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IMPORTANT EVENTS

Contract signed for M. Tech course in Defence Technology with Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI), Mumbai for academic years 2025-26 & 2026-27

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EDITORIAL

Dear Fellow Members,

IDST Pune Branch is glad to place in your hands “18th issue of E-Bulletin” for the period from 01st Jul 2025 to 31st Dec 2025. During these six months, we have successfully completed various assignments taken up by IDST Pune Branch. IDST Pune is happy to announce that a contract for 5th batch of M. Tech course in Defence Technology with Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI), Mumbai has been signed on 03 Sep 2025 for academic years 2025-26 & 2026-27. Moreover, we report some of the important events and meetings that took place during this period.

BRANCH REPORTING MEETINGS

1. Regional Council Meeting

- During the period of this issue, two regional council meetings were held on 25th Sept 2025 and 16th Dec 2025. In these meetings, discussions were held on status of IDST projects and financial position of the Pune Branch.
- Dr. DB Sarwade, Chairman briefed about the progress of the current IDST projects and progress of the new CAPSIs in pipeline and the plan of action.
- Chairman also briefed about the decisions taken in Central Council meeting and intimation on signing of MoU with AERO and NADP.

2. New Member

Only 01 No. Scientist who recently retired from NMRL has become a life member of IDST Pune branch. Details of the individual are as given below.

Sr No.	Membership Name	Designation	Retired from
1.	P-1590	Dr. Biswajyoti Basu OS (Scientist H)	NMRL, Ambarnath

3. Central Council Meeting

During the period of this issue, two Central Council meetings were conducted online on 18th Sept 2025 and 22nd Dec 2025.

Digital Life Certificate Facility : IDST Pune has extended the facility of Digital Life Certificate for pension purpose to our members and their families.



EVENTS

1. TRAINING PROGRAM ON “EXPLOSIVE AND FIRE SAFETY”

During the period under report, 2 Nos. of Training programs on ‘Explosive and Fire Safety’ were conducted at M/s Solar Industries India Ltd., Nagpur. The first program was from 10th to 12th July 2025 for a period of 3 days and second program from 08th to 12th Sept 2025 for a period of 5 days. Thirty-five numbers of participants attended each training program.

2. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The Annual General Meeting of IDST Pune branch was held on 29th Dec 2025 at AROMI. In addition to administrative and financial deliberations, the felicitation of New Members and Members who attained 75 years of age and 80+ years of age were also organized. Moreover, two Best PIs were also felicitated in appreciation for their longest duration of working on projects as PI. AGM was concluded with lunch at AROMI.



Felicitations



Dr. MS Bokade

New Member



Dr. BR Gandhe

75+ age Member



Dr DB Sarwade

Best PI



Maj Gen (Retd.) SS Sharma,
KC, VSM

Best PI

Felicitations : 80+ age Members



Shri KC Arora



Shri SP Mane



Dr. CP Achuthan



Shri TK Ghosh

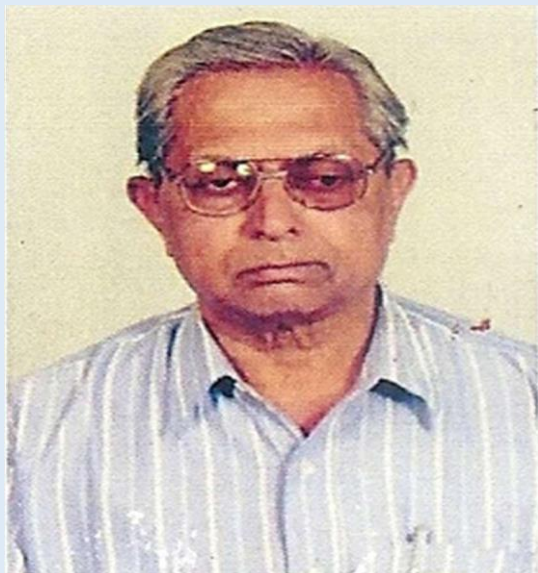


EVENTS

3. M. TECH COURSE IN DEFENCE TECHNOLOGY:

- The first three batches have been completed the M. Tech Course in Defence Technology.
- Students from the 4th Batch are placed at various Private industries for Project / Dissertation.
- Contract for 5th Batch with VJTI is signed on 3rd Sept 2025 & its 1st year is under progress.
- Integrated M. Tech. course in Defence Technology has already been started at AERO Pune and its 2nd Batch is under progress. MoU has also been signed with AERO.
- MoU with NADP, Nagpur has been signed for two Certificate Courses on Explosives and Ammunition.

SAD DEMISE OF IDST MEMBERS, PUNE REGION DURING JUL 2025 TO DEC 2025



We feel extremely sorry to report that one of our IDST, Pune Region member has left for his heavenly abode. We offer our deepest condolences to the members of the bereaved family and his near and dear ones. May his soul rest in peace and may GOD give the family strength to bear the irreparable loss.

Mr. PR Badadare

Mr. PR Badadare, Scientist 'C' (Retd.), Pune Region IDST Membership No. P - 587 retired from R&D (E) on 31/10/1999 and passed away on 24th Nov 2025.



GREETINGS TO MEMBERS

Our members who celebrate their birthdays during this period (Jul to Dec 2025) are as follows :

- Jul** 1) Mr. VS Dhavalikar, 2) Dr. RA Chansarkar, 3) Mr. AV Tuljapurkar, 4) Mr. SK Chaturvedi, 5) Mr. Ganesh Singh, 6) Cmde Ratan Singh, 7) Dr. CG Kumbhar, 8) Mr. VB Ware, 9) Mr. CM Kulkarni, 10) Mr. RR Mahajan, 11) Mr. GC Popli, 12) Mr. A Basu, 13) Dr. RN Sarwade, 14) Mr. DN Joshi, 15) Dr. T.K. Chakraborty, 16) Mr. Dharendra Kumar, 17) Mr. Kapil Deo, 18) Mr. A P Narkhade, 19) Dr. Shashi Bhushan Singh, 20) Mr. Padam Ram Arya, 21) Mr. KJ Thomas, 22) Dr. PM Koli
- Aug** 1) Brig. YL Sharma, 2) Mr. SN Katare, 3) Mr. DK Das, 4) Mr. VS Shinde, 5) Mr. JL Raj, 6) Maj. Gen. PB Deshpande, 7) VSM, Dr. MB Deshmukh, 8) Mr. Mizaji Lal, 9) Dr. R S Damse, 10) Mr. C S Salutagikar, 11) Mr. Mahesh Prabhakar Mulay, 12) Mr. KPS Murthy
- Sep** 1) Brig. VD Prabhu, VSM 2) Mr. PS Deshpande, 3) Mr. VV Makhija, 4) Mr. NM Hariprasad, 5) Mr. PN Gadhihar, 6) Mr. KC Arora, 7) Dr. BP Joshi, 8) Mr. MM Shete, 9) Mr. Shrinivas Shankar Pundale, 10) Mr. Bhimarao Shankar Gugale, 11) Dr. D B Sarwade, 12) Mr. Naresh Kumar, 13) Dr. Ashok Govind Nagarkar, 14) Dr. Rakesh Ramesh Sanghavi
- Oct** 1) Col. SR Dharwadkar, 2) Mr. SM Wele, 3) Smt. V Ramaswamy, 4) Mr. SR Rajan, 5) Mr. K Raghunatha Rao, 6) Mr. HJ Gandhi, 7) Mr. SK Misra, 8) Mr. K Abraham, 9) Air Cmde K.V. RAO, 10) Mr. S.B. Lokhande, 11) Mr. SB Borkar, 12) Dr. S M Pande, 13) Dr. A K Mishra, 14) Dr. VP Bansod
- Nov** 1) Mr. MA Sinare, 2) Mr. PK Venkatachalam, 3) Mr. NP Barhate, 4) Dr. PC Deb, 5) Dr. CP Achuthan, 6) Mr. S Mukerjee, 7) Dr. Anjan Dasgupta, 8) Mr. Milind Dattatraya Bagewadi, 9) Mr. Tara Singh, 10) Mr. Nakharu Prasad, 11) Dr. YR Mahajan, 12) Mr. MS Bokade, 13) Dr. Biswajyoti Basu
- Dec** 1) Mr. RB Marathe, 2) Mr. SS Balakrishnan, 3) Dr. Brig. RC Pathak, 4) Prof. GS Mani, 5) Mr. Mohinder Singh, 6) Prof. Om Prakash, 7) Mr. TK Ghosh, 8) Col. SK Sinha, 9) Mr. Arun R Vaidya, 10) Mr. SM Nirgude, 11) Mr. PG Vaidya, 12) Dr. CL Dhamejani, 13) Dr. Suresh Chandra Sharma, 14) Dr. Virendra Kumar, 15) Dr. R K Sinha, 16) Mr. YS Dhoke

**WE ALL WISH THEM : “GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS IN A LONG PEACEFUL LIFE”
SO MANY OF OUR BEST MEMORIES INCLUDE YOU ALL. HERE'S TO ANOTHER YEAR OF MAKING
MORE MEMORIES TOGETHER.**

FOR PRIVATE CIRCULATION AMONGST MEMBERS OF IDST AND THEIR ASSOCIATES

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