

**Candidate for Executive Council Member
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BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Niharika Sachdeva is Executive Vice President (Data Science) at Info Edge (Naukri.com), where she leads AI/ML and NLP-driven systems for India's largest talent platform, serving 10 crore+ registered jobseekers and 20 lakh+ daily active users. Her work focuses on skills intelligence, knowledge graphs, and fraud detection in recruitment ecosystems, enabling large-scale, real-world deployment of AI. She is a founding mentor of the ACM India PhD Clinic and served as Program Chair for ACM ARCS 2025. Her research has appeared in venues including EACL and CSCW. She holds a Ph.D. in Computer Science from IIT Delhi.

STATEMENT

I seek to serve ACM India by strengthening the bridge between research and real-world impact, while expanding participation and opportunity across India's computing community.

My agenda for impact

- Strengthen the research–industry bridge: Create structured industry problem registries, data sharing playbooks (with privacy safeguards), and co-advised student fellowships so academic ideas reach millions via production systems.
- Grow computing communities beyond metros: Expand student chapters, hackathons, and applied AI workshops across Tier 2/3 cities, using open datasets and challenges drawn from public interest and recruitment domains (skills graphs, fraud detection, content integrity).

- Mentorship & early career support: Scale mentorship networks connecting students, researchers, and practitioners, leveraging ACM conferences/SIGs and creating applied ML clinics for small institutions and startups. (I have served as co-author/ advisor/ collaborator on thesis and project work bridging academia and industry.)

I bring a collaborative style, rigor of a researcher, and delivery focus of a product leader. I will work with fellow ACM India volunteers to enable reproducible, open, deployable computing research—from NLP, graph learning for skills to trust & safety in platforms—and turn that into student opportunities, community assets, and national capabilities. I'd be honored to earn your vote and serve the ACM India community.