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For Circulation to all the Directors of  
AKIU affiliated Institution.

  
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कुलपति

Dear Vice Chancellor,  
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Technical University

Greetings from NPTEL, IIT Madras.

The National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL) is a project funded by the Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India and carried out by the seven IITs (Bombay, Delhi, Guwahati, Kanpur, Kharagpur, Madras, and Roorkee) along with IISc, Bangalore. Presently NPTEL offers online certification courses on SWAYAM with proctored in-person exams at designated centers which gives credibility to its certificates. Till date 5900+ courses have been offered for certification by NPTEL with more than 2.58 crore enrollments and 35.3 lakh exam registrations. In July 2023, the total number of exam registered candidates was more than 12 lakhs.

#### Credit Mechanism

As per the UGC gazette notification dated 25th March, 2021, the higher education institution may allow only up to 40% of the total courses, being offered in a particular programme in a semester, through the online credit course, through the SWAYAM platform. Many universities such as JNTU, MAKAUT, AKTU, KTU, VTU and institutes including IITs/NITs have approved these courses for credit transfer. We urge you to introduce a similar crediting mechanism in your esteemed institution too, if not already done.

#### Refer this link for more details :

[https://archive.nptel.ac.in/content/college\\_assets/spoc\\_refdocs/UGC-Notification.pdf](https://archive.nptel.ac.in/content/college_assets/spoc_refdocs/UGC-Notification.pdf)

#### Faculty taking NPTEL courses

More than 50,000 faculty working in colleges study from NPTEL courses and write exams. Advanced level courses are approved as FDP courses with the approval of AICTE.

#### NPTEL Certification Exams

NPTEL conducts the certification exams in 210+ cities across the country. Students who register for exams have to come to designated centres in person and write the exams under proctored conditions. Please find the NPTEL exam dates for the Jan 2024 semester below. We kindly request that universities/institutes plan their exam calendars and avoid a clash of schedule, so that the students can comfortably take both the university/college as well as NPTEL exams. The exam schedule is also notified to all of its 5900+ partnering institutions.

#### Jan-Apr 2024 semester - Timelines

Please refer to the schedule given below for the upcoming Jan-Apr 2024 semester.

	<b>4 weeks (SET 1)</b>	<b>8 weeks (SET 1)</b>	<b>12 weeks</b>	<b>4 weeks (SET 2)</b>	<b>8 weeks (SET 2)</b>
<b>Start of course</b>	Jan 22, 2024	Jan 22, 2024	Jan 22, 2024	Feb 19, 2024	Feb 19, 2024
<b>End of course</b>	Feb 16, 2024	Mar 15, 2024	Apr 12, 2024	Mar 15, 2024	Apr 12, 2024
<b>Exam dates</b>	March 23/24, 2024 2 Sessions on each date 9am-12 noon; 2pm-5pm		April 20/21/27/28, 2024 2 Sessions on each date 9am-12 noon; 2pm-5pm		
Open enrollment to the course	Nov 15, 2023				
Close enrollment to the course	Jan 29, 2024 - 5pm			February 19, 2024 - 5pm	
Open exam registration form	<b>Dec 20, 2023</b>				
Close exam registration form	Feb 16, 2024 - 5pm			March 15, 2024 - 5pm	

**Note: In case NPTEL gets more registration than the total capacity that can be handled in a city, to not inconvenience the registered learners, exams are conducted on additional dates. These are decided as follows: March 22 , 2024 & April 18, 19, 22, 2024)**

We request you to pass on this letter to the Controller of Examinations of your Institution to **ensure that the exam dates of your Institution do not clash with NPTEL exam dates** so that students and faculty from your college can successfully write NPTEL exams and benefit from the credit transfer process.

We also request you to kindly make available your computer labs for the exams so that we may check the compatibility for conducting exams on the dates given above through the exam partner.

If you wish to know any other details, please contact Prof. Andrew Thangaraj ([andrew@nptel.iitm.ac.in](mailto:andrew@nptel.iitm.ac.in)) who is the PI of SWAYAM and Coordinator, NPTEL, IIT Madras.

Thank you.

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