



AICTE- VAANI (Vibrant Advocacy for Advancement and Nurturing of Indian Languages)

1	Introduction
	<p>The scheme provides financial assistance to AICTE approved institutions for organizing Conference/Seminar/Workshop in emerging fields of technical education in 12 Regional languages.</p> <p>The local language communication in India is vital for effective developmental action. According to Census of India, 122 major languages and 1599 other languages out of which 30 languages are spoken by over a million native speakers in different parts of India. Disseminating knowledge and strengthening the learning process through the medium of regional languages thus becomes a necessity to achieve the Viksit Bharat 2047 dream.</p> <p>Regional Level Conferences/Seminars/Workshops on the recent trends/updates/innovations in technical filed are supported under this scheme. The Conference/Seminar/Workshop of minimum 02days to maximum 03 days & minimum 50 participants will be supported under the scheme.</p>
2	Objective
	<p>To promote high standards in technical education in regional languages by way of extending opportunities to the academicians and working professionals by providing a forum for sharing their knowledge, experiences, innovations and inventions in 12 emerging fields:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Advanced Materials, Rare-earth & Critical Mineralsii. Semiconductorsiii. Space and Defenseiv. Blue Economyv. Energy, Sustainability & Climate Changevi. Advanced Computing (Supercomputing, AI, Quantum Computing)vii. Next Gen Communicationsviii. Smart Cities & Mobilityix. Aggrotech & Food processingx. Health Care & Med-Techxi. Disaster Management & Resilient Infrastructurexii. Manufacturing & Industry 4.0 <p>To create knowledge base by conducting Conference/ Seminar / Workshop in the above mentioned fields in 12 Regional Languages:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Hindiii. Gujaratiiii. Marathiiv. Teluguv. Tamilvi. Punjabivii. Bengaliviii. Kannadaix. Assamesex. Malayalamxi. Odiaxii. Urdu

3	Expected Outcomes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Publication of the papers in a Regional language. (b) Ideas to create roadmap for upcoming projects and possibilities for opening new avenues for research. (c) Collaborations between institutions and industry. (d) Creating knowledge base in local language and to encourage creation of treasure of latest technical knowledge incorporating the newest developments in Regional languages.
4	Eligibility
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) AICTE approved institute with at least 10 years of existence. (b) Preference will be given to institutions meeting the following parameters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Institutions figured in 8th Edition of NIRF ranking (announcement made on 5th June 2023). ii. Institutions figured in QS World Ranking Asia-2024 (announcement made on 8th Nov 2023). iii. Institutions having minimum of 50% eligible courses with NBA accreditation having validity till 30th April 2025. iv. Institutions with valid NAAC score of 3.01 and above on scale of 4.0. v. Institutions having conferred 'Autonomous Status' by UGC/Autonomy by AICTE. vi. Institutions having more than 80% admission consecutively for last 5 Academic Years. vi. Institutions having industry collaborations. The proposals should be in such domains where the institutions are in collaboration with industry. (c) Applications are to be submitted by institutes through its selected coordinator. (d) Coordinator must be a full time regular faculty, preferably be Associate Professor or Professor or a senior faculty with at least 10-year experience in teaching and research with publications and have organized at least one seminar. (e) History of previous such works completed by the coordinator. (f) Coordinator's qualifications, teaching experience and knowledge of subject. (g) Coordinator's hold on regional language in which interest is shown. (h) Coordinator's achievements in respect of receiving of awards/recognitions of his work from Central / State Govt. /Universities/ Industry etc. (i) Institute should also identify a Co-coordinator who must be a faculty with at least 7 year of experience in teaching and research. (j) Participants should strictly be Faculties/ PG Students /Research Fellows/Working Professionals from Industry.
5	Limit of Funding from AICTE
	Funding to a maximum of Rs. 2 lakhs per programme.
6	Disbursement of the Funds
	Financial Assistance shall be reimbursed against actual expenses after successful completion of Conference/Seminar/ workshop and submission of requisite documents.
7	Processing Methodology:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Online submission of application through Google Forms by the institution through selected coordinators. (b) One-time application and one-time processing per financial year. (c) Screening/ scrutiny of applications at Council. (d) Evaluation of applications by the expert committee. (e) The final decision will be taken by the Council, keeping in view the recommendations made by the experts and the availability of funds for the scheme. (f) After the Council's approval, the Sanction Letter for the Conference /Seminar/workshop will be sent to the institution.

8	How and When to Apply
	<p>(a) Online submission of application through Google Forms. by the institution through coordinators within 21 days of announcing.</p> <p>(b) Conference/Seminar/Workshop need to be organized in the AY 2024-25.</p> <p>(c) Application should enclose Bilingual Brochure clearly mentioning the details of experts and area of discussions.</p> <p>(d) Application should enclose Letter of Authorization issued to coordinator by the Head of the Institute.</p>
9	Terms and Conditions
	<p>For the Coordinator:</p> <p>(a) The approved Conference/Seminar/ Workshop is required to be conducted within six months, from the date of receipt of sanction letter from AICTE.</p> <p>(b) The coordinators of Seminar/Workshop should provide the names of the prospective resource persons along with the provisional titles of proposed papers/talks at the time of the submission of the application for grant.</p> <p>(c) Minimum 50 participants should attend the programme and in-house participation should not exceed 20% of the total. In case of Conference, papers from host institution should not be more than 10% of the total papers.</p> <p>(d) Coordinator will maintain an electronic record of papers, participants, their institution & its location, to ensure that norm of Pan-Regional participation, and papers from local faculty, are adhered to.</p> <p>(e) Coordinator should maintain a web-page for the Conference/Seminar/Workshop on its institute's website.</p> <p>(f) The academic background of the coordinator, co-coordinator, resource persons and paper presenters (in case of conference) must be in conformity with the theme of the proposed conference/Seminar/Workshop.</p> <p>For the institution:</p> <p>(a) An Institute will be eligible to receive the grant for Conference/Seminar/Workshop once in a year.</p> <p>(b) Any change in the programme for holding Conference/Seminars/workshop, change of Coordinator and Venue/ date would require prior approval of the council, failing which the offer for the grant already issued would be treated as automatically withdrawn.</p> <p>(c) The institution is required to post the link of funding schemes of AICTE on its website and Seminar/Conference/Workshop webpage.</p> <p>Fund utilization:</p> <p>(a) Reimbursement of the expenditure will be made by AICTE upon submission of the mandatory documents.</p> <p>(b) Funds sanctioned for organizing the particular Conference/Seminar/Workshop cannot be utilized for any other programme/ conference.</p> <p>(c) In case the conference/Seminar/Workshop is cancelled, it must be informed to AICTE immediately.</p> <p>Use of Logo of AICTE:</p> <p>(a) Wherever online/offline information regarding a conference/Seminar/Workshop is displayed, the AICTE logo must be prominently displayed.</p> <p>(b) All publicity materials/advertisements/ brochures/ invitation cards/ any other collaterals/ event backdrop etc. related to conference/Seminar/workshop should be in the Regional language and must carry AICTE logo.</p> <p>(c) The venue in terms of stage backdrop/ podium must prominently display the AICTE logo.</p>
10	Monitoring
	AICTE may depute an Officer/Observer to oversee the quality of the Conference/Seminar/Workshop and collect feedback from the venue.

