

International Conference: **INTEGRAL** **EDUCATION:** THEORY, PRACTICE AND TRANSFORMATION



August 10th & 11th, 2026

Mode: Hybrid

Organised by

School of Integral Education, AURO University, Surat,
in collaboration with
Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centres
(Surat and South Caroline, USA)

Venue

AURO University, Earthspace,
Hazira Road, Surat - 394510, Gujarat, India

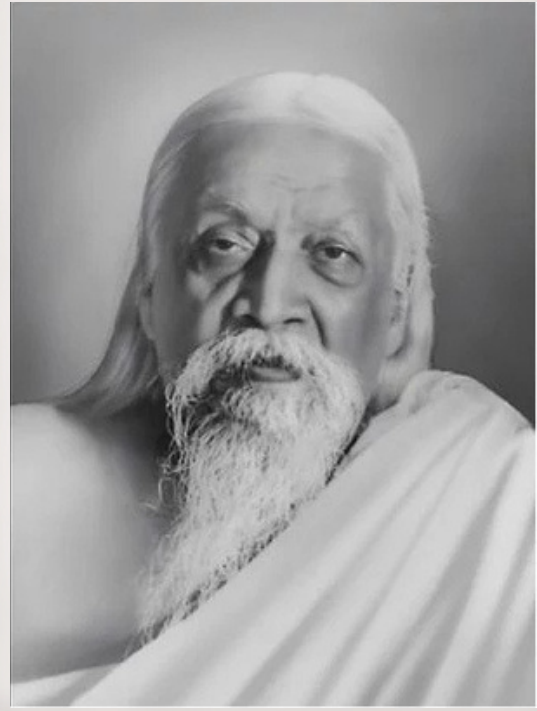
AURO UNIVERSITY

Integral and Transformational Learning





THE MOTHER



SRI AUROBINDO

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*“Let us keep flaming in our heart the fire
of progress, higher always higher.”*

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Shri Hasmukh P. Rama

Founder President, AURO University

Dear Aurobindonians, Spiritual Seekers, Educators, Researchers, and Research Scholars,

Greetings from AURO University, Earth Space, Surat, Gujarat!

It gives us immense pleasure to invite you to the International Conference on "Integral Education: Theory, Practice and Transformation," being organised in Hybrid mode by the AURO University under the aegis of 'School of Integral Education' in collaboration with the Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centres.

AURO University has been established since August 2010 under the Gujarat State Private Universities Act, 2009, as well as U/S 2(F) and 22 of the UGC Act, 1956, and the Regulations, 2003.

The true purpose of education remains the awakening of the Human Consciousness. At AURO University, this philosophy forms the very foundation of our Vision of 'Integral and Transformational Learning'.

AURO University's Vision is 'To be a premier University of Integral and Transformational Learning for Future Leaders'.

Sri Aurobindo and The Mother envisioned an education that nurtures not only the intellect but also the physical, vital, psychic and spiritual dimensions of the individual, enabling every learner to realise their highest potential.

AURO University has created the Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Center, the Soul of the University, to serve as a source of inspiration and learning for perfecting oneself on humanity's evolutionary journey through Integral and Transformative Education.

We believe education must prepare individuals not merely for careers, but for lives of purpose, compassion, creativity and responsible leadership.

The world today stands at a defining moment where education must evolve beyond the pursuit of knowledge alone.

This international conference seeks to bring together distinguished seekers of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother. academicians, researchers, school leaders, policymakers, practitioners and research scholars from across the globe to engage in meaningful dialogue on reimagining education for the 21st Century.

It aims to offer a unique opportunity to exchange ideas, share innovative practices, present research, and collectively explore pathways towards a more conscious, holistic and human-centred educational future.

We warmly invite you to be part of this transformative gathering and contribute your insights to shaping an educational paradigm that inspires Excellence, Inner Growth, and Human Unity.

We look forward to welcoming you to AURO University, Surat.

Founder President
AURO University, Surat



Professor Parimal H. Vyas

Provost, AURO University

Dear Academicians, Thinkers, Thought-leaders, Researchers, Scholars, and Seekers of Integral Education & Disciples of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother

Greetings from AURO University, Earth Space, Surat, Gujarat!

We take this opportunity to extend a cordial invitation to actively participate and contribute to the International Conference on "Integral Education: Theory, Practice and Transformation," being organised in Hybrid mode by the 'School of Integral Education' of the AURO University in collaboration with the Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centres [SAILC].

AURO University, established under the Gujarat State Private Universities Act (2009) and recognized by the UGC, is a premier institution inspired by the spiritual vision and teachings of Sri Aurobindo Ghosh and the Divine Mother.

Founded by the US-based Rama family, AURO University is dedicated to providing Value-Based, Integral, and Transformational Learning to nurture future leaders. Operating under the Gujarat State Private Universities Act of 2009, AURO University provides Transformative, Value-Based Education across 08 Specialised Schools, viz., School of Business; School of Design; School of Hospitality and Management; School of Information Technology; School of Integral Education; School of Journalism & Mass Communication; School of Law, and School of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences with the Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centre [SAILC] serving as its core guiding soul.

AURO integrates academic rigor with 12 living principles, or Core Values, of AURO University, viz., 1. Sincerity (Satyam); 2. Humility (Namas); 3. Gratitude (Kritagyata); 4. Perseverance (Dhriti); 5. Aspiration (Abhipsa); 6. Receptivity (Samjnana); 7. Progress (Pragati); 8. Courage (Viryam); 9. Goodness (Svasti); 10. Generosity (Audarya); 11. Equality (Samata), and finally 12. Peace (Shanti).

Driven by a vision of integral learning and self-development, it uniquely anchors its holistic educational model, placing equal emphasis on the Physical, Vital, Mental, and Spiritual dimensions of human development.

AURO University stands as a vital partner in nation-building, dedicated to shaping intellectually competent, integrity-driven future leaders and responsible global citizens for Viksit Bharat @2047.

We seek to bring together seekers of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, educators, researchers, policymakers, institutional leaders, practitioners & research scholars to critically examine the philosophical foundations, pedagogical innovations, institutional practices, and emerging research that can help transform education in the 21st Century.

We look forward to welcoming you to AURO University, Surat.

Provost/ Vice Chancellor
AURO University, Surat

AURO UNIVERSITY

AURO University, located in Surat, Gujarat, India, is a private institution established in 2011. It is recognized for its focus on providing quality education in various disciplines, including Business, Design, Hospitality Management, Information Technology, Integral Education, Journalism & Mass Communication, Law and Liberal Studies.

The university aims to blend academic excellence with practical learning experiences, encouraging innovation and entrepreneurship among students.

AURO University offers a range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programmes, with a strong emphasis on global learning, leadership development, and holistic education.

The university is known for its modern infrastructure, state-of-the-art facilities, and industry-oriented curriculum, designed to prepare students for the challenges of a rapidly evolving job market.

*A Legacy of Growth,
A Vision for the Future*

- 2011 School of Business
School of Hospitality Management
- 2012 School of Information Technology
School of Law
- 2017 School of Design
- 2018 School of Liberal Arts and
Human Sciences
- 2019 School of Journalism and Mass
Communication
- 2024 School of Integral Education



AURO UNIVERSITY

Vision and Mission



Integral Learning



Transformational Learning



Future Leaders

Vision

To be a Premier University of Integral and Transformational Learning for Future Leaders

Mission

AURO University is grounded in Value Based Education and provides

To Students

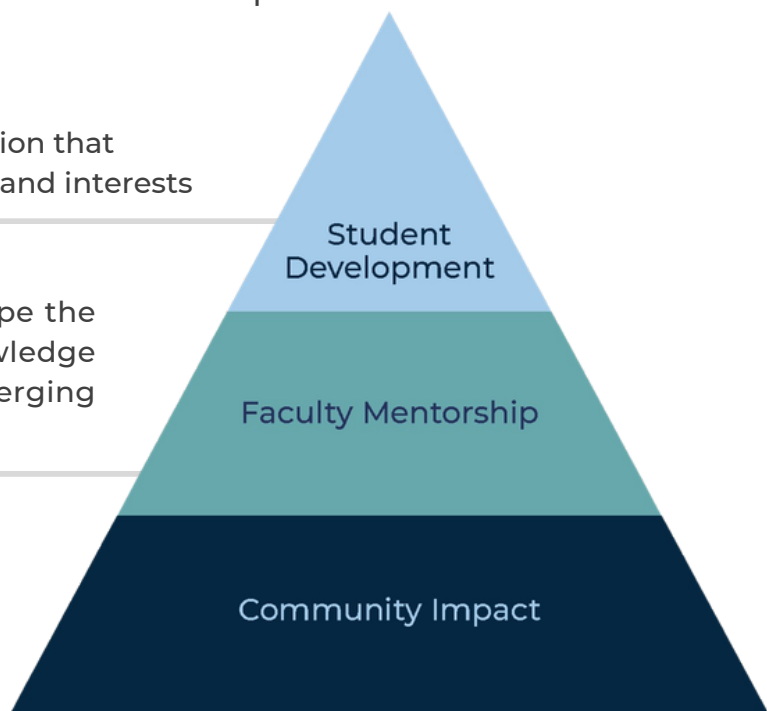
An environment for self-development; an institution that nurtures their potential based on their aptitudes and interests

To Faculty

A platform to be mentors and guides who shape the country's future leaders by imparting Knowledge and Skills; Opportunities for research on emerging trends and industry practices.

To Industry and Community

Students with intellectual competence, reality - based knowledge and personal integrity; students who strive for excellence and aspire to become socially responsible leaders.





International Conference on Integral Education: Theory, Practice and Transformation



Education in the twenty-first century faces multiple challenges arising from rapid technological change, increasing fragmentation of knowledge, concerns of mental well-being, questions of values, and the growing need for sustainable and human-centered development. These conditions call for educational approaches that move beyond information transmission toward the holistic development of the learner.



Integral Education, as envisioned by Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, presents a transformative framework that seeks the harmonious development of the physical, vital, mental, psychic and spiritual dimensions of the human being. It places the learner at the centre of the educational process and emphasizes self-discovery, consciousness, character formation, creativity, freedom, excellence and inner growth.



The proposed International Conference on “Integral Education: Theory, Practice and Transformation” seeks to create a scholarly platform for dialogue among academicians, school educators, researchers, policymakers and practitioners to critically engage with contemporary educational challenges and explore possibilities for meaningful educational transformation.

The conference invites original research papers, conceptual papers, case studies, action research papers, innovative pedagogical models and institutional experiences.



OBJECTIVES:

- To examine the philosophical and pedagogical foundations of Integral Education.
- To explore innovative practices in school and higher education inspired by holistic educational principles.
- To create dialogue between educational theory, institutional practice and transformative learning.
- To encourage interdisciplinary and practice-oriented educational research.
- To build a network of educators committed to human-centred educational development.



WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?

- Faculty members of Universities and Colleges
- School Teachers and Teacher Educators
- Principals, Heads of Institutions and Academic Leaders
- Researchers and Doctoral Scholars
- Curriculum Developers and Educational Administrators
- Professionals working in education, policy and educational innovation



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SUB-THEMES / AREAS



- **1. Philosophical Foundations of Integral Education**
Conceptual understanding of education in the thought of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother; consciousness and human development.



- **2. Integral Pedagogy and Transformative Teaching-Learning Practices**
Classroom innovation, learner-centred approaches, reflective pedagogy and experiential learning.



- **3. Curriculum Design for Holistic and Integral Development**
Curriculum models integrating knowledge, values, creativity and life competencies.



- **4. Teacher Development and the Inner Growth of Educators**
Teacher preparation, reflective practice, self-development and educator consciousness.



- **5. Integral Education in Schools: Models, Experiments and Institutional Practices**
Case studies, school innovations, leadership and implementation experiences.



- **6. Higher Education and Integral Approaches to Teaching and Learning**
Liberal education, multidisciplinary frameworks and transformation in higher education.



- **7. Assessment Beyond Examination: Evaluating Integral Growth**
Alternative assessment, competency-based learning, portfolios and developmental evaluation.



- **8. Educational Leadership, Institutional Culture and Conscious Governance**
Leadership models for schools and universities that promote educational transformation.



- **9. Technology, Digital Learning and Human-Centered Education**
AI, educational technologies and maintaining human values in digital environments.



- **10. Indian Knowledge Systems and Integral Education**
Indigenous educational traditions, contemporary relevance and integration into mainstream education.



- **11. Well-being, Mental Health and Social-Emotional Learning in Education**
Educational environments supporting resilience, emotional intelligence and inner balance.



- **12. Education for Sustainability, Citizenship and Human Unity**
Education for global responsibility, ecological consciousness and social transformation.



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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Abstract: 300–500 words with title, author details, affiliation and keywords.
- Full Paper: 4,000–6,000 words.
- Formatting: Times New Roman, 12 pt, 1.5 spacing.
- Citation Style: APA (7th edition).
- All submissions should be original and unpublished.
- Selected papers may be considered for publication in conference proceedings or edited volume subject to peer review.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Publication of conference proceedings / edited volume.
- Development of a collaborative network of institutions working on Integral Education.
- Documentation of innovative educational practices and policy recommendations.



REGISTRATION FEES

	Mode - Offline	Mode - Online
Faculty Members	₹2,000	₹ 1,500
Research Scholars	₹ 1,000	₹750
Others (Students)	₹750	₹500
Others (Non - Academicians)	₹2,000	₹ 1,500
Foreign Delegates	US \$100	US \$75

Important Dates



Last Date for Abstract Submission
July 30, 2026



Acceptance Notification
August 03, 2026



Last Date for Paper Submission
August 08, 2026

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01 Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centre



Institute for Applied Research in Integral Studies to foster inquiry and new thinking in academia in the light of Sri Aurobindo's integral world vision.

Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centre was conceived by Hasmukh P. Rama, founder and chancellor of AURO University, with the aim to be the living soul of the University. It is established on the premises of AURO University in Surat, the only university in the world established for making one realize the integral education of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother in higher learning.

SAIL Centre is dedicated to Sri Aurobindo and to realizing his Vision and Thoughts on Integral Life. The Centre's goal is to foster enquiry and new thinking in academia in the light of Sri Aurobindo's Integral world vision.

For more information: <https://sailc.aurouniversity.edu.in/>

02 La Grace Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Center Institute for Applied Research in Integral Studies



The Center is dedicated to the transformational growth of consciousness. It draws inspiration from the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother, fostering self-discovery and spiritual development:

There are several important areas of research activities conducted by the Center:

- Research in 12 Living Principles and Faculties of Consciousness, creating educational materials. Newly approaching the studies of the Humanities.
- Recovering spiritual significance of the Vedic Scriptures in the light of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother.
- Organising and facilitating Sanskrit courses, study groups of the Rigveda, Upanishads, Gita.
- Developing an e-library, the AI driven platform for studies of Sri Aurobindo and Mother's Works.
- Organising and conducting webinars, seminars, workshops, conferences on a national and international scale.
- Publishing e-journal 'Aspire'.
- Providing consulting to various institutions and organisations.

For more information: <https://lagracecenter.com>



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Dr. Ajit Sabnis

Dr. Ajit Sabnis is an educationist, administrator, and spiritual practitioner closely associated with the Sri Aurobindo movement in Karnataka. A long-time promoter of Sri Aurobindo's Integral Yoga and Integral Education, he has played a key role in advancing educational, cultural, and spiritual initiatives through the Sri Aurobindo Society and Sri Aurobindo Bhavan, Bengaluru, inspiring learners and educators through values-based and holistic education.



Dr. Ameeta Mehra

Dr. Ameeta Mehra is a spiritual seeker, educator, and Chairperson of the Gnostic Centre, New Delhi. A leading advocate of Integral Education and consciousness-based learning inspired by Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, she is dedicated to fostering inner growth, transformative education, and holistic human development through reflective learning and experiential practice.



Dr. Anjali Jaipuria

Dr. Anjali Jaipuria is an educationist and advocate of Integral Education inspired by the philosophy of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother. Through her work in educational leadership and teacher development, she promotes consciousness-based, value-driven learning that nurtures self-discovery, holistic growth, and the harmonious development of learners and educators alike.



Dr. Chhalamayi Reddy

Dr. Chhalamayi Reddy is an educationist and Principal of Sri Aurobindo International School, Hyderabad. A long-time practitioner of Integral Education inspired by Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, she is dedicated to fostering child-centred, holistic learning that emphasizes self-discovery, teacher transformation, and the integral development of every learner.



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Ms. Deepti Tiwari

Ms. Deepti Tiwari is an integral education practitioner and Principal of The Last School, Auroville. With decades of experience in alternative education, she is dedicated to advancing the principles of Free Progress and Integral Education, fostering learner-centred, consciousness-based education that nurtures creativity, self-discovery, and holistic human development.



Dr. Jayanthi Ramachandran

Dr. Jayanthi Ramachandran is an educationist and Principal of Mirambika Free Progress School, Delhi. A practitioner of Integral Education, she is actively associated with the Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Delhi Branch, and the Sri Aurobindo Society, Singapore, where she contributes to youth development and educational initiatives inspired by the philosophy of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother.



Dr. Kiran Singh

Dr. Kiran Singh is an educator, researcher, and Director of the Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Centre at AURO University, Surat. Specializing in Integral Education, comparative literature, and translation studies, she is dedicated to advancing learner-centred education through innovative curricula, research, and scholarly contributions inspired by the philosophy of Sri Aurobindo.



Professor K Parmeshwaran

Professor K. Parmeshwaran is a senior legal academic and Professor of Law at Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar. Renowned for his contributions to legal education, interdisciplinary scholarship, and academic leadership, he is committed to advancing research, ethical legal practice, and human-centred legal education through teaching, mentorship, and institutional development.



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Mr. Ranjan K. Mitter

Mr. Ranjan K. Mitter is an eminent educatorist, academic leader, and management professional, serving as the Principal of The Future Foundation School, Kolkata. Widely recognized for his contributions to school education and ethical leadership, he is associated with institutions such as the Sri Aurobindo Institute of Culture and IIM Calcutta, inspiring educators and students through his commitment to holistic and values-based education.



Ms. Radhe Pfau

Radhe Pfau is the Executive Director of the La Grace Center, a spiritual retreat in Fountain Inn, S.C., USA. She holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and has spent over 25 years in the financial services industry in senior management positions. Radhe is also professionally trained in Ayurveda and Vedic Astrology. She is also the author of The Divine Forces of the Lunar Nakshatras and The Integration of Ayurveda and Vedic Astrology.



Dr. Sanjeev Ranganathan

Dr. Sanjeev Ranganathan is an educator, technologist, and researcher, serving as the Principal of AIAT College and Head of the Department of Computer Science and Electronics. An alumnus of IIT Madras and Columbia University, he is renowned for his contributions to semiconductor research and his commitment to integral education, working to empower children and youth through transformative learning inspired by the ideals of Auroville.



Mr. Shivakumar

Mr. Shivakumar is a senior education facilitator and Integral Education practitioner associated with the Sri Aurobindo Society, Puducherry, through SAFIER. He is dedicated to advancing consciousness-based education by training educators, guiding institutions, and promoting the principles of Integral Education, inspiring holistic learning, self-awareness, and human development.

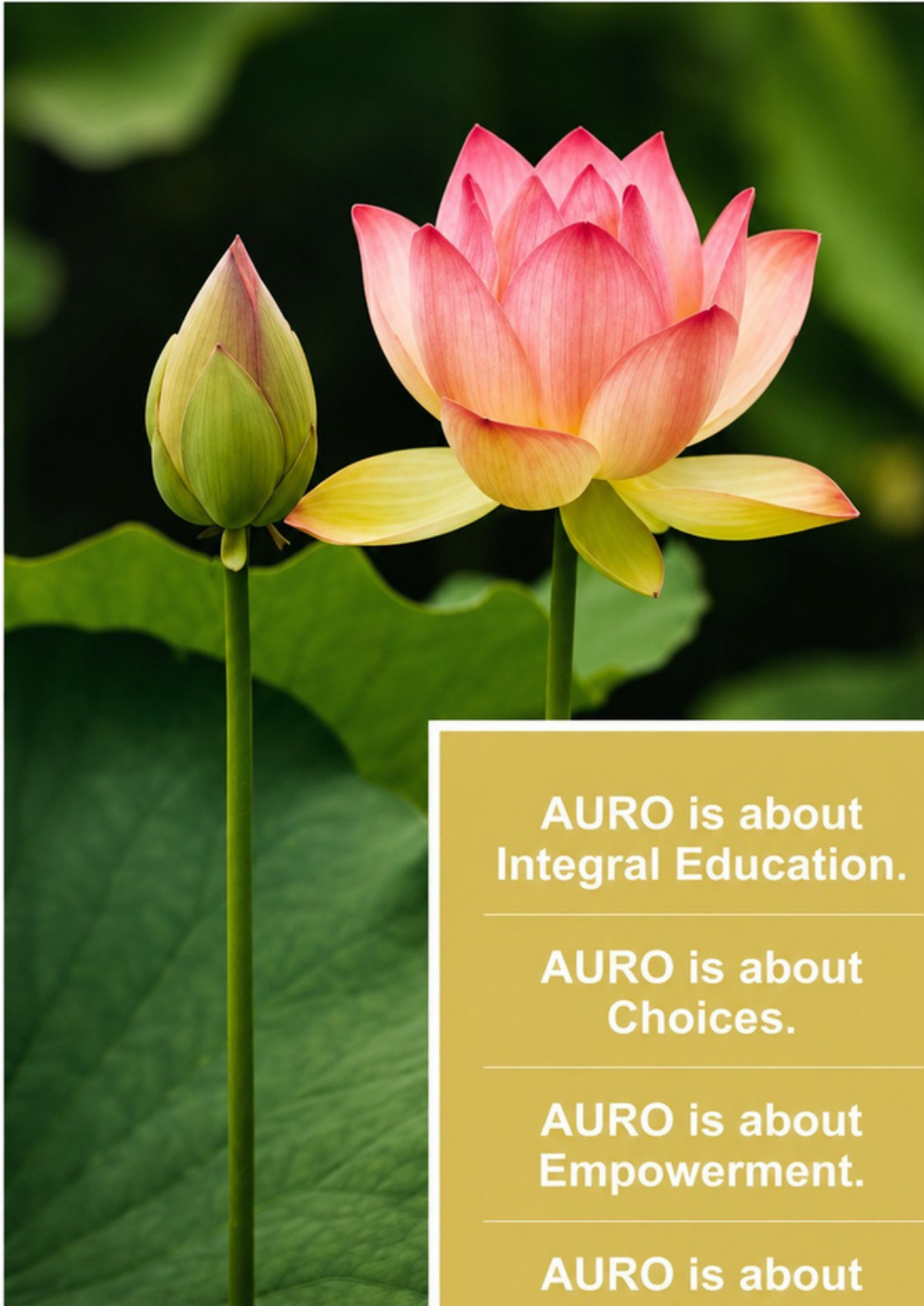


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Dr. Vladimir Yatsenko

Dr. Vladimir Yatsenko is an educator and researcher specializing in Vedic and Vedantic studies, Sanskrit language, and linguistics. He serves as the Director of Research at the La Grace Sri Aurobindo Integral Life Center in the USA, focusing on the integration of ancient Indian knowledge systems with modern consciousness studies.

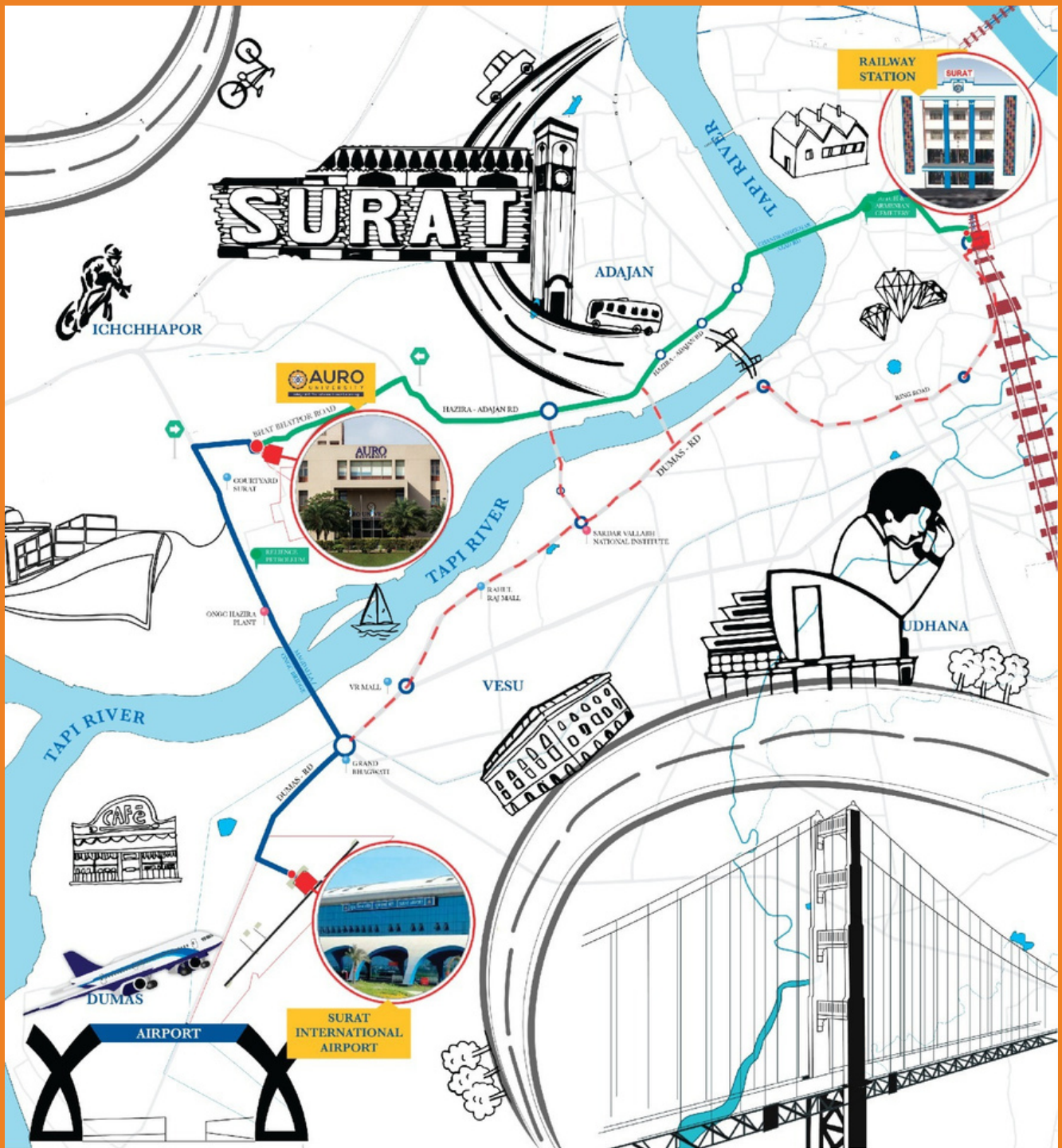


**AURO is about
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Choices.**

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