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September 2023

A REPORT

INAUGURATION OF THE

AACST PROFESSIONAL BODY & STUDENT CHAPTER

at Wainganga College of Engineering and Management (WCEM), Nagpur



01	01 OCT 2026	5	FULL HOUSE
FIRST AACST PROFESSIONAL BODY	THURSDAY • 11:00 AM	DIGNITARIES ON THE DAIS	MCA + CSE STUDENTS & FACULTY

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01 EVENT AT A GLANCE

Title of Activity	Inauguration of the AACST (Association of All Computer Science Teachers) Professional Body and Student Chapter
Organised by	Wainganga College of Engineering and Management (WCEM), Nagpur — An Autonomous Institute
In association with	Association of All Computer Science Teachers (AACST), Nagpur
Date & Day	01 October 2026, Thursday
Time	11:00 AM onwards
Venue	Auditorium, 2nd Floor, WCEM, Nagpur
Mode	Offline
Chief Guest	Dr. Abha Khandelwal — Founder, AACST & Director, AACST Learning HUB
Dignitaries Present	Dr. Sangeeta Deshmukh — Director, WCEM Dr. Rohan Ingale — Dean, IQAC, WCEM Dr. Deepali Bhende — HOD, MCA Department, WCEM
Coordinator	Dr. Vijayashree Mohobiya — Professional Body Coordinator, WCEM
Participants	Students and faculty members of the MCA and CSE departments

A FIRST FOR AACST — CHAPTER 01

This inauguration marks the formation of AACST's **first Professional Body and Student Chapter** in an institution. Since its registration in 2023, AACST has worked across India through national webinars, workshops, bootcamps, conferences and online courses. With the WCEM chapter, that work now has a permanent home on a campus — a place where students and teachers can take part in the association's activities as members, all year round.

02 ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION

The Association of All Computer Science Teachers (AACST) is a national-level association of educators (Reg. No. Nagpur/0000492/2023; ISO 9001:2015 certified and MSME registered). Guided by its vision of "Empowering Interdisciplinary Education Across India", AACST brings together educators, researchers and professionals, equips teachers with modern tools and skill-building workshops, links classroom learning with researchers and IT professionals, and promotes critical thinking, digital safety and scientific inquiry from early schooling onwards.

Through the AACST Learning HUB, the association also offers self-paced and live courses, bootcamps and faculty development programmes, along with a monthly newsletter and individual, organisational and PG student/researcher memberships.

03 OBJECTIVES

- To establish a formal AACST Professional Body and Student Chapter at WCEM.
- To promote professional development, technical learning, innovation and knowledge sharing among students and faculty.
- To connect students with professional communities, expert interactions and national-level activities.
- To encourage student leadership and a culture of continuous learning.
- To strengthen technical competence, networking and industry readiness.

04 PROCEEDINGS OF THE PROGRAMME

OPENING

Lighting of the Ceremonial Lamp

A power-packed programme began with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest, Dr. Abha Khandelwal, together with the dignitaries of WCEM — formally opening the AACST Professional Body and Student Chapter before a packed auditorium of students and faculty.

WELCOME

Welcome and Felicitation

The dignitaries and the gathering were warmly welcomed, and the guests were felicitated on the dais. The significance of professional bodies and student chapters in building technical competence, networking, leadership and industry readiness was highlighted.

ADDRESS

Address by the Chief Guest

Dr. Abha Khandelwal, Founder of AACST and Director of AACST Learning HUB, spoke on the role of professional associations in the academic and professional growth of students. She encouraged students to take an active part in professional activities, technical events and continuous learning.

MEMBERS

Certificates for AACST Members

Faculty members joining the new AACST Professional Body received their certificates from the Chief Guest on stage, followed by group photographs with Dr. Abha Khandelwal — of the faculty members, of the AACST Student Chapter team, and of all faculty and students together: the first members of the first chapter.

SUPPORT

Institutional Encouragement

The presence and support of Dr. Sangeeta Deshmukh, Director, WCEM, and Dr. Rohan Ingale, Dean, IQAC, added significance to the occasion and reflected the institution's commitment to holistic and professional development of its students.

CLOSING

Vote of Thanks

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chief Guest, dignitaries, faculty members, coordinators and students for their contribution to the success of the event.

05 KEY MESSAGES FROM THE CHIEF GUEST

TAKEAWAYS FOR STUDENTS

Professional bodies grow careers. Membership of a professional association supports both academic and professional growth.

Participate, don't just attend. Students were encouraged to take part in technical activities, events and competitions.

Keep learning. Continuous learning was presented as the habit that will matter most in a fast-changing field.

06 WHAT THE CHAPTER OPENS UP

The chapter gives WCEM students and faculty a platform to take part in:

- **Technical activities** — workshops, seminars and hands-on sessions
- **Expert interactions** — with academicians, researchers and industry professionals from the AACST network
- **Competitions** — including national-level quizzes and technical contests
- **Learning programmes** — courses, bootcamps and webinars through AACST Learning HUB
- **Leadership roles** — student-led organisation of chapter activities

07 MEDIA COVERAGE

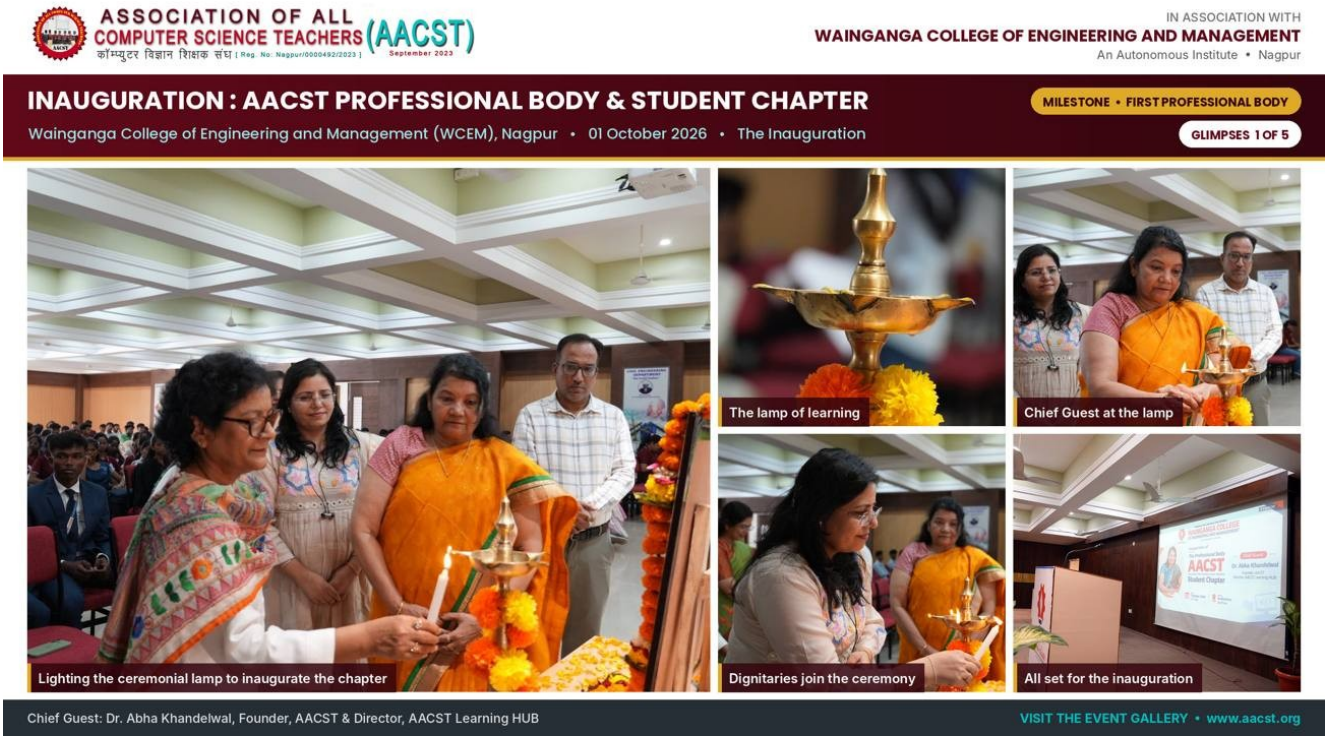
The inauguration was covered in print and on social media:

- **Lokmat Times, Nagpur First (Page 2), 06 October 2026** — "AACST chapter launched to promote innovation at WCEM"
- **Instagram, @wainganga_college_official** — "AACST Professional Body Inauguration at WCEM, Nagpur"

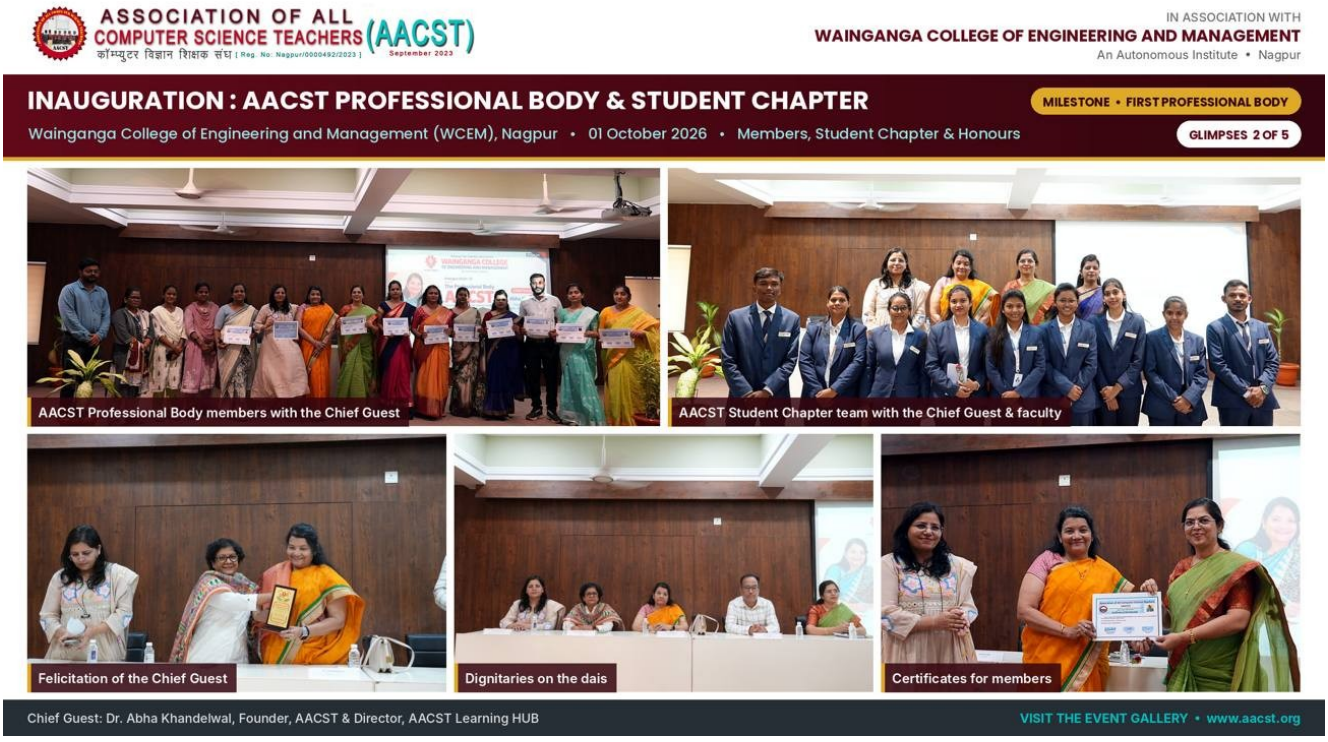


Glimpses 5 of 5 — In the News: Lokmat Times clipping and the WCEM Instagram post

08 GLIMPSES OF THE EVENT



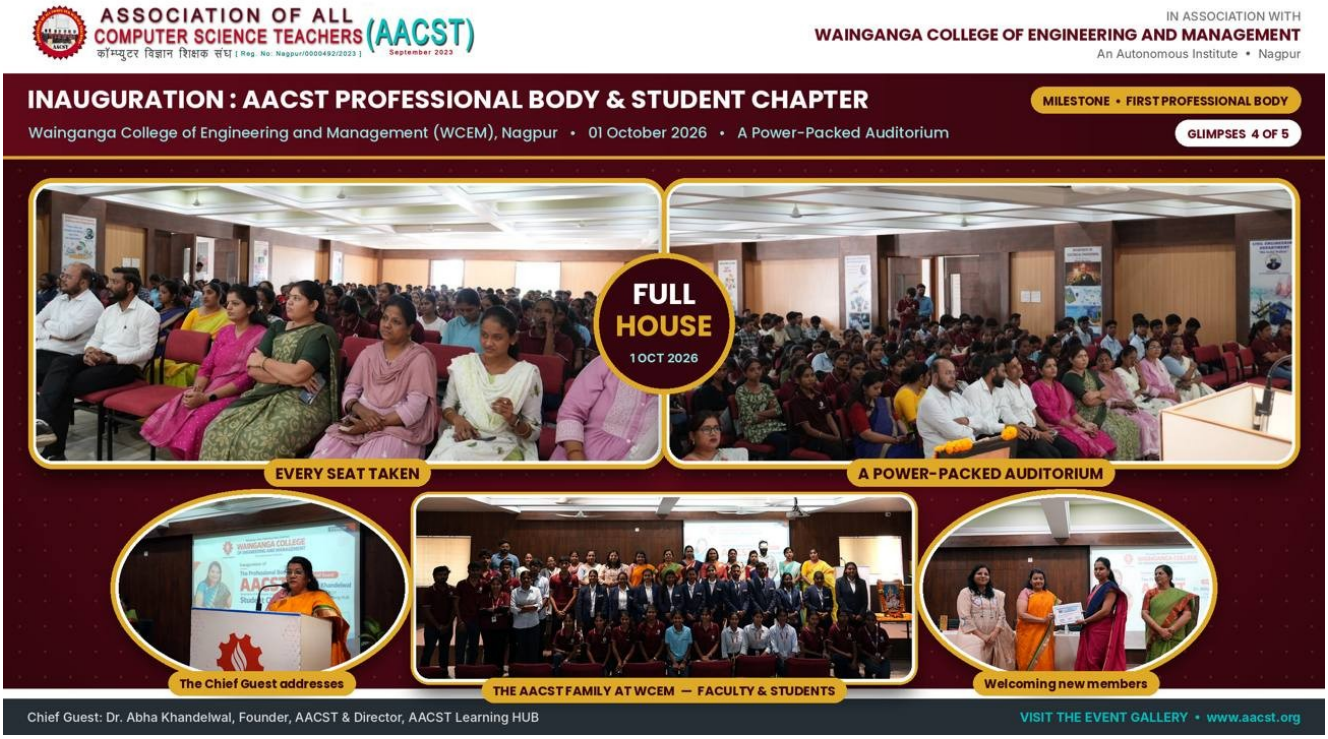
Glimpses 1 of 5 — The Inauguration: lighting of the ceremonial lamp



Glimpses 2 of 5 — Professional Body members, the Student Chapter team, the dais and felicitation



Glimpses 3 of 5 — The Chief Guest's address, voices from the podium and a full house



Glimpses 4 of 5 — A Power-Packed Auditorium: a full house on both sides of the hall, and the AACST family at WCEM

09 OUTCOME & CONCLUSION

It was a power-packed launch — a full house, a strong dais and an energised student community. The inauguration formally set up the AACST Professional Body and Student Chapter at WCEM — the first of its kind for the association. It gave students a clear picture of what membership of a professional body means and how to make use of it, and it created a channel for regular technical activities, workshops, seminars, expert interactions and competitions on campus.

The event was a meaningful step towards strengthening professional engagement, encouraging student leadership and building a culture of continuous learning and innovation at WCEM — and the opening chapter in AACST's growing network of institutional professional bodies.

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