# UNNATI - ISRO

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#### **Background**

India announced a capacity building programme UNNATI (UNispace Nanosatellite Assembly & Training by ISRO) on Nanosatellites development through a combination of theoretical coursework and hands-on training on Assembly, Integration and Testing (AIT) in June 2018(formally inaugurated in 2019) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first United nation conference UNISPACE+50

#### **Key highlights**

### Objectives

The programme aims at capacity building in satellite technology for participants from countries interested in developing space programme by providing hands-on experience in building and testing of nano satellites. The primary objectives of the programme are:

- To offer a simplified and increased exposure to satellite fabrication technologies, as part of the UNISPACE initiative
- 2. To provide theoretical course on satellite technology
- 3. To provide intensive course on nano satellite realization, covering mission aspects, design, fabrication, assembly, integration & testing
- 4. To provide hands-on training to assemble, integrate and test a low cost modular nano satellite
  - U R Rao Satellite Centre (URSC) being the lead centre of ISRO for satellite building has designed the basic structure of this programme with equal emphasis on theoretical and practical exposure.

#### Who Should Attend

- The course is aimed at Engineering/ Science graduates or Postgraduates who have an aptitude to learn about space technology, design of circuits for various space systems and management of space systems.
- 2. Each participating country shall nominate a team of 2 members consisting of one Mechanical Engineer and one Electrical/Electronics Engineer.
- 3. In case a desired engineering candidate is not available, the alternate nominee must have physics background

# • Three modules under the programme:

- 1. Module 1: Basics of satellite technology and its applications (Duration: 2 weeks) The participants will be introduced to the topics of the satellite technology
- 2. Module 2: Nano satellite missions (Duration: 2 weeks) Nano satellite and laws governing their impact on space debris
- 3. Module 3: Hands-on training on nano satellite assembly, integration and testing (Duration: 4 weeks)

# About United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)

- UNOOSA works to promote international cooperation in the peaceful uses and exploration of space.
- Towards the UNISPACE initiative, United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) is working on a system of "UN led international constellation of satellites" for Disaster risk reduction, GNSS, Telecommunication and other initiatives focused at developing countries.
- It also promotes the utilization of space science and technology for sustainable economic and social development.
- The Office assists any United Nations Member State to establish legal and regulatory frameworks to govern space activities.

- It strengthens the capacity of developing countries to use space science technology and applications for development by facilitating the integration of space capabilities into national developmental programmes.
- •Through the United Nations Programme on Space Applications, UNOOSA conducts international workshops, training courses and pilot projects on topics that include remote sensing, satellite navigation, satellite meteorology, tele-education and basic space sciences for the benefit of developing nations.
- It also administers the United Nations Platform for Space-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response (UN-SPIDER).
- Together with all stakeholders, the shared goal for UNISPACE+50 is to build a comprehensive Space 2030 agenda that will integrate space activities into sustainable and long-term developmental goals, based on the peaceful exploration and uses of outer space