

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GANDHINAGAR

HIGH-LEVEL SUMMER INDUSTRY ACADEMIA INTERACTIONS PROGRAMME

As approved by the Director on 8th February 2012 and ratified by the Board of Governors in its 6th meeting held on 10th March 2012, a High Level Summer Industry Academia Interaction Programme for faculty members has been established by IIT Gandhinagar with the following objectives:

1. To bring to participating faculty an immediate and practical knowledge of the practices of industry in India, thus enhancing the relevance of teaching and research at IITGN.
2. To bring some of IITGN's substantial intellectual resources to bear on problems of immediate importance to the cooperating industrial/ R&D organizations, and thus contribute directly to the industrial and economic development of India.

As per the programme, a faculty member spends a period ranging from four to twelve weeks during the summer vacation as an employee of an industrial or R&D organization, applying/ specialized knowledge and skills to contribute to the host organization. During this period, the faculty member takes personal leave/vacation as due from the Institute, and is compensated by the host organization. As a norm, the Institute will usually recommend a monthly remuneration approximately equal to 10 percent of the person's annual salary at IITGN. In addition, the host organization will also be expected to pay for round trip transportation from Ahmedabad and provide accommodation at their location.

The organization takes considerable risk in bringing an outsider into its set-up, especially at a high level. The faculty member must cooperate in maintaining confidentiality of the organization's products and processes, even if it means not publishing or disclosing the results of his/her own work at the organization. However, most organizations permit discussion of the summer work to some degree at least. The work done with an organization during the summer may serve directly as course content, or form the basis of later scientific work by the concerned faculty members or their students at IITGN.