

Bootcamp on "Intelligent Cyber Forensics: AI-Powered Investigation and Incident Response" under ISEA Project Phase III (MeitY) (20th - 24th July 2026)

The Centre of Excellence – Cyber Security, School of Engineering and Technology (SET), Gujarat Technological University (GTU) successfully organized a **Five-Day Bootcamp on “Intelligent Cyber Forensics: AI-Powered Investigation and Incident Response”** from 20th to 24th July 2026 at the GTU Chandkheda Campus. The program was conducted under the **ISEA Project Phase-III**, supported by the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India**, with the objective of providing students with practical and industry-oriented exposure to digital forensics and cybersecurity.

The **inaugural function on 20th July 2026** was graced by **Dr. Rajdeepsinh N. Jhala, IPS, Superintendent of Police (SP), Cyber Centre of Excellence, Gandhinagar, Gujarat**, as the **Chief Guest**. **Dr. Jatin Patel, Director and Associate Professor, Rashtriya Raksha University**, also joined the inaugural session and subsequently conducted expert sessions on **Network Forensics, Network Analysis, and Network Security**. The bootcamp further featured expert-led sessions on **Metasploit, Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing (VAPT), Artificial Intelligence, and Agentic AI**, delivered by **Mr. Jaimin Somani, Co-Founder, AphelionCyber Pvt. Ltd.**; **Dr. Dulari Bhatt, Regional Lead and Master Trainer, Edunet Foundation**; and **Mr. Naresh Kumar, Assistant Manager – Information Security, Tata AIA Life Insurance**. Participants gained practical insights into emerging cybersecurity technologies, investigative methodologies, and real-world security challenges.

The final day was dedicated to **project presentations and evaluation**, where participants presented their projects based on the problem statements provided during the bootcamp. The evaluation panel comprised **Shri Rohit Tyagi, Scientist, Space Applications Centre (SAC), ISRO, Ahmedabad**, and **Mr. Naresh Kumar, Assistant Manager – Information Security, Tata AIA Life Insurance**, who provided valuable technical feedback and expert guidance. The bootcamp concluded successfully with an interactive discussion and appreciation of the participants' efforts, strengthening their practical skills, technical confidence, and readiness to address emerging challenges in cybersecurity and digital forensics.

The bootcamp witnessed enthusiastic participation from 114 students, who actively engaged in the technical sessions, hands-on activities, and project development throughout the program. Their participation provided them with valuable practical exposure to cybersecurity and digital forensics, enabling them to apply their knowledge to real-world problem statements and enhance their technical and problem-solving skills.

