ACEPR 2018 is the first national conference organized by the Dept. of Civil Engineering, HIT on 5th – 6th April, 2018. The objective of 2-day conference was to bridge the gap between industry and academia. The conference was enlightened with the auspicious presence of the chief guest Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao (Regional Head of RRSC East, ISRO), guest of honor Mr. Niraj Kumar (GM of Ashoka Buildcon) and distinguished guests Dr. D. Mitra (Head of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences Division of IIRS, ISRO) and Dr. A. B. Samui (Ex Addl. Director of DRDO). More than 400 students of Civil Engineering from HIT, GIST, MSIT and Techno India College of Engineering participated in the conference to enhance their knowledge through a series of lectures provided by the eminent speakers from IIT-KGP, IIEST, Aliah University, JISCE, etc. ACEPR-2018 provided the platform where young researchers from different universities and affiliated colleges presented their research papers and students competed in model and poster presentation. The conference was sponsored by reputed industries like EMI Infotech., Walter Craven Ceramic Projects, etc. The success story of ACEPR-2018 was published subsequently in the daily newspapers like Anandabazar Patrika and Bartaman on 6th and 9th April, 2018 respectively.