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## Scale model of proposed memorial for APJ Abdul Kalam released

The memorial will come up at Peikarumbu, where the 'missile man' was laid to rest after his death in July last year. A scale model of the proposed memorial of former President Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, to come up at his native town here, was released on Monday by DRDO officials. Work on construction of the Rs 18 crore memorial for Kalam had begun on October 15 last, coinciding with his 85th birth anniversary.

The memorial will come up at Peikarumbu, where the 'missile man' was laid to rest after his death in July last year. The model was shown to Kalam's family members, the officials said.

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is now overseeing laying of construction of base for the memorial.

A life size statue of the former President had already been unveiled in the burial site on July 27 this year, his first death anniversary.



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## DRDO, IIT Delhi to establish JATC

Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi to establish a 'Joint Advanced Technology Centre' (JATC) at a function held in IIT, Delhi. JATC will be located in the campus of IIT Delhi at the upcoming Science and Technology Park (Mini-Science Park 'MSP').

Secretary, Department of Defence R&D and Chairman DRDO Dr. S Christopher, signed the MoU with the Director IIT Delhi Prof. V Ramgopal Rao.

The JATC will enable Directed, Basic & Applied Research and will engage with premier research institutes through multi-institutional collaboration.

As per the MoU, DRDO will support JATC in equipping it with advanced and unique research facilities that will enable the faculty and scholars to conduct advanced research and transform the JATC as Centre of Excellence. DRDO scientists and engineers will work with the academic research faculty and scholars in addressing scientific problems to find an innovative solution and facilitate towards advanced research to utilize technology outcome in the futuristic applications.

The researchers will get the opportunity to work in advanced areas of research namely Advanced Materials for Ballistic Protection, Advanced Mathematical Modelling and Simulation, Advanced Electromagnetic Devices and Terahertz Technologies, Smart & Intelligent Textile Technologies, Brain Computer Interface & Brain Machine Intelligence besides Photonic Technologies, Plasmonics and Quantum Photonics, etc.

The focused research efforts at the centre will lead to realization of indigenous technologies in these critical areas, which will be used for speedy self-reliance.