

Tata Interactive Systems, a global leader in e-learning in association with the LD Clinic, LTMG Hospital, Sion, Mumbai brings you the **Tata Interactive Learning Disability Forum (TLDF) 2006.**

The Tata Interactive Learning Disability Forum is a unique global forum that aims to:

- Encourage children with special learning needs, around the world.
- Enable them to tap into their innate creativity.
- Empower them to achieve their fullest potential.

The TLDF offers the global community of LD experts—Deans, academicians, publishers, pediatricians and decision-makers in the field of education—an opportunity to:

- Meet and network with each other.
- Share the latest ideas, innovations, and advances in LD remediation.
- Change the way LD students learn, worldwide.

About Tata Interactive Systems

Tata Interactive Systems (TIS) is a global e-learning leader with experience and expertise in every stage of LD remediation—pre-assessments, screening, courseware, post-assessments, reporting, and teacher training. Some of our key clients include:

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| • BECTA | • Compass Learning |
| • Department of Defense Education Activity | • eCollege |
| • Florida Virtual School | • Granada Learning |
| • Harcourt | • Hodder Headline |
| • McGraw-Hill | • Oxford University Press |
| • Pearson Education | • Thomson NETg |
| • Ufi | • University of Phoenix |
| • Wolters Kluwer | |

Beyond developing solutions for clients, TIS regards the solution of LD issues as a corporate social responsibility. Some of our initiatives include:

- Supporting the LD Clinic (Sion Hospital, Mumbai), one of the few certified institutions of its kind in India, dedicated to detecting and treating learning disabilities
- Developing a unique book, Brain Teasers, designed to stimulate the minds of these special children
- Providing free-of-cost remedial courseware, developed for clients, to help students at the LD Clinic discover the joys of learning

Event Agenda

Timing	Session	
Thursday, November 30		
8.45–9.00 AM	Registrations Open	
Inaugural Address Sanjaya Sharma, CEO, Tata Interactive Systems		
9.30–9.45 AM	The Learning Disabilities movement in India – Where we are Dr. Madhuri Kulkarni Professor and Head of Paediatrics, Sion Hospital	
9.45–10.45 AM	Keynote Sessions The Biological Basis of Learning Disabilities Dr. Gerald Erenberg Child neurologist, Cleveland Clinic Foundation	
Break		
11.00–11.45 AM	Types of LD – Dyslexia, Dyscalculia, Dysgraphia and ADHD Lalitha Ramanujan Founder Director, Alpha to Omega Learning Centre	
11.45–12.30 PM	Simulation (What it feels like in the Shoes of a Dyslexic) Tata Interactive Systems	
12.30–1.15 PM	Remedial Techniques - An Overview Glenys Heap Senior Training Principal with Dyslexia Action	
Lunch Break		
	Track 1: Medical	Track 2: Special Educators
2.15–3.00 PM	Medical Aspects of LD Nandini Mundkur Bangalore Children's Hospital	Review of Recent Intervention Techniques, Assessments, Multi-tiered In-struction Models for Reading Disabilities in the classroom Karen Dakin Vice-president, International Dyslexia Association (IDA)
3.00–3.45 PM	Procedures for Assessment Dr. Madhuri Kulkarni Professor and Head of Paediatrics, Sion Hospital	Maths and Learning Problems in Maths Patricia Barthorpe Independent Special Education Needs (SEN) Consultant
3.45–4.30 PM	Case Studies of LD Sunil Karande Associate Professor of Paediatrics, Sion Hospital	Vernacular Languages & LD Dr. Smita Desai Special Educator and Psychiatrist, Drishti
Tea Break		
5.00–6.00 PM	Panel Discussion - Technology & Teaching in LD	



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Friday, December 1	
9.15–10.15 AM	Social & Emotional Aspects in the Learning Disabled Dr. Kersi Chawda Consultant Child Psychiatrist, Hinduja Hospital
10.15–10.30 AM	A Video Film
10.30–11.15 AM	How the Govt. can Help? Govt. Policies and Recommendations to Further LD Awareness & Remedial Activities. Government Authority concerned with Education & Child Health
Tea Break	
11.15–Noon	Orton - Gillingham Therapy for Dyslexia Ms. Karen Dakin Vice-president, International Dyslexia Association (IDA)
Noon–12.45 PM	Post 16: LD in Adolescent and Adult Life – Career Choices Patricia Barthorpe Independent Special Education Needs (SEN) Consultant
Lunch Break	
1.30–2.30 PM	ADHD – It’s Role in Leading to Learning Difficulties and Medication/Remedial Dr. Gerald Erenberg Child neurologist, Cleveland Clinic Foundation
2.30–3.15 PM	Inclusive Education – Every Teacher is a Teacher of an LD Student Jean Salt Past President of nasen, member TDA’s SEN Project Steering Group
Tea Break	
3.15–4.00 PM	‘Supporting People with Learning Disabilities using Information Technology’ Laura Cryer SEN & Inclusion Publisher, Semerc, Granada Learning
4.00–4.45 PM	The Way Forward - Panel Discussion
5.00–5.15 PM	Awards and Vote of Thanks

Note: Schedule is subject to change.