bangladesh



Uzbekistan



Zimbabwe



Tunisia



Kyrgyzstan



Madagascar



Cyprus



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Slovakia



Russia



South Korea



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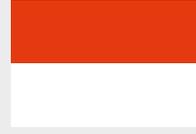
Chechnya



Poland



Iran



Indonesia



Myanmar



DETAILS OF THE EVENTS

Categories for Participation	
01	Troupes of Folk Dance & Folkloric Band from Foreign Countries.
02	Winning Teams of 38th AIU Inter-University National Youth Festival in Folk/Tribal Dance & Folk Orchestra

1. Troupes of Folk Dance & Folkloric Band from Foreign Countries

Sr.No.	Category	Number of Participants	Number of Musicians/ Accompanists	Number of Delegates
01	Folk Dance	20-25	3 - 5	2
02	Folkloric Band	15-20	6 - 10	2

General Rules for International Participants:

- Dance troupes, professional folkloric bands, and folk artists from foreign countries and universities are eligible to participate.
- The artist/group should be equipped to explain to the audience about the art form and the performance.
- Number of group members in each performance must not exceed the given limit in each category.
- The artists/ groups performing in live concerts must use traditional instruments.
- Participants must be Bonafide full-time students, who are enrolled in their respective University/College/Institution or be a part of Professional Artist Groups, recognised by their government.
- Participants must not have any criminal convictions or records.
- Participants from restricted countries or banned individuals must obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Indian Government that must be submitted on arrival.
- Alcohol and smoking are strictly prohibited.

Category-wise Rules and Regulations:

Folk Group Dance:

- The dance forms must be indigenous to the participants' respective country.
- Time for sets/ Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.
- The participants must be dressed in traditional attire that represents their country during the Cultural Performances and Cultural Procession.
- Live & Recorded Music is allowed. Accompanists will either speak from the background or will play upon musical Instruments for background music.

Folkloric Band:

- The music played by the band must be indigenous to the participants' respective country.
- Only Live Music is allowed.
- Band name and lyrics of performance should not contain any indecent words. Defaming any individual/country/race/ section of society is not allowed.
- The participants must be dressed in traditional attire that represents their country during the Cultural Performances and Cultural Procession.

2. Winning Teams of 38th AIU Inter-University National Youth Festival in Folk/Tribal Group Dance & Folk Orchestra

Sr.No.	Category	Number of Participants	Number of Musicians/ Accompanists	Number of Delegates
01	Folk/Tribal Group Dance	10	5	2
02	Folk Orchestra	9	3	2

Registration can be completed through the following link:

<https://forms.gle/q9Y2JqKVCLTn33a38>

As per the guidelines of AIU,
Registration Fees per candidate is Rs. 3500/
(e.g. if you have 10 students the payment will be $10 \times 3500 = 35000$).



Folk Orchestra

- The team shall consist of up to a maximum of 12 participants (not exceeding 9 participants and 3 accompanists).
- The group may consist of all boys, all girls or combined.
- Duration of performance shall be between 8–10 minutes.
- This does not include setting time which shall not be more than 5 minutes.
- Up to three professional accompanists are allowed who should be in different dress from the student participants so that they could be easily.
- The team may present preferably those folk tunes which are recognized as folk tunes of the state to which the university belongs.
- Accompanists should be live. Recorded music is not allowed.

Folk/Tribal Group Dance

- Maximum 10 participants allowed per team. The team may consist of all boys, all girls, or a mixture of both.
- The number of accompanists permissible is five.
- The dance can be either primitive or a folk dance (Indian Style) but not a classical one.
- Duration of performance is minimum 8 and maximum 10 minutes.
- Time for sets/Instruments setting is maximum 5 minutes.
- The participating team will be responsible for removal of their sets/properties etc. immediately after the completion of their performance.
- Accompanists should be live. Recorded music is not allowed.

PARTICULARS FOR REGISTRATION

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These are the key particulars required for the submission of the participation.

PARTICULARS TO BE SUBMITTED		
01	Registration Form	Online
02	Digital Photograph of each Participant / Accompanists / Team Managers	Online
03	Scanned Copy of Passport (Front & Back)	Online

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ANNEXURE – A

4th AIU INTERNATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL:

For travelling to India, a participant:

Must have objective of visiting India only to attend “4th AIU INTERNATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL” going to be held at Ganpat University, India. Must hold a valid passport and a re-entry permit if required as per the law. Must not be persona-non-grata to the Government of India; Must not be a person who has been declared an undesirable person and is not the subject of a black list or any warning circular or other restrictive list; and Must be a person of assured financial standing (the production of a return ticket and availability of sufficient money to spend during his stay in India may be considered sufficient for this purpose).

(A) Contingent In charge:

Participating Groups shall send a maximum of two persons as contingent In charge, who will maintain a liaison with the organizing committee of the host University.

(B) Photograph

Two stamp sized photographs of each participant, accompanists and official delegates are required to be submitted at the time of registration and also a digital copy of photograph has to be submitted while registering online. Disclaimer of Liability The organizing authority/Host University and Association of Indian Universities will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to or during, or after the 4th AIU International Youth Festival.

(D) Discipline:

If the behaviour of any contingent is found contrary to the objectives of the festivals the host University may take suitable action against members concerned and an individual / team be debarred from participation in the future youth festivals.

(E) Event Properties

Ganpat University may provide basic and routine amenities only upon prior request and commitment. For more specific requirements, you may discuss by emailing us on sports@ganpatuniversity.ac.in

OTHER INFORMATION

Boarding & Lodging:

Free boarding and lodging would be provided to the participating teams during the festival.

Other Rules:

- A cultural Procession/ March past of participating Universities/ Professional Troupes shall be organized on the inaugural day before the formal inaugural ceremony. Participating Teams are required to bring their flags, sized 3 x 5 feet for this event.
- I agree with the above box and confirm that we have read, understood and accepted the rules & regulations listed above and will abide by them for the duration of the 4th AIU International Youth Festival.



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