

## **AICTE inks MoU with C-CAMP to strengthen collaboration between engineering and medical domain**

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**AICTE-Inter-Institutional Biomedical Innovations Programme (IBIP) launched to promote interdisciplinary education, research and innovation**

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bengaluru-based Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platforms (C-CAMP) and launched AICTE-Inter-Institutional Biomedical Innovations Programme (IBIP) to catalyse interdisciplinary education, research and innovations between medical and engineering institutions.

The MoU was exchanged between Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE; Dr Taslimarif Saiyed, CEO and Director of C-CAMP and Dr Ravi Nayar, Programme Lead of C-CAMP IBIP at AICTE HQ in New Delhi.

AICTE Chairman Prof. TG Sitharam launched the AICTE-Inter-Institutional Biomedical Innovations Programme (IBIP), to promote education, research and innovations through facilitated, forged and focused interaction between medical and engineering institutions.

The AICTE-IBIP programme is the collective endeavour of AICTE and C-CAMP to promote accessible, affordable and quality healthcare to all, making health and lives better. The objective of the programme is to facilitate engineering and medical graduates, post graduates and faculty members to jointly work on the challenges from the medical domain.

Besides imparting multidisciplinary education and research, the initiative will also prompt and prepare them for entrepreneurship particularly in the healthcare sector. The programme will also offer a structured Bio Entrepreneurship Didactic course online, which has health sector skills council accreditation for the participants.

Under IBIP, AICTE will provide a grant-in-aid of Rs 10 lakh against a matching contribution from Institution to develop and implement at least 10 ideas/innovations to address the challenges posed by the healthcare domain.