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DST-TIFAC team happy with Amrita School's performance

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A team of senior officials and scientists from the DST-TIFAC visited the Amrita School of Biotechnology (ASBT), home to the TIFAC Centre of Relevance and Excellence (CORE), on the Amritapuri campus of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham University.

The DST-TIFAC team visited the campus for the purpose of reviewing the successful completion of the TIFAC CORE programme which was initiated at the ASBT in January 2005.

The DST-TIFAC team observed that the ASBT's TIFAC CORE had surpassed its expectations by a phenomenal track record by meeting all the deliverables of the TIFAC mandate. The extremely high academic standards of the School has translated into a trail-blazing track record in placements in leading pharmaceutical/biotechnology companies, as well as the academia. ASBT was also highly successful in nurturing collaborations with the MDS Pharma Services, USA, the world's leading contract research organisation, as well as with Biocon, a leading biotechnology company.

The cutting-edge research programmes at ASBT have attracted funding from several Government agencies that further enhance the standards of training that the ASBT is able to provide its graduates and post-graduates. The flagship project of the ASBT-CORE is the successful indigenous development of low-cost insulin pump to meet the needs of diabetic patients in the country.