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*DY Patil School of Law
Navi Mumbai, India
25 - 28 November 2026*



DEAR MEDIATION COMMUNITY

We are delighted to announce that Mumbai, India, will be the next destination of our prestigious annual International Law School Mediation Tournament.

DY Patil University School of Law is honored to host this significant global event and to welcome you to Mumbai—a city that seamlessly blends its rich heritage with modern dynamism, making it the vibrant heart of India’s legal, financial, and cultural landscape.

As you embark on this exciting journey, we hope you will be inspired by the city’s diversity, warm hospitality, and unmatched energy that define the spirit of Mumbai.

This guide has been thoughtfully prepared to serve as your comprehensive companion during your stay. It will help you learn more about the tournament and assist you in planning your visit to Navi Mumbai in November 2026.

Inside, you will find practical information on accommodation, dining options, must-see attractions, transportation, and helpful tips to enhance your overall experience.

Our aim is to ensure that you feel comfortable, engaged, and connected throughout your time in India.

We look forward to welcoming you to Mumbai and making this experience truly memorable.

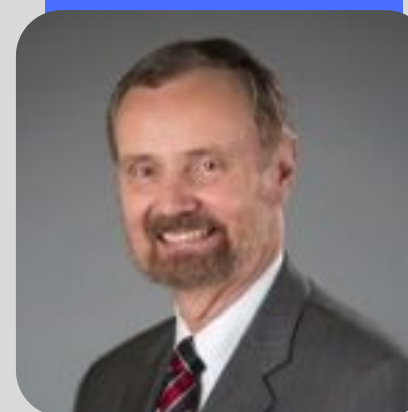
About **INADR**

INADR was founded in 2002 and is the first organization that sponsored mediation tournaments where students were the mediators in an international competition. Since that time, INADR tournaments have been hosted in more than sixteen countries and have had participants and representatives from over fifty countries.

Mediation tournaments began at the undergraduate level in 2000 as an outgrowth of the American Mock Trial Association with the first tournament held at Drake University. INADR began offering tournaments, and in 2004, the organization was formally established by a group of educators, mediators, and lawyers. INADR mediation tournaments were the first, and for many years, the only intercollegiate mediation tournaments where student participants were in the roles of mediators, advocates, and clients.

The goal of INADR has been to create an awareness of mediation and other forms of dispute resolution. The Academy believes that there is a better way to resolve differences than the adversarial system, which implies that differences can be resolved only through continued conflict. Former U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren E. Burger declared that our legal system “has become too costly, too painful, too destructive, too inefficient for a truly civilized people.”

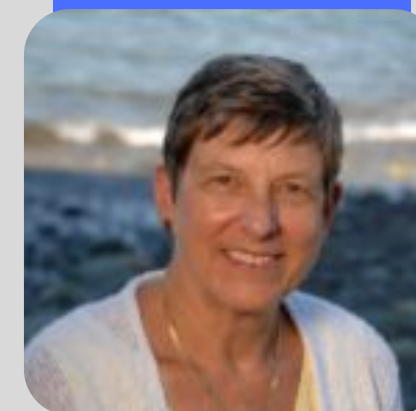
INADR is dedicated to the principle that change comes through education. The Academy believes that peace and reconciliation should be the goals of mediation. Further, it believes that preserving and enhancing relationships is at the core of its work. INADR is educating the next generation of leaders to create a more peaceful and cooperative world.



Ken Frank
President



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President Elect



Susan Sloane
Secretary

DY Patil University

Nestled in the picturesque campus at Nerul in Thane district of Navi Mumbai, DYPU is synonymous with excellence in higher education. Since its establishment 21 years ago DYPU has made ground breaking changes in the area of higher education and witnessed exceptional growth, and rewarding success of students and faculty. The vision of the University has been to provide quality education in all spheres of higher learning and healthcare services in India. The University believes in creating the pioneers of tomorrow, who follow a vision of transforming India into a global platform for education, healthcare, and sports. With nearly 15,000 students walking out of its portals every year, DYPU boasts of a shining network of alumni who stand testimony to the University's ideals. Each one of them is the beacon bearer of the society, who will change the face of this world with passion, dedication, & willpower.

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Years of Legacy
in Education

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Acre Campus

20+

Harvard Business
School Online
Programs



ABOUT SCHOOL OF LAW

The School of Law is a student centric institution that goes out of the way to ensure that its student get the best of academia as well as the industry. Affiliated to the DY Patil University, the college does everything it can to make sure that the students get exposed to the requisite skill sets and resources required for succeeding in the field of law.

The School of Law is respected for its faculty, scholastic library and comfortable infrastructure. Regular lectures for practicing lawyers, judges and law professionals provide a direct industry to connect with the students and help in easy transition

The students are exposed to the world full of possibilities and are encouraged to establish strong professional network by interacting with distinct stalwarts of the industry.

At the School of Law, we offer a complete power packed package of theory and practical moot court sessions happen regularly and create a conducive environment of nurturing and acquiring law acumen. The school offers multiple graduate and postgraduate degree programs in law such as B.B.A L.L.B (Hons), B.A L.L.B, LLB, LLM and Ph.D.

**"EGO IS THE DEATH OF LIFE
& DEATH OF EGO IS LIFE"**





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FOUNDER CHANCELLOR

DY PATIL GROUP, INDIA

Dr. D. Y. Patil, a former Governor of Bihar, Tripura & West Bengal and Padmashree Award recipient, was a visionary educationist and philanthropist. He believed in providing Indian youth with ample opportunities for education nationwide. Beginning in 1983 with the Ramrao Adik Institute of Technology (RAIT) in Navi Mumbai, his leadership paved the way for the DY Patil Group's significant contributions to education, healthcare, and sports. Over nearly four decades, we've strived to create an inclusive community fostering the growth and success of students. Our goal is to cultivate an ecosystem where students can learn, thrive, and contribute to a globalized world. At the Vijay Patil School of Management, we aim to facilitate the exchange of diverse perspectives and solutions, preparing young minds to realize their potential in an interconnected society.





DR. VIJAY D. PATIL **CHANCELLOR & PRESIDENT** **DY PATIL DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY, NAVI MUMBAI**

Dr. Vijay D. Patil, a Computer Engineering graduate from the University of Mumbai and a Management degree holder from Bond University, Australia, stands as a pillar in education, sports, and healthcare in India. Recognized nationwide, he champions infrastructure projects to fuel the nation's growth, particularly benefiting the youth.

With a focus on providing top-notch educational facilities, he believes in creating an ecosystem that fosters learning and growth for young minds. Dr. Patil fosters a close relationship with students and faculty, striving for continuous improvement through collaboration. DY Patil University aims to enhance graduate employability through research-backed programs and a world-class academic structure.





DR. SHIVANI VIJAY PATIL **PRO-CHANCELLOR & VICE PRESIDENT** **DY PATIL DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY, NAVI MUMBAI**

Mrs. Shivani Vijay Patil has been instrumental in driving numerous initiatives at DY Patil University, elevating the student experience and fostering holistic development. Her unwavering dedication and support have benefited faculty, staff, and students alike, emphasizing extracurricular activities for all-round growth. She believes in empowering faculty and nurturing a student community poised for national growth. Under her guidance, the university has thrived, embodying her vision for wholesome teaching and learning experiences.





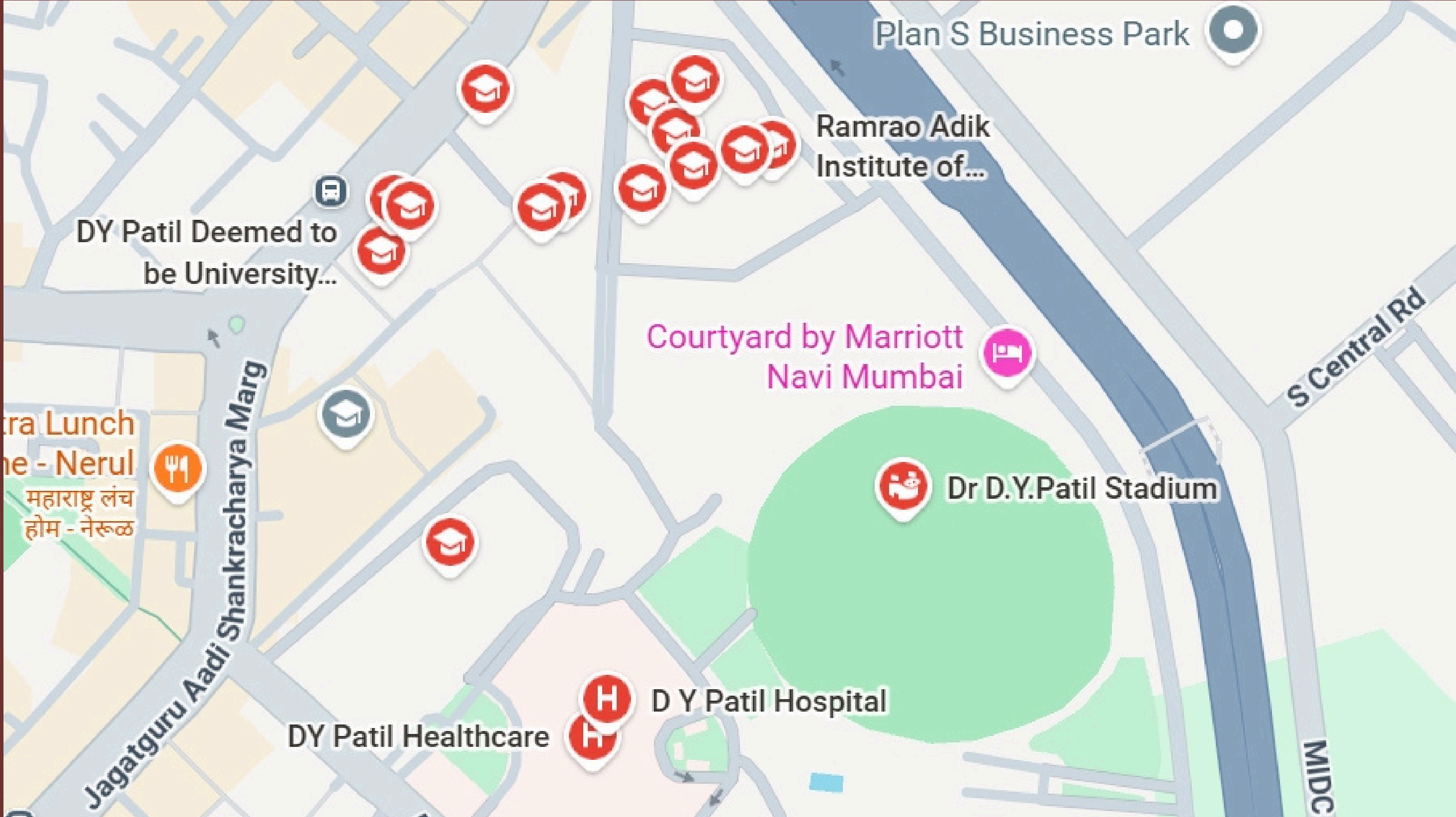
PROF. DR. KARUNA AKSHAY MALVIYA

DIRECTOR

DY PATIL DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF LAW

Prof. Dr. Karuna Akshay Malviya is a highly esteemed legal professional with a diverse academic background and expertise. She holds a PhD in Law with a Senior Research Fellowship from the University Grants Commission and has also qualified for the National Eligibility Test (NET) with a Junior Research Fellowship. Her specialization includes Legal Language, Criminology, Constitutional Law, and more. Prior to her current role, she held key positions at prestigious institutions such as Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU), Mumbai. Dr. Karuna's contributions extend beyond academia; she is a certified mediator and has served on various committees addressing issues like sexual harassment. She has supervised numerous research scholars and led significant projects, including one on Prison Reforms in Maharashtra. Her dedication to legal education, research, and social justice makes her a highly respected professional in the field.

University Location



COUNTRY PROFILE

Official Name: Republic of India

Area: 32,87,263 sq.km

Population: Approx. 1.4 billion

Capital: New Delhi

Language : 22 Official Languages including English, & Hindi

Time: GMT + 5hrs 30mins

Main Cities: Mumbai, Delhi, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Chennai, Hyderabad

High Peaks: Mount Everest (8,848.86 meters)

Calling Code: +91



ENTRY TO INDIA: VISA REQUIREMENTS




Objective 01

e-Visa Eligible Countries

India offers an e-Visa facility to 160+ countries, covering:

- Europe
- North America
- Australia & New Zealand
- Many Asian, African, and South American countries


 Applicants must apply online and carry a printed approval when traveling.

Objective 02

Visa Exemptions

The following individuals do not require a visa:

- Citizens of Nepal and Bhutan
- Holders of an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Card

 These individuals may enter India with valid identification and enjoy multiple-entry privileges.

For the fastest and easiest way to check whether you need a visa to enter or stay in India, please visit the official portal: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/>

ENTRY TO INDIA: VISA REQUIREMENTS



Objective 03

Passport Requirements

- Valid for at least 6 months from date of arrival
- Minimum 2 blank pages

Objective 04

Additional Entry Requirements

Travelers may be asked to provide:

- Return or onward travel ticket
- Accommodation details
- Proof of sufficient funds
- Health certificates (if applicable)

Important Note

Visa policies are subject to change. Participants are advised to verify the latest requirements with the relevant Indian Embassy/Consulate prior to travel.

OTHER CONDITIONS FOR EXEMPTION FROM INDIAN VISA

- **Passport type:** Holders of diplomatic, official, or service passports from countries that have a bilateral agreement with India are often exempt from visa requirements for specific periods, according to the Embassy of India, Brasilia, Brazil.
- **Direct transit:** Foreigners in direct transit by air who do not leave the airport's designated area are generally not required to have a transit visa.
- **Specific qualifications:** There are exemptions for certain groups, such as seamen with specific qualifications or diplomats and nurses with qualifications recognized under the Indian Nursing Council Act, notes the Ministry of External Affairs.
- **OCI Card holders:** Individuals who are Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) cardholders are exempt from needing an Indian visa, but must carry a valid OCI card and foreign passport, as stated by the Embassy of India, Athens, Greece.
- **Spouse of an Indian citizen:** The spouse of an Indian citizen may be exempt from a visa requirement, though specific conditions and documentation are necessary.
- **Reciprocal agreements:** India has signed bilateral agreements with several countries for visa waivers for citizens holding ordinary passports, so it's essential to check the specifics for your country, as detailed on the Embassy of India, Brasilia, Brazil.

City at a Glance

Location	Konkan Division, Maharashtra — across Thane Creek from Mumbai
Area	Approx. 344 sq km (Municipal Area)
Population	~1.2 million (2011 census; significantly higher today)
Founded	1972 — planned and developed by CIDCO
Nearest International Airport	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai (~45–60 min)
Domestic Airport	Navi Mumbai International Airport (15–20 min)
Language	Indian Rupee (INR ₹)
Time Zone	IST — UTC+5:30
Best Time to Visit	October to March (pleasant weather, festivals)

About Navi Mumbai

Navi Mumbai — meaning "New Mumbai" — is one of the world's largest planned townships, conceived in the 1970s to ease the growing pressure on overcrowded Mumbai. Designed and developed by the City and Industrial Development Corporation (CIDCO), it stretches along the tranquil eastern shore of Thane Creek, offering visitors a rare blend of modern urban planning, lush greenery, and a relaxed coastal lifestyle.

Unlike its older, densely packed twin across the creek, Navi Mumbai is celebrated for wide roads, open spaces, well-maintained public infrastructure, and an enviable quality of life. It is home to major business hubs, premier educational institutions, a growing film industry, and some of Maharashtra's most cherished natural reserves.

Did You Know?

Navi Mumbai is home to Asia's largest wholesale vegetable and fruit market — the Vashi Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) — which handles over 4,000 metric tonnes of produce daily

Getting to Navi Mumbai

By Rail

- Harbour Line (CST-Panvel): The most convenient suburban rail route connecting Mumbai to Navi Mumbai stations – Belapur, Nerul, Vashi, Panvel, and more
- Vashi, Sanpada, Kopar Khairane, CBD Belapur, Nerul, Seawoods-Darave are key stations
- Long-distance trains to Pune, Goa, and other cities stop at Panvel and Thane
 - Harbour Line train to Panvel then auto-rickshaw (budget option)

By Road

- Atal Setu (MTHL): Direct road link from South Mumbai to Navi Mumbai – a game-changer for commuters
 - Eastern Express Highway via Thane and Belapur Road
 - Taxi or app-cab (Ola/Uber) – approx. 45-60 min, ₹600-₹900
- NMMT (Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport) and BEST buses connect key nodes
 - Metro Line 1 (Belapur-Taloja) is operational, with further metro extensions underway

AIRPORTS

Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMI), situated about 8–15 km from the university, is the closest airport to the venue. With a travel time of approximately 15–25 minutes, it offers quick and convenient access to the campus and is steadily expanding its connectivity, making it an efficient alternative for travelers.

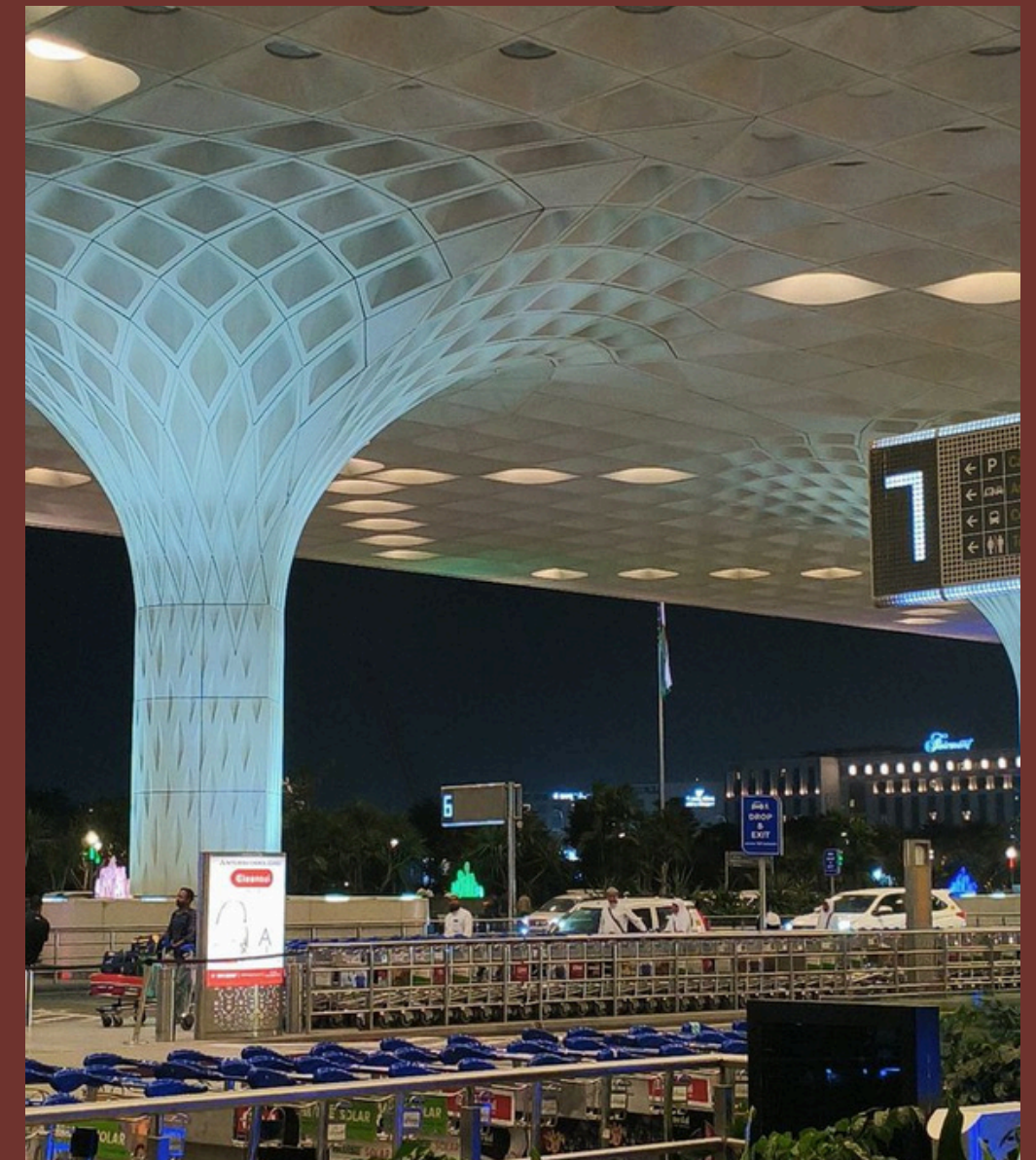
HOW TO GET TO NAVI MUMBAI, INDIA



AIRPORTS

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (BOM), located approximately 20–27 km from D.Y. Patil University, Navi Mumbai, serves as the primary gateway for both international and domestic travelers. The journey to the campus typically takes around 30–60 minutes, depending on traffic conditions, and the airport is well-connected through taxis, app-based cabs, and other local transport options.

HOW TO GET TO NAVI MUMBAI, INDIA



NAVI MUMBAI WEATHER FORECAST

Navi Mumbai in November experiences warm, dry, and sunny weather, marking the transition into the pleasant post-monsoon season. Daily temperatures typically range from a high of around 32°C to 34°C (90°F–93°F) to a low of 22°C to 24°C (72°F–75°F). Rainfall is minimal, usually between 5–15 mm, making the climate especially comfortable, particularly during the evenings.

- Days are warm but not extreme, while evenings are noticeably cooler and more comfortable.
- Very low, with only a 3%–4% chance of rain on any given day and typically just 1–2 rainy days in the month.

- Light, breathable fabrics like cotton are ideal. A light layer may be useful for late evenings or indoor air-conditioned spaces.
- Predominantly sunny days with light, refreshing coastal breezes.

MEDICAL CARE

Dr. D. Y. Patil Hospital & Research Centre is a large, multi-specialty teaching hospital located within the DY Patil University campus in Nerul, Navi Mumbai. It is one of the most prominent healthcare facilities in the area, offering 24/7 emergency services, ICU care, diagnostics, and in-house pharmacy support.

The hospital is easily accessible, situated just off the Sion–Panvel Highway and close to Nerul Railway Station, making it convenient for both local and outstation visitors. Its location within the university campus ensures quick, walkable access to medical care and pharmacies, which is especially helpful for students, event participants, and residents nearby.

Overall, it serves as a reliable, round-the-clock medical hub in Navi Mumbai, combining accessibility with comprehensive healthcare services.



AT YOUR SERVICE 24/7

Nearby 24/7 Pharmacies (close to DY Patil)

- Ashirvad Medical Stores
- Raj Medicals
- Wellness Forever Pharmacy – Nerul (Available on App)
- Wellness Forever Pharmacy – Near Railway Station, Nerul
- Apollo Pharmacy Nerul West

Police & Safety

- 100 – Police
- 1091 – Women’s Helpline
- 1098 – Child Helpline

Medical Emergencies

- 108 – Ambulance Services
- 102 – Medical Helpline / Ambulance (government services)

CURRENCY AND PAYMENT METHODS



The local currency is the Indian Rupee (INR).

1 USD \approx ₹95.50

1 Euro \approx ₹111.80

(rates may vary).

Currency exchange services are available at airports, major banks, and exchange counters. ATMs are widely accessible across the city.

Most restaurants, hotels, and stores accept major credit and debit cards such as Visa, MasterCard, and RuPay.

Digital payment methods like UPI (Google Pay, PhonePe, Paytm) are extremely popular and accepted almost everywhere — even in local markets and small cafes. It's still advisable to carry a small amount of cash for street vendors or auto-rickshaws.

TRANSPORTATION

Navi Mumbai offers a variety of convenient transport options, making travel across the city simple and affordable. The local train network connects key areas such as Vashi, Nerul, Belapur, and Panvel with Mumbai and Thane, with fares starting from around ₹10. Rail One app can be used to book online tickets. Road transport is supported by NMMT and BEST buses operating on multiple routes, with ticket prices generally ranging from ₹10–₹50. App based bus bookings and live tracking is possible. Auto-rickshaws and taxis are also easily available and can be booked through apps such as Ola, Uber, and Rapido. Rental scooters and bikes are available in select areas for short-distance travel. Metro train also available on select routes. For navigation and live transport updates, apps like Google Maps and M-indicator are commonly used.



HOTELS NEAR BY

Hotel	Location	Distance	Approx. Cost (per night)
The Yogi Executive	Turbhe	3.5 Km	INR 2500 – 3500
The Monarch	Turbhe	2.7 Km	INR 3000 – 4000
Ibis Navi Mumbai	Turbhe	2.5 km	INR 4,000 – 6,000
The Fern Residency	Turbhe	3.5 km	INR 4,000 – 6,500
The Park Navi Mumbai	CBD Belapur	3.5 km	INR 5,500 – 8,000
Vivanta Navi Mumbai	Turbhe	3.7 km	INR 7,000 – 10,000
Courtyard by Marriott Navi Mumbai	Nerul	0.1 km	INR 8,000 – 12,000
Le Meridien	Turbhe	3.5 km	INR 10,000 – 14,000
Four Points by Sheraton	Vashi	5.0 km	INR 7,000 – 10,000
Fortune Select Exotica	Vashi	5.0 km	INR 7,000 – 10,000
The Regenza by Tunga	Vashi	5.2 km	INR 5,000 – 8,000
Royal Orchid Central Grazia	Vashi	5.2 km	INR 6,000 – 9,000

“...and many more accommodation options, including hotels and hostels, are available for visitors seeking comfortable stays.”

PLACES TO VISIT

- Pandavkada Falls – A scenic waterfall surrounded by hills and greenery, especially popular during the monsoon season for its natural beauty and refreshing atmosphere.
- Karnala Bird Sanctuary – A protected nature reserve home to hundreds of bird species, trekking trails, and the historic Karnala Fort, making it ideal for nature lovers.
- ISKCON Temple Kharghar – A serene Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Krishna, admired for its peaceful ambiance, devotional activities, and spiritual gatherings.



PLACES TO VISIT

- Gateway of India – Mumbai’s most iconic monument, built during the British era and located along the waterfront overlooking the Arabian Sea.
- Marine Drive – A famous curved seaside boulevard known as the “Queen’s Necklace,” especially admired for its sunset and night views.
- Sanjay Gandhi National Park – A large protected forest area within the city offering wildlife, trekking trails, boating, and access to the historic Kanheri Caves.



FOOD

Food holds a cherished place in Navi Mumbai's culture, where every meal is more than nourishment — it's a celebration of flavor, community, and togetherness.

Reflecting the city's cosmopolitan spirit, Navi Mumbai's cuisine blends traditional Maharashtrian tastes with diverse influences from across India and beyond. From spicy street food stalls to elegant fine-dining restaurants, every bite tells a story of the city's evolving identity and vibrant lifestyle.

Navi Mumbai's culinary landscape is as dynamic as its people — offering everything from homely thalis and coastal seafood to trendy cafés and international cuisines. Whether you're craving the tangy zest of vada pav and misal pav or the global comfort of Italian, Chinese, and Middle Eastern dishes, the city caters to every palate and preference.

Here's a list of popular options that reflect Navi Mumbai's rich and varied food culture, catering to all kinds of dietary choices.



RESTAURANTS FOR TRADITIONAL INDIAN FOOD

- Sasarwadi — Another excellent branch in CBD Belapur serving classic Marathi cuisine and local specialties.
- Maharashtra Lunch Home – Nerul — Popular for Malvani seafood, chicken thalis, bombil fry, and traditional coastal Maharashtrian flavors.
- The Kerala Table — One of the best places for authentic Kerala food including Sadhya, appam, Kerala parotta, seafood, and banana-leaf meals.
- Copper Chimney Seawoods Navi Mumbai — Great for rich North Indian dishes like butter chicken, kebabs, dal makhani, and Mughlai cuisine.



VEGETARIAN / VEGAN

Saboro Lounge – Seawoods A vibrant café known for its plant-forward menu, Saboro Lounge serves nourishing salads, smoothie bowls, and wholesome wraps. It's the go-to place for those seeking a balance between taste and health in a cozy, modern setting.

Earth Café – Vashi A charming, eco-conscious café offering vegan and vegetarian dishes made from locally sourced ingredients. From tofu scrambles to grain bowls, Earth Café promotes mindful eating with a fresh and sustainable touch.

The Good Bowl – Perfect for vegetarians and vegans, The Good Bowl specializes in wholesome rice and quinoa bowls packed with flavor. Their innovative plant-based recipes cater beautifully to the growing health-conscious crowd.

INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

Toasted – A relaxed, modern café serving Continental and Mediterranean-inspired dishes. From cheesy pastas to hummus platters and fresh sandwiches, Toasted blends global flavors with Navi Mumbai's easygoing vibe.

Rockville Deli – A lively international bistro offering a wide range of cuisines — from American grills to Italian pastas and Asian stir-fries. It's a favorite among those looking for a hearty meal in a casual, stylish atmosphere.

Le Barbeque – A trendy multi-cuisine restaurant offering an array of international dishes, including Middle Eastern grills, Italian pizzas, and Asian appetizers. The elegant interiors and global flavors make it a perfect dinner destination.

OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Activity
Day 1	25 Nov 2026 (Wed)	International Conference Mandatory Orientation Session & Training by INADR Professionals
Day 2	26 Nov 2026 (Thu)	Judges' Orientation Teams Registration Preliminary Round 1 (3:30–5:30 pm)
Day 3	27 Nov 2026 (Fri)	Preliminary Round 2 (11:00 am–1:00 pm) Preliminary Round 3 (4:00–6:00 pm) Social Event
Day 4	28 Nov 2026 (Sat)	Semi-Finals (10:00 am–12:00 pm) Final Round (04:00–6:00 pm) Gala Dinner & Awards Ceremony (7:30 pm)

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



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We hope this information has been helpful!

Please note that this guide will be regularly updated with new details, offers, and tips to help you make the most of your stay in Navi Mumbai. In the coming weeks, we will also share more specific information regarding the event venues and schedules.

Additionally, the registration link for accommodation discounts and other logistical support will be sent directly to the teams and participants confirmed for ILSMT 2026.

We look forward to welcoming you to DY Patil Deemed to be University, School of Law, and ensuring that your time in Navi Mumbai is both enriching and memorable!

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This guide offers just a glimpse of what Navi Mumbai has to offer. We encourage you to explore further to truly experience the city's coastal charm, modern lifestyle, and vibrant local culture. From serene waterfronts and lively markets to diverse culinary spots and green open spaces Navi Mumbai is full of hidden gems waiting to be discovered.

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