

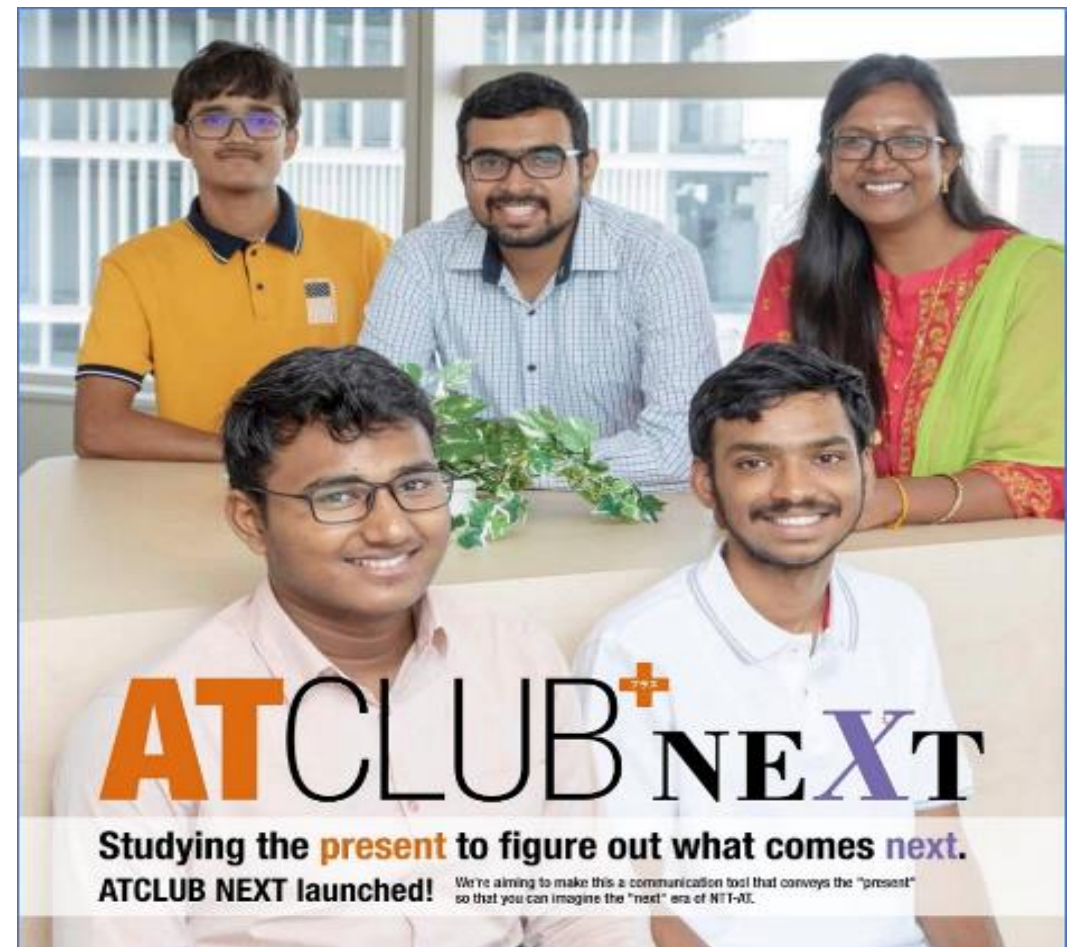
## NTT Advanced Technology Corp., Japan

Collaboration between IIT Hyderabad and Japan has a long history from the establishment of the university supported by JICA and JETRO. On the other hand, our collaboration is relatively new, IITH and NTT-AT signed an MOU on collaboration between research and human exchange in 2019, and we have been providing the opportunity for internship and placement since then (<https://www.ntt-at.com/news/docs/release190412-e.pdf>). We would like to greatly appreciate Prof. Kotaro Kataoka, for his efforts in starting our collaboration.



*With Former Director Prof. U. B. Desai*

The Internship program has been started in May 2019, soon after the MOU, the five students stayed 2 months in Japan and they experienced not only Japanese work culture, but also enjoyed the cross-cultural exchange with our employees. Their experiences are introduced in our newsletter ATCLUB, and their live voices are also available in YouTube video (<https://youtu.be/MwCScGQsluU>). As a result of this experience, they became a big fan of Japan, and some of them are decided to work in Japan.



*IITH Interns voiced in NTT Newsletter*

We visited the campus several times to participate in events, such as JAPAN DAY and Academic Fair sponsored by JICA or JETRO in order to let students know more about NTT-AT. Furthermore, we have become a sponsor of SHIRU CAFE so that students can feel closer to us.

### **JAPAN DAY 2019:**

<https://www.jetro.go.jp/biznews/2019/09/7d95a9b5fd6950cf.html> in Japanese

### **Academic Fair 2019:**

<https://www.jica.go.jp/india/english/office/topics/press191030.html>



*Visit to Shirucafe*

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The second intern in 2020, due to the influence of COVID-19, unfortunately, the students were unable to come to Japan and the intern was forced to hold remotely. However, they did a great job, we were impressed at the high ability of the students and the novelty of their ideas.

COVID-19 also influenced the arrival of recruited students in Japan. They are still forced to stay in India, however, during this time of patience, they are studying Japanese and IT for the future and are waiting for the day to work in Japan. This situation was taken up by JETRO news [global eye \(https://youtu.be/J64npf6Lxyc/\)](https://youtu.be/J64npf6Lxyc/).



***IITH Students during an Online Session***

Once again, I would like to appreciate IITH members for continuing a good relationship with us, NTT-AT. I hope that this relationship will be further strengthened by accumulating the number of students who will experience internships and come to Japan to work. The impact of COVID-19 is still severe, and the 2021 intern will also be held remotely. We look forward to welcoming you with an interesting program.



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