IETE STUDENTS' FORUM BACKGROUND

The IETE has built up an impressive strength of student members all over the Country, at both Graduate (AM) and Diploma (SD) levels. A pass in Section A & B makes them eligible for AMIETE / DipIETE respectively. Students chapters of IETE Centres generally take care of the academic / professional needs of these members.

IETE however needs to be well known to all electronics / telecommunication / computer science / information technology students to build awareness amongst them for the mutual benefit. In India, there are nearly 600 Engineering Colleges (affiliated to Universities), over 190 universities and over 750 Polytechnics (coming under State Dtes). Most of these Institutions have Departments of Electronics /Telecom / Computer / IT / Electrical and related areas of direct interest to IETE and prepare the students for BE/B Tech or Diploma Qualifications.

The IETE can play a useful and stimulating role by

- improving the standard of education;
- counselling the students in the emerging new opportunities;
- encouraging outside-the-classroom studies / practical work / seminars etc;
- better employment of the students on completion of their courses;
- substantial increase of IETE membership and its nation wide distributions.

In view of this, it is proposed to establish IETE Students Forum at these Engineering College / University and Polytechnic in the Country, through a massive membership drive in these institutions.

OBJECTIVES

The IETE Students' Forum shall be set up at each major recognized Engineering College / University, with the assistance and involvement of senior faculty members of the Institution. The IETE Centre in the region shall provide support and coordination in the establishment and the working of the forum.

The IETE Students Forum shall have the following broad objectives :

- To plan and organize technical programmes and activities, such as, special lectures, workshops, seminars, symposia, exhibitions etc for the benefit of student members on a regular basis.
- To provide a common platform for the student members to exchange ideas and information on the topics of their interest e.g. curriculum, employment / higher educational opportunities, emerging trends, new development etc;
- To facilitate technical visits / practical training / project work / employment, of the student members in R&D laboratories, industries, academic institutions etc;
- To encourage team work and the spirit of self-reliance among the student members;
- To serve as a focal point at the institution on all aspects of professional development of the student members.

To meet these objectives, the IETE students forum shall arrange frequent meetings of the student members together with experts / academic / R&D / industries leaders as well as IETE centres executive committee members. Programmes of common interest may also be arranged involving students forum at many institutions in the city, region etc.

MEMBERSHIP

The student membership of the IETE shall be open to students of engineering colleges/universities/ institutions designated as a student (FG) members and

polytechnics designated as student (FD) members as follows:-

- **Sudents (FG) Member:** Every candidate for election to the class of student (FG) member shall satisfy the council that (i) he/she is a student of Electronics Engineering /Telecommunication Engineering/ Computer Science/ Information technology Electrical Engineering/ Physics in university/ college/institution approved by the council, and (ii) he / she is sponsored by a Corporate Member of the IETE or Faculty member of College / University. On the successful completion of the course of study and being conferred the BE / B Tech / BSc (Engg) Degree by the University / Institution in the appropriate field, he / she shall then be eligible for election to the class of Associate Member IETE (AMIETE).
- **Student (FD) Member :** Every candidate for election to the class of Student (FD) member shall satisfy the Council that (i) he / she is a student of Electronics Engineering / Telecommunication Engineering / IT / Electrical Engineering / Computer Science in a Polytechnic / University / College / Institution approved by the Council and (ii) he / she is sponsored by a Corporate Member of the IETE of faculty member of college / Polytechnic. On successful completion of the course of study and being conferred the Diploma by the Directorate of Technical Education / University in the appropriate field, he / she shall then be eligible for election to the class of Diploma Member IETE (DipIETE).

MEMBERSHIP FEE

The members of the IETE students forum shall pay the following **one time membership fee** for their membership while studying at the college / polytechnic.

Student (FG) Rs 600 /- (For 4 Years)

Student (FD) Rs 475 /- (For 3 Years)

*Student(s) Studying in Engineering College (FG)		Polytechnic (FD)	
I Yr.	Rs. 600 /-	Rs.	475 /-
II Yr.	Rs. 475 /-	Rs.	350 /-
III Yr.	Rs. 350 /-	Rs.	225 /-
IV Yr.	Rs. 225 /-	---	

This consolidated subscription will be realized along with the application form.

The minimum required membership strength for opening the IETE Student Forum in any Institution is 50, either Student (FG) or Student (FD).

BENEFITS

All the members of IETE Students Forum have priority for publishing their papers in Journal of Education. They can also subscribe for other publication of the IETE, viz. IETE Journal of Research and IETE Technical Review. They are also welcome to attend all IETE technical programmes arranged in India at a reduced registration fee. The Institutions, wherein IETE students forum is established shall receive the following benefits :

- A suitable grant to the IETE Forum, commensurate with the membership

strength, to conduct the various activities of the Forum (@ of Rs 40/- per student per year.)

- One complete set of technical publications of the IETE including IETE Journal of Research, IETE Technical Review, IETE Journal of Education, IETE Newsletter (one copy in each case) is sent to ISF Co-ordinator.
- Regular interaction with IETE Centres in the region and support from IETE Corporate members, R&D laboratories, industries etc in the technical programmes of the Forum.
- Possibility of setting up Electronics Hobby Centre in the institution with industry support;
- Improvement in the quality of students pursuing the Degree/ Diploma courses and increase their employment potential.
- To Organise activities of ISF and / or with IETE Local / Sub-Centre, Prizes for Quiz, Paper reading competition, organising Inter-College function at the level of Local Centres, visit to various Engineering Colleges / Institutions and organising joint activities.
- Annual function in each IETE Students' Forum to be organised for which a special grant could be considered.
- In addition Annual Quiz, Essay Competition, National or Zonal Technical Paper Contest for the students be organised at the time of Mid-Term Symposium and Annual Technical Convention in whichever Centre the functions are organised.
- ISF Students will be given reduction in fee payment during enrolment of Associate Member of IETE, equivalent to the amout paid at the time of joining ISF.

MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the IETE students forum shall be conducted and the property and money there of shall be administered by a managing committee consisting of six student members, two of whom retire every year but are eligible for re-election. One of these member shall be the chairman and another shall be the hony secretary. A faculty member of the Institution and a member of the executive committee of the IETE Centre shall be permanent invitees to the managing committee meetings. The managing committee shall meet as often as required and take decision on all matters connected with the IETE students forum in a spirit of goodwill and cooperation and with a view to enhance the image of the IETE. Any unresolved issues may be referred to the IETE Centre in the region, who will be the Monitoring and Controlling Office for the Forum.

REVIEW

The functioning of the IETE students forum shall be reviewed annually by the concerned IETE Centre and the performance reported to the IETE HQ. The IETE students forum as well as centres may also suggest ways and means of strengthening these forums in the interest of the IETE.

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