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Twenty first century begins with convergence of technologies and consequent process of globalization. Information Technology has been instrumental in accelerating the process of economic growth.

In our multi-lingual country, efforts have been made towards developing requisite technologies to support Indian Languages since mid-1970's. The Ministry of Information Technology (MIT) has launched major initiative in the form of Technology Development of Indian Languages (TDIL) programme during 1990-91. Now these efforts are being consolidated towards facilitating the process of transfer of the technologies for Indian languages to industry. This is being organized through the forthcoming Language Technology Business Meet being held during Nov 2001.

I hope this Meet will be a mile-stone towards accelerating the process of prototyping and commercialising of Language Technologies for the benefit of people at large. This issue of the Newsletter VishwaBharat@tdil gives details on available technologies and their aspirants. This will be useful to the technology developers in academia/R&D institutions and industry.

We would welcome suggestions for making this event more purposeful and effective.

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Language Technology Business Meet Programme Schedule

November 7, 2001 (Wednesday)

0930-1000

Registration

Session-1

Inauguration

1030- 1130

- (i) Inaugural Address
- (ii) Visit to Technology Exposition & Tea Break

Technology Presentations

Session-2

1130-1300

- (i) MAT (Machine Aided Translation)
IIT, Kanpur & ER&DCI, Noida
NCST, Mumbai
C-DAC, Pune
- (ii) Linux
NCST, Mumbai
- (iii) Open Business Dialogue

1300-1400

Lunch

Session -3

1400-1500

- (i) OCR (Optical Character Recognition)
ISI, Kolkata
TIET, Patiala
Utkal Univ. Bhubaneswar
Univ. of Hyderabad, Hyderabad
- (ii) Open Business Dialogue

1530-1600

Tea

Session-4

1530-1700

- (i) TTS (Text-to-Speech)
CEERI, New Delhi
ISI, Kolkata
Utkal Univ., Bhubaneswar
Anna Univ., Chennai
- (ii) Open Business Dialogue

November 8, 2001 (Thursday)

Session-5

1000-1130

- (i) Tools
ISI, Kolkata
Anna Univ., Chennai
Univ. of Hyderabad
Utkal Univ., Bhubaneswar
- (ii) Open Business Dialogue

1130-1200

Tea

1200-1300

- (ii) Formation of TOT Interest Groups

1300-1400

Lunch

Session-6

1400-1600

- (i) Negotiations & TOT Dialogue
MAT, OCR, TTS, Tools

1600-1630

Tea

1630-1730

- (ii) Resolution for Collaborative Development
Bi-lateral agreements
Future Strategy