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**To : The Director/ Head,
State Level Institutes (All)**

Subject : Joining in National I-STEM Portal

Madam/ Sir,

You may be aware that, a National level interactive portal Indian Science, Technology and Engineering Facilities Map (I-STEM), has been initiated to provide support to researchers and strengthen the R&D ecosystem by optimizing and sharing the usage of scientific resources established across the country. This purpose is also in alignment with the policy of the Department of Science & Technology and Biotechnology, Govt. of West Bengal, which aims to bring together, on a common platform, the scientific expertise, resources and infrastructure facilities specifically acquired out of public funds for maximum utilisation for the advancement of scientific research in our State.

This functional portal, I-STEM is centrally maintained by the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India and supports researchers by providing them with technical assistance as well as linking them with R&D available in other institutes. Towards this direction, it has developed a dynamic digital catalogue of indigenous technology and products and proposes to connect the researchers/ start-ups/ industries/ suppliers/ service providers and others concerned. This portal also facilitates the academic institutions to disseminate their webinars/ skill development/ seminars etc. and the scope of advertising vacancies; requirement of skilled HR is there along with several other features.

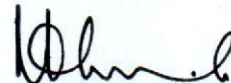
To make such kind of initiative successful and purposeful, participation of academic, research and all concerned institutes across the country is essential.

In this regard, I would request you to take initiative, if not already taken, to link your University to the I-STEM portal and also encourage all the affiliated colleges and institutes under your University to connect. This would not only benefit the academia of our State to get connected to the larger research and innovation ecosystem of the country but would also strengthen our commitment towards scientific development through cooperation.

Further details are available in the link of I-STEM portal: www.istem.gov.in

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,


Principal Secretary