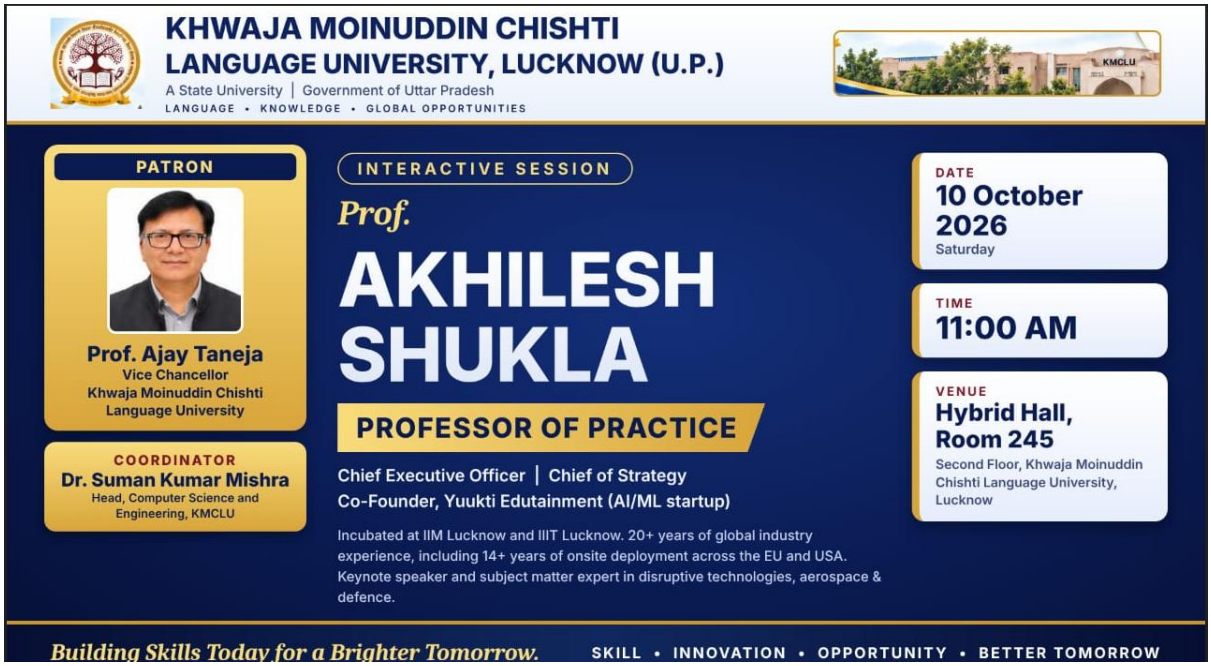
Interactive Session on Artificial Intelligence: Industry–Academia Interaction by Professor of Practice at Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University, Lucknow



Date: 10th October 2026 (Saturday), 11:00 AM

Venue: Hybrid Hall, Room 245, Second Floor, Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University (KMCLU), Lucknow

Organised by: Department of Computer Science and Engineering, K.M.C.L.U.

Patron: Prof. Ajay Taneja, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, K.M.C.L.U.

Coordinator: Dr. Suman Kumar Mishra, Head, Computer Science and Engineering, K.M.C.L.U.

Speaker: Prof. Akhilesh Shukla, Professor of Practice; Chief Executive Officer | Chief of Strategy; Co-Founder, Yuukti Edutainment (AI/ML startup)

Key Highlights

- An Interactive Session on Artificial Intelligence (AI) was organised at Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University, Lucknow, focusing on industry–academia collaboration, evolving technological requirements and future opportunities.
- The session was organised by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering under the patronage and guidance of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Ajay Taneja.
- Dr. Suman Kumar Mishra, Head, Computer Science and Engineering, served as the coordinator of the programme.

- Prof. Akhilesh Shukla, Professor of Practice at the university, interacted with faculty members and students and shared his experience and expertise on Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, emerging technologies and the growing role of AI in industry.

About the Speaker

- Prof. Akhilesh Shukla has more than two decades of global industry experience, including over 14 years of onsite deployment across the EU and USA.
- He is Co-Founder of Yuukti Edutainment, an AI/ML startup incubated at IIM Lucknow and IIIT Lucknow, and has served as Chief Executive Officer and Chief of Strategy.
- He is a recognised keynote speaker and subject matter expert in disruptive technologies and in the aerospace and defence sector, with extensive experience in AI and disruptive technologies.
- His association with the university as Professor of Practice is an important step towards strengthening the bridge between industry and academia.

Session Details

The interaction was held in two phases:

- **Phase 1 – Interaction with Faculty:** Discussion with university teachers and faculty members on the academic and industrial perspectives of AI, the inclusion of emerging technologies in the curriculum, and ways of making students industry-ready.
- **Phase 2 – Interactive Session with Students:** Students asked questions on AI, career opportunities, industry requirements and future technological challenges. Prof. Shukla responded with practical, experience-based answers and guided the students.

Key Messages Shared by the Speaker

- Theoretical knowledge alone is not sufficient in the present technological landscape.
- Students must build industry-oriented skills, practical exposure, innovation and problem-solving abilities.
- He discussed the rapidly changing nature of AI, its growing use across different sectors, and future opportunities in employment and entrepreneurship.
- He encouraged students to view technology not merely as a subject, but as an effective means of innovation and of solving real-life problems.

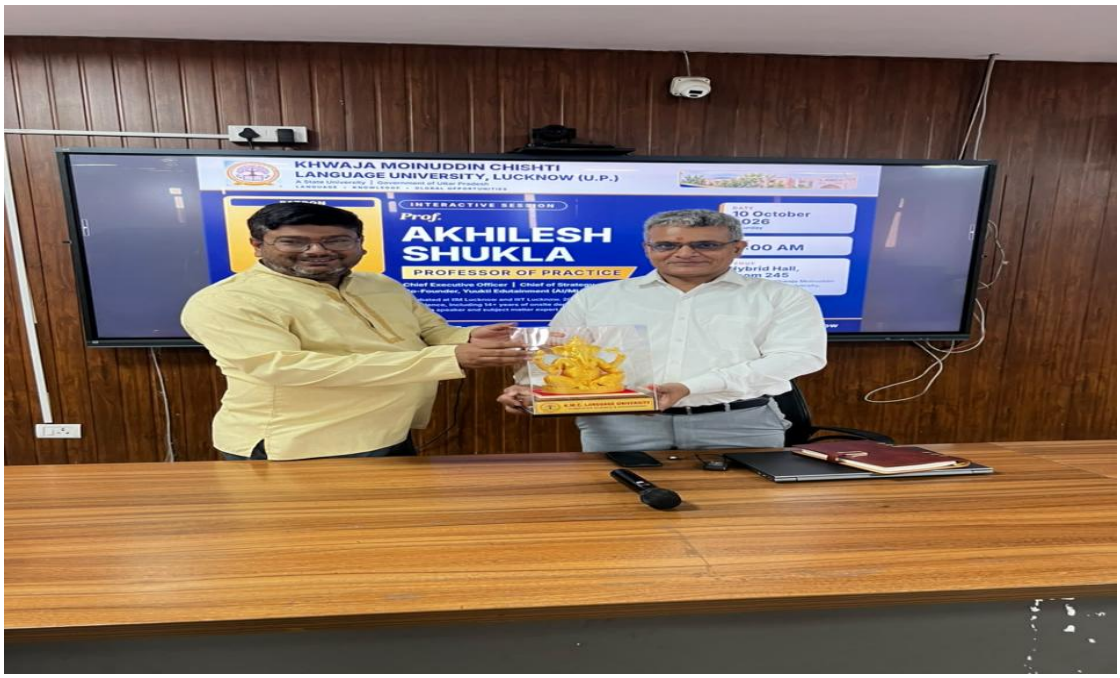
Outcome

- Students and faculty gained a valuable opportunity to understand the rapid changes taking place in AI, to become familiar with industry expectations, and to develop skills in line with future requirements.

- The session was described as highly informative and inspiring, focusing on innovation, practical skills and career readiness.

Vote of Thanks

- At the close of the programme, Dr. Suman Kumar Mishra expressed gratitude to Prof. Akhilesh Shukla.
- He stated that such industry–academia interactions play an important role in preparing students for a changing technological and professional environment.
- He emphasised the need to continue organising such knowledge-enhancing and skill-based programmes in the future.
- **Glimpses of the Event**




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