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DRDO-Industry-Academia Conclave



Organised by :-



Institute of Defence Scientists & Technologists

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At SSPL, DRDO, Delhi-110054 **On 20-21 February 2026**

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ABOUT THE CONCLAVE

India has successfully established various defence technologies required for the development and production of modern defence equipment and complex systems.

Many of the equipment designed, developed by **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)**, and manufactured indigenously have been deployed, tested, performed to the full specification, and proved successful during "Operation Sindoor." Bulk production of these equipments and systems to meet our own services and enhanced export requirement is the next mile stone.

DRDO, as a premier agency under the Ministry of Defence, continues to lead the nation's efforts in defence technology, innovation, and research. The vibrant **Indian academia** and rapidly maturing **Industrial sector** are vital partners in this endeavour.

To harness the collective strengths of these three pillars—DRDO, Industry, and Academia, Institute of Defence Scientists & Technologists (IDST), is organising this conclave.

IDST is a registered society of retired DRDO Scientists with more than 1350 members. It was conceptualised in 2003 by DRDO for utilizing the vast pool of knowledge, experience, and technical know-how of its members for the benefit of DRDO. It is recognized by DRDO as a "Deemed Academic Institution" for the purpose of acquisition of professional service. The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) has accorded recognition to IDST as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (SIRO).

The **Primary aim** of the conclave is to establish and deepen synergies among DRDO, Industry and Academic institutions, thereby accelerating research and development (R&D), fostering innovation, and facilitating the translation of cutting-edge research into deployable technologies for national security and societal needs.

SCOPE

The conclave is envisioned as a national-level event spanning two days, bringing together a diverse range of participants and stakeholders - DRDO, Centres of Excellence, Army Design Bureau, Services HQ, Representatives from leading academic institutions, leaders from defence, aerospace, information technology, materials science, manufacturing and Start-ups.



EVENT STRUCTURE

The two days conclave will be structured to maximise knowledge exchange , net- working and actionable outcomes. Various sessions are being planned as under:

Inaugural Session: With addresses by the Chief Guest and Key note speaker.

DRDO Session: Having talks on Futuristic Technologies; Policies related to Defence Production coordination and Services Interaction; DRDO policies on funding and startups.

Centres of Excellence & Academia Session: With a Key note address on the session theme, three experts from academia shall showcase technological status related to their expertise in their centres / institutes, highlighting the resources available and scope for furthering their efforts in research.

DRDO Labs Session: Four talks on specialised equipment groups viz. Radars & Communication; Robots & Drones; Armaments with a case study and Transfer of Technology (ToT) procedure with specific examples of Semiconductor materials and devices.

Invited Talks: On topics like Engineering Systems, Missile Systems, Laser Weapons, Quantum Technology, Naval Systems, Combat Vehicles and Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning.

Industries Session: A two hours session dedicated to the manufacturing industries showcasing their resources and capabilities, highlighting the issues needing attention.

IDST shall also make a short presentation on their role as binding agent and strong service provider.

The event will schedule an Open house discussion, Networking interludes and concluding session.

Static displays of Posters, models and video displays by the industry participants can be organised when requested in advance at their cost.

REGISTRATION:

Invited guests and speakers shall be Honorary delegates.

Delegates from Government (Centre & State) offices,
Academic Institutes and PSUs – Rs. 4000/-* per delegate.

Delegates from Industry and other organisations –
Rs. 8000/-* per delegate.

*GST @ 18% additional.

SPONSORS:

Category	Amount	Privileges
Platinum	3,00,000/-*	Nominate 4 Delegates;
		Presentation during session.
Gold	2,00,000/-*	Nominate 3 Delegates;
		Presentation during session.
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		Presentation during session.

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THE VENUE & DATES:

Solid State Physical Laboratory (SSPL), DRDO Complex, Timarpur, DELHI 20-21 February, 2026