



# NMICPS Technology Innovation Hub on Autonomous Navigation Foundation (TiHAN) at IIT Hyderabad



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### **TiHAN-IITH: Vision**

### Hub for Safe, Sustainable, Smart Next Generation Mobility

Real-time Autonomous Navigation and Data Acquisition Systems (Unmanned - UAVs, ROVs, etc.)

Quality Data Acquisition for Aerial/Terrestrial Mobile Environments Multi-sensory Perception Scenario (UAVs, ROVs.), AI Framework, Real-time Edge Compute Architecture, Communication Networking, Testing Validation, Simulators (Virtual/Physical), Design

Standard Operating Procedures (Autonomous UAVs, ROVs, etc.)

Testbed/Living Labs for Autonomous Navigation Systems (Aerial and Terrestrial Vehicles)

Autonomous Transportation
Systems (Aerial/Terrestrial/Surface)

Agriculture & Farming
Infrastructure & Environment
Defence & Surveillance

Re-imagine ways of working with industry and academic partners to accelerate change





### **TiHAN – IITH: Activities**

Tihan-IITh: Source for fundamental knowledge and technologies (IPs, Publications, Products, Commercialisation as Licencing, ToTs...) in the technology vertical of Autonomous Navigation and Data Acquisition Systems.

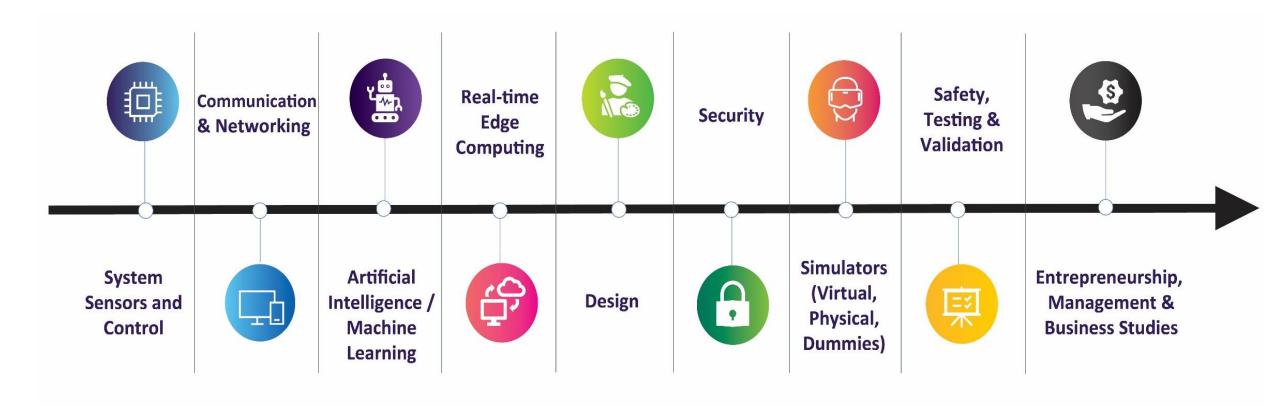
... and we do this every day







## TiHAN Core Research/Work Groups



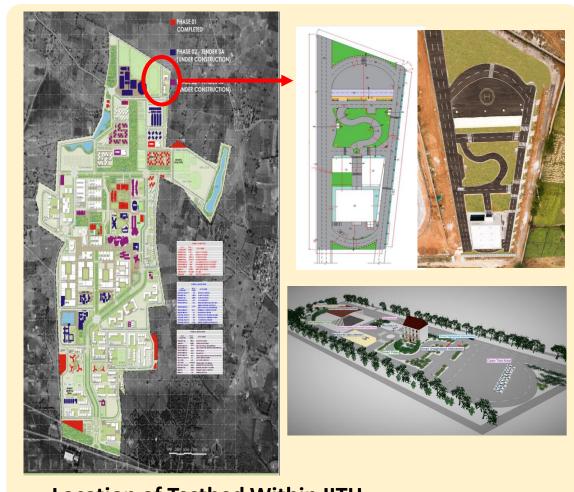




### 1. Autonomous Navigation Testbed (Aerial/Terrestrial) at IITH

#### **Testbed Facility**

- A first of it's kind state-of-the-art testbed for Autonomous Navigation (Aerial/Terrestrial)
- Technology development and thorough validation before going for real field deployment
- Facilities include Proving Grounds, Test tracks, Mechanical integration facilities like Hangers, Ground control stations, State of the art Simulation tools (SIL, MIL, HIL, VIL), Test tracks/circuits, Road Infra – Smart Poles, signalized & unsignalized Intersections, Environment Emulators like Rainfall Simulators , V2X Communications, Drone Runways & Landing area, Control Test centers...



**Location of Testbed Within IITH** 





#### 2. TiHAN Testbed Inauguration Events







#### NMICPS TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION HUB ON AUTONOMOUS NAVIGATION (TIHAN) FOUNDATION - IIT HYDERABAD

Prof. BS Murty, Director, IIT Hyderabad solicits your august presence for inauguration of

#### **TIHAN - IITH AUTONOMOUS NAVIGATION TESTBED** (AERIAL & TERRESTRIAL)











#### **Chief Guest**

#### Dr. Jitendra Singh

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science and Technology & Earth Sciences

In the presence of

#### Dr. Srivari Chandrasekhar

Secretary, Dept. of Science & Technology (DST) Government of India

Dr. B.V.R. Mohan Reddy

Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Hyderabad

#### Schedule

- 11:00 AM Inauguration of TiHAN-IITH Testbed on Autonomous Navigation (Aerial & Terrestrial) Technology Demonstrations

  - Autonomous Electric Shuttle Vehicle
  - Unmanned Aerial Vehicle/Drones Bio-inspired Micro/Nano drones, Air-Cargo Drones, Accurate Navigation and Landing, BVLOS
  - Autonomous E-Bike
  - Autonomous Humanoid Robot
  - Tour of Test Track

Proceeding to A-Block Auditorium 11:45 AM Welcome address by Prof. BS Murty - Director IITH 11:48 AM R&D at IITH by Prof. Kiran K Kuchi - Dean (R&D)

Brief on TiHAN-IITH by Prof. P. Rajalakshmi - Project Director 11:54 AM Address by Dr. BVR Mohan Reddy - Chairman, BoG, IITH

11:59 AM Address by Dr. Srivari Chandrasekhar - Secretary, DST 12:09 PM Address by Dr. Jitendra Singh Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and

**Technology & Earth Sciences** 

Vote of Thanks - Prof. Raja Banerjee, Dean (Administration) 12:27 PM

**National Anthem** 

Click here to Join: https://youtu.be/IUvcs40w9NQ













### **TiHAN Testbed Inauguration Events**











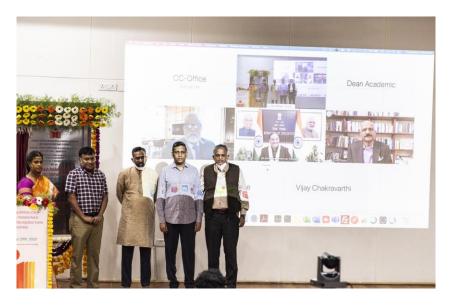






Foundation stone for the TiHAN Testbed for Autonomous Navigation Systems was laid on December 29, 2020 by Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank', Honorable Minister of Education, Govt. of India at IIT Hyderabad

















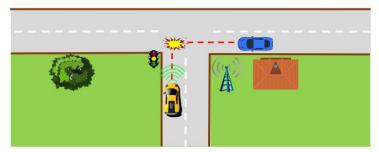
### **TiHAN Testbed on Autonomous Navigations**







#### (a) Intersection Collison Warning



(b) Lane Change Warning

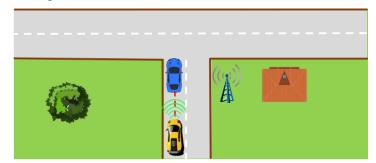


(f) Traffic Condition Warning

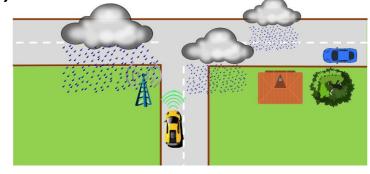


#### Some Use Cases at TiHAN Testbed:

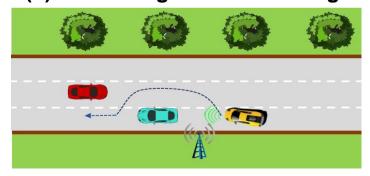
(c) Co-operative forward Collison Warning



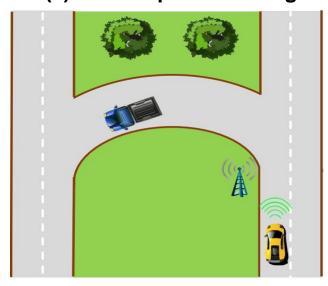
(d) Adverse Weather Condition Warning



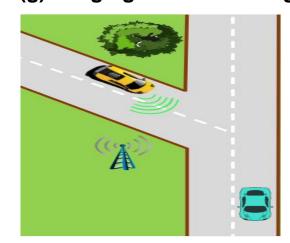
(h) Overtaking Vehicle Warning



(e) Curve Speed Warning



(g) Merging Traffic Warning







#### **Indian Traffic Sign Detection and some Indian Road Conditions**













































Hand cart prohibited





Pedestrians prohibited

Bullock cart & cart prohibited



Right turn prohibited

Length limit



















U-turn prohibited

5T Load limit



















(b) Pothole Detection



(c) Indian Road Marking **Detection** 



(d) Behavior of Autonomous Vehicles in Rain, Snow and **Fog Conditions** 







### 2. Autonomous Ground Vehicles (AGVs)

Autonomous System on Vehicle (SoV) - Research and Development: Testing and Validation in Testbed for different levels of autonomy



Autonomous Electric Vehicles



**Autonomous/Smart Campus Shuttle E-cart** 

**SIL/MIL/HIL/VIL, Testing and Validation, SAE/ISO, Indian Scenarios:** tight integration with the system architecture development (Feasibility for configuring various sensors and their placement. Support for different computing platforms with use cases)





### **AGVs R&D in TiHAN Testbed - Ongoing**

### **M1** Category – Car to Pedestrian











### 3. Autonomous Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

#### **Quad Wing Dragonfly**



**Flapping Wing MAVs** 



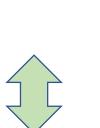
**Bio Inspired Flapping Wings UAVs** 

**Micro and Nano Drones Bio-Inspired Flies (<2Kg)** 

#### **Small category drones (2-25 Kg)**

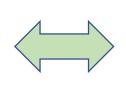


**Hyperspectral on Drone** 

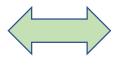




Lidar on drone



**Unmanned Aerial** Vehicle Research at **TIHAN** 



Complex structure, stability, Integration of payload & capacity, Increased sensor complexity and integration, Limited power, Endurance, hybrid fuel, Operational Range, communication and control links, Compute Platforms

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**Next Gen Hybrid Mobility Ground & Aerial Vehicle (Flying Cars)** 



**TIHAN (PAV) Personalised Air Vehicle for Urban Air Mobility (UAM)** 



**TIHAN Air Cargo – Heavy Payload Applications** 

**Medium and Large Drones** (above 25 Kg)



### **Autonomous UAVs - Ongoing**

**Bio-inspired Flapping Wings UAVs** 











# 3. Bioinspired MAVs/NAVs for Space Applications: Presented in NASA Mars Exploration Conference, March 2022, Pasadena, USA



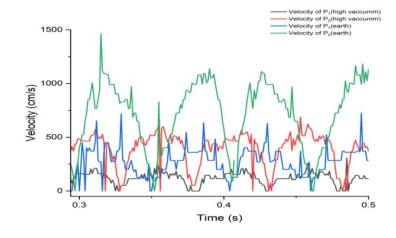




Fig. Bioinspired Quad wing testing in vacuum conditions



Ref: Naga Praveen Babu Mannam, Prasanth Kumar D, P Rajalakshmi. (2022). A Low-Cost Bioinspired Dragonfly Concept for Mars Exploration: Analogous to Mars Ingenuity Helicopter. Low-Cost Science Mission Concepts for Mars Exploration, March 29 - 31, 2022, Pasadena, USA.

### Some Industry Visits/Collaborations to TiHAN IITH



Suzuki Motor Corporation (SMC) Japan Visit



ZF along with German team Visit



Continental - UK team



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Dr. Derrick, Science Director, Naval Research Global, US Embassy Singapore







#### Visit of Dr. Kris Gopalakrishnan to TiHAN during IITH Foundation Day 9 April 2022







#### 4. TiHAN collaboration with ICRISAT for UAV Based Agricultural Research

ICRISAT (International Crop Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics) received project from TiHAN in 2021 for developing pipeline for UAV based field phenotyping of dryland crops. Dryland crops are crop of poorest and smallholder farmers mainly dual type (grain and stover). The crop improvement is comparatively slow due to manual phenotyping in breeding process. UAV based phenotyping can leverage the rapid improvement in yield and stover for livestock.

The work has been showcased during PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji visit to ICRISAT Hyderabad.



**UAV based field phenotyping research at ICRISAT and TiHAN** 







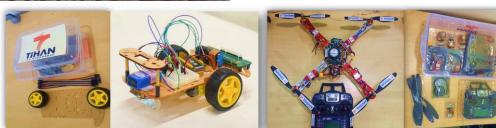
#### 5. Outreach and Skill Development Programs

#### **Skill on Wheels for ZPH School at Sangareddy**











UGV Kit UAV Kit

- School Education Department, Sangareddy District, Govt of Telangana has given permission to TiHAN to conduct Skill on wheels programmes to Zila parishad schools in Sangareddy to educate the young minds on autonomous vehicles.
- The first Skill on Wheels programme was successfully conducted on April 20<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Government School Sangareddy. The workshop will provide opportunities for children to interact with resource persons of IIT Hyderabad and get hands-on experience working with autonomous vehicles (UAV and UGV). https://tihan.iith.ac.in/skill-on-wheels/
- Conducted 25 skill development programs at various levels in the area of autonomous navigations





### 5. M.Tech Program in Smart Mobility

- TiHAN in collaboration with IIT Hyderabad has established a New Interdisciplinary 2-year M. Tech program on Smart mobility which is first of its kind in the country.
- Different departments of IITH- Computer Science, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mathematics, Mechanical & Aerospace, Design, Entrepreneurship
- First batch of SM 2020 has achieved 100% placement in core/prominent companies.





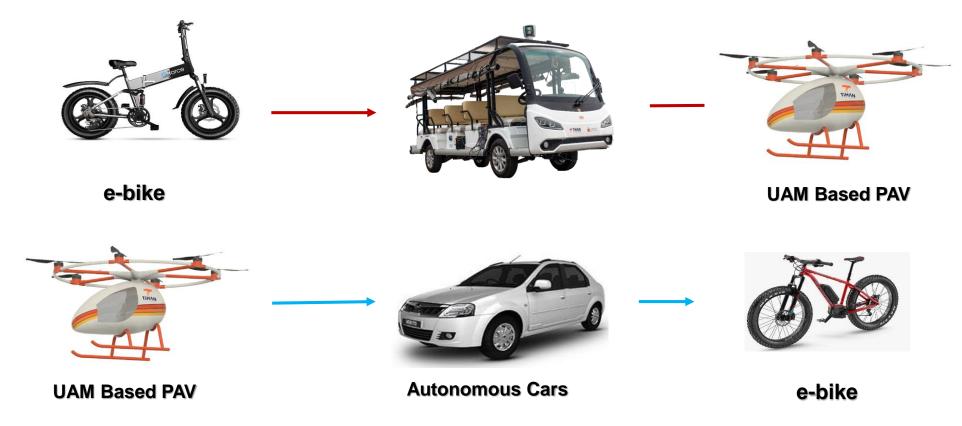






## End to End Connectivity: Multi-modal Transportation Solutions for Indian Scenarios – Going Forward

Energy efficient autonomous navigation enabled different modes of Electric Vehicles:







### **TIHAN - IITH**

### **Destination for Next Generation Mobility Solutions**

# Platform for collaborative research between Academia, Industry, R&D Labs – National and International

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