

Nikhil Isaac Delivers Third TEDx Talk at Good Shepherd International School, Ooty, India

Explores “Why Waiting to Live Is the New Poverty” Through a Powerful Blend of Storytelling, Strategy, and Shakespeare



Ooty, Tamil Nadu Jul 2, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.IssueWire.com)) - What if the greatest risk in life isn't failure—but waiting too long to begin?

This is the provocative question at the heart of **Nikhil Isaac's third TEDx talk**, where he takes the stage as a key speaker at TEDx hosted by Good Shepherd International School (GSIS), Ooty. Held at the prestigious **Dr. P.C. Thomas Auditorium**, the event brings together young global thinkers under the theme **“The Ripple Effect: Ideas, Choices, Stories.”**

In his talk titled **“Why Waiting to Live Is the New Poverty,”** Nikhil Isaac challenges the deeply ingrained life script that prioritizes security over living. Drawing from real-world insights and structured through **Shakespeare's iconic three-act play format**, the talk examines how small delays in pursuing meaningful life choices compound into a lifetime of postponement.

Blending philosophy, finance, and storytelling, Isaac introduces audiences to a radical rethinking of success—not as accumulation, but as **intentional life design**.

“Imagine meeting your 80-year-old self. What would they thank you for starting today?” says Isaac, inviting students to rethink the timelines imposed on ambition, risk, and freedom.

The talk draws extensively from his recently published non-fiction book, **“Fabulously Financially Free – Use the Power of Real Assets to Build a Life of Freedom,”** which reframes wealth as something far more human and architectural designed with purpose, not just accumulated.

A Message for the Next Generation

Speaking to an audience of Grade 10–12 students at one of India’s most elite international schools, Nikhil Isaac’s message is both timely and transformative.

“The future of wealth is freedom. The future of success is time. And the future of life belongs to the ones brave enough to design their lives.”

By connecting financial freedom with time autonomy, the talk encourages young audiences to question inherited definitions of success and begin designing lives aligned with purpose, abundance, and beauty.

About the Event

The TEDx event is hosted by **Good Shepherd International School (GSIS), Ooty**, under the leadership of **Jacob Thomas, President and Sara Jacob, Sr. Vice President of Student & Staff Welfare**, who continue to champion the institution’s mission of nurturing globally minded, compassionate, and innovative leaders.

Set in the scenic Nilgiris, the event provides a platform for ideas that inspire action, reflection, and long-term impact.

About Nikhil J Isaac

Nikhil works in the business of shaping skylines - but his deeper fascination lies in shaping freedom.

A real estate development specialist with over a decade of experience across luxury projects, investment strategy, and sustainable design, he brings both rigor and imagination to the future of cities. Educated at IMD Lausanne, Switzerland, one of the world’s most exclusive business schools, Nikhil combines global perspective with deep expertise in real assets and financial strategy.

He holds a Master’s in Advanced Construction Management from NICMAR, Pune, and a Civil Engineering degree from RV College of Engineering, Bangalore.

His recent book, **“Fabulously Financially Free,”** positions wealth as a designed outcome - an architecture of choices that enables individuals to reclaim time, purpose, and freedom.

With this TEDx talk, Nikhil Isaac steps onto the global stage to challenge one of the most accepted assumptions of modern life: that living can wait.



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