## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE Through TEQIP II:

AITAM was selected as one among 25 private institutions in the country under TEQIP Phase II (2011-12) through a nationally competitive selection procedure with an objective to strengthen institution to improve learning outcomes and employability of Graduates. The Threefold approach, FUNDING Rs 6 crores (4 crores general and 2 crores for one of the Best performing Institutions), MENTORING, PERFORMANCE AUDITING and support from the TEQIP programmes have played a crucial role in improving academic excellence through the following activities:

## • Implementation of Institutional reforms:

Obtained UGC Autonomous institution status in 2013, 80% of its eligible UG programs Re-accredited by NBA (2018) and Accredited by NAAC in 2013. Four BoG meetings held to improve the overall quality of education every year.

## • Updation of learning resources:

Digital Library strengthened by subscribing 356 online journals including IEEE, SPRINGER, ASME, ASCE etc. 2460 special reference books also purchased.

Total 12 Software Packages have been purchased for R& D activities.

#### • Curricular reforms:

Made changes in the curriculum after reviewing with Industry personnel resulting in R13, R16 and R18 regulations with the approval of BoS, Academic Council and BoG.

#### • Faculty and Staff development for improved competence:

100% regular faculty with Master degree, 41 having PhD degrees (12 in 2013) and 75 are pursuing PhD in various universities. Four departments i.e CSE, Mechanical, EEE & ECE recognized as Research centers by JNTU Kakinada. (12 students pursuing Ph.D under our faculty supervisors). Total **50** In House Programmes organized **56** Faculty deputed to IITs **05** to NITTTRs for pedagogy training. The number of publications in the referred journals is increased from 319 to 1397.

#### • Enhanced interaction with industry and Employability:

18 MoUs signed with institutions and industry for internships, trainings and placements. The placement rate has increased from 30% to 60% and the average salary of placement package increased from 1.2 to 3 lakhs per annum.

- ❖ 10 innovative ideas were incubated out of which 5 are started functioning and became entrepreneurs.
- \* Research culture is encouraged among the students and faculty by participating in conferences, Project-Expo and Innovative Idea conclaves. Recently 4 students have participated in Stanford University, USA programme.

## • Institutional management capacity enhancement:

39 Faculty deputed to **IIMs**, 02 to **ISB**, 02 to **ASCI**, and 08 to **ESCI** to improve the management & Leadership skills enhancement to develop Next Academic Leaders.

# • Academic support to Weaker students :

Remedial classes, special classes for hostel students (BC, SC & ST) were conducted successfully to improve the pass percentage and transition rate (1<sup>st</sup> year to 2<sup>nd</sup> year) from 50% to 65%.

# • Increased overall student and faculty satisfaction:

Since its inception AITAM has been encouraging the students & faculty in their academic pursuits by imparting high quality technical education and striving hard to transform this institute into one of the best technological institutions in the country.