

Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology

Thiruvananthapuram 695 547

Department of Aerospace Engineering

Academic Audit Report 2021-2022

Academic audit committee

	Internal members						
SI.No.	Faculty Name	Role					
1	Dr. M. Deepu, Professor, Aerospace Engineering	Chairman					
2	Dr. C. R. Bijudas, Associate Professor, Aerospace Engineering	Convenor					
3	Dr. Sam Noble, Assistant Professor, Aerospace Engineering	Member					
4	Dr. Harsha Simha M S, Associate Professor, Avionics						

		E	External memb	ers		
SI. No.	Name	Designation	Email	Mobile	Name of the Institute	Role
1	Dr. Rakesh J Pillai	Associate Professor	rakeshpilla@iitpkd.ac.in	9502078377	IIT Palakkad	Member

	I Department profile							
1	No. of Permanent Faculty Members	21						
2	No. of Adjunct Faculty Members	1						
3	No. of Contract Faculty Members	1						
4	No. of Guest Faculty Members	0						

5	No. of Emeritus Professors / Visiting Faculty Members	0
6	No. of Technical Staff / Tutors (Permanent)	6
7	No. of Technical Staff / Tutors (Contract)	12
8	No. of JRFs/ SRF/ JPF (excluding PhD students)	0
9	No. of Project Fellows	0
10	No. of Research Associates	0
11	No. of Post Doctoral Fellows	0

Il Details of academic programmes and student strength in numbers

A .Undergraduate/ Dual Degree / Postgraduate programmes

SI. No.	Programme	Year	Sanctioned strength in the academic year	Student strength in the academic year (At the start of even semester)	Female student strength in the academic year	No. of passed out Students	Pass Percentage
1	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	I Year	70	63	7	0	0.00
2	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	II Year	0	63	0	0	0.00
3	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	III Year	0	69	0	0	0.00
4	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	IV Year	0	56	0	51	91.07
5	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics (Standalone)	l Year	10	6	1	0	0.00
6	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics (Standalone)	II.Year	0	10	1	8	80.00
7	M.Tech.: Structures and Design (Standalone)	I Year	10	8	2	0	0.00
8	M.Tech.: Structures and Design (Standalone)	II Year	0	4	0	·4	100.00

9	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion (Standalone)	I Year	10	8	1	0	0.00
110	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion (Standalone)	II Year	0	7	0	7	100.00
Total			100	294	12	70 .	

B. Details of Student Demand Ratio			11.5	
Programme	No. of students applied	No. of students admitted	Comments	Suggestions
B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	4694	67		
M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics (Standalone)	425	8		
M.Tech.: Structures and Design (Standalone)	440	10		-
M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion (Standalone)	422	9		

PhD	Sanctioned seats	No. of students admitted	Current student strength	Degree awarded
PART TIME	3	3	21	1
FULL TIME	9	9	37	3
Total	12	12	58	4

SI. No.	Programme Name	Course code	Course name	Core/ Elective	Credits assigned	As per curriculum revision/ newly added elective course/ syllabus revised
1	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE411	Rocket Propulsion	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
2	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE412	Aerospace Vehicle Design	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
3	B.Tech.; Aerospace Engineering	AE449	Robot Mechanisms and Technology	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
4	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE468	Computational Fluid Dynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
5	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE473	Finite Element Method	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision

6	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE476	Industrial Engineering	Institute Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
7	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE431	Flight Mechanics and Propulsion Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
8	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE451	Summer Internship and Training	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
9	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE453	Comprehensive Viva-Voce	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
10	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE454	Project Work	Core	12	As per curriculum revision
11	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE311	Compressible Flow	Core	3	syllabus revised
12	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE312	Atmospheric Flight Mechanics	Core	3	syllabus revised
13	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE313	Spaceflight Mechanics	Core	3	syllabus revised
14	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE314	Theory of Elasticity	Core	3	syllabus revised
15	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE331	Aerodynamics Lab	Core	2	syllabus revised
16	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE332	Modeling and Analysis Lab	Core	2	syllabus revised
17	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE321	Air-Breathing Propulsion	Core	3	syllabus revised
18	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE322	Aerospace Structures	Core	3	syllabus revised
19	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE447	Multi Rigid Body Dynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
20	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE457	Flight Dynamics and Control	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
21	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE476	Industrial Engineering	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
22	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE482	High Temperature Gas Dynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
23	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE498	Computational Methods for Compressible Flows	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
24	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE341	Aerospace Structures Lab	Core	1	syllabus revised
25	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE342	Manufacturing Process Lab	Core	1	syllabus revised
26	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE211	Engineering Thermodynamics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision

27	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE212	Mechanics of Solids	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
28	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE213	Fluid Mechanics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
29	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE214	Material Processing Techniques	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
30	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE231	Strength of Materials Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
31	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE232	Machine Drawing	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
32	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE221	Aerodynamics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
33	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE222	Heat Transfer	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
34	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE223	Applied Dynamics and Vibration	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
35	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE224	Machining Science and Technology	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
36	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE241	Thermal and Fluid Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
37	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE242	Metrology and Computer Aided Inspection Lab	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
38	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE111	Introduction to Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
39	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE131	Basic Engineering Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
40	B.Tech.: Aerospace Engineering	AE141	Engineering Graphics	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
41	B.Tech.: Electronics and Communication Engineering(Avionics)	AE476	Industrial Engineering	Institute Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
42	B.Tech.: Electronics and Communication Engineering(Avionics)	AE111	Introduction to Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
43	B.Tech.: Electronics and Communication Engineering(Avionics)	AE131	Basic Engineering Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
44	B.Tech.: Electronics and Communication Engineering(Avionics)	AE141	Engineering Graphics	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
45	Dual Degree: Engineering Physics	AE476	Industrial Engineering	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision

46	Dual Degree: Engineering Physics	AE225	Fluid Dynamics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
47	Dual Degree: Engineering Physics	AE111	Introduction to Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
48	Dual Degree: Engineering Physics	AE131	Basic Engineering Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
49	Dual Degree: Engineering Physics	AE141	Engineering Graphics	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
50	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE851	Seminar	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
51	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE853	Project Work – Phase I	Core	15	As per curriculum revision
52	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE752	Project Work - Phase II	Core	17	As per curriculum revision
53	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE601	Mathematical Methods in Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
54	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE602	Compressible Flow	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
55	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE603	Elements of Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
56	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE621	Fluid Dynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
57	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE622	Aerospace Propulsion	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
58	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE623	Conduction and Radiation Heat Transfer	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
59	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE624	Fundamentals of Combustion	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
60	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE625	Computational Fluid Dynamics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
61	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE721	Boundary Layer Theory	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
62	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE732	Convective Heat Transfer	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
63	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE734	Design and Modeling of Rocket Propulsion systems	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
64	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE735	Turbomachines	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision

65	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE741	Two-Phase Flow and Heat Transfer	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
66	M.Tech.: Thermal and Propulsion	AE702	Thermal and Propulsion Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
67	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE701	Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics Lab	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
68	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE751	Seminar	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
69	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE752	Project Work – Phase I	Core	17	As per curriculum revision
70	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE752	Project Work - Phase II	Core	17	As per curriculum revision
71	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE601	Mathematical Methods in Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
72	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE602	Compressible Flow	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
73	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE611	Aerodynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
74	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE612	Atmospheric Flight Mechanics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
75	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE613	Spaceflight Mechanics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
76	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE622	Aerospace Propulsion	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
77	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE614	Flight Dynamics and Control	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
78	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE715	Computational Methods for Compressible Flows	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
79	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE721	Boundary Layer Theory	Core _	3	As per curriculum revision

80	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE734	Design and Modeling of Rocket Propulsion Systems	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
81	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE735	Turbomachines	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
82	M.Tech.: Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics	AE801	Aerodynamics and Flight Mechanics Lab	Core	2	As per curriculum revision
83	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE851	Seminar	Core	1	As per curriculum revision
84	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE853	Project Work – Phase I	Core	15	As per curriculum revision
85	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE853	Project Work - Phase II	Core	17	As per curriculum revision
86	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE601	Mathematical Methods in Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
87	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE603	Elements of Aerospace Engineering	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
88	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE631	Advanced Solid Mechanics	Core	3 _	As per curriculum revision
89	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE632	Finite Element Method	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
90	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE633	Structural Dynamics	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
91	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE767	Robot Mechanisms and Technology	Elective	3	As per curriculum revision
92	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE634	Mechanics of Composite Materials	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
93	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE704	Operations Research	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
94	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE754	Multi Rigid Body Dynamics	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
95	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE756	Advanced Finite Element Method	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
96	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE762	Smart Materials and Structures	Core	3	As per curriculum revision
97	M.Tech.: Structures and Design	AE803	Aerospace Structures Lab	Core	1	As per curriculum revision

98	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE704	Operations Research	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
99	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE615	Fundamentals of Combustion	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
100	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE741	Two-Phase Flow and Heat Transfer	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
101	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE732	Convective Heat Transfer	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
102	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE625	Computational Fluid Dynamics	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
103	Ph.D.: Course Work - January	AE734	Design and Modeling of Rocket Propulsion Systems	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
104	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE468	Computational Fluid Dynamics	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
105	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE601	Mathematical Methods in Aerospace Engineering	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
106	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE602	Compressible Flow	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
107	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE623	Conduction and Radiation Heat Transfer	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
108	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE621	Fluid Dynamics	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
109	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE631	Advanced Solid Mechanics	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
110	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE632	Finite Element Method	Credited	3	As recommended by DC
111	Ph.D.: Course Work - July	AE633	Structural Dynamics	Credited	3	As recommended by DC

	IV Revie	ew on Curric	ulum	
Criteria	Reponse	Revision made during this academic year	Comments on	Suggestions for improvement

Qualitative comment on the content of the curriculum	EXCELLENT	no	The curriculum covers exhaustively courses in the area of Aerospace Engineering. The dedicated dissertation project is a highlight	Can consider reducing the credit load and giving more open electives in revision
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SI. No.	. Criteria	Response based on criteria	Comments	Suggestions
1	Any innovative teaching methods/aids adopted?	Yes Course projects, Term papers with CDIO philosophy	an exposure of the desired	More activity/ project oriented content can be incorporated wherever possible.
ls any e-learning modules developed?		Yes Online courses and resources during COVID	Moodle is used extensively in many courses	
3	Student evaluation pr	ocedure		
	Criteria	Response	Comments	Suggestions
Course	evaluation	Internal		C 18
Projec	t evaluation	Internal External		- 9
4	Evaluation componer	nts		
	Criteria	Response	Comments	Suggestions
	Theory	Continuous assesment and end semester exam, Continuous assesment and course project		
1	Lab	Continuous assesment and end semester exam, Continuous assesment and course project		
Projec	t/ Internship/ Seminar	Mid term evaluaion and final evaluation		

	Theory	Quiz I Quiz II Others - Assignments, projects and Tutorials and End semester evaluation		
	Lab	Class exercise evaluation & End Semester Examination Lab Projects		
6	Is there any remedial coaching to support weak performers?	Yes		A slow learning track may be formulated for weak students to learn with lesser than stipulated credits in each semester.
7	Is academic feedback from students taken regularly?	Yes	2011	Scillestel.
8	What are the steps taken based on student's feedback?	Modulation of delivery of classes is modified based on the feedback		
9	ls Class committee meetings conducted?	Yes Meetings are conducted twice a semester after each Quiz		illes say

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SI. No	Criteria	Response	Comments	Suggestions
1	Percentage of faculty with PhD	96		
2	No. of journal articles published	41	busine applications	More publications could be attempted by increasing the intake of PhD scholars
3	No. of books published	0		
4	No. of book chapters published	3		- 1 - 2 - 1 - 4
5	No. of invited talks/ conferences/ workshops attended	11	N-G- of the left	DELICATION OF SECURITY

n	No. of research projects funded by IIST	1	
1	No. of research projects funded through ASRG/IIST-ISRO/DoS		
	No. of externally funded		
	research projects like CSIR, DST, DRDO etc.		
9	No. of patents published/ awarded	0	
10	No. of patents filed	0	
11	No. of faculty/student awards received	3	
12	No. of conferences/Workshops/ seminars/Colloquium Organized	5	t ne la
13	No. of conference paper published	34	
14	No. of visits made by the faculty/ student for research collaborations/invited talks/ conferences abroad	0	A hassle free and quick filing process for patents may be adopted
15	No. of Industry collaborative projects		Institute may formulate guidelines for encouraging industry interaction.
16	No. of ISRO mission related projects/ activities	VI Departmont kroutly a sets of	Students may be included in ASRG projects
17	, No. of consultancy services entertained		Projecto A

Criteria	Response	Comments	Suggestions
curricular & co-	Yes Students actively participate in Conscientia and Dhanak Festivals		Selected students may be encouraged to participate in sports and arts competitions at different levels
	Yes IIST funded Externally sponsored	This needs to be enhanced	I SHERRY IN THE

Whether students are doing internship at national academic institutes universities?	Yes IIST funded	This happens at IIST itself in the research labs with faculty mentorship	
Whether students are doing internship at ISRO/ Industries/ R&D institutes?	III S I TUNGEO	Internship at various ISRO centers and other industries	
	Yes Students are active participants of Nirmaan		
Whether department has alumni activities?	No		

IX Details of placement/ higher studies of students

Criteria	UG	PG	PhD	Comments	Suggestions
No. of students placed	41	6	0	7	
No. of students opted for higher studies	2	2	0	E	
No. of students cleared GATE/ SLET/ NET/ CSIR/ UGC/ Others etc.	0	- 0	0	II.	

X Infrastructure in the Department

SI. No.	Criteria	Response	Comments	Suggestions
1	No. of classrooms	8		Augment class rooms with ICT features
2	No. of seminar/ conference rooms	3		
3	No. of instruction labs	16		
4	No. of research labs	11		
5	No. of full-fledged e- learning classrooms	2	44	More classes can be converted to e-learning ones.
6	No. of computing labs	3		Latest hardware and software updating can be done continually

7	Is there any lab with potential for centre of excellence?	Yes, APLD Lab
8	Is there any labs sponsored by external agency?	No
9	Inter-disciplinary research facility	Yes, APLD, Engineering Workshop, Micro Raman and Metrology
1	Is there any common amenities like restroom, recreation club, etc.?	Yes, Restroom and Clubs
1.13	Is there any facilities for differently abled?	Yes, Ramps and toilets
12	Is there any Department ibrary?	Yes

	XII Additional Information	
1,	Does the curriculum of each programme offered by the department provide the Programme Educational Objectives (PEOs)/Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs) and Programme Outcomes (POs)?	Yes
2.	Do the courses offered in each programme by the department provide the Course Objectives and Course Outcomes (COs) written in clear terms?	Yes
3.	Give the status of adopting Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in the programmes offered by the department	Implemented
4.	Give the status of adopting Objective Based Education (OBE) in the programmes offered by the department.	Implemented
5.	Satisfaction level of support of academic, administrative, and other support units of the institution	Excellent
6.		Student Faculty Alumni Employers
7.	The list of extension programmes conducted by the department	Introduction to Space Technology to Military Officers
3.	List Faculty Development Programme conducted (any programme aiming at updating the knowledge of faculty of the department).	
9.	Does students take projects involving Field work/Survey. If yes, give the list.	
10.	The List of MoU and MoAs, that are currently operational during the year.	
11.	Detail the mechanism adopted to help academically disadvantaged students to cope with academic requirements	Additional office hour discussions, Make-up classes and additional tutorials

12.	Detail the mechanism adopted to help students who perform very much below the class averages	Additional office hour discussions, Make-up classes and additional tutorials
13.	The total grant/revenue generated/received from different agencies by the department conducting research projects/consultancy services during the year.	
14.	The suggestions to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the IIST system.	

XIII Strength of the Department (maximum 150 words)

A strong Department of Aerospace Engineering thrives on a three-pronged approach: dedicated students, a research-focused faculty, and a supportive staff. Committed students bring a thirst for knowledge and a drive to excel, pushing the boundaries of the field. Research-oriented faculty members, guide students with their expertise and passion for innovation. Rounding out this team is a skilled staff that provides essential support, ensuring a smooth learning environment and access to necessary hardware and other resources. This powerful combination makes a dynamic atmosphere where ideas flourish, research thrives, and the next generation of aerospace engineers is empowered to take on the challenges of tomorrow.

XIV Weakness of the Department (maximum 150 words)

Despite its strengths, the department also faces some challenges. Its smaller size can limit course offerings and research opportunities compared to larger programs. Additionally, a lack of female faculty can create a less diverse learning environment and potentially discourage women interested in the field. Finally, the department's rigorous curriculum, while fostering excellence, might be difficult for some students, potentially hindering the programme with several backlog students. Addressing these weaknesses through hiring more diverse faculty, mentorship programs, and a focus on interdepartmental collaborations could propel the department to even greater heights.

XV Challenges (maximum 150 words)

The department has challenges in the form of student burn out, lack of flexibility in curriculum and perceived difficulty in the area of aerospace start-ups. As the demanding academic workload doesn't translate directly into desired careers, students are disillusioned to opt for other career paths. The department also has a very slow growth in terms of programmes and focused research centers. There is lack of faculty expertise in many areas of Aerospace Engineering. The limited intake of PhD scholars also pose some challenges. Some global aspects like environmental pollution of aerospace vehicles and immense costs associated with research, development, and manufacturing pose challenges to the department

XVI Opportunities (maximum 150 words)

The department offers a unique launchpad for aspiring aerospace engineers. First and foremost, students gain access to state-of-the-art facilities and laboratories in an environment in which research scholars work. This not only allows them to develop practical skills alongside theoretical knowledge but also develop a research and innovative attitude. IIST further bridges the gap between academia and industry through internship programs at ISRO centers. Here, students tackle real-world problems and gain invaluable experience working alongside leading scientists and engineers. Additionally, IIST fosters a collaborative environment where undergraduates can participate in research projects with faculty or even scientists from ISRO-affiliated institutions. This exposure to cutting-edge research ignites a passion for innovation and prepares students for future postgraduate studies or careers in the field. Beyond ISRO, the program's strong foundation opens doors to opportunities in various aerospace and mechanical engineering sectors across India and the globe.

XVII Any other details relevant to the department

Final Recommendations

The department may consider hiring faculty with diversity in perspective More faculty may be hired with expertise in several areas which are not available in the institute at present. Enhance the PhD intake of the department. Devise a mechanism to have closer interaction with ISRO centers

On the day of visit, the team verified all the documents and records available in the department and evaluated the academic process. A detailed report of the audit is given above. The report is signed by the following:

S	gnature of Committee Members
1	Dr. M. Deepu, Professor, Aerospace
2	Dr. C. R. Bijudas, Associate Professor, Aerospace
3	Engineering: Dr. Sam Noble, Assistant Professor, Aerospace
4	Engineering: Dr. Harsha Simha M S, Associate
5	Professor, Avionics: Dr. Rakesh J Pillai, Associate Professor, IIT Palakkad:
	Palakkad:

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