

## **AMTZ** receives International Organization Award

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The American College of Clinical Engineering (ACCE) in collaboration with the Healthcare Technology Foundation (HTF) has conferred the "International Organization Award" to India's first medical device park Andhra Pradesh Med Tech Zone (AMTZ) during the 28th ACCE annual meeting held in California.

AP Med Tech Zone is credited to be the first Indian organization to have been nominated ever for this award and it created history by winning the 2018- ACCE international award. The award was received by Dr. Jitendra Sharma, MD and CEO, AMTZ.

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Founded in 1990, the ACCE is an internationally recognized professional society for clinical engineers with memberships across the globe. ACCE was established with a special focus on promoting the profession of clinical engineering in the international arena.

India is import dependent to the extent of 80% amounting to Rs. 25,000 crore per annum in medical technology sector. AMTZ has been making rapid progress by creating an innovative industrial park for manufacturing of medical devices with a holistic ecosystem for promotion of the medical technology products in India.

The initiative of AMTZ is applauded by the industry in India and medical technology experts all over the world. The AMTZ value proposition includes research and development support, avenues for technology transfer, world class infrastructure, regulatory support and access to local as well as global demand. The zone provides manufacturers with capital intensive state-of-art scientific facilities at a very low cost, thus reducing the cost of manufacturing which will help in reducing the overall cost of healthcare delivery not just in India but globally.

The recognition by ACCE has added another feather to the cap of AMTZ which in a short span of two years has paved the path of creating various institutions like Kalam Institute of Health Technology supported by Department of Bio-technology (DBT), WHO Pre-qualification center, Directorate of Radiation Safety under Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB), Indian Biomedical Skill Consortium in partnership with Quality Council of India (QCI), and Medi Valley Incubation Council under Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog.