

The ICFAI University, Jaipur
ICFAI School of Liberal Arts
The Literati Club

Visit to the Jaipur Literature Festival





January 16, 2026

The Literati Club of the ICFAI School of Liberal Arts organised an exposure visit of their students to the Jaipur Literature Festival on the second day of this literary extravaganza. The Jaipur Literature Festival, also known as the “World’s Greatest Literary Show” was organised from January 15, 2026 – January 19, 2026.

Objective: The exposure visit was organised with the objective of providing students with the valuable opportunity to listen to and engage with literary figures, be part of the celebration of culture, art and diversity, network and form grounds for future collaboration, thus adding to their academic experience and holistic development.

Students attended the following sessions:

1. “Lightning Kid”: Vishwanathan Anand in conversation with Rahul Bhattacharya
2. “Legacies of Enterprise: Trading Lessons Across Time”: Gurcharan Das and Naushad Forbes in conversation with Shinjini Kumar
3. “Fractured World: Pathways to Peace”: Kevin Kelly, Lindy Cameron, May-Elin Stener in conversation with C. Raja Mohun
4. “Where is my Mind?": Neha Kirpal, Vikram Patel and Amrita Tripathi in conversation with Puneeta Roy
5. “Blood and Sand: Suez 1956”: Alex Von Tunzelmann in conversation with Ussama Makdisi and Avi Shlaim, chaired by Anita Anand

These thought-provoking sessions offered students diverse intellectual perspectives, ranging from India’s

historic business lineages and their contemporary relevance to an insightful dialogue on mental health, awareness, and compassion in modern India. Discussions such as “*Fractured World: Pathways to Peace*” examined pressing issues of global geopolitics, conflict, and cooperation, while “*Blood and Sand: Suez 1956*” provided a compelling exploration of a pivotal post-colonial moment that reshaped global power dynamics. The sessions deepened students’ understanding of history, society, and contemporary global challenges, making the exposure visit a rich and impactful learning experience.

Dr Sugandha Verma and Dr Mathew Sinu Simon formed part of this exposure visit. The visit was coordinated by Dr Sugandha Verma, Assistant Professor and Faculty Coordinator, The Literati Club, ISLA.

Outcomes:

- Students gained first-hand exposure to globally acclaimed writers, thinkers, and policymakers.
- The visit fostered cultural sensitivity, intellectual curiosity, and appreciation for pluralism and dialogue.
- Students were inspired to reflect on mental health, compassion, and well-being in modern society through expert-led discussions.
- Opportunities for networking and academic inspiration encouraged aspirations for future research, writing, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

Spreadsheet link of the registrations received through Google form for the exposure visit is as follows:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1y03t_ShZ4jg1RBrNroYMLi2mVekcZrkr7GpGRJ7abss/edit?usp=sharing

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Glimpses:









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EXPOSURE VISIT TO THE JAIPUR LITERATURE FESTIVAL

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9	25JPLADDBA052	Sheetal	<i>Sheetal</i>
10	25JPLANDBA010	Vamika chandak	<i>Vamika</i>
11	25JPLADDBA019	Mahima Sharma	<i>Mahima</i>
12	25JPLADDBA017	Priya Bainada	<i>Priya</i>
13	25JPLADDBA073	Tanisha Chaouhan	<i>Tanisha</i>
14	25JPLADDBA071	Sohel khan	<i>Sohel Khan</i>
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24	25JPLADDBA062	Kishan Sharma	<i>Kishan Sharma</i>
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30	23FLAUIUJDD01017	Kanak Swami	<i>Kanak</i>
31	25JPLADDBA072	Pinky kanwar	<i>Pinky</i>
32	Dr Sugandha Verma	Faculty Coordinator	<i>Sugandha</i>
33	Dr Mathew Sinu Simon	Faculty	<i>Mathew</i>

STUDENT FEEDBACK: VISIT TO JAIPUR LITERATURE FESTIVAL 2026													
Timestamp	Email Address	Name	Enrolment ID	Contact Number	University Email ID	How would you rate your overall experience of the Jaipur Literature Festival exposure visit?	The exposure visit helped enhance my academic, cultural, or intellectual understanding.	Did the exposure visit inspire you to explore literature, writing, arts, or related fields further?	Which aspects of the festival were most beneficial to you?	How would you rate the coordination and support provided by faculty/organizers?	How would you rate the travel arrangements provided by the university buses?	Do you feel such academic/cultural visits should be organized more often?	Would you recommend this visit to other students?
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