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“The IITs have quietly redrawn parts of its academic map this year, introducing 18 new programmes that reflect how engineer-

ing education is changing. Many of the programmes sit at the intersection of traditional disciplines and emerging technologies,” said Amit Ahuja, Allen’s career counsellor.

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tion that future engineers will need to work as comfortably with algorithms and data as they do with machines and materials.

IIT Dharwad is offering science majors in mathematics and physics. IIT Indore’s Environmental Economics and Sustainable Engineering, IIT Palakkad’s Materials Engineering, and IIT Kharagpur’s Biomedical Engineering point to a transition from “narrowly defined branches to programmes designed around real-world challenges”, said Ahuja.

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