

**Faculty I/C
TEDx NIT Raipur**



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"A journey of thousand miles begins with a single step"- Lao Tzu. TEDxNITRaipur has already taken its step and is all set to embark on its glorious expedition.

TED refers to the global set of conferences run by the private non-profit organisation, Sapling Foundation, under the slogan "Ideas worth Spreading". *TED (Technology, Entertainment and Design)* is an organisation which fosters the spread of great ideas. It aims to provide a platform for thinkers, visionaries and teachers, so that people around the globe can gain a better understanding of the biggest issues faced by the world and feed a desire to help create a better future. TEDx are independent TED-like events, which can be organised by any individual who obtains a free license from TED, agreeing to follow certain principles. Created in the spirit "Ideas worth spreading", TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share and spark deep discussion and connection in a small group.

The second version of TEDxNITRaipur which was held on 17th of March, 2018 in Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Auditorium witnessed an enthusiastic crowd. With the theme 'Echoing Ideas' it truly echoed new and vibrant ideas from different fields in the air. Speakers from different genres were invited to deliver their TED talks.

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The first speaker of the day was Mr. Rajat Bansal, a Computer Science graduate from BITS Pilani and held AIR 85 in UPSC 2011 exams. Currently he is the Commissioner of Raipur Municipal Corporation along with being the MD&CEO of Raipur Smart City. His talk was focused on developing Raipur into a smart city and the role of citizens and supporting people in it.

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The second speaker of the day was Dr.Noel Alba-Baena, an eminent professor at UACJ, Mexico with a sustained contribution to teaching fraternity for over 15 years. He took over the stage with his talk on 'Engineering in India'. By giving an analogy of the travelling and transportation on the Indian roads, he described the uniqueness of India way of doing work.

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The session was followed by Sharon Prabhakar, a celebrated pop singer and now an entrepreneur who has her own entertainment company. With the topic 'Breaking Stereotypes', she inspired and engaged the listeners to step out of the pre-defined frame, to dream more and to be stubborn to complete them. The fourth speaker of the day

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The fourth speaker of the day was Mr. Prabhu Chawla, one of the most dynamic personalities Indian Journalism has ever seen. A Padma Bhushan awardee, he has accoladed various awards and recognitions which also includes the Punjabi Icon award. With the topic 'Shift in Journalism', he talked on the changing views of journalism in India and gave a message that he has confidence on the bright future of journalism in India.

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The fifth speaker of the day was Mr Vipul Singh Tapas, a street Nukkad Artist who calls himself a Ghumantu Kalakar. His talk was based on focusing on the hidden talent in one's self rather running in the rat race. The young audience was deeply inspired by him.

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The final speaker of the event Mr Karan Deb, the youngest football coach of India and currently a PGT at Mayo School Ajmer told about his life journey and how he took up sports and always tried to encourage young minds to devote themselves in one or the other sport.