

**Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education**

MONTHLY SUMMARY FOR THE CABINET FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2022:

Important Policy Decisions Taken and Major Achievements During May, 2022

1. BRICS Education Ministers' Meeting(EMM) was held in a virtual mode on 26th May, 2022 to finalize the Declaration of the 9th BRICS EMM. Indian side was led by Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State in the Ministry of Education. In the meeting ministerial declaration was adopted.
2. A new consortium has been set up at IISER Thiruvananthapuram for development of solid-state battery technology in the country. The DST-IISER Thiruvananthapuram integrated clean energy material acceleration platform on storage, set up by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), has been officially launched at the Mission Innovation annual gathering session held at New Delhi on 4th April 2022. The consortium at IISER Thiruvananthapuram, consisting of a core team of researchers from 15 partnering institutes within India aims to accelerate the development of Solid-State Battery technology using Machine learning and Artificial Intelligence through automated processes. This initiative is part of the Material Acceleration Platforms under the international clean energy innovation forum, which is set up to leverage emerging capabilities in next-generation computing, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML), and robotics to accelerate the pace of materials discovery up to 10 times faster.
3. Meeting of 21st SWAYAM Board was held on 11.05.2022 and 991 SWAYAM courses were approved for upcoming July, 22 Semester. The activities by all NCs were monitored and Programme approach was defined for January, 23 Semester courses. The focus was also on Credit transfer by more and more HEIs
