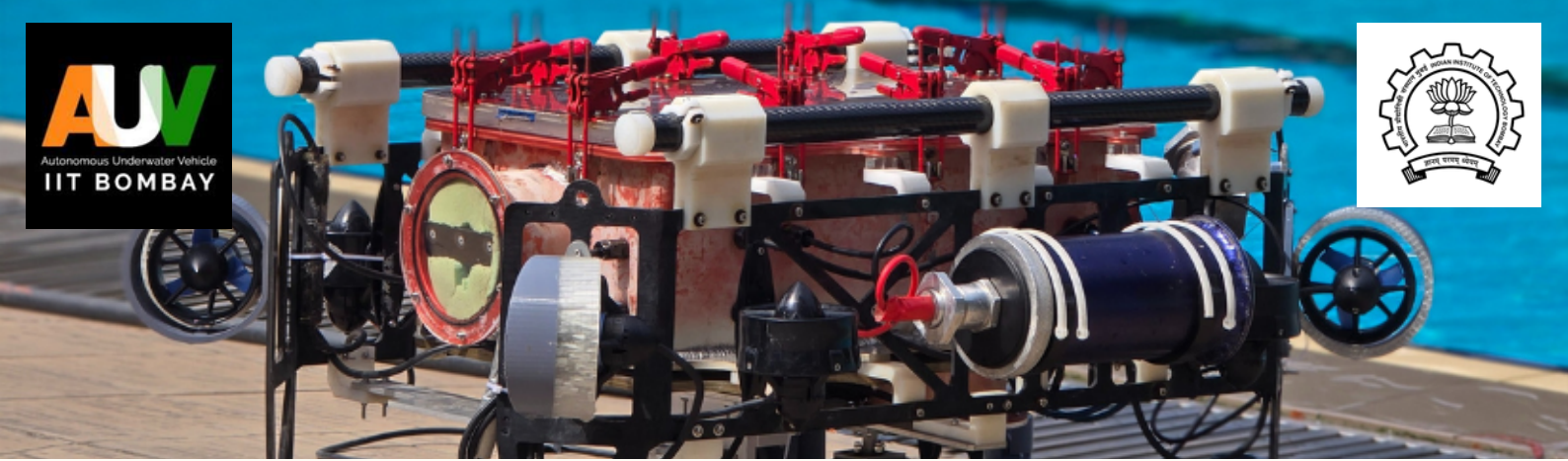




Community & Outreach

Community Development

In recent years, we have observed a massive spike in interest towards underwater robotics shown by university students and industries across India. We interacted with students of **NIT Rourkela**, **IIT Kanpur**, and industries like the **Defence Research and Development Organisation**, **Larsen & Toubro**, and **Tata Power** to discuss the nuances and applications of building underwater vehicles. Acknowledging this, we have focused this year on laying the foundation for building an **underwater robotics community** in India.

The first step towards this was creating a **Discord server** and onboarding students from universities such as IIT Kanpur and ISM Dhanbad as our early partners. We focus on putting regular updates regarding our technical updates and facilitating **knowledge exchange**. Our future aim is to leverage this network to further promote the development of student teams in underwater robotics.

Technical Exhibitions

We presented at IIT Bombay's flagship technical exhibition, **TechConnect**, in December 2025. This exhibition was graced by the presence of top industrialists like **Mr Narayan Murthy (Founder of Infosys)**, top officials from the Indian defence, senior individuals in academia, and students across India. The footfall of this exhibition was upwards of **150,000**.



Presenting to Mr. Narayan Murthy



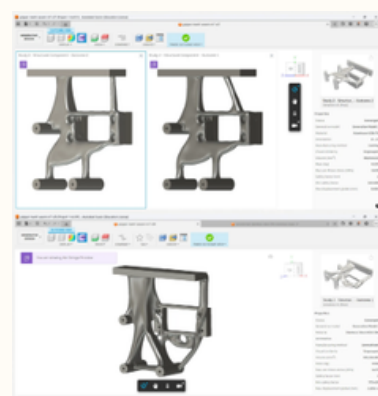
Presenting to the former Chief of Naval Staff, R. Hari Kumar

Lab Open Week

In October 2025, we organised a lab open week, allowing campus residents to visit our lab, **increasing awareness** of Underwater Robotics

Industrial Partnerships

We have partnered with **Autodesk** on several project-based studies to evaluate their latest **Generative Design** feature. This year, we successfully concluded two long-term industrial projects with **Larsen & Toubro** (building an ROV to inspect underwater pipelines) and a **Towfish project** (a submersible being towed by a boat for the Centre of Excellence in Oil, Gas & Energy).



Autodesk Generative Designs for our Gripper Frame



Towfish