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9:00 - 9:30 AM **Registration**

9:30 - 9:40 AM **Inauguration & Welcome Address**

Dr. Ravi Gupta, Founder, CEO & Editor-in-Chief, Elets Technomedia Pvt. Ltd.

9:40 - 9:50 AM **Lamp Lighting & Launch of Special Issue of BFSI Magazine**

9:50 - 10:00 AM **Opening Address**

10:00 - 10:15 AM **Keynote Address**

10:15 - 10:30 AM **Special Address**

10:30 - 11:00 AM **Chief Guest Special Address**

\***Shri Priyank Kharge**, Hon'ble Minister, Electronics, IT & Biotechnology, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj, Government of Karnataka

11:00 - 11:45 AM **Inauguration Panel Discussion**

**Vision 2030: Building India's \$1 Trillion Fintech Economy with Karnataka at the Forefront**

**Synopsis:**

India's fintech ecosystem is scaling rapidly with strong policy support and digital infrastructure. This session explores how Karnataka can lead India's journey toward becoming a global fintech powerhouse by 2030.

11:45 - 12:15 PM **Tea & Networking Break**

12:15 - 1:00 PM **Panel Discussion**

**Next-Gen Payments: UPI 3.0 and the Rise of Digital Public Infrastructure**

**Synopsis:**

UPI and DPI are redefining digital payments with scale and innovation. This session explores the next phase of real-time payments and global interoperability.

**1:00 - 1:15 PM** Lightning Talk

**1:15 - 1:30 PM** Expert Talk - Presentation

**1:30 - 2:30 PM** Networking Lunch

## HALL 1

**2:30 - 3:15 PM** Panel Discussion

**The Next Decade of GCCs: From Delivery Hubs to Global Decision-Makers**

**Synopsis:**

GCCs in India are evolving into global innovation and decision-making centers for financial institutions. This session explores their role in driving AI, technology transformation, and strategic leadership.

**3:15 - 4:00 PM** Panel Discussion

**Cybersecurity, Fraud Prevention in Digital Finance**

**Synopsis:**

As digital transactions scale, financial institutions face rising cyber threats and fraud risks. This session explores advanced technologies and strategies to secure digital finance ecosystems.

**4:00 - 4:10 PM** Expert Talk - Presentation

**4:10 - 4:30 PM** Expo Visit & Networking

**4:30 - 5:00 PM** Trialogue Session

**AI-First Banking: Reimagining Financial Institutions**

**Synopsis:**

Banks are transitioning from digital-first to AI-first models, redefining operations and decision-making. This session examines how AI is reshaping the future of banking architecture and services.

## HALL 2

**2:30 - 3:15 PM** Panel Discussion

**InsurTech and the Future of Digital Insurance in India**

**Synopsis:**

InsurTech is transforming underwriting, claims, and customer experience through data and automation. This discussion focuses on expanding insurance penetration and building digital-first insurance models.

**3:15 - 4:00 PM** Panel Discussion

**AI-Led Customer Experience: Building Hyper-Personalised Finance for Bharat**

**Synopsis:**

AI is enabling highly personalised, intuitive, and inclusive financial services across Bharat. This panel explores how institutions are enhancing engagement while maintaining trust and data privacy.

**2:30 - 3:15 PM** Expert Talk - Presentation

**4:30 - 5:00 PM** Trialogue Session

**Fintech Startups 2.0: Building the Next Unicorns in the Era of AI**

**Synopsis:**

The fintech startup ecosystem is evolving with a focus on sustainability and innovation. This panel explores how AI and new models are shaping the next generation of unicorns.

## HALL A

**5:00 - 5:15 PM** Expert Talk - Presentation

**5:15 - 6:00 PM** Panel Discussion

**Digital Lending 2.0: AI-Driven Credit Innovation for the Digital Economy**

**Synopsis:**

AI-driven digital lending is transforming credit delivery through real-time underwriting, alternative data, and smarter risk assessment. This session explores how fintechs and lenders are scaling inclusive, compliant, and data-driven credit ecosystems for the digital economy. This session explores the next phase of real-time payments and global interoperability.

**6:00 - 7:00 PM** Closing Remarks

**7:30 PM Onwards** Networking Dinner (Invite-Only)

## HALL B

**5:00 - 5:15 PM** Expert Talk - Presentation

**5:15 - 6:00 PM** Panel Discussion

**WealthTech: Democratizing Investments**

**Synopsis:**

WealthTech platforms are making investment access easier, affordable, and more inclusive. This panel explores how technology is reshaping retail investing and financial participation.

# DAY 02 PROGRAMME AGENDA

**6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026**

**9:00 - 9:30 AM** Registration

**9:30 - 09:40 AM** Welcome Note

**Dr. Ravi Gupta**, Founder, CEO & Editor-in-Chief, Elets Technomedia Pvt. Ltd.

**9:40 - 10:10 AM**

## **Fireside Chat**

**From India Stack to Global Stack: Exporting India's Fintech Model to the World**

**Synopsis:**

India's digital public infrastructure has become a global benchmark for inclusive finance. This session explores how India's fintech innovations can scale globally.

**10:10 - 10:25 AM**

## **Lightning Talk**

**The Rise of AI Agents in Financial Services**

**10:25 - 11:10 AM**

## **Panel Discussion**

**AI & Gen AI in Financial Services: Transforming Banking Operations**

**Synopsis:**

AI is transforming core banking functions, from risk and compliance to operations. This panel examines how financial institutions are building intelligent, data-driven systems.

**11:10 - 11:40 AM**

## **Tea & Networking Break**

**11:40 - 12:15 PM**

## **Panel Discussion**

**Cross-Border Payments Innovation: Transforming Global Money Movement**

**Synopsis:**

Fintech innovation is enabling faster, cheaper, and more secure cross-border transactions. This session explores global payment interoperability and UPI's international expansion.stems.

**12:15 - 12:30 PM**

## **Expert Talk - Presentation**

**12:30 - 1:15 PM**

## **Panel Discussion**

**GCCs & Global Financial Architecture: Engineering the Backbone of Modern Finance**

**Synopsis:**

Global Capability Centres (GCCs) in India are playing a critical role in building the core infrastructure of modern financial services. From cloud platforms and open banking frameworks to scalable payment and data architectures. This session explores how GCCs are engineering the digital backbone of finance - driving resilience, interoperability, and next-generation financial ecosystems.

**1:15 - 2:15 PM**

## **Networking Lunch**

## HALL A

2:15 - 3:00 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### NBFC Innovation: Expanding Credit Access with Technology

##### Synopsis:

NBFCs are playing a critical role in expanding credit access through digital innovation. This session focuses on partnerships, data-driven lending, and scalable credit ecosystems.

3:00 - 3:15 PM

### Expert Talk - Presentation

3:15 - 4:00 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### Cloud & Open Banking Infrastructure

##### Synopsis:

Cloud and open APIs are enabling faster innovation and collaboration in financial services. This session explores building scalable, secure, and interoperable banking ecosystems.

4:00 - 4:30 PM

### Expo Visit & Networking

4:30 - 5:15 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### DPDP Act & Data Governance in Financial Services: Balancing Innovation, Compliance & Trust

##### Synopsis:

The DPDP Act is redefining how financial data is managed, shared, and secured across ecosystems. This panel will examine balancing innovation with compliance, privacy, and trust in digital finance.

5:15 - 5:30 PM

### Expert Talk - Presentation

5:30 - 6:00 PM

### Trilogue Session

#### Bank-Fintech-Regulator Collaboration: Building the Future Financial Ecosystem

##### Synopsis:

Collaboration between banks, fintechs, and regulators is key to sustainable innovation. This session explores building a balanced and future-ready financial ecosystem.

5:15 - 6:00 PM

### 2nd World Fintech Awards

6:00 - 6:10 PM

### Closing Remarks by Department IT, BT, GoK

6:10 - 6:30 PM

### Closing Remarks

## HALL B

2:15 - 3:00 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### VC Outlook 2026: Funding the Next Wave of Fintech Innovation

##### Synopsis:

As fintech enters a more mature and disciplined phase, venture capital firms are redefining how they evaluate and fund innovation. This panel explores the evolving VC mindset, emerging investment themes, and how investors are backing the next generation of scalable fintech businesses in a changing market landscape.

3:00 - 3:15 PM

### Expert Talk - Presentation

3:15 - 4:00 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### Fintech Investments 2026: Where Capital is Flowing Next

##### Synopsis:

Fintech investments are becoming more selective and thesis-driven in a post-hype market. This panel explores where capital is actually flowing today - across AI, infra, lending, and emerging fintech segments.

4:30 - 5:15 PM

### Panel Discussion

#### Financial Inclusion & MSME Growth: Unlocking Bharat's \$1 Trillion Opportunity Through Fintech

##### Synopsis:

Fintech is bridging the credit gap and enabling growth for MSMEs and underserved segments. This panel explores scalable solutions for inclusive economic development.

5:15 - 5:30 PM

### Expert Talk - Presentation

4:30 - 5:15 PM

### Trilogue Session

#### Agri-Fintech: Driving Financial Inclusion for Bharat

##### Synopsis:

Agri-fintech is transforming rural finance by enabling access to credit, insurance, and markets. This panel explores how technology is empowering farmers and rural economies.

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