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Sub: Spoken Tutorial Project. IIT Bombay wish to be a knowledge partner for VTU, Karnataka

Respected Sir,

This is Reshmi from the Spoken Tutorial Project of IIT Bombay. Acting in our capacity as "the knowledge partner" collaborating with universities all over India, we look forward to the collaboration with VTU Karnataka too. I am sending you the details of the project for your perusal.

Importance

Spoken Tutorial is an ICT enabled distance learning method under MHRD, Govt. of India, through which we offer software training to student-teacher community. It is a good tool to fill the acute teacher shortage and also act as a fast track learning method for the students. Our program is gaining wide popularity because the students are learning in short simple steps and they also can replicate the instructions and run the programs. In programming this is always better and there is nothing like writing your own program, compiling and running it. This builds their confidence highly. Students learn on their own without the help of a teacher. Our methodology is interactive in nature and hence works. www.spoken-tutorial.org

Support we have from MHRD

In the MHRD meeting held in IITB on 25th & 26th of February, 2014, all the technical universities attended, where in some of your officials from VTU were also present, you might recall that it was recommended from the higher end to all Universities to make use of this program by spreading it to all departments and colleges.

What must VTU do

The method to deploy these workshops has to be put in place by the VC office at the university end. This would involve **Awareness** - via circular/s, **Enabling** - via a concrete and structured plan involving select colleges, Nodals and faculty coordinators from these who can coordinate the introduction of the training in their own and other nearby colleges. Regarding technical and other guidance on exactly how to do the training workshops, we assure you that we will be available throughout to support any person even at the departmental level. We are there with all this year and longer.

Thanks and regards,

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