

## **The Karnataka Aerospace Technology Centre (KATC)**

The Government of Karnataka through its Govt. Order No CI 173 CSC 2015, Bangalore dated 29.03.2016 has approved the setting up of Karnataka Aerospace Technology Centre (KATC) with the primary aim of facilitating technology transfer, mentoring startups, to provide host facilities to support MSMEs in the Aerospace sector in Karnataka, with Rs 2089 lakhs budget provision.

Karnataka Council for Technological Upgradation (KCTU) is the Implementing Agency for Establishment of KATC.

### **OBJECTIVES**

The goal is to develop an Aerospace Technology Centre (ATC) with focus on SMEs in a public – private partnership form to facilitate the development of technology companies in Karnataka in close collaboration with technology institutions in Bengaluru, global OEMs with presence in Karnataka and also facilitate linkages with foreign SMEs.

The centre envisages to:

- Nurture innovation.
- Incubate new technology companies .
- Facilitate technology information dissemination
- Nurture technology networks .
- Provide databases, design and certification standards, value engineering expertise .
- Facilitate certification and qualification to international standards.

### **IMPORTANCE**

The immediate need of aerospace SMEs in Karnataka is a single source for technology transfer, warehousing of design and qualification standards, design centre and access to mentoring in incubation and acceleration in product development. KATC's main aim is to develop binding relationships between the technology institutions in the city like NAL, ISRO, DRDO, HAL, Global OEMs with the SMEs located in Karnataka. It is expected that the Aerospace will use the KATC to integrate into the global supply chain and support national programs.

### **FACILITIES**

The KATC will have the following facilities:

- Incubation and innovation centre
- High quality Business centre
- Fully equipped Design centre
- Data Warehousing and Documentation centre
- Conference halls for workshops / seminars
- High technology audio-video equipment for presentations, video conferencing etc.

The centre has commenced functioning in an independent building of around 13000 Sqft at M S Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences (MSRUAS) in Peenya, close to the SME hub in the city.