



भारतीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान कानपुर
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



Nurturing Future Leadership Programme (NFLP)

*Organized under the Malviya Mission Teacher
Training Programme (MMTTP) of the Ministry of
Education, Government of India*

Shaping Tomorrow's Academic Leaders



About the Programme

As India strengthens its position on the global stage, the need for strong and visionary leadership within Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) has become increasingly important.

The Nurturing Future Leadership Programme (NFLP) is designed to develop and enhance leadership capabilities among faculty members, enabling them to guide, inspire, and foster a culture of excellence in academia.

The programme not only prepares faculty for leadership roles in administration and governance but also enriches their teaching and research, enabling them to drive institutional growth and student development.

Aligned with the vision of NEP 2020, NFLP nurtures future academic leaders by identifying talent early, recognizing faculty excellence, and fostering innovation—empowering educators to drive impactful change in education and contribute to national growth.

Message from Director, IIT Kanpur



Prof. Manindra Agrawal

Globalization is transforming higher education into a more interconnected, digital, and complex system, compelling academic institutions to move beyond traditional models toward more adaptive and entrepreneurial forms. This evolving landscape necessitates the development of leadership qualities, such as the ability to think long-term, manage complexity, and innovate to pursue institutional goals.

A globally acclaimed computer scientist and visionary academic leader, Prof. Manindra Agrawal stands at the helm of IIT Kanpur, driving excellence in education, research, and innovation. Renowned for co-developing the groundbreaking AKS primality test, his contributions have placed India at the forefront of theoretical computer science.

Under his leadership, IIT Kanpur continues to strengthen its legacy as a hub of cutting-edge research and interdisciplinary learning—nurturing talent, fostering industry collaboration, and advancing technology for national and global impact.

Jai Hind!

Message from PIC, Office of Outreach Activities



Prof. Vimal Kumar

The Nurturing Future Leadership Programme (NFLP) at Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur equips faculty members with leadership capabilities, strategic perspective, and a global outlook to advance academic excellence and institutional growth.

The strong engagement in the programme reflects the increasing importance of leadership development in higher education, with participants actively driving innovation and positive change within their institutions.

IIT Kanpur remains committed to nurturing academic leaders who will shape the future of education and contribute to a self-reliant, inclusive, and globally competitive India.

ThankYou!

Programme Objectives



Build Academic Leaders

Nurture leadership capabilities among faculty and create a strong pipeline of emerging academic leaders

Strengthen Institutional Leadership

Enable effective participation in decision-making, shared governance, and institutional development



Drive Innovation & Excellence

Develop the ability to lead initiatives, foster innovation, and cultivate a culture of excellence across institutions

Who Should Apply



Faculty Type

Permanent/regular faculty nominated by the Director, Vice-Chancellor, or Head of Institution.



Affiliation

Centrally funded, state public, or private Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Event Scheduled – 2026

20 March – 24 March 2026

11 May – 15 May 2026

08 June – 12 June 2026

03 August – 07 August 2026

14 September – 18 September 2026

16 November – 20 November 2026

Programme Details

- **Duration:** 5 Days (Residential Programme)
- **Batch Size:** 40 Participants
- **Funding:** Supported by the Ministry of Education (food and accommodation included)
- **Travel:** To be borne by participants/their respective institutions
- **Accommodation:** On Campus Institute Guest House

Registration Details

Eligible faculty members must be nominated by their respective institutions and upload the nomination letter on the MMTTC portal.

Begin your application through the UGC-MMC registration portal:

🔗 <https://mmc.ugc.ac.in/registration/Index>

For more details, visit:

🔗 <https://mmc.ugc.ac.in>

Note: Submission of a nomination letter, duly approved by the Head of the Institution, is mandatory.

Key Focus Areas

Innovation & Entrepreneurship

- Building and supporting startup and innovation ecosystems within institutions
- Strengthening outreach and industry collaboration for real-world impact
- Leveraging digital transformation to enable future-ready education



Human Dimension & Student Experience

- Encouraging reflective thinking, curiosity, and intellectual growth
- Recognizing the role of doubt in deeper learning and inquiry
- Fostering mental wellbeing and a holistic student experience

Governance & Institutional Management

- Understanding statutory, legal, and regulatory frameworks in academia
- Balancing governance with academic excellence and accountability
- Enhancing collaboration, administration, and financial leadership



Leadership & Academic Excellence

- Developing leadership qualities in academic and institutional contexts
- Building critical thinking and effective decision-making abilities
- Driving institution building with a vision for long-term excellence



Half-Day Deep-Dive Session



Programme Features @ IIT Kanpur



Welcome Kit

Participants receive a thoughtfully curated welcome kit, including a sling bag, notebook, pen, and essential accessories.



City Tour

Explore the city through a curated tour—blending culture with meaningful connections.



Gala Dinner

Enjoy a gala dinner, offering a fun filled environment for cultural engagement and meaningful professional networking.

Amenities @ IIT Kanpur



Library & Lab Access

The P. K. Kelkar Library and the Institute's computing facilities are accessible to participants, complemented by guided visits to the flight laboratory and airstrip to experience aeroplanes and gliders up close.



Leisure Walks in Nature

The lush green campus of Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur offers a serene setting for refreshing walks, where peacocks and rich flora and fauna create a uniquely tranquil experience.



Recreational Facilities

Participants enjoy access to a well-equipped sports complex, including a swimming pool, gymnasium, squash courts, billiards room, and other recreational amenities that enrich campus life.



Accommodation

Stay in well-appointed, air-conditioned rooms equipped with modern amenities such as TV and Wi-Fi. The accommodation is supported by round-the-clock hospitality, housekeeping, and catering services, along with access to essential campus facilities and high-speed internet.



Previous NFLP Batch @ IIT Kanpur





Testimonial



Through structured learning, mentoring, and meaningful peer engagement, IIT Kanpur's Nurturing Future Leadership Program provides a strong platform to build critical leadership skills. It promotes self-reflection and ongoing development while enhancing strategic thinking, communication, and teamwork abilities. I genuinely thank the organizing team for their vision and careful work in producing such a significant project. Through their extensive expertise, the mentors and lecturers provide priceless insights and motivation that significantly enhance the educational process. I also thank the hardworking support team, whose smooth operation guarantees the program's success. All things considered, this program makes a substantial contribution to the development of competent and prepared academic leaders

**- Prof. Bhisma Kumar Patel, IIT
Guwahati**



Had a great time of learning and I thank the organisers for their meticulous planning and making us feel at home

**- Prof. J. Jorben, Banaras Hindu University
(BHU)**



Five days in a student role as a listener made us forget ourselves completely. It was a marvellous experience listening to colleagues. No doubt, it is a well-knit workshop, credit to Prof. Vimal Kumar & his very dedicated team. Receiving a certificate of participation at the end is again a different experience (after several decades since my PhD convocation). It looks like, after a “long professor role”, one becomes a “mature student” as well.

- Prof. Amit Amal Ghosal, IISER Kolkata



Sincere thanks to Vimalji, Kasturiji, Suparna, Lisa, Ankit, Himanshu and the entire team for their hard work. You made our stay comfortable and the overall experience very pleasant. You were supportive not only during the sessions but also beyond the training hours.

We really enjoyed your company and would be happy to join such programs again in the future



- Dr. Mayuri Mehta, Sarvajanic College of Engineering and Technology, Surat



We had a truly enriching experience at IIT Kanpur, filled with valuable learning and great memories. The program was power-packed with insightful speakers, relevant content, and amazing participants. The facilities, including hostels and food, were top-notch.

A Huge thanks to the Organising team 🙏

- Prof. Monica Awasthi, A.P. Sen Memorial Girls' Degree College, Lucknow



About IIT Kanpur

Established in 1959 by the Government of India, the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT Kanpur) is an Institute of National Importance, renowned globally for its excellence in education, research, and innovation.

IIT Kanpur offers a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate, integrated, and research programs across science, engineering, management, humanities, and design.

Driven by its mission to provide leadership in technological innovation for India's growth, the Institute is deeply committed to nurturing the next generation of leaders, innovators, and changemakers.

With strong academic foundations, vibrant industry partnerships, and a focus on excellence, creativity, and social responsibility, IIT Kanpur continues its journey towards global eminence, shaping a brighter and more sustainable future for generations to come.



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