SCHEME DOCUMENT

1	Introduction
	The scheme provides financial assistance to AICTE approved institutions for organizing Conference/Seminar/Workshop in emerging fields of technical education in 22 Indian languages. *The local language communication in India is vital for effective developmental action. According to Census of India, 122 major languages and 1599 other languages out of which 30 languages are spoken by over a million native speakers in different parts of India. Disseminating knowledge and strengthening the learning process through the medium of Indian languages thus becomes a necessity to achieve the Viksit Bharat 2047 dream. Regional Level Conferences/Seminars/Workshops on the recent trends/updates/innovations in technical filed are supported under this scheme.* *The Conference/Seminar/Workshop of minimum 02 days to maximum 03 days & minimum 50 participants will be supported under the scheme.*
2	**Objective**
	To promote high standards in technical education in Indian languages by way of extending opportunities to the academicians and working professionals by providing a forum for sharing their knowledge, experiences, innovations and inventions in 16 emerging fields: (i) Advanced Materials, Rare-earth & Critical Minerals (ii) Semiconductors (iii) Quantum Technology (iv) Hydrogen energy (v) Space and Defense (vi) Blue Economy (vii) Energy, Sustainability & Climate Change (viii) Artificial Intelligence and Data Science (ix) Advanced Computing (Supercomputing, AI, Quantum Computing) (x) Next Gen Communications (xi) Smart Cities & Mobility (xii) Aggrotech & Food processing (xiii) Health Care & Med-Tech (xiv) Disaster Management & Resilient Infrastructure (xv) Manufacturing & Industry 4.0 (xvi) Cyber Physical systems & cyber security To create knowledge base by conducting Conference/ Seminar/ Workshop in the above-mentioned fields in 22 Indian Languages: (i) Assamese (ii) Bengali (iii)Bodo (iv)Dogri (v) Gujarati (vi)Hindi (vii) Kannada (viii) Kashmiri (ix)Konkani (x) Maithili (xi)Malayalam (xii) Manipuri (xiii) Marathi (xiv)Nepali (xv) Odia (xvi)Punjabi

	(xvii) Sanskrit (xviii) Santhali (xix) Sindhi (xx) Tamil (xxi) Telugu (xxii) Urdu
3	**Expected Outcomes**
	a) Publication of the research papers in Indian languages. b) Ideas to create roadmap for upcoming projects and possibilities for opening new avenues for research. c) Content Creation in Indian Languages. d) Collaborations between institutions and industry. e) Creating knowledge base in Indian language and to encourage creation of treasure of latest technical knowledge incorporating the newest developments in Indian languages. f) Promotion of Indian Languages in Technical Education.
4	**Eligibility**
	a) AICTE approved institute (including Institutions offering BBA/BCA). b) Preference will be given to institutions meeting the following parameters: (i) Institutions figured in NIRF ranking 2024. (ii) Institutions figured in QS World Ranking Asia-2025. (iii) Institutions having minimum of 50% eligible courses with NBA accreditation having validity till 30th April 2026. (iv) Institutions with valid NAAC score of 3.01 and above on scale of 4.0. (v) Institutions having conferred 'Autonomous Status' by UGC/Autonomy by AICTE. (vi) Institutions having more than 80% admission consecutively for last 5 Academic Years. (vii) Institutions having industry collaborations. The proposals should be in such domains where the institutions are in collaboration with industry. c) Applications are to be submitted by institutes through its selected coordinator. d) Coordinator must be a full-time regular faculty, preferably be Associate Professor or Professor or a senior faculty with at least 10-year experience in teaching and research with publications and have organized at least one seminar. e) History of previous such works completed by the coordinator. f) Coordinator's qualifications, teaching experience and knowledge of subject. g) Coordinator's hold on regional language in which interest is shown. h) Coordinator's achievements in respect of receiving of awards/recognitions of his work from Central / State Govt. /Universities/ Industry etc. i) Institute should also identify a Co-coordinator who must be a faculty with at least 7 years of experience in teaching and research. j) Participants should strictly be Faculty Members of AICTE Approved Institutions, Research Scholars, M.Tech Scholars/Research Fellows, Working Professionals from Industry.
5	**Limit of Funding from AICTE**
	Funding to a maximum of Rs. 2 lakhs per programme.
6	**Disbursement of the Funds**
	Financial Assistance shall be reimbursed against actual expenses after successful completion of Conference/Seminar/ workshop and submission of requisite documents.
7	**Processing Methodology:**

	a) Online submission of application through AICTE -ATAL Portal in separate module of VAANI through https://www.aicte-india.org/atal b) One-time application and one-time processing per financial year. c) Screening/ scrutiny of applications at Council. d) Evaluation of applications by the expert committee. e) The final decision will be taken by the Council, keeping in view the recommendations made by the experts and the availability of funds for the scheme. f) After the Council's approval, the Sanction Letter for the Conference /Seminar/workshop will be sent to the institution.
8	**How and When to Apply**
	Online submission of application through https://www.aicte-india.org/atal by the institution from 25th March,2025 through coordinators till 24th April,2025. a) Application should enclose Bilingual Brochure clearly mentioning the details of experts and area of discussions. b) Application should enclose Letter of Authorization issued to coordinator by the Head of the Institute.
9	**Terms and Conditions**
	For the Coordinator: a) The approved Conference/Seminar/ Workshop is required to be conducted within six months, from the date of receipt of sanction letter from AICTE. b) The coordinators of Seminar/Workshop should provide the names of the prospective resource persons along with the provisional titles of proposed papers/talks at the time of the submission of the application for grant. c) Minimum 50 participants should attend the programme and in-house participation should not exceed 20% of the total. In case of Conference, papers from host institution should not be more than 10% of the total papers. d) Maximum 20% experts may be from the Host Institutes. e) Coordinator can take maximum one session as an expert. f) Coordinator will maintain an electronic record of papers, participants, their institution & its location, to ensure that norm of Pan-Regional participation, and papers from local faculty, are adhered to. g) Coordinator should maintain a web-page for the Conference/Seminar/Workshop on its institute's website. h) The academic background of the coordinator, co-coordinator, resource persons and paper presenters (in case of conference) must be in conformity with the theme of the proposed conference/Seminar/Workshop. **For the institution:** a) An Institute will be eligible to receive the grant for Conference/Seminar/Workshop once in a year. b) Minimum 1/3rd resource persons shall be from the Industry background. c) One expert can give a maximum of two lectures for the conference, seminar, or workshop. d) The Honorarium for experts will be a maximum of Rs. 5,000/- per expert and per session. e) 50% of the sanctioned amount will be released as an advance only to Government Institutions under the scheme. f) Any change in the programme for holding Conference/Seminars/workshop, change of Coordinator and Venue/ date would require prior approval of the council, failing which the offer for the grant already issued would be treated as automatically withdrawn. g) The institution is required to post the link of funding schemes of AICTE on its website and Seminar/Conference/Workshop webpage. **Fund utilization:** a) Funds once released/ sanctioned for organizing the particular Conference/Seminar/Workshop cannot be utilized for any other programme/ conference. b) In case the conference/Seminar/Workshop is cancelled, it must be informed to AICTE immediately. If so the grantee will be required to refund the entire amount with 10% simple interest. **Use of Logo of AICTE:** a) Wherever online/offline information regarding a conference/Seminar/Workshop is displayed, the AICTE logo must be prominently displayed.

	b) All publicity materials/advertisements/ brochures/ invitation cards/ any other collaterals/ event backdrop etc. related to conference/Seminar/workshop should be in the Indian language and must carry AICTE logo. c) The venue in terms of stage backdrop/ podium must prominently display the AICTE logo.
10	**Monitoring**
	AICTE may depute an Officer/ Observer to oversee the quality of the Conference / Seminar/Workshop and collect feedback from the venue. Note: AICTE may withhold fund release to the Institute in its other schemes, if the project is not closed by submitting the documents within the stipulated time.
11	**Documents to be submitted.**
	On receipt of Sanction Letter: (To be submitted through email as scanned copy attachment.) a) The Acceptance Letter with dates of Conference/Seminar/Workshop, within 15 days from the date of receipt of the Sanction Letter duly signed and seal affixed by Coordinator and Head of the Institutions. b) Bank Mandate form duly certified by the respective bank and branch. **After conduct of the Conference/Seminar/Workshop: (To be submitted in Original and uploaded on ATAL portal)** a) Utilization Certificate (UC) and Statement of Expenditure (S o E) in prescribed format duly audited by the Chartered Accountant in the case of a private institution and by the Finance Officer/Account Officer in respect of government/government- aided institution. b) Supporting Original GST bills/documents on account of expenses incurred for the purpose duly attested by the Head of the Institute. c) Coordinator shall prepare a comprehensive report/proceeding Conference/Seminar/Workshop consisting of minimum 50 pages within one month and upload the same on portal in bilingual (in respective Indian language as well as in English language). d) Link of Recorded Lectures in the portal. e) Feedback form of the participants on the portal. f) List of registered participants with attendance for all sessions of the program coordinator on the portal. g) Geotagged photographs (maximum 15) of the Conference/Seminar/Workshop on the portal. h) Media reports/newspaper coverage on the portal. i) Social Media Links tagging AICTE and ATAL Academy. j) Two-Three minutes of short video showcasing achievements of Conference /Seminar / Workshop on the portal with AICTE Logo. Hard copies along with a covering letter are to be submitted within 15 days of completion to: The Director, Training & Learning Bureau, All India Council for Technical Education, Nelson Mandela Marg Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070 Unutilized amount if any, should be refunded to AICTE through RTGS/NEFT only.
12	**For more information contact us**
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