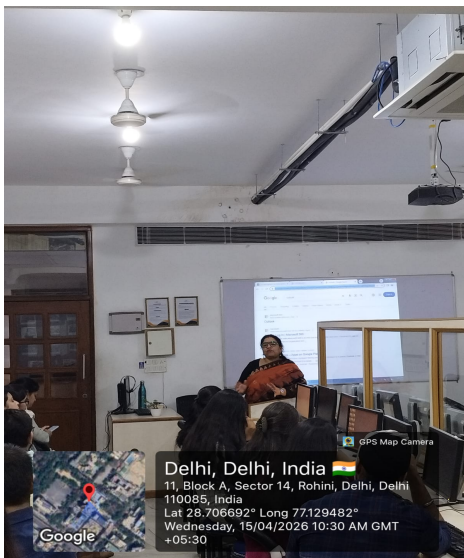


IIC SESSION**PROBLEM STATEMENT DATABASE &
COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS****AI & E-TOOLS FOR RESEARCHERS****15th APRIL 2025 (WEDNESDAY)****PIC 1****PIC 2**

IIC-GIBS organized an enriching session on the topic "Problem Statement Database & Collaborative Research Projects – AI & E-Tools for Researchers" for MBA 2nd semester and MBA 4th semester students. The session was conducted by Prof. Dr. Urvesh Chaudhery, Professor, GIBS and a distinguished faculty member with extensive expertise in research methodology and emerging technologies.

The session commenced with an overview of the IIC's Problem Statement Database initiative, wherein Dr. Chaudhery explained the significance of building a repository of industry-relevant problem statements that can serve as a foundation for applied research and innovation projects. Students were apprised of how real-world organizational challenges are structured, documented, and made accessible for academic exploration and collaborative problem-solving.

A substantial portion of the session was dedicated to introducing students to various AI-powered tools and e-tools that have revolutionized the research process. Dr. Chaudhery demonstrated tools such as Research Rabbit, Elicit, Semantic Scholar, Connected Papers, and Scite.ai, illustrating how these platforms assist researchers in literature discovery, citation mapping, hypothesis generation, and evidence synthesis. Students were guided on how to use these tools to identify research gaps, map the intellectual landscape of a topic, and build coherent research proposals.

The session further covered the concept of collaborative research, emphasizing the importance of inter-disciplinary partnerships, co-authorship, and working within research networks. Platforms such as Research Gate, Academia.edu, and Mendeley were discussed as collaborative ecosystems that enable researchers to share preprints, connect with peers, and build academic visibility. Dr. Chaudhery also introduced the students to the IIC's own framework for collaborative projects, encouraging them to identify problem areas in their sectors of interest and register them in the IIC's Problem Statement Database for further research development.

Students actively participated in the session, asking questions related to the use of AI tools for literature reviews and the ethical considerations in AI-assisted research. The resource person provided detailed guidance on maintaining academic integrity while leveraging technology for enhanced research productivity. The session concluded with a Q&A round and a brief hands-on demonstration, with students being encouraged to explore the tools independently as part of their semester projects.

FLYER OF THE EVENT



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Gitarattan Internal Business School

15th April 2026
(Wednesday)

TIME : 10:00 AM onwards
VENUE : Computer Lab 202, GIBS
CLASS & SEMESTER : MBA 2, MBA 4

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TYPE OF EVENT	IIC
VENUE	Computer Lab-202
TIME & DURATION	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM (2 Hours)
CONDUCTED BY	IIC – Gitarattan International Business School
ORGANISED FOR	MBA 2nd Semester & MBA 4th Semester
NAME OF THE COORDINATOR	Prof. Dr. Urvesh Chaudhery, Professor, GIBS
ATTENDANCE	40
RESOURCE PERSON	Prof. Dr. Urvesh Chaudhery, Professor, GIBS
OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To encourage students to engage in collaborative research projects through inter-disciplinary partnerships and IIC-supported research frameworks. 2. To introduce students to AI-powered and digital e-tools that enhances research discovery, literature

	mapping, and collaborative research capabilities.
LEARNING OUTCOME	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Students gained practical knowledge of AI-driven research tools (Research Rabbit, Elicit, Semantic Scholar, etc.) to streamline their literature review and research process.2. Students developed an understanding of how to identify, frame, and register meaningful problem statements in the IIC database, enabling future collaborative research engagements.
SHORTFALL DURING EVENT	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Some students faced difficulty navigating certain AI tools due to limited internet bandwidth during the live demonstration.
LINK OF ONLINE VIDEO	https://youtu.be/MSPVI8_lgf8

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