Report on Visit to KK Wagh College of Engineering, Nashik

Collaborative Meeting between VPKBIET, KK Wagh COE, and MKCL for Kumbh Mela 2027 Planning

Date of Visit: 30th June 2025.

Venue:

KK Wagh College of Engineering, Nashik

Participating Institutions:

- Vidya Pratishthan's Kamalnayan Bajaj Institute of Engineering and Technology (VPKBIET), Baramati
- KK Wagh College of Engineering (KK Wagh COE), Nashik
- Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL)

Purpose of Visit:

The visit was organized as a part of a collaborative initiative to address and plan solutions for the anticipated challenges of Kumbh Mela 2027 in Nashik. The meeting aimed to leverage the combined expertise of academia and industry to develop innovative, technology-driven solutions for crowd management, waste management, safety, and logistics during the mega event.

Key Discussions:

1. Collaboration Strategy:

Establishing a formal partnership between VPKBIET, KK Wagh COE, and MKCL to work on joint research and development projects targeted at Kumbh 2027.

2. Problem Identification:

Detailed brainstorming on the major issues faced during previous Kumbh events including crowd control, traffic congestion, sanitation, real-time monitoring, and emergency response systems.

3. Technology-Driven Solutions:

Exploring potential applications of Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things (IoT), Geographic Information Systems (GIS), and mobile app solutions to address the identified challenges.

4. Student and Faculty Engagement:

Agreement to involve students and faculty members from all participating institutes in interdisciplinary projects and hackathons related to Kumbh 2027 problem statements.

5. Future Action Plan:

Formation of joint working groups. Proposal to conduct field studies and site visits. Regular review meetings to monitor progress.

Outcome:

The meeting successfully laid the foundation for a multi-institutional collaboration aimed at contributing to the efficient organization of Kumbh Mela 2027. All parties showed enthusiasm and commitment toward developing practical and scalable solutions that can benefit both the government and the public.

Conclusion:

The visit to KK Wagh COE Nashik was highly productive and opened new avenues for academic-industry collaboration. This initiative is expected to play a significant role in ensuring the success and safety of the upcoming Kumbh Mela 2027.



Dr. Shastri Presenting Ideas for Kumbh Mela 2027



MKCL Director Dr Sawant and KK Wagh Team.



Team of VPKBIET, KK Wagh and MKCL.

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