AICTE Collaborates with Jio Institute to Introduce Faculty Development Programme on Artificial Intelligence and Data Science

Navi Mumbai, August 18, 2023: The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has partnered with Jio Institute for a Faculty Development Programme on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Science. This collaborative endeavour is being initiated under the ambit of AICTE's **ATAL** (AICTE Training and Learning) programme, which is designed to upskill and reskill Faculty members from AICTE-approved institutions.

Jio Institute, renowned for its world-class AI&DS programme, will serve as the host institution for this 5-day residential Faculty development programme.

Prof. T.G. Sitharam, Chairman, AICTE, will in-person inaugurate the programme on 21st August 2023.

The collaborative initiative aims to empower academic leaders and senior Faculty members with a deep understanding of AI and Data Science while also emphasizing on the ethical considerations of utilizing AI tools for immersive learning. The programme will provide intensive training to 40 selected AICTE members, including Faculty.

"*This partnership with Jio Institute exemplifies our commitment to nurturing cutting-edge education that equips our Faculty members for future challenges. It enables us to provide educators with the necessary skills to navigate intricate educational landscapes, thereby emphasizing our resolve towards academic excellence,*" affirmed **AICTE Chairman, Prof T.G. Sitharaman**.

The core objective of the programme is to equip participants with insights into establishing effective teaching and learning environments, which is especially pertinent given the growing prevalence of AI-driven information and research. Encompassing a diverse range of topics, including Data Visualization, Natural Language Processing, Time Series & Optimization, Applications, Generative AI, and Large Language Models, the curriculum will delve into the far-reaching impacts of AI and data sciences across sectors such as science, engineering, healthcare and liberal arts.

Additionally, the programme will explore emerging opportunities within the technological landscape.

The programme will be delivered by a distinguished line-up of global experts and educators. Eminent names include Dr. G Ravichandran, Dr. Ravee Chittoor, and Dr. Nilay Yajnik from Jio Institute, as well as Dr. Shailesh Kumar (AI COE, Jio), Prof. Vishnuprasad Nagadevara (Former Dean, IIM Bangalore), Dr. Larry Birnbaum (Northwestern University USA), Mr. Jayen Thakker (ex-Tableau and IBM), and Mr. Prasad Joshi (AI COE, Jio) will lead various sessions.

Expressing enthusiasm about the partnership, **Dr. Palak Sheth, Director of Jio Institute**, said, "*At Jio Institute, we are committed to propelling academic excellence by consistently pushing the boundaries of education. This programme extends beyond imparting knowledge of AI and Data Science, it empowers educators to cultivate a profound sense of ethical responsibility in their students. We are immensely excited to contribute to advancing the educational standards in India*."

The programme will culminate on August 25 with an enlightening discussion on the application of AI in arts and heritage, followed by a visit to the Nita Mukesh Ambani Cultural Centre and other significant heritage sites in South Mumbai.

About Jio Institute:

Jio Institute stands as a distinguished higher education institution established by the Reliance Group. It offers post graduate courses in Artificial Intelligence& Data science, Digital Marketing & Media Communications and Sports Management. It brings together global scholars and thought leaders to provide world-class education while fostering research and innovation. Reliance Foundation, under the guidance of Smt. Nita Ambani, is committed to addressing India's development challenges through innovative solutions across various sectors.

About AICTE:

All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) was set up in November 1945 as a national-level Apex Advisory Body to conduct a survey on the facilities available for technical education and to promote development in the country in a coordinated and integrated manner.

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