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ICTS Many Worlds Seminar

Title : Want to be an entrepreneur? Some suggestions on how to go about it!

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Date : Wednesday, 28 January 2026

Time : 3:30 PM (IST)

Abstract :
It is a mindset constraint!

- I am not Shah Jehan, so I can't build the Taj Mahal. I did a PhD.
- I must work as an academic or a researcher. I can't be an entrepreneur.

In this session, I will argue that a PhD is the best training for being an entrepreneur. You learn to iterate to get the thesis right, you learn to work in a team and learn to convince your Advisor to grant you a degree. You learn to stay focused in adversity. You understand rejection and risk. No other degree provides this training!

Venue : Madhava Lecture Hall

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