

DOMS RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2026



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The Department of Management Studies (DoMS), IIT Madras is pleased to invite submissions for its annual Research Symposium, scheduled for January 30–31, 2026. This in-house symposium welcomes research papers from DoMS scholars and provides a platform to share ongoing work with peers and faculty. The event is designed to encourage participation across all research areas, strengthen academic engagement, and foster collaboration within the department. It also offers scholars the chance to present their ideas, receive constructive feedback, and build connections with faculty members. All submissions will be reviewed through a double-blind process by a panel of faculty and researchers. Authors will receive feedback from the reviewers, and selected papers will be recognized with prizes.



SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

Early Research Track

- Work-in-progress Papers
- Review Papers

Advanced Research Track

- Completed Papers

Eligibility:

- In-house symposium, exclusive to DoMS scholars
- Submissions open to second-year scholars and beyond
- First-year scholars are encouraged to participate as volunteers



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SUBMISSION CATEGORY: EARLY RESEARCH TRACK

● **Work-in-progress papers**

This category invites submissions of ongoing research that shows promise but has not yet reached completion. Such papers may outline problem statement, describe the development of a theoretical framework, propose novel methodological approaches, present initial-stage empirical results, and discuss expected contributions. Authors are encouraged to explain the current progress of their work and how they plan to finalize their study. Completed research, however, should not be submitted in this category.

● **Review papers**

Submissions in this category should present a well-structured overview of existing literature within a chosen area of management. A review paper is expected to explain the rationale for the selected methodology, highlight how it differs from other reviews in the same domain, and systematically examine both empirical and theoretical studies. It should critically analyze past findings, discuss the methods employed, and identify literature gaps. Authors may choose to focus on specific themes such as methodologies, empirical insights, theories, or directions for future research.



SUBMISSION CATEGORY: ADVANCED RESEARCH TRACK

Completed papers

We welcome submissions elaborating on novel concepts, methodologies, and interdisciplinary approaches having theoretical and practical implications. These papers are expected to follow a rigorous and well-documented format similar to reputed journal submissions. Authors must provide a brief introduction, an appropriate theoretical background, the research objectives, methodology, findings, discussion of results, and contribution to the current knowledge sphere



PROGRAM FORMAT

- No parallel sessions to ensure effective engagement.
- Provision for oral and poster presentations
- Every paper selected for the oral presentation category will have a dedicated 40-minute session composed of:
 - Presentation (20 minutes)
 - Discussion led by the student-reviewer (discussant) (10 minutes)
 - Session chairs and audience feedback (10 minutes)



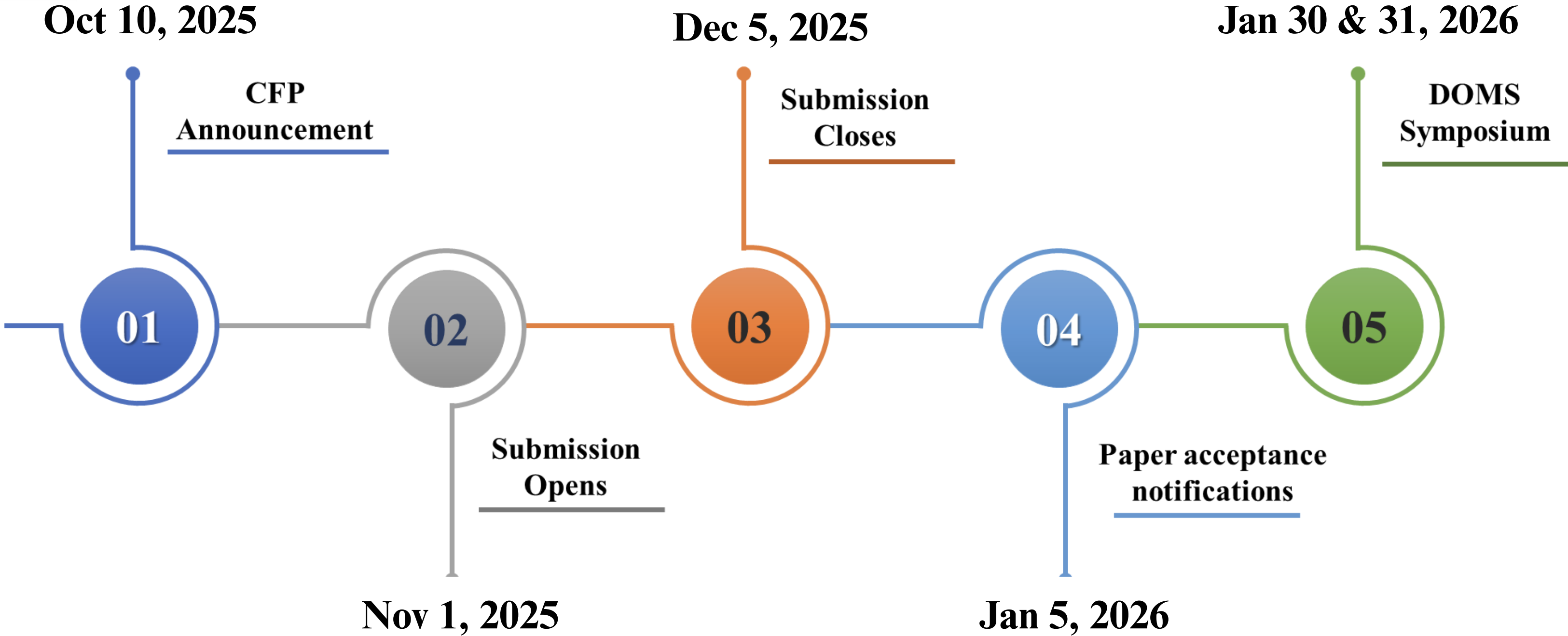
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SYMPOSIUM TIMELINE





REVIEW PROCESS



A rigorous double blind review process



Each paper will be reviewed by a team consisting of:

- 1 senior research scholar
- 1 faculty



RECOGNITION & IMPACT

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE



Two Best Paper Awards

Two Best Student Reviewer Awards

Exciting Prize money for award recipients

VISIBILITY

Prominent feature on the DoMS main webpage

Highlighting on official DoMS and Alumni social media platforms





SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The manuscripts submitted as full papers or work-in-progress papers must follow these guidelines:

1. Submit papers in PDF format only.
2. Authors must check for plagiarism before submission.
3. The PDF should not contain any author details.
4. Author details (full name, email address) should be provided only in the submission portal.
5. Paper length (including text, tables, figures, and references):
 - Empirical papers: 6000–8000 words
 - Review papers: 7000–10,000 words
 - Work-in-progress papers: 4000–7000 words
6. Maintain 1-inch margins on all sides.
7. Use Times New Roman, font size 12, double-spaced.
8. Follow APA referencing style.



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9. The submitted manuscript should include and not be restricted to the following sections:

- Structured abstract - a maximum of 250 words
- Abstract constitutes several sub-headings: Purpose, Design/Methodology/Approach, Findings, Theoretical and Practical/social implications, originality/value.
- Keywords: Authors should provide appropriate and short keywords (3 - 6 keywords).
- Introduction
- Literature review/Theoretical background/Hypothesis development
- Research Methodology
- Findings/Discussions
- Implications
- Limitations & Conclusion

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