

National Innovation Challenge for Drone Application & Research (NIDAR)

Respected Madam/Sir,

Greetings from AICTE!

The National Innovation Challenge for Drone Application & Research (NIDAR) is India's largest national drone innovation challenge hosted by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and Drone Federation India (DFI) under the SwaYaan Initiative. SwaYaan is a National Initiative by MeitY to develop and strengthen India's UAS/Drone ecosystem, aligning with the Government's vision to make India a global drone hub by 2030. The Drone Federation India (DFI) is a non-government, non-profit, industry-led body representing 550+ drone companies and 5500+ drone pilots across the country.

With prizes, startup incubation, and industry mentorship, NIDAR inspires students and researchers from academia to build collaborative autonomous drones for solving real-world problems in disaster management and precision agriculture. Through this initiative, participants gain hands-on experience, industry-relevant skills, and access to career opportunities in India's rapidly growing drone sector. NIDAR aims to be a transformative milestone in shaping India's future of drone technology and aerospace innovation.

Institutions are encouraged to motivate their students & researchers to register for NIDAR at <https://nidar.org.in>. The last date for registration is 10th May 2025.

We seek your active support for the initiative.

PFA:-

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hw23rOTXBul3MJle0bXJwYj413x3epkD/view?usp=sharing>

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