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# Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre And National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017 by a nd between **National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi** represented by Prof. Ajay K. Sharma, Director and **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre** represented by Mr. Srijan Pal Singh, Founder & CEO.

#### Background

Dr. Kalam said, "Ignited mind of the youth is the most powerful resource on the earth, above the earth and under the earth."

When Dr. Kalam passed away on 27.07.2015 during his lecture at IIM Shillong, some of his associates and followers started the Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre for Creating Livable Planet and Sustainable Development to take forward his teachings and work.

Kalam Center is now actively engaged in igniting the mind of the youth of India in the common thread of national development, positive practices, cause-based awareness, good career knowledge and critical thinking/innovation.

Taking the youth power into consideration, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre initiated its unique 'KALAM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM' to spread across the messages of humanity, goodness, innovation, good education, positivity and critical thinking and out-of-the-box approach.

The underlying core of these initiatives at Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre is the **What Can I Give Mission (WCIG)**, started by Dr. Kalam in 2012, which inculcates the universal spirit of giving in the youth and brings about an attitude change from "What Can I Take" to "What Can I Give".



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#### **Purpose**

This MOU is being signed up between National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi and Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre to take forward the missions and visions of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam to empower youth by forming Kalam Centre@Campus within their colleges to spread messages of humanity, innovation, good education, positivity and critical thinking through out-of-the-box approach under the guidance and supervision of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre and National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi.

#### Introduction

National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi will formally enter into a partnership with Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre to form the Kalam Centre@Campus. The scope of this collaboration would be in Delhi, based on the yearly review conducted by both the parties.

#### Kalam Centre@Campus - What Can I Give Mission

The Kalam Centre@Campus is a movement led by the youth of this country in schools and colleges to carry forward Dr. Kalam's mission of having powerful dreams as youth.

- The property will be mentioned as:
  - Kalam Centre@NITDelhi
- It will be a three-year long partnership between National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi and Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre
- The college is to nominate at least one faculty member as a mentor for the Kalam Fellows
- With the guidance of the faculty member, a leadership team of 12 members are to be selected
- · The leadership team must then discuss and identify missions for the next quarter
- The team should form a social media page named as 'Kalam Centre@NITDelhi will be linked the main Kalam Centre page
- If possible, as a part of the mission, the Kalam Fellows may also set up a Kalam Library in their own institute or adopt a low income school for doing the same
- Apprise teachers to encourage students to work on Kalam vision and related projects as part
  of their academic assignments wherever possible
- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will have the Intellectual Property Rights



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#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (NIT), DELHI

- National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi will allow access to Kalam Centre in its college to form and spread the message about the Kalam Centre's mission
- National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi to design a credit scoring mechanism which can be based on the social activities performed by the Kalam Fellows
- National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi to create a cross learning environment that
  enables to take up inter-disciplinary projects with members from different Kalam Centres in
  different campuses
- All members of the Kalam Centre@NITDelhi to perform at least one on ground activity per week with maximum participation from the leadership team and the members
- Kalam Fellows to share at least two stories per week of the activities or services done. This
  could either be in photo or a video format. Stories can also be shared in a photo collage for
  which the grid format will be provided by Kalam Centre
- Kalam Fellows to publish an E-Newsletter on a bi-monthly basis, which covers all the
  grassroot level activities done. This newsletter will be circulated among the student and
  faculty members in college
- While performing activities or doing services, the leadership team can engage maximum
  participants within the campus and associated faculty members. The membership is free of
  cost
- The Kalam Fellows can take up city wise projects and work on solving problematic issues
- The Kalam Fellows can partner with various college festivals for showcasing their social activities done over a period of time
- Youth with innovative ideas shall be recognized at the end of the academic year and invited to participate in our upcoming events organised by Kalam Centre

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 Members with greatest social impact through their awareness activities will be recognized and awarded

• Teachers spearheading the clubs in schools will be eligible for Shishak Award to be presented during the annual Dreamathon campaign

#### DR. A.P.J. ABDUL KALAM CENTRE

- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will help, supervise and provide intellectual guidance to the participating college
- With help and guidance of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will form a high level mentorship team to guide the Kalam Fellows by inviting company heads such as CEOs, CXOs, VPs, AVPs who share their experiences of performing their social responsibilities at grassroots level
- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will engage National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi in National and International Youth Conclaves, Innovation and Tech Summits and Kalam Youth festivals across the nation
- Visits to Kalam Libraries that are set up across various locations in the country. Fellows will be encouraged to engage with the beneficiaries through workshops or activities
- Outstanding performers will be sent to deliver lectures at school, colleges, and conference where they will represent Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre
- Life and management workshops and seminars on personal grooming and holistic developments, life skills, etc. will also be arranged
- In this collaboration, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre shall design various global exchange programs for National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi students
- Through this collaboration, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will also organize sector specific social entrepreneurship training and career counseling sessions for students from National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi

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- Interaction with corporates on roles like marketing, fund towards sustainable development raising, enterprise management, organization dynamics, project management, celebrity engagement, workshops such as shaping venture ideas with experts, pitching to potential clients etc. will also be organized by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre
- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Centre will provide a Letter of recommendation which can used for

applying in internships and jobs and further education

#### **Duration**

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from Kalam Centre and National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the Kalam Centre and National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent. In the absence of mutual agreement by the authorized officials, this MOU shall end on 18th of April 2018.



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