

**Collaboration of
The State University Of New York At Binghamton
Binghamton, New York, U.S. A.
And
Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI)
Matunga, Mumbai, India**

On 5th Oct 2024, Prof. Atul Kelkar, Dean, Thomas J. Watson College of Engineering and Applied Science and Prof. Madhusudhan Govindaraju, Vice Provost, International Education and Global Affairs, Binghamton University, New York, USA, visited the E-MC² Lab and had a discussion with Director, Prof. Sachin Kore and Deputy Director, Prof. R. N. Awale.

The aim of this meeting was to establish a background for signing a Memorandum of Agreement for a formal mutually rewarding collaborative relationship and academic partnership between VJTI, Mumbai, and The State University of New York (Binghamton University), Binghamton, NY, U.S.A. The collaboration aims to foster advancement in teaching, research, academic collaboration and cultural understanding and to create avenues for enhancing learner experience at both entities, as well as strengthen both entities by finding ways of combining their complementary resources and strengths. As part of this collaboration, VJTI and Binghamton University will broadly explore the following avenues for cooperation:

- i. Short courses, seminars, workshops, and courses provided by Binghamton University to VJTI
- ii. Discussions on industry/university collaboration
- iii. Faculty and/or administrator visits
- iv. Support of conferences and workshops, the mode of support will be determined depending on topic, timing, and other considerations
- v. Discussions regarding joint degree programs
- vi. Discussions regarding collaborative academic programs.

As a first step towards this collaboration a Design Thinking workshop is scheduled on 25th October 2024 by Prof. Michael V. Testani, Senior Director of External Outreach & Engagement, Binghamton University.





Discussion at the Director's office, VJTI



Faculty and student interaction, E-MC² Lab



A visit to E-MC² Lab by the team of Binghamton University professors, Dr. Atul Kelkar and Dr. Madhusudan Govindaraju



Flicitation of Prof. Atul Kelkar by prof. Navdeep M. Singh at E-MC² Lab



Flicitation of Dr. Madhusudan Govindaraju by Prof. Navdeep M. Singh at E-MC² Lab