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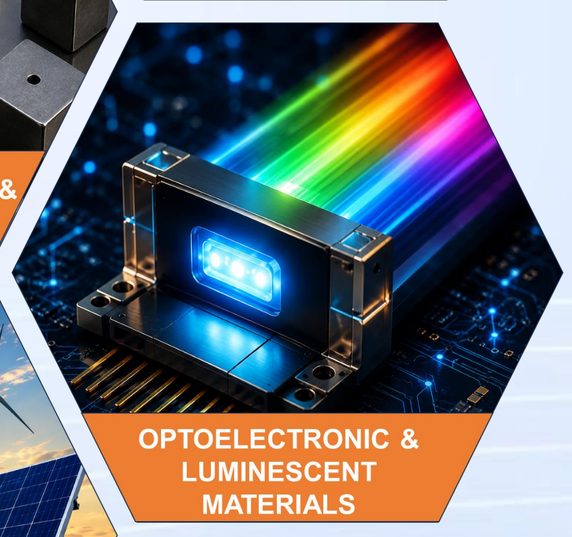
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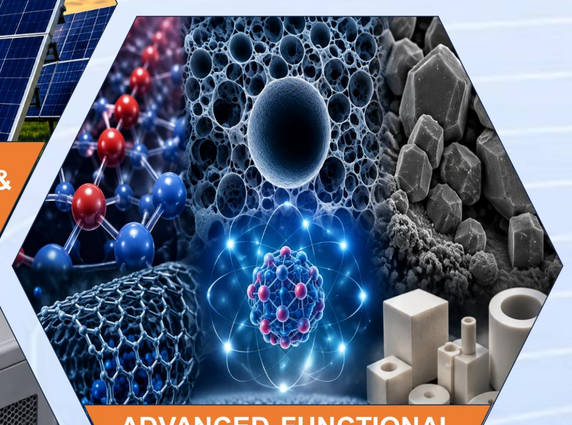
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INNOVATIVE FUNCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES (iMEET-2026)


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SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION
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IMPORTANT DATES

- Abstract Submission Opens - August 01, 2026
- Abstract Submission Deadline - September 04, 2026
- Notification of Acceptance - September 14, 2026
- Early Bird Registration Ends - October 24, 2026

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CSIR–Indian Institute of Chemical Technology), a premier constituent laboratory of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Government of India, is one of the country's leading multidisciplinary research institutions dedicated to advancing science and technology for societal and industrial benefit. Established in 1944 as the Central Laboratories for Scientific and Industrial Research (CLSIR) and later integrated into CSIR, IICT has earned international recognition for its pioneering contributions in chemical sciences, chemical engineering, advanced materials, pharmaceuticals, catalysis, environmental technologies, energy, agrochemicals, and sustainable manufacturing. Through cutting-edge research, innovation-driven technology development, and strong collaborations with academia, industry, and international organizations, CSIR-IICT continues to play a pivotal role in addressing national priorities and global challenges while nurturing scientific excellence and translating research into impactful technologies.

About PFM Department

The Department of Polymers and Functional Materials (PFM) at CSIR–IICT is a multidisciplinary research hub dedicated to the design, synthesis, processing, and application of next-generation functional materials for energy, environmental, healthcare, strategic, and industrial technologies. The department is actively engaged in frontier research encompassing magnetic and permanent magnet materials, magnetocaloric materials, functional oxides and ceramics, nanostructured and multifunctional materials, polymers and polymer composites, thermoelectric and optoelectronic materials, energy conversion and storage materials, hydrogen technologies, advanced coatings, and critical materials. Equipped with state-of-the-art research facilities and supported by internationally recognized scientists, the department has established strong collaborations with leading universities, national laboratories, and industries across the globe. Through its fundamental and translational research programmes, the department is committed to developing sustainable, high-performance materials that address emerging technological challenges while contributing to scientific innovation and societal development.

About the Conference

The Department of Polymers and Functional Materials, CSIR–Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (CSIR-IICT), Hyderabad, is pleased to announce the International Conference on Innovative Functional Materials for Energy and Environmental Technologies (i-MEET 2026), to be held during 4–6 November 2026 at CSIR-IICT, Hyderabad, India. The conference is being organized as one of the major outreach activities under the Institutions's ongoing international collaborative research programmes. One of the key objectives of these programmes is to disseminate scientific knowledge, foster global collaborations, and provide a common platform for researchers, academicians, industry professionals, and students to exchange ideas and explore emerging research opportunities in advanced functional materials. Over the course of three days, **i-MEET 2026** will bring together eminent scientists, academicians, industry leaders, and young researchers from across the globe to Present and discuss the latest advances and emerging trends in advanced functional materials for energy, environmental, strategic, and sustainable technologies. The conference will feature plenary lectures, keynote and invited talks, oral and poster presentations, industry interactions, and dedicated networking sessions, providing an excellent platform for scientific exchange, interdisciplinary collaborations, international partnerships, and the development of future collaborative research initiatives.

In addition, the conference will feature flash oral presentations by young researchers, including postdoctoral fellows and Ph.D. scholars, along with dedicated poster sessions to showcase research and foster scientific discussions and interactions.

Abstract Submission

- A4, Times New Roman (Title 14 pt; Text 12 pt)
- Maximum 250 words
- Include title, authors, affiliation and email
- Deadline: 4th September 2026
- Email: imeet2026@csiriict.in

Flash Presentations: Ph.D. scholars in the final stages of thesis submission with a strong record of research work are invited to present and showcase their key research findings and outcomes.

Further details regarding eligibility, submission guidelines, and presentation schedules will be announced in the conference website. Participants are requested to frequently check the website for further updates.

Conference Themes

- Rare-earth and Critical Materials
- Magnetic, Permanent Magnet, Spintronic, and Magnetocaloric Materials
- Advanced Functional Oxides, Ceramics, Nanostructured, and Multifunctional Materials
- Energy Conversion, Storage, and Harvesting Materials – Solar & Photovoltaic, Photocatalytic, Thermoelectric, Battery, Supercapacitor, Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Materials
- Optoelectronic and Luminescent Materials
- Advanced Coatings, Surface Engineering, Shape memory alloys and Materials for Strategic, Environmental, and Defence Application

Registration

Category	Early Bird Registration (Indians/ Foreigners)	Regular/Spot Registration (Indians/ Foreigners)
Industry Participants	₹10,000/ 300 USD	₹12,000/ 350 USD
Academic Faculty / Scientists (Universities, R&D Organizations)	₹6,000/ 200 USD	₹7,000/ 250 USD
Research Scholars/Students	₹3,000/ 100 USD	₹4,000/ 150 USD

*Accompanying Person Fee: ₹2,500/- (USD 80) per person
*Registration Fee for CSIR-IICT Alumni: ₹4,000/-

Registration Fee Includes

✓ Conference registration and access to all technical sessions
✓ Conference kit and conference materials
✓ Lunch and refreshments during conference days
✓ Participation certificate

Registration Fee Does Not Include

✗ Accommodation ✗ Travel expenses ✗ Personal expenses

Note: Early-bird registration will be applicable until the announced deadline. Spot/regular registration fees will apply thereafter.

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Accommodation for registered participants will be arranged on request subject to availability. Limited accommodation is available in CSIR-IICT Guest House and nearby hostels for students. In addition, a number of hotels with special conference tariffs, ranging from budget to premium categories, are located within a short distance the conference venue. Participants are encouraged to send their accommodation requests well in advance.

Please note: Accommodation charges are to be borne by the participants. Detailed information on accommodation options and reservation procedures will be available on the conference website.

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The Organizing Committee welcomes sponsorships in various categories. Customized sponsorship packages are also available upon request.

Category	Contribution (INR)	Benefits
Platinum Sponsor	₹3,00,000	Two exhibition stalls, five complimentary registration, logo on conference publicity materials, full-page colour advertisement in the souvenir, and acknowledgement during the inaugural and valedictory sessions.
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Organizations wishing to advertise their products, services, research activities, or institutional profile in the conference souvenir may choose from the following options:

Advertisement Type	Size of the display	Tariff (INR)
Back Cover (Colour)	24 cm×18 cm	₹1,00,000
Inside Front Cover (Colour)	24 cm×18 cm	₹75,000
Full Page (Colour)	24 cm×18 cm	₹40,000
Full Page (Black and White)	24 cm×18 cm	₹25,000
Profile of Industry/Project Engineering Companies	for every “two-pages”	₹40,000 (Colour) ₹25,000 (B & W)

Exhibition

A limited number of exhibition stalls will be available for industries, research organizations, publishers, and scientific instrument manufacturers to display their products and technologies during the conference. Interested people are requested to contact the Organizing Committee for further details.

For sponsorship, exhibition, and advertisement enquiries, please contact:

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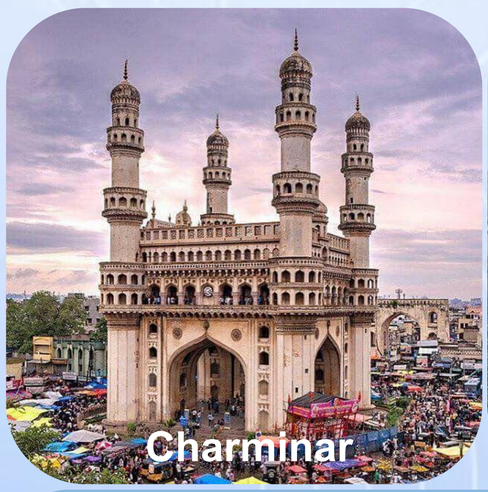
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Hyderabad Deccan (Nampally) Railway Station – ~9 km
Charlapally Railway Terminal – ~10 km

By Road: Hyderabad has excellent road connectivity with major cities across Telangana and neighbouring states. CSIR-IICT, located at Tarnaka, Hyderabad, can be easily reached by taxis, buses, and other local transport.

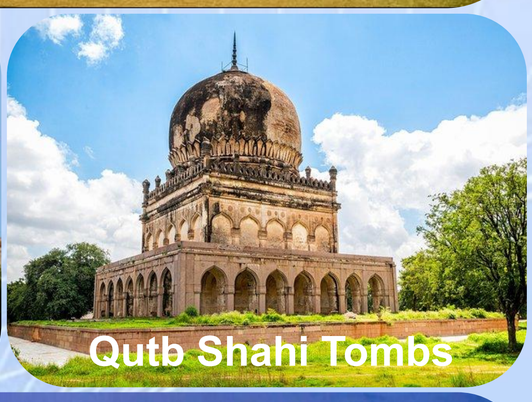
Places to Visit near Hyderabad

- **Charminar** – The iconic symbol of Hyderabad and a historic monument surrounded by the famous Laad Bazaar (known for bangles, jewellery, handicrafts).
- **Salar Jung Museum** – One of India’s largest museums, an extensive collection of art, antiques, and historical artefacts.
- **Chowmahalla Palace** – A magnificent palace complex showcasing the royal heritage and grandeur of the Nizams.
- **Golconda Fort** – A magnificent fort known for its architecture, rich history, and panoramic views of the city.
- **Qutb Shahi Tombs** – A historic complex featuring beautifully preserved Indo-Islamic architecture and royal tombs.
- **Hussain Sagar Lake** – A scenic lake featuring the iconic Buddha statue and beautiful views of Hyderabad.
- **Lumbini Park** – A scenic urban park near Hussain Sagar, known for its gardens, boating, and laser show.
- **Birla Mandir** – A beautiful hilltop temple dedicated to Lord Venkateswara, offering panoramic views of the city.
- **Birla Science Centre** – A popular educational destination featuring a science, planetarium, and archaeological museum.
- **Ramoji Film City (~30 km)** – A world-famous film studio complex offering film sets, entertainment attractions, gardens
- **Statue of Equality (~40 km)** – A major spiritual and architectural attraction featuring the impressive statue of Sri Ramanujacharya.
- **Nagarjuna Sagar Dam (~165 km)** – A major dam across the Krishna River and a popular sightseeing destination.

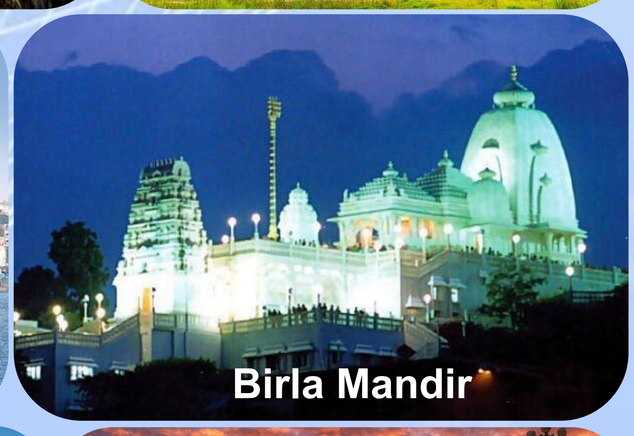

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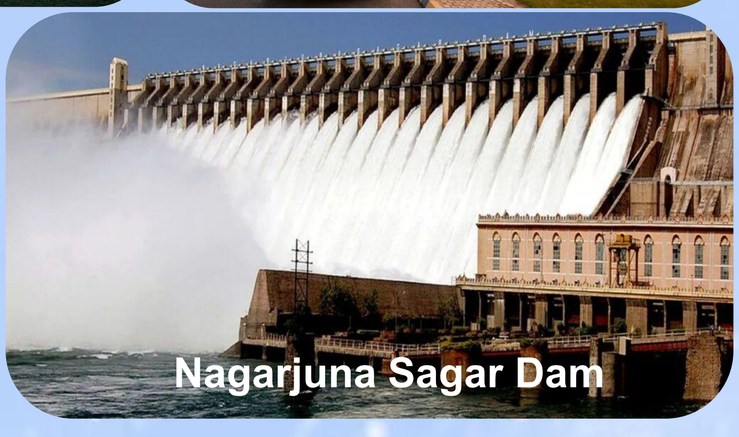

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