

MoU signed between TMU and IITI Drishti CPS Foundation

On August 1, 2024, IITI DRISHTI CPS Foundation (based at IIT Indore, Madhya Pradesh) and Teerthanker Mahaveer University (Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh) signed an MoU to strengthen collaboration in skill development, research, technology transfer, and startup support, particularly in the domain of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS).

Objectives and Vision

- **Mutual Promotion of Skilling & Research:** Both parties share a commitment to promoting skill development, supporting technology-based startups, raising awareness of fellowships and grants, and commercializing innovations led by students and faculty.
- **Strategic Ecosystem Building:** TMU aims to leverage IITI DRISHTI's resources, expertise, and networks to build a robust skilling and entrepreneurial ecosystem for its academic community.

Scope and Areas of Collaboration

IITI DRISHTI CPS Foundation Commitments

- **Skill Development:** Conducts classroom and online training in current technologies, such as Cloud Computing, IoT, AI/ML, Industrial Automation, Programming, and Simulation Software for students and faculty.
- **Research & Fellowship Support:** Promotes awareness of CHANAKYA Fellowships and other grants—including monthly stipends and development funds—for undergraduates, postgraduates, and Ph.D. students advancing CPS research toward real-world solutions.

- Startup Incubation & Mentoring: Offers TMU alumni guidance on programs like Entrepreneur-in-Residence, PRAYAS, and Seed Support, which provide financial backing, business mentoring, and incubation at IIT Indore.

TMU Responsibilities

- Sharing Student Profiles: TMU will supply updated CVs/resumes of trained students for placement and internship opportunities with industry/startup partners.
- Program Promotion: TMU will promote IITI DRISHTI programs among its students and alumni, and support co-development and delivery of new skilling initiatives or joint consulting projects.
- Infrastructure & Coordination: The university will provide required infrastructure, organize on-campus events, and appoint a single point of contact (SPOC) to ensure smooth coordination.

Structure, Terms, and Support Programs

Implementation and Governance

- Non-Binding, Flexible Partnership: The MoU is not legally binding and does not entail financial obligations unless separately defined. Either party can resign participation with one month's written notice.
- Duration: The agreement is valid for two years, extendable by mutual consent. Both parties bear their own costs for agreed deliverables.

Confidentiality, IP, and Dispute Resolution

- Confidentiality: Each party agrees to protect non-public information, with exceptions defined for public knowledge, legal requirements, or independently developed information.
- Intellectual Property: Pre-existing IP rights remain with the holder. Any joint development will require a separate agreement. Trademark use also requires prior consent.
- Dispute Resolution: Disputes are to be resolved amicably. Failing that, arbitration will be held in Indore, with court jurisdiction there as well.

Financials and Logistics

- Remuneration for Trainers: TMU will pay for trainer fees, mutually decided per event, and provide logistics for visiting trainers (food, transport, accommodation).
- Campus Exchange: TMU students may visit IIT Indore at their own expense for events, with IIT covering food and accommodation for the nominated SPOC.

Highlighted Programs and Support

Skilling and Fellowship Programs

Applicant Type	Monthly Fellowship	Duration (Months)	Development Grant
UG Student	INR 5,000	6	INR 1 lakh
PG Student	INR 12,400	12	INR 2 lakhs
Ph.D. Student	INR 37,000–42,000	12–24	INR 2 lakhs



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Start-Up Support

Program Name		Benefits	Duration
Entrepreneur in Residence		Up to INR 30,000/ + Allowance, Mentoring	12 months
PRAYAS		Up to INR 10 lakhs, Mentoring	12 months
Seed Support		Up to INR 25 lakhs, Mentoring	12 months

This MoU strategically enables TMU to provide its community access to premier skill development and entrepreneurial support platforms, helping bridge the gap from lab innovation to market impact in India's evolving tech landscape