

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION (AICTE)
AND
National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology(NIELIT)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made at AICTE, New Delhi, on the 29th day of July 2023

Between

All India Council for Technical Education (hereinafter called “AICTE”), a statutory body of Ministry of Education, Government of India, established under the All India Council for Technical Education Act, 1987, (which expression shall, where the context so admits, be deemed to include its executors, administrators and assigns) be the FIRST PARTY;

AND

National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) (hereinafter called “NIELIT”), is offering training programs, certifications and workshop/ internship/ skilling/ placement opportunities/ digital infrastructure to students for free of cost, opting to join the technology industry, (which expression unless it be repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, shall be deemed to mean and include their executors, administrators and permitted assigns) be the SECOND PARTY.

AICTE and **NIELIT** are referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as “Parties”.

WHEREAS, AICTE has initiated several schemes for benefit of students and graduates supported through online platforms and manages portals to provide students with internships, placements, digital infrastructure, workshops, and certification opportunities to enhance their employability across different industry domains in India covering the expanse of the country;

WHEREAS, **NIELIT** seeks to provide training/skilling programs, certifications, workshops/ internship opportunities/placement opportunities/digital infrastructure to students opting to join the technology industry. NIELIT will provide all these services through AICTE portal at free of charge for students and Educational Institutions in India. NOW, THEREFORE in consideration of the foregoing, the parties have agreed to launch the training/skilling programs, and other services mentioned above, and work together as per the following:

ROLE OF AICTE:

1. AICTE will extend its existing platforms to students for providing access to training programs, internship and / or certifications and / or workshop opportunities/placement opportunities/digital infrastructure arranged by **NIELIT**.
2. To ensure ease of access and use for the **NIELIT** training/skilling courses, AICTE will suitably customise the portal as per the requirements conveyed by **NIELIT**(Second Party), which may include among others modifications to processes of document verification, posting of internship and / or certifications and / or workshop opportunities/Placement opportunities/ Digital infrastructure by **NIELIT**,

matching candidates to appropriate internship/skilling/ certification / workshop/placement opportunities/digital infrastructure requirement, generation of online certification.

3. The certificates generated by AICTE Portal/NIELIT under this initiative will be digitally verifiable, secure, shareable and available in the public domain to enhance industry value.
4. AICTE will create a dashboard on its platform to provide data as requested by **NIELIT** through a customised / exclusive design and made it available in the public domain.
5. AICTE will continue to support the platform for the duration of the period of MoU. The technical support by AICTE will cover customization, management, maintenance, upgradation and among other modifications agreed upon from time to time. In addition, AICTE will maintain a helpdesk to address all technical queries related to the platform.
6. AICTE will depute a team headed by Chief Coordinating Officer to address all programmatic technical queries related to the implementation of these internships and / or certifications and / or workshops.
7. AICTE will provide support to **NIELIT** to create awareness of these internship/skilling/ certifications/ workshop opportunities/ placement opportunities/digital infrastructure in its affiliated colleges/institutes by organising webinar / social media campaigning at the regional and national levels to encourage the students/learners.

ROLE OF NIELIT:

1. **NIELIT** will post the training courses and / or internships and / or certifications and / or workshop opportunities and/or skilling program/placement opportunities/digital infrastructure through AICTE portal, as the case may be.
2. **NIELIT** will decide the shortlisting criteria and will publish them on the portal clearly.
3. **NIELIT** will motivate students to boost the internships and / or certifications and / or workshop opportunities and/or skilling program/placement opportunities/digital infrastructure in their respective cities through utilising the platform.
4. The departments and roles for which the internships would be needed would be solely decided at the discretion of the **NIELIT**.
5. **NIELIT** will frame a timeline for completion of the task and will share a quarterly report in the prescribed format to AICTE about the status of internship and / or certifications and / or workshop program and/or skilling program.
6. **NIELIT** will depute a team headed by Director to address all programmatic non-technical queries related to the implementation of services under this MoU and a help desk will be created for the same.
7. **NIELIT** will undertake capacity building initiatives in partnerships with technology & management Industries to boost the participation of students under this Internship.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

NIELIT and AICTE agree to hold in confidence all information/data designated as confidential, which is obtained/disclosed from the disclosing Party and will not disclose the same to any third party without written consent of the other Party except that provided for under the Right to Information Act, 2005. Both the Parties undertake to keep confidential the contents of this Agreement, as well as all information, content and materials disclosed to or obtained by the Parties from each other pursuant to this Agreement, and other information or

documents that may come into the possession of the Parties in connection with performance of their obligations under this Agreement, specifically marked "**Confidential**". The Parties shall not themselves utilize and ensure that their respective employees do not utilize such information for any purpose other than those purposes as are contemplated by this Agreement.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

A Steering Committee comprising officials of both Parties shall be created to review the progress of the program on a periodical basis. The said Committee will handle only exceptional matters pertaining to the program. The frequency of convening the meeting of the Steering Committee shall be decided mutually by both Parties.

The composition of the Steering Committee would be as follows:-

1. Member Secretary, AICTE - Chairman
2. Representative from NIELIT- Member
3. Representative from NIELIT- Member
4. CCO (NEAT), AICTE - Member
5. Assistant Director, NEAT Cell, AICTE – Member Coordinator

The Steering Committee may co-opt any Member, with the permission of Chairman of the Committee, and may also invite any person/representative of an institution to the meeting as Special Invitee to assist the Committee.

COLLABORATION:

The Parties acknowledge and agree that areas of collaboration as listed here in are not exhaustive in nature and the parties shall in good faith, negotiate to elaborate upon the areas of collaboration along with the rights, responsibilities and obligations of each party in relation to each of the areas of collaboration. The parties may, from time to time, execute addenda or modifications to this MoU to incorporate such additional scope of collaborations or discussions.

NON-EXCLUSIVE:

The Parties acknowledge and agree that the areas of collaboration under this MoU are being undertaken on a non-exclusive basis and either Party shall be free to enter into or consummate transactions similar to the areas of collaboration with other parties in India or elsewhere maintaining the confidentiality of the Parties.

TERM AND TERMINATION:

The term of this MoU shall be for a period of One (01) years from the date of execution, unless terminated without cause and without reason earlier by a written notice of thirty (30) days by a Party seeking such termination to the other Party, hereto. However, all commitments and obligations till the date of termination will be honoured and duly fulfilled by both the Parties.

CHANGES:

Alterations or modifications to this MoU may arise during the course of the program and any such changes shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both Parties. No changes or additions hereof to this MoU shall be binding on either Party unless set forth in writing and executed by the respective duly authorised representative of both Parties.

LIABILITY:

Both Parties agree that they are not liable to each other, or any other party not entering into the said MoU, for any damages including any special, incidental, consequential, exemplary, punitive or indirect damages arising from any claims arising out of this MoU.

COMPLIANCES:

Each Party agrees to perform its activities in compliance with all applicable statutes and regulations that are in force at that time or as revised from time to time.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION:


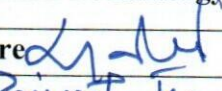
Any and all disagreements / differences / disputes arising hereunder shall be resolved amicably by the designated senior executives / officers of the good offices of both Parties. This MoU contains the entire understanding between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior arrangements, understandings and agreements, written or oral, on the subject hereof. Any part of this MoU which is not enforceable due to any reason whatsoever will be deemed to be inoperative and the rest of the MoU will continue to be valid and binding on the Parties hereto.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS:


It is hereby clarified that this MoU does not contemplate transfer, assignment, licensing or change in ownership of any proprietary rights, copyrights, trademarks, patents and other intellectual property rights of each Party. Each of the Parties remains the sole, exclusive and absolute owner and holder of their respective proprietary rights and intellectual property rights.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this MoU by their duly authorized representatives.


Accepted and Agreed

For AICTE	For National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT)
Signature 	Signature 
Name: डॉ. रविन्द्र कुमार सोनी / Dr. Ravindra Kumar Soni	Name: Rajneesh K. Asthana
Title: सलाहकार-II / Advisor-II अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद् All India Council For Technical Education (भारत सरकार का सांविधिक निकाय) (A Statutory Body of the Govt. of India)	Title: Registrar
Date: नैल्सन मंडेला मार्ग, वसंत कुंज, नई दिल्ली-110070 Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070	Date: 29.7.23

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(Baljeet Singh Simran)
Sr. Consultant, NETA

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(SHEETAL CHOPRA)
Additional Director

Annexure-

List of Free Courses* Offered by NIELIT under the MoU

S. No	Name of the Product	Duration
1	ARM based Soc Design	26 hours + 13 hrs optional hands-on
2	Digital India RISC-V (DIR-V) processor based Embedded System Design	26 hours + 13 hrs optional hands-on
3	FPGA Architecture and Programming	26 hours + 13 hrs optional hands-on
4	Fundamentals of VLSI Verification	26 hours + 13 hrs optional hands-on
5	Industrial Electronic Product Design	26 hours + 13 hrs optional hands-on
6	Python for Beginners	10 hrs
7	VLSI for Beginners (with Hardware Lab Access)	10 hrs
8	Embedded for Beginners (with Hardware Lab Access)	10hrs
9	Course on Computer Concepts (CCC)	80hrs

*The access to the NIELIT courses given in annexure are free for the registered candidates for learning purpose, however, NIELIT is free to charge a nominal amount for the assessment & certification/ lab usage from those candidates who are desirous of getting certified/getting additional hands-on sessions.

