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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I am delighted to present the 2nd edition of the newsletter, which showcases the latest developments and achievements of the Technology Innovation Hub (TIH) at IIT Jodhpur. iHub Drishti has been creating an ecosystem in and around the thematic areas of Computer Vision (CV), Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) and collaborated with researchers from 35 academic institutions, including 3 international universities and 17 business enterprises. iHub Drishti ventured into cutting-edge research in collaboration with the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) and Directorate for Engineering (ENG), United States. iHub Drishti has signed MoU with 3 institutions to implement research and collaboration through hub and spoke model.

IIT Jodhpur and iHub Drishti have created an M.Tech. programme in augmented and virtual reality for working professionals in order to fulfil the growing demand for engineers with a variety of backgrounds in this field and to promote pertinent research and development. The M.Tech. programme offers cross-disciplinary learning possibilities in one of the most difficult fields in advanced technology. Additionally, it is envisioned that this programme will act as a proving ground for cutting-edge concepts in the design, development, and testing of AR and VR systems. 65 executive students are presently enrolled in the programme, started in 2022. The students come from PSUs, government agencies, and startups in the IT industry.

It is very fulfilling to see the successful completion of digitization of five museums of the Rajasthan Government at the cities of Alwar, Chittorgarh, Baran, Bundi and Bharatpur - augmented with 360 degree Interactive, 3D models of the museum artefacts - by iHub Drishti in collaboration with its industry partner Vizara Technologies Pvt. Ltd. These Digital Museums are a step towards the future of digitising India's rich heritage.

We have on-boarded Shri Ashoke Guha as an independent director of iHub Drishti in October 2022. He brings a wealth of experience in financial leadership, with strong exposure in strategic and financial planning. Shri Guha held CFO roles at GMR IGI Airport JVs, FCM Travel (Flight Centre) India and Kuoni Business Travel India, and had enriching stints at DHL Worldwide Express, Philips India, E&Y, and PwC. We welcome him to the team and look forward to working together towards creating robust corporate governance and building a dynamic ecosystem for startups and entrepreneurs.

- Prof. Santanu Chaudhury

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We had a memorable and proud moment when Shri Kris Gopalakrishnan, Chairman, Mission Governing Board (MGB) of NM-ICPS visited iHub Drishti in November 2022.



Dr. Ekta Kapoor, Mission Director, NM-ICPS visited iHub Drishti to review the progress in November 2022.