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From the Director's Desk

Greetings from National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai.

I am pleased to bring out this edition of the NITTTR Chennai Newsletter to share and disseminate the various training events, academic activities, and achievements of the Institute

The lockdown periods due to pandemic has helped us to prioritize the academic activities that enable a teacher to be a symbol of hope and resilience to the society.

In the coming quarter of the year 2020, our priority is enhancing the infrastructural facilities, starting a new Master's program, and recruiting more faculty. It has been the constant effort to give trust to new initiatives of the Institute in a time-bound manner for more efficient working of our academics and administration as a whole.

I am confident that with the concerted efforts of all of us, NITTTR Chennai shall continue to excel in all spheres of its endeavors. Let us continue towards steering the Institute to greater heights.

Best Wishes!

Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda

Director, NITTTR, Chennai

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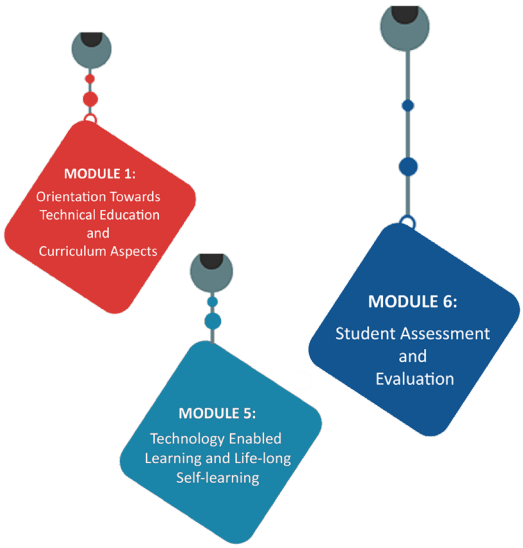
INTER NITTTR WORKSHOP AT NITTTR BHOPAL

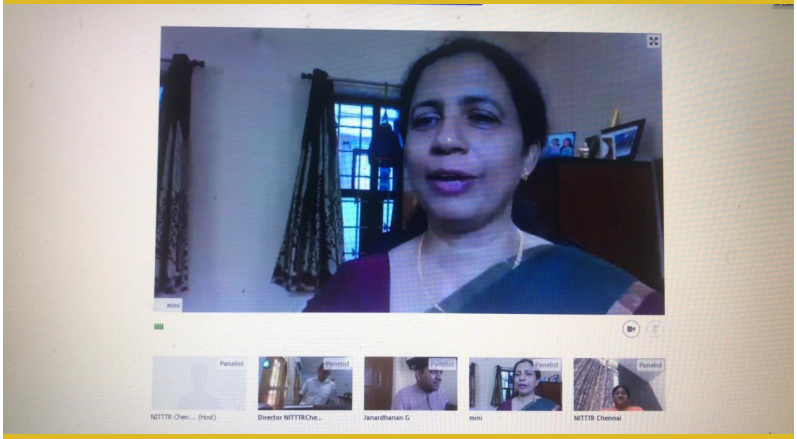
Three days Workshop was scheduled from 2-4, January 2020 to finalise the rubrics by module coordinators and orienting other NITTTRs for implementing, evolving common mentor training material, finalising mentor training strategy, monitoring and liaisoning with mentor institutes, mentees, AICTE and Mentor Certification of AICTE-NITTT Modules.

Three Modules - Module 1: Orientation towards Technical Education and Curriculum Aspects, Module 5: Technology enabled learning and life - long self learning and Module 6: Student Assessment and Evaluation was developed by NITTTR, Chennai. Dr. P. Malliga, Dr. G. Janardharan, Dr. V. Shanmuganeethi, Er. V. Sivakumar, Dr. K.S. Giridharan attended the workshop from NITTTR, Chennai to finalise the rubrics and mentor training material.

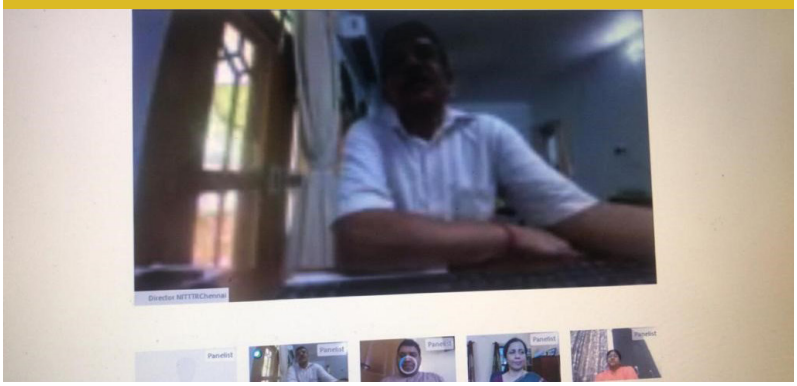


ONLINE FDP ON "E-CONTENT DEVELOPMENT" FOR NIT TRICHY

During the COVID-19 lockdown period, NITTTR Chennai conducted Faculty Training Programme on "E-Content Development" for the faculty members of NIT, Trichy from 11 to 15, May 2020. 140 faculty members consisting of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor including the Director, NIT Trichy attended the programmme. Dr. P. Malliga coordinated the programme and the course was delivered using Cisco Webex Video Conferencing tool and supplemented by NITTTRC LMS. The participants had hands-on-practice on the usage of LMS, adopting and adapting open educational resources, creating digital contents to address multimodal learners and online assessment tools. Dr. P. Malliga, Dr. G. Janardhanan, Dr. V. Shanmuganeethi, Dr.K.S.A. Dineshkumar and Mr. A.P. Felix Arokiya Raj served as Resource persons. During the valedictory session, Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda Director addressed the participants and congratulated them for their active involvement for taking the initiative to upskill and adapt to the online teaching and learning with blended mode of delivery.



Dr. (Mrs.) Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT Trichy appreciated the efforts of NITTTR Chennai for offering need based training programme for their faculty members during the valedictory session.



NEW YEAR MEETING

On the eve of New Year 2020, the NITTTR Chennai Director, Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, extended his wishes for a happy, healthy, peaceful, and prosperous New Year to the members of the NITTTR Chennai fraternity including students, faculty, and staff and their families.

The Director was felicitated by the Admin and Accounts section of the Institute. In his address to the gathering, the Director emphasized the collective academic efforts of the Institute to make a better tomorrow. The meeting ended with a group photo of the faculty and staff with the Director.

THAI PONGAL CELEBRATIONS

The Tamil harvest festival of South India is referred to as Thai Pongal. It is observed at the start of the month 'Thai' according to the Tamil solar calendar. The NITTTR Chennai faculty and staff celebrated the Pongal festival with traditional fervor by preparing the traditional dish 'sweet pongal'. Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, Director – NITTTR Chennai initiated the celebrations by mixing the boiled rice with milk and jaggery (raw sugar) in the earthen pot. Traditional attire of 'pattu' (silk) sarees, 'veshti' (dhoti), and colorful cotton shirt decorated the festive mood on the campus. The rice-powder-based 'kolam' artworks reflected the renewal of social bonds among the NITTTR faculty and staff.

SWACHHATA PAKHWADA

Committed to building a Swachh and Swasth Bharat, the Institute observed the Swachhata Pakhwada between 16 to 30 January 2020. The objective of bringing a fortnight of intense focus on the issues and practices of Swachhata by engaging the faculty and staff of NITTTR Chennai in cleanliness activities.

The nine events were Pledge, Planting of High CO_2 absorption plants, cleaning the campus, Elocution and Poster making on the theme – 'water conservation', Slogan writing, Talk show on 'Clean India Green India', Best out of waste, Elocution, and Slogan writing on the theme – 'Forest Conservation'.

Elocution competition and Poster making on the theme – 'Water Conservation'

Talk show on 'Clean India Green India'

Elocution, Poster making, and Slogan writing on theme – 'Forest Conservation'

Slogan Writing

'Best Out of Waste'

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

SWACHHATA AT PANCHAYAT HIGH SCHOOL

Observing the Swachhata Pakhwada, the Director NITTTR Chennai, Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, along with faculty and staff, visited the Panchayat High School of Pallikaranai, Chennai. This High School was located around 10 km from the Institute. Activities of cleanliness, prize distribution, and sapling planting marked the swachhata abhiyan of the Institute. Along with the school students, faculty, and staff of NITTTR Chennai engaged in swachhata activities.

GANDHI MEMORIAL DAY

Martyrs day is marked every January 30 on the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the father of the nation. To mark the non-violence movement and the countless freedom fighters who sacrificed their all for the Country's Independence, the Martyrs day was observed at the NITTTR Chennai.

Inauguration of Dept. of Electrical, Electronics & Communication Engineering

The physical features are context-dependent and are also likely to affect academic ambiance. The department of Electrical, Electronics, and Communication Engineering (DEECE) of NITTTR Chennai was renovated and the opening ceremony of the lab was done by Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, Director, NITTTR Chennai.

The faculty and staff of the Institute participated on the auspicious occasion. Prof. Dr. G. Kulanthaivel, Prof. & Head, DEECE, honored the Director with a shawl.

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

Republic Day has been celebrated every year in India on January 26 since 1950, to honor the date on which the Constitution of India came into effect. The 71st Republic Day was celebrated at the NITTTR Chennai with the flag hoisting ceremony.

The Republic Day speech by the Director emphasized the strength of unity in diversity and the pride of NITTTR Chennai's contribution to the faculty development. Wishes and warm regards were shared along with sweets among the Director, faculty, and staff of the Institute.

AIR FORCE WING COMMANDERS VISIT

The Wing Commanders of Air Force Station, Tambaram Crew, visited the Institute for exposure on the practical aspects of pedagogy efficacy. This visit also provided the Officers a good opportunity to gain awareness about the topography of technology-enabled learning.

The Director, Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, interacted with the Air Force Personnel about the performance measures in teacher training and highlighted the evaluation criteria for training programs. Prof. Dr. R. Rajendran, Head(i/c), Centre for Educational Management and Applied Psychology, NITTTR Chennai, discussed stress management and counseling for 21st-century learners. Dr. P. Malliga, Associate Professor & Head(i/c), Centre for Educational Media & Technology, NITTTR Chennai, explained the educational studio up-gradation and role of media in andragogy.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAPITH OFFICIALS VISIT

The Personnel from Ramakrishna Mission Vidyapith visited the educational studio facilities of NITTTR Chennai. The Director, Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, accompanied the Officials in video recording and live - editing aspects of the studio. Dr. P. Malliga facilitated this visit for establishing an institutional rapport and understanding between Ramakrishna Mission Vidyapith and NITTTR Chennai.

NITTT SENSITIZATION WORKSHOP

On 20th February 2020, the NITTTR Chennai, in partnership with AICTE, coordinated a sensitization workshop on the National Initiative for Technical Teachers Training (NITTT). Based upon the comprehensive training policy for technical teachers, the NITTT's eight modules are offered on the SWAYAM portal.

Educational leaders, Principals, Heads of Department, and senior faculty members attended this sensitization workshop. Dr. P. Malliga, Dr. G. Janardhanan, and Dr. V. Shanmuganeethi were familiarizing the modules, mentorship, and financial aspects of NITTT to the august gathering.

Through virtual mode, Col. B. Venkat, Director, AICTE Faculty Development Cell, interacted with the learned cohort and fielding queries of the modalities of NITTT.

INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY

On 21st February 2020, the Institute observed the International Mother Language Day to promote awareness of linguistic, cultural diversity and to promote multilingualism. Various competitions were conducted for trainees, faculty, and staff of the NITTTR Chennai on the theme "Fostering multilingualism for inclusion in education and society". Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda felicitated the participants and the prize winners with mementos and souvenir.

PDC MEETING

The Program Development Committee (PDC) meeting was chaired by Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, Director of NITTTR Chennai. The meeting was conducted on 26th February 2020 with representation from the five Southern State Directorate of Technical Education, namely, Telangana State, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Tamilnadu, and Karnataka. This meeting was organized to strengthen the network of technical teachers training and discuss the various needs and program proposals.

MUSIC THERAPY

The department of Engineering Education, NITTTR Chennai, conducted a training cum workshop on 'Music Therapy' for the overseas participants and Indian delegates from technical institutions. Prof. Dr. S. Renuka Devi, Head, DEE, was the coordinator of this training program.

Music therapy is the use of music to address the physical, emotional, cognitive, and social needs of a group or an individual. The delegates were involved in a variety of activities such as listening, playing instruments, drumming, and guided imagery. Through this workshop, the participants experienced rejuvenation through the therapeutic interventions of music.

OTC VALEDICTION

Three international training programs were conducted by the NITTTR Chennai. Dr. S. Renuka Devi, Head, Department of Engineering Education (DEE), coordinated batch-XIII of "Women Leadership Development in TVET" from 26th February to 11th March 2020. Dr. G.A. Rathy, Associate Professor, Department of Electrical, Electronics, and Communication Engineering (DEECE), coordinated the first batch of "Curriculum Evaluation for Administrators and Planners" between the same above period.

Dr. V. Shanmuganeethi, Head(i/c), Department of Computer Science Engineering (DCSE) coordinated the batch-III of "Design of Educational Applications using Web Technologies" from 12th February to 11th March 2020. The valedictory and graduation ceremony was chaired by Prof. Dr. Sudhindra Nath Panda, Director, NITTTR Chennai. The international delegates expressed their gratitude by presenting cultural artifacts from their respective countries.

PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY STUDENT'S VISIT

The Post Graduate students from the Master of Education (M.Ed.) program visited the NITTTR Chennai under the guideship of Dr. Mumtaz Begum, Dean, School of Education, Pondicherry University. They interacted with various faculties of the Institute and shared their ambitions and aspirations.

The students were getting exposure to the nuances of short-term training programs. The Institute was witnessing the beaming energy and enthusiasm of the students through queries and interactions.

NITTTR CHENNAI ON SOCIAL MEDIA

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Dec 31, 2019
NITTTR, Chennai wishes you all a very happy and prosperous New Year 2020 @cia_nitttrc, @ITECnetwork , @MinistryOfHRD @HRDMinistry

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Jan 9, 2020
NITTTR Chennai BOG Chairman, Director Interaction with Hon' HRM on January 09, 2019 at Chennai @nitttr_chennai @HRDMinistry @DrRPNishank

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Jan 10, 2020
@nitttr_chennai #Pongal #Celebration2020

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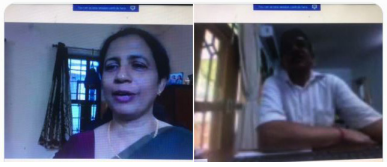
AICTE-NITTT Web portal launch by @DrRPNishank @mhrd_innovation on 12.1.2020. Appreciated NITTTRs for their contributions @nitttr_chennai @AICTE_INDIA

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Jun 24, 2020
NITTTR Chennai trained 140 faculty members of NIT TRICHY on e-Content Development for 5 days from May 11-15, 2020. Online training on Instructional Design of E-content, many FOSS online tools OER, Online Assessment Tools was given. @HRDMinistry, @AICTE_INDIA



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NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Jan 28, 2020
71st Republic Day Celebration at NITTTR in Chennai #RepublicDay

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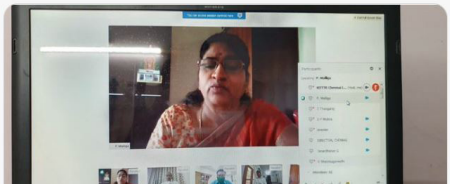
2. Elocution
3. Poster making and Slogan writing
@HRDMinistry #InitiativesofMHRD @nitttr_chennai

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Feb 28, 2020
@HRDMinistry @SWAYAMMHRD @nitttr_chennai

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · May 7, 2020
Register for webinar. @nitttr_chennai @AICTE_INDIA @HRDMinistry

NITTTR CHENNAI @nitttr_chennai · Jun 24, 2020
NITTTR CHENNAI conducted 5 days INTER NITTTR Capacity Building Workshop for all four NITTTRs faculty members for AICTE-NITTT Module 5 and 6 from June 8-12, 2020



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