

## **Two-week ISTE Short Term Training Programme (STTP) on "Technical Communication" by IIT Bombay**

We are very pleased to announce our Twentieth Two-week ISTE Short Term Training Programme (STTP) on "Technical Communication" from 08th October to 05th December 2015. It is being conducted by IIT Bombay under the National Mission on Education through ICT (MHRD, GoI) in collaboration with the Indian Society of Technical Education (ISTE).

This STTP is unique in the sense that it targets all teachers who face these questions in their interaction with students:

1. Do you feel the quality of project reports or thesis submitted by students leaves a lot to be desired? 2. Do you see that your students are able to defend their work among peers, but are unable to express it well in an interview or to a general audience? 3. Do you think your students must carry out even small projects with a rigour expected of a scientific approach? 4. Do you observe your students have scant or no regard to ethics of technical or workplace communication? 5. Do you teach a "Communication skills" course for STEM disciplines, and felt the lack of good resources?

If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above questions, and you wish to try and change that situation for good, then this course may be for you.

**\*\*About the STTP on Technical Communication:\*\***

The trained faculty can potentially use contents from this course for (i) teaching Undergraduate/Postgraduate (UG/PG) courses in Technical Communication, Scientific Communication or equivalent and (ii) training project students to communicate their research or development work to various audience. On successful completion of this program they will be able to organise, comprehend, write, and present, short and long forms of any technical work in the framework of the Scientific Method. They will also be able to communicate this content within the widely accepted current norms. In this process, they will gain relevant examples in their own domain of knowledge, and be able to use those, along with the general illustrations given here, to train students in the craft of technical communication.

Who is eligible?

\* Any faculty member from Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) departments or from Humanities, Social Sciences, and Management disciplines (who conduct communications courses for STEM students). \* Science teachers teaching PG courses equivalent to M.Sc level or UG courses in engineering (BE/BTech). \* Faculty from polytechnic institutes \* Teachers registered in a Masters or a Ph.D program, during their employment as a teacher in one of the above categories.

The STTP on Technical Communication will be conducted in the blended-MOOC format. It will consist of the following parts:

1. Online Component: IITBombayX (MOOCs) and Moodle (8 Oct to 11 Nov 2015 )  
: 5 Weeks

Registered participants will listen to online video lectures and complete assessments in IITBombayX and Moodle platforms. They will be evaluated by giving grades for this portion. The online platform has a provision for

conducting a discussion forum for clarifying doubts with IIT Bombay faculty.

2.Face-to-face workshop (30 Nov to 05 Dec 2015) : 6 Days  
Participants will assemble in a registered local college that is authorised to be a Remote Center for IIT Bombay's Technical Communication STTP. Sessions will be conducted by IIT Bombay faculty from IIT Bombay via the internet. The schedule of the workshop is 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Saturday. Participants will be able to interact live through this audio-video link with IIT Bombay faculty. Participants will work individually and in groups to carry out tutorial exercises in various aspects of communication, with live feedback from IIT Bombay and the local Course Coordinators.

Please note that all the activities of this STTP will be done exclusively at the 119 coordinating remote centers, across the country.

**\*\*Course Fee:\*\***

This STTP is conducted in a self finance mode for the remote centers. Teachers who wish to register, need to pay Rs. 1000/- as a participation fees to the IITB authorised remote center where they wish to attend the face-to-face component. For food and stay, the participant will have to bear extra charges as per the rates advertised by the center. This is optional for the participants, only if they are wish to avail the facility. The participation fee of Rs. 1000 is mandatory and non refundable.. There is no separate fee for the online component

The details of the STTP and the online enrollment form are available at:  
<http://www.it.iitb.ac.in/nmeict/>

Those wishing to attend this STTP should enroll online, please go through the Annexure available at [http://www.it.iitb.ac.in/nmeict/pdfs/TC Annexure.pdf](http://www.it.iitb.ac.in/nmeict/pdfs/TC%20Annexure.pdf) for detailed description of the registration procedure. Enrollment will be strictly online and no other mode of applications will be entertained. Please go through the brochure of the STTP available at <http://goo.gl/FXJ9wV> . While registering, you may select your choice of remote center (where you wish to attend the STTP) from our assigned remote centers, which is near to your institute.

**\*\*Last date for enrollment is 30th September, 2015. \*\***

Thanks and Regards,

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