3.6m DEVASTHAL OPTICAL TELESCOPE OBSERVING SCHEDULE for cycle DOT-2026-C2

01 October 2026 - 31 January 2027

(Notes for Proposers / PIs are given at the end)

Date	Moon (%)	Proposal ID / Program				Instrument	Observers / PI	Support Astronomer
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
2026-Oct-01	78	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights / **DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-02	68	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights / **DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-03	57	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights /**DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-04	45	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights /**DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-05	34	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights /**DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-06	24	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights /**DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-07	15	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	**TMT**	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Start Up Nights /**DOT Team [Set-up/Pointing/IQ]**	
2026-Oct-08	8	P35	P35	P51	P1	ADFOSC	Suvendu Rakshit/ Suvendu Rakshit/ Jean Surdej	
2026-Oct-09	3	P35	P35	P1	P1	ADFOSC	Suvendu Rakshit/Jean Surdej	
2026-Oct-10	1	P1	P1	P1	**P38**	ADFOSC	Jean Surdej/ **Arya Sudhakaran**	**Riya Bhowmick**
2026-Oct-11	0	P19	**P7**	**P7**	P19	ADFOSC	Himadri Sekhar Das/ **Arghajit Jana/** Himadri Sekhar Das	**Riya Bhowmick**
2026-Oct-12	2	P16	P51	P16	P16	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Suvendu Rakshit/ Ashish Devaraj	
2026-Oct-13	6	P16	P42	P16	P16	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Shahebaj Shaikh/ Ashish Devaraj	
2026-Oct-14	11	P16	P42	P42	P16	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Shahebaj Shaikh/ Ashish Devaraj	
2026-Oct-15	18	P25	P25	P42	P42	ADFOSC	Priya Sharma/ Shahebaj Shaikh	
2026-Oct-16	26	P25	P25	P42	**P38**	ADFOSC	Priya Sharma/ Shahebaj Shaikh/ **Arya Sudhakaran**	**Suraj Dhiwar**

2026-Oct-17	35	P42	P42	**P65**	**P65**	ADFOSC	Shahebaj Shaikh/ **Arun Roy**	**Suraj Dhiwar**
2026-Oct-18	44	P32	P32	P17	P8	ADFOSC	Tushar Ubarhande/ Riya Bhowmick/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Oct-19	53	P34	P1	P1	P8	ADFOSC	Aayushi Verma/ Jean Surdej/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Oct-20	63	P1	P17	P17	P8	ADFOSC	Jean Surdej/ Riya Bowmick/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Oct-21	72	P11	P11	P1	P8	ADFOSC	Mohit Singh Bisht/ Jean Surdej/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Oct-22	80	P57	P57	P57	P48	ADFOSC	Sipra Hota/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Oct-23	88	P57	P57	P17	P48	ADFOSC	Sipra Hota/ Riya Bhowmick/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Oct-24	94	P17	P17	P17	P17	ADFOSC	Riya Bhowmick	
2026-Oct-25	98	P32	P52	P52	P53	ADFOSC/TIRCAM-2	Tushar Ubarhande/Anshika Gupta/Tarun Bangia	
2026-Oct-26	100	P53	P53	P53	P53	ADFOSC	Tarun Bangia	
2026-Oct-27	99	P53	P53	P53	P53	ADFOSC	Tarun Bangia	
2026-Oct-28	95	P22	P22	P49	P32	ADFOSC	Gourav Banerjee/ Divyanshu Janghel/ Tushar Ubarhande	
2026-Oct-29	89	TCN	P49	TCN	P34	ADFOSC	Divyanshu Janghel/ Aayushi Verma	
2026-Oct-30	81	P28	P49	P1	P1	ADFOSC	Jincen Jose/ Divyanshu Janghel/ Jean Surdej	
2026-Oct-31	71	P51	P51	P31	P8	ADFOSC	Suvendu Rakshit/ Brijesh Kumar/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-01	60	P51	P51	P49	P8	ADFOSC	Suvendu Rakshit/ Divyanshu Janghel/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-02	48	P17	P17	P35	P35	ADFOSC	Riya Bhowmick/ Suvendu Rakshit	
2026-Nov-03	37	P39	P39	P35	P35	ADFOSC	Jincen Jose/ Suvendu Rakshit	
2026-Nov-04	27	P5**	P5**	**P65**	**P65**	TIRCAM2/ADFOSC	Kuntal Misra/ **Arun Roy**	**Sipra Hota**
2026-Nov-05	18	P5**	P5**	**P38**	P8	TIRCAM2/ADFOSC	Kuntal Misra/ **Arya Sudhakaran/** Alok Gupta	**Sipra Hota**
2026-Nov-06	11	P5**	P5**	P19	P8	TIRCAM2/ADFOSC	Kuntal Misra/ Himadri Shekhar Das/ Alok Gupta	

2026-Nov-07	5	P5**	P5**	P19	P8	TIRCAM2/ADFOSC	Kuntal Misra/ Himadri Shekhar Das/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-08	2	P5**	P5**	P19	P8	TIRCAM2/ADFOSC	Kuntal Misra/ Himadri Shekhar Das/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-09	0	P16	P16	P16	P8	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-10	1	P16	P16	P16	P8	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-11	3	P16	P16	P16	P8	ADFOSC	Ashish Devaraj/ Alok Gupta	
2026-Nov-12	7	P58	P58	P1	P1	ADFOSC	Akhil Krishna/ Jean Surdej	
2026-Nov-13	12	P1	P1	P49	**P38**	ADFOSC	Jean Surdej/ Divyanshu Janghel/ **Arya Sudhakaran**	**Tanima Mondal**
2026-Nov-14	19	**P7**	**P7**	P13	P13	ADFOSC	**Arghajit Jana/** Anurag Baruah	**Tanima Mondal**
2026-Nov-15	27	P1	P1	P13	P13	ADFOSC	Jean Surdej/ Anurag Baruah	
2026-Nov-16	36	P39	P39	P13	P13	ADFOSC	Jincen Jose/ Anurag Baruah	
2026-Nov-17	45	P57	P57	P9	P9	ADFOSC	Sipra Hota/ Yash Sharma	
2026-Nov-18	55	P57	P57	P3	P3	ADFOSC/TIRCAM2	Sipra Hota/ Manojit Chakraborty	
2026-Nov-19	65	ExoCoDOT	P42	P42	P42	ADFOSC	Shahebaj Shaikh	
2026-Nov-20	74	P1	P1	P42	P42	ADFOSC	Jean Surdej/ Shahebaj Shaikh	
2026-Nov-21	83	P17	P49	P42	P42	ADFOSC	Riya Bhowmick/ Divyanshu Janghel/ Shahebaj Shaikh	
2026-Nov-22	91	P28	P49	P34	P1	ADFOSC	Jincen Jose/ Divyanshu Janghel/ Aayushi Verma/ Jean Surdej	
2026-Nov-23	96	P32	P32	P32	P32	ADFOSC	Tushar Ubarhande	
2026-Nov-24	99	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	TANSPEC	**Instrument Team TANSPEC + DOT team [Mounting]**	
2026-Nov-25	100	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	TANSPEC	**Instrument Team TANSPEC + DOT team [Mounting]**	
2026-Nov-26	97	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	TANSPEC	**Instrument Team TANSPEC + DOT team [Mounting]**	
2026-Nov-27	92	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	TANSPEC	**Instrument Team TANSPEC + DOT team [Mounting]**	

2026-Nov-28	84	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	**ICT**	TANSPEC	**Instrument Team TANSPEC + DOT team [Mounting]**	
2026-Nov-29	74	DDT	**TMT**	**TMT**	TCN	TANSPEC		
2026-Nov-30	64	P37	P46	P46	DDT	TANSPEC	Cysil Tom Baby/ Ranjan Kumar	
2026-Dec-01	53	P37	P46	P46	DDT	TANSPEC	Cysil Tom Baby/ Ranjan Kumar	
2026-Dec-02	42	P22	P22	DDT	DDT	TANSPEC	Gourav Banerjee	
2026-Dec-03	32	P30	P30	P30	P30	TANSPEC	Vaidehi Varma	
2026-Dec-04	23	P37	P24	P24	P30	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Cysil Tom Baby/ Jyotirmoy Dey/ Vaidehi Verma	
2026-Dec-05	15	P37	P37	P48	TCN	TANSPEC	Cysil Tom Baby/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Dec-06	9	P37	P37	P48	DDT	TANSPEC	Cysil Tom Baby/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Dec-07	4	P37	P3	P3	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Cysil Tom Baby/ Manojit Chakraborty	
2026-Dec-08	1	P2	P2	P48	DDT	TANSPEC	Manojit Chakraborty/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Dec-09	0	P2	P2	P48	DDT	TANSPEC	Manojit Chakraborty/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Dec-10	1	P15	P15	P48	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Mamta Agrawal/ Harmeen Kaur	
2026-Dec-11	4	**P55****	P9	P9	DDT	TANSPEC	**Sayantan Bhattacharya**/Yash Sharma	**Nitu Rai**
2026-Dec-12	8	P15	P15	**P12**	**P12**	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Mamta Agrawal**/ Priyanka Chaturvedi**	**Nitu Rai**
2026-Dec-13	13	P27	P27	TCN	DDT	TANSPEC	Rishi C	
2026-Dec-14	21	P27	P27	P15	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Rishi C/ Mamta Agrawal	
2026-Dec-15	29	P43	P20	P20	DDT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav/ Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-16	38	P43	P15	P15	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Shubham Yadav/ Mamta Agrawal	
2026-Dec-17	48	P43	P20	P20	DDT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav/ Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-18	58	P43	P15	P15	TCN	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Shubham Yadav/ Mamta Agrawal	

2026-Dec-19	68	P43	P20	P20	TCN	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav/ Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-20	78	P43	P15	DDT	TCN	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Shubham Yadav/ Mamta Agrawal	
2026-Dec-21	87	P43	P20	P20	DDT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav/ Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-22	94	P43	TCN	DDT	DDT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-23	98	P43	DDT	TCN	DDT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-24	100	P43				TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav	
2026-Dec-25	99	P11				TANSPEC	Mohit Singh Bisht	
2026-Dec-26	94	P11	DDT	TCN	DDT	TANSPEC	Mohit Singh Bisht	
2026-Dec-27	88	P11	**TMT**	**TMT**	TCN	TANSPEC	Mohit Singh Bisht	
2026-Dec-28	79	P11	P27	DDT	TCN	TANSPEC	Mohit Singh Bisht/ Rishi C	
2026-Dec-29	69	P45	P45	P15	TCN	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Manash Samal/ Mamta Agrawal	
2026-Dec-30	58	P45	P45	DDT	DDT	TANSPEC	Manash Samal	
2026-Dec-31	48	P45	P45	P15	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Mamta Agrawal	
2027-Jan-01	38	P41	P52	P31	P31	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Pankaj Pawar/ Anshika Gupta/ Brijesh Kumar	
2027-Jan-02	28	P63	P34	**P12**	**P12**	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Dhatri Dongre/ Aayushi Verma**/ Priyanka Chaturvedi**	**Sunanda**
2027-Jan-03	20	**P55****	P34	P34	TCN	TANSPEC	**Sayantan Bhattacharya/** Aayushi Verma	**Sunanda**
2027-Jan-04	13	P63	P24	P24	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Dhatri Dongre/ Jyotirmoy Dey	
2027-Jan-05	7	P46	P46	P34	DDT	TANSPEC	Ranjan Kumar/ Aayushi Verma	
2027-Jan-06	3	P46	P46	P46	TCN	TANSPEC	Ranjan Kumar	
2027-Jan-07	1	P18	P18	P18	P18	TANSPEC	Karan Dogra	
2027-Jan-08	0	P3	P3	DDT	P18	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Manojit Chakraborty/ Karan Dogra	

2027-Jan-09	1	P23	P23	TMT	TMT	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav	
2027-Jan-10	4	P23	P23	DDT	TCN	TANSPEC	Shubham Yadav	
2027-Jan-11	9	P52	P47	P47	P28	TANSPEC/TIRCAM-2	Anshika Gupta/ Sunish Prashar/ Jincen Jose	
2027-Jan-12	15	P39	P39	P39	P39	TANSPEC	Jincen Jose	
2027-Jan-13	22	P44	P44	P14	P39	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Mamta Agrawal/ Jincen Jose	
2027-Jan-14	31	P44	P44	P14	P28	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Mamta Agrawal/ Jincen Jose	
2027-Jan-15	41	P44	P44	TCN	P28	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Jincen Jose	
2027-Jan-16	52	P44	P44	DDT	DDT	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav	
2027-Jan-17	62	P44	P44	P47	DDT	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Sunish Prashar	
2027-Jan-18	73	P44	P44	P47	TCN	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Sunish Prashar	
2027-Jan-19	83	P44	P44	P47	DDT	TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav/ Sunish Prashar	
2027-Jan-20	91	P44	P44			TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav	
2027-Jan-21	96	P44	P44			TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav	
2027-Jan-22	100	P44	P44			TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav	
2027-Jan-23	100	P44	P44			TANSPEC	Kushagra Srivastav	
2027-Jan-24	97	P14				TANSPEC	Mamta Agarwal	
2027-Jan-25	91	P14	P14			TANSPEC	Mamta Agarwal	
2027-Jan-26	84	P2	P3	TMT	TMT	TANSPECTIRCAM-2	Manojit Chakraborty/ Manojit Chakraborty	
2027-Jan-27	75	P54	P54	P54	DDT	TANSPEC	Kuwar Tushar Singh	
2027-Jan-28	65	P54	P54	P15	DDT	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Kuwar Tushar Singh/ Mamta Agrawal	
2027-Jan-29	55	P41	P47	P47	DDT	TIRCAM2/TANSPEC	Pankaj Pawar/ Sunish Prashar	

2027-Jan-30	45	P2	P2	P15	TCN	TANSPEC/TIRCAM2	Manojit Chakraborty/ Mamta Agrawal	
2027-Jan-31	35	P2	P2	DDT	DDT	TANSPEC	Manojit Chakraborty	

ABBREVIATIONS:

DOT: Devasthal Optical Telescope
DDT: Director's Discretionary Time
ICT: Instrument Change Time
IVT: Instrument Verification Time
TMT: Telescope Maintenance Time
TCN: ToO Compulsory Night

NOTES:

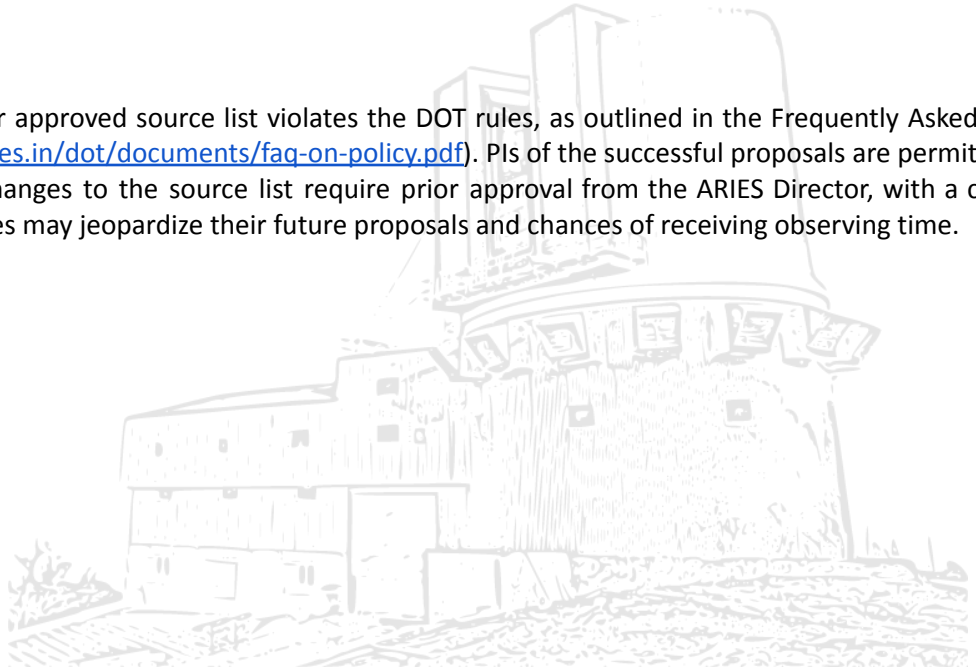
1. The observations will be executed in visitor and service mode. The PI of accepted visitor mode proposals, including ToO proposals, should ensure that either the PI or a co-PI is present at the Devasthal site to coordinate the observations. PI of accepted proposals may write to dotdevasthal@gmail.com, dot@aries.res.in for any observations-related queries or requests. The latest update, including any unexpected technical issues, on the working of the telescope and instruments will be put up on the 3.6m DOT website (https://www.aries.res.in/dot/). TIRCAM2 is mounted on side-port 1 and is available throughout the cycle. SPIM will be mounted on side-port2, currently under maintenance.
2. Observations requested under Service Mode will be conducted according to predetermined operation sequences mutually agreed upon by the DOT operations team and the proposer. Principal Investigators (PIs) should submit a detailed observation plan in the prescribed format (https://www.aries.res.in/dot/documents/Object_list_for_service_mode_observation.docx) at least two days before their scheduled observation night. The observatory staff will contact the PIs if further information is required. The online participation of the observer(s) will be facilitated by a suitable platform during the observation.
3. The available time on the Telescope for cycle 2026-DOT-C2 is given in **Annexure 1**. Each night is divided into four quarters; the accepted proposals and instruments are scheduled accordingly. The start time, end time, and duration for each night are given in **Annexure 1**, and time intervals for each quarter can be computed using the quarter length provided.
4. A list of accepted (Regular / ToO) proposals is given in **Annexure 2**. The total ToO allotted time is 132.75 hrs. The accepted ToO proposals are P4 Shashi Bhushan Pandey (15 hrs); P6 Shashi Bhushan Pandey (5.25 hrs); P10 Yash Sharma (10 hrs); P21 Dhruv Jain (10.5 hrs); P33

Divyanshu Janghel (13.5 hrs); P36 Brijesh Kumar (10.5 hrs); P40 Pankaj Pawar (18 hrs); P50 Ritish Thakur (10.6 hrs); P60 Tanima Mondal (15 hrs); P62 Kumar Pranshu (10.5 hrs); P64 Aravind Krishnakumar (6.4 hrs); P66 Debalina Kar (7.5 hrs). Target of Opportunity (ToO) Policy: The PIs of approved ToO programs are requested to communicate the trigger date and the number of observing hours to be utilized to dotdevasthal@gmail.com and dot@aries.res.in immediately after the trigger. In the event of a ToO trigger, the corresponding observing time will be compensated using the night(s) designated as ToO Compulsory Night (TCN) in the observing schedule.

5. While executing the DTAC-approved proposals, the priority sequence would be TMT, ICT, IVT, P* (approved-ToO proposals), DDT (Compensation for A-grade, unexpected events, etc.), TCO, and regular proposals. The Director's Discretionary Time (DDT) on the telescope is reserved in 40 quarter slots on several nights spread over the entire cycle and will be utilised per the DDT policy.
6. Observers must fill out an online observing log immediately after night observations. The log may contain the proposal ID, sources observed, quality of the night, difficulty faced, etc.
7. Proposal P5 and P55 (PI: Kuntal Misra, Sayantan Bhattacharya) are TCO-marked with ** in the schedule.
8. A total of 19Q (bright) could not be scheduled due to various constraints, and these are open to use if demand is raised to the Director, ARIES (directoraries@aries.res.in) with a copy to dotdevasthal@gmail.com , dot@aries.res.in. Currently, these are left unscheduled as blank slots.

Note to the observers:

Observing sources outside their approved source list violates the DOT rules, as outlined in the Frequently Asked Questions on the DOT site (see point 15 at https://www.aries.res.in/dot/documents/faq-on-policy.pdf). PIs of the successful proposals are permitted to observe only the sources on their approved lists. Any changes to the source list require prior approval from the ARIES Director, with a copy sent to the DOT in charge. Observing non-approved sources may jeopardize their future proposals and chances of receiving observing time.



Annexure – 1 : DOT-2026-C2 : Note on Telescope Time

Category	Number of Nights	Remarks
Total time	123	Hours/quarters in cycle: 1292.09 / 492 Average hours per night for cycle = 1292.09/123 = 10.5 hours OCT = 306.05 / 31 = 9.9 hours NOV = 316.58 / 30 = 10.6 hours DEC = 337.03 / 31 = 10.9 hours JAN = 332.43 / 31 = 10.7 hours Dark (0 < moon < 25) : 10 + 10 + 11 + 11 = 42 nights Gray (25 <= moon < 75) : 11+ 12 + 11 + 11 = 45 nights Bright (75 <= moon < 100) : 10 + 8 + 9 + 9 = 36 nights
Observatory Time	15	A: Start-up nights **October 1-8 (8 nights)** B: TMT (Telescope Maintenance Time) = .5 night x 4 months (**2 nights** gray/bright nights); WFS and Guider testing, monthly tracking and pointing, IQ optimisation with WFS, IQ-related measurements C: ICT (Instrument Change Time): ADFOSC and TIRCAM2 will be mounted on the telescope by the end of September 2026, with three nights for set-up tests and pointing and IQ tests ADFOSC to TANSPEC changeover: **5 nights (November last week, bright nights)** [1 day: unmount of ADFOSC; 2 days mount of TANSPEC on telescope and cooling; 2 nights for set-up tests and pointing, and IQ]
Science Time	108	Total time minus Observatory time **Dark Nights: 39/42** **Grey Nights: 40/45** **Bright nights: 29/36**
DDT	10.8	10% of Science Time: 43 quarter nights
Guaranteed Time	97.2	Science time minus DDT Indian : 58.4 nights; ARIES : 32.0 nights; Belgian : 6.8 nights

October 2026						November 2026					
Night	Moon Phase (%)	Start hh:mm	End hh:mm	Total hh:mm	Quarter length hh:mm	Night	Moon Phase (%)	Start hh:mm	End hh:mm	Total hh:mm	Quarter length hh:mm
1	78	19:17	4:45	9:27	2:21	1	60	18:46	5:03	10:17	2:34
2	68	19:16	4:45	9:29	2:22	2	48	18:45	5:04	10:18	2:34
3	57	19:14	4:46	9:31	2:22	3	37	18:45	5:04	10:19	2:34
4	45	19:13	4:47	9:33	2:23	4	27	18:44	5:05	10:21	2:35
5	34	19:12	4:47	9:35	2:23	5	18	18:43	5:06	10:22	2:35
6	24	19:11	4:48	9:36	2:24	6	11	18:43	5:06	10:23	2:35
7	15	19:10	4:48	9:38	2:24	7	5	18:42	5:07	10:24	2:36
8	8	19:09	4:49	9:40	2:25	8	2	18:42	5:08	10:26	2:36
9	3	19:07	4:49	9:41	2:25	9	0	18:41	5:08	10:27	2:36
10	1	19:06	4:50	9:43	2:25	10	1	18:41	5:09	10:28	2:37
11	0	19:05	4:51	9:45	2:26	11	3	18:40	5:10	10:29	2:37
12	2	19:04	4:51	9:46	2:26	12	7	18:40	5:10	10:30	2:37
13	6	19:03	4:52	9:48	2:27	13	12	18:39	5:11	10:31	2:37
14	11	19:02	4:52	9:50	2:27	14	19	18:39	5:12	10:32	2:38
15	18	19:01	4:53	9:51	2:27	15	27	18:38	5:12	10:33	2:38
16	26	19:00	4:53	9:53	2:28	16	36	18:38	5:13	10:35	2:38
17	35	18:59	4:54	9:55	2:28	17	45	18:38	5:14	10:36	2:39
18	44	18:58	4:55	9:56	2:29	18	55	18:37	5:14	10:37	2:39
19	53	18:57	4:55	9:58	2:29	19	65	18:37	5:15	10:38	2:39
20	63	18:56	4:56	9:59	2:29	20	74	18:37	5:16	10:38	2:39
21	72	18:55	4:56	10:01	2:30	21	83	18:37	5:16	10:39	2:39
22	80	18:54	4:57	10:02	2:30	22	91	18:36	5:17	10:40	2:40
23	88	18:53	4:58	10:04	2:31	23	96	18:36	5:18	10:41	2:40
24	94	18:52	4:58	10:05	2:31	24	99	18:36	5:19	10:42	2:40
25	98	18:51	4:59	10:07	2:31	25	100	18:36	5:19	10:43	2:40
26	100	18:51	4:59	10:08	2:32	26	97	18:36	5:20	10:44	2:41
27	99	18:50	5:00	10:10	2:32	27	92	18:36	5:21	10:44	2:41
28	95	18:49	5:01	10:11	2:32	28	84	18:36	5:21	10:45	2:41
29	89	18:48	5:01	10:12	2:33	29	74	18:36	5:22	10:46	2:41
30	81	18:47	5:02	10:14	2:33	30	64	18:36	5:23	10:47	2:41
31	71	18:47	5:02	10:15	2:33						
Total observing hours				306.05 hours		Total observing hours				316.58 hours	

December 2026						January 2027					
Night	Moon Phase (%)	Start hh:mm	End hh:mm	Total hh:mm	Quarter length hh:mm	Night	Moon Phase (%)	Start hh:mm	End hh:mm	Total hh:mm	Quarter length hh:mm
1	53	18:36	5:23	10:47	2:41	1	38	18:47	5:40	10:53	2:43
2	42	18:36	5:24	10:48	2:42	2	28	18:48	5:41	10:52	2:43
3	32	18:36	5:25	10:48	2:42	3	20	18:49	5:41	10:52	2:43
4	23	18:36	5:25	10:49	2:42	4	13	18:49	5:41	10:52	2:43
5	15	18:36	5:26	10:50	2:42	5	7	18:50	5:41	10:51	2:42
6	9	18:36	5:27	10:50	2:42	6	3	18:51	5:42	10:51	2:42
7	4	18:36	5:27	10:51	2:42	7	1	18:51	5:42	10:50	2:42
8	1	18:37	5:28	10:51	2:42	8	0	18:52	5:42	10:50	2:42
9	0	18:37	5:29	10:51	2:42	9	1	18:53	5:42	10:49	2:42
10	1	18:37	5:29	10:52	2:43	10	4	18:53	5:42	10:49	2:42
11	4	18:37	5:30	10:52	2:43	11	9	18:54	5:42	10:48	2:42
12	8	18:38	5:31	10:53	2:43	12	15	18:55	5:43	10:47	2:41
13	13	18:38	5:31	10:53	2:43	13	22	18:55	5:43	10:47	2:41
14	21	18:38	5:32	10:53	2:43	14	31	18:56	5:43	10:46	2:41
15	29	18:39	5:33	10:53	2:43	15	41	18:57	5:43	10:45	2:41
16	38	18:39	5:33	10:54	2:43	16	52	18:58	5:43	10:44	2:41
17	48	18:39	5:34	10:54	2:43	17	62	18:58	5:43	10:44	2:41
18	58	18:40	5:34	10:54	2:43	18	73	18:59	5:42	10:43	2:40
19	68	18:40	5:35	10:54	2:43	19	83	19:00	5:42	10:42	2:40
20	78	18:41	5:35	10:54	2:43	20	91	19:01	5:42	10:41	2:40
21	87	18:41	5:36	10:54	2:43	21	96	19:01	5:42	10:40	2:40
22	94	18:42	5:36	10:54	2:43	22	100	19:02	5:42	10:39	2:39
23	98	18:42	5:37	10:54	2:43	23	100	19:03	5:42	10:39	2:39
24	100	18:43	5:37	10:54	2:43	24	97	19:03	5:42	10:38	2:39
25	99	18:43	5:38	10:54	2:43	25	91	19:04	5:41	10:37	2:39
26	94	18:44	5:38	10:54	2:43	26	84	19:05	5:41	10:36	2:39
27	88	18:44	5:39	10:54	2:43	27	75	19:06	5:41	10:35	2:38
28	79	18:45	5:39	10:54	2:43	28	65	19:06	5:40	10:33	2:38
29	69	18:45	5:39	10:53	2:43	29	55	19:07	5:40	10:32	2:38
30	58	18:46	5:40	10:53	2:43	30	45	19:08	5:40	10:31	2:37
31	48	18:47	5:40	10:53	2:43	31	35	19:09	5:39	10:30	2:37
Total observing hours				337.03 hours		Total observing hours				332.43 hours	

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List of accepted proposals

Proposal Code	PI	Category	Title	Proposal Type	Allocated Time by DTAC (quarters)	Scheduled quarters	Scheduled Dates
DOT-2026-C2-P1	Jean Surdej	Belgian (7%)	3.6m DOT observations of optical transients detected with the 4m ILMT	Long Term (Ongoing)	21Q	21Q	Oct 08, 09, 10, 18, 19, 20, 21, 30, Nov 12, 13, 15, 20, 22
DOT-2026-C2-P2	Manojit Chakraborty	ARIES (33%)	Photometric and Spectroscopic Monitoring of FU Orionis and EX Orionis Sources (MFES)	Thesis Project	9Q	9Q	Dec 08, 09, Jan 26, 30, 31
DOT-2026-C2-P3	Manojit Chakraborty	ARIES (33%)	Spectroscopic and Photometric Follow-up of Young Stars.	Thesis Project	7Q	7Q	Nov 18, Dec 07, Jan 08, 26
DOT-2026-C2-P4	Shashi Bhushan Pandey	ARIES (33%)	Connecting the missing link between GRBs and CCSNe through observations by EP-FXTs	Long Term (New)		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P5	Kuntal Misra	ARIES (33%)	Simultaneous DOT-TIRCAM2 JWST Observations of the debris disk of G29–38	Long Term (New)	10Q	10Q	Nov 04, 05, 06, 07, 08
DOT-2026-C2-P6	Shashi Bhushan Pandey	ARIES (33%)	Afterglow Observations of GeV-TeV Detected GRBs and Their Associated Supernovae	Long Term (Ongoing)		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P7	Arghajit Jana	Indian Time (60%)	Testing Photoionization Models of the Broad Line Region Using Balmer Emission Lines	Long Term (New)	4Q	4Q	Oct 11, Nov 14
DOT-2026-C2-P8	Alok C. Gupta	ARIES (33%)	Probing the Nature of the Changing-Look Phenomenon	Short Term	13Q	13Q	Oct 18, 19, 20, 21, 31, Nov 01, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11
DOT-2026-C2-P9	Yash Sharma	ARIES (33%)	Environments of GRBs and photometric studies of host galaxies using 3.6m DOT	Thesis Project	4Q	4Q	Nov 17, Dec 11
DOT-2026-C2-P10	Yash Sharma	ARIES (33%)	3.6m DOT late-time follow-up observations of bright GRBs discovered jointly by Swift and Fermi/SVOM	Long Term (Ongoing)		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P11	Mohit Singh Bisht	Indian Time (60%)	Investigating Nova Ejecta through High-cadence Optical and NIR Spectroscopy	Long Term (Ongoing)	6Q	6Q	Oct 21, Dec 25, 26, 27, 28
DOT-2026-C2-P12	Priyanka Chaturvedi	Indian Time (60%)	The impact of stellar flares on the evolution of planetary atmospheres	Long Term (Ongoing)	4Q	4Q	Dec 12, Jan 02
DOT-2026-C2-P13	ANURAG BARUAH	Indian Time (60%)	Probing the evolution of Massive Contact Binary CT Tau with Phase-Resolved Spectroscopy	Thesis Project	6Q	6Q	Nov 14, 15, 16
DOT-2026-C2-P14	Mamta Agarwal	ARIES (33%)	Hunting the earliest phases of massive stars through near infrared (NIR) spectroscopic survey	Long Term (Ongoing)	5Q	5Q	Jan 13, 14, 24, 25
DOT-2026-C2-P15	Mamta Agarwal	ARIES (33%)	Deep Near-Infrared study of Feedback and the Initial Mass Function in Young Embedded Clusters	Thesis Project	14Q	14Q	Dec 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 29, 31, Jan 28, 30

DOT-2026-C2-P16	Ashish Devaraj	ARIES (33%)	Hydrated Asteroids as Potential Meteor-Shower Sources: A multi-wavelength Study with DOT	Short Term	17Q	17Q	Oct 12, 13, 14, Nov 09, 10, 11
DOT-2026-C2-P17	Riya Bhowmick	ARIES (33%)	Spectroscopic Observation of BL Lacs with Unknown Redshifts and FSRQs with Unknown Black Hole Masses	Short Term	11Q	11Q	Oct 18, 20, 23, 24, Nov, 02, 21
DOT-2026-C2-P18	KARAN DOGRA	ARIES (33%)	Estimating Super-Massive Black Hole Mass of Distant Quasars	Short Term	5Q	5Q	Jan 07, 08
DOT-2026-C2-P19	Himadri Sekhar Das	Indian Time (60%)	A Comparative Analysis of Oort Cloud comets with 3I/ATLAS	Thesis Project	5Q	5Q	Oct 11, Nov 06, 07, 08
DOT-2026-C2-P20	Shubham Yadav	ARIES (33%)	Investigating Influence of Circumstellar Disk Structure on Accretion, Outflow Variability in CTTSs.	Long Term (New)	8Q	8Q	Dec 15, 17, 19, 21
DOT-2026-C2-P21	Dhruv Jain	ARIES (33%)	Multi-messenger Astronomy of Compact Object Mergers with DOT	Thesis Project		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P22	Gourav Banerjee	Indian Time (60%)	A spectroscopic monitoring program for Galactic Oe and classical Be stars	Long Term (New)	4Q	4Q	Oct 28, Dec 02
DOT-2026-C2-P23	Shubham Yadav	ARIES (33%)	Unveiling Physical Origin of Mid-Infrared Burst Events in CTTS Stars through NIR Spectroscopy.	Long Term (New)	4Q	4Q	Jan 09, 10
DOT-2026-C2-P24	Jyotirmoy Dey	Indian Time (60%)	A near-infrared study of massive protostars with variable methanol masers	Short Term	4Q	4Q	Dec 04, Jan 04
DOT-2026-C2-P25	Priya Sharma	Indian Time (60%)	Spectroscopic Monitoring of Weak Emission-Line Quasars Exhibiting BAL Outflows: Probing the Early Ev	Thesis Project	4Q	4Q	Oct 15, Oct 16
DOT-2026-C2-P27	Rishi C	ARIES (33%)	Deep Near-Infrared Imaging of Young Stars in Bright-Rimmed cloud 2	Thesis Project	5Q	5Q	Dec 13, 14, 28
DOT-2026-C2-P28	Jincen Jose	ARIES (33%)	Spectral monitoring of Changing-look AGN 1ES 1927+654 & I 3559	Short Term	5Q	5Q	Oct 30, Nov 22, Jan 11, 14, 15
DOT-2026-C2-P30	Vaidehi Varma	Indian Time (60%)	NIR Spectroscopic Study of RRc and RRd stars	Long Term (Ongoing)	5Q	5Q	Dec 03, 04
DOT-2026-C2-P31	Brijesh Kumar	ARIES (33%)	A new era in supernova cosmology: The near infrared Hubble diagram	Thesis Project	2Q	2Q	Jan 01
DOT-2026-C2-P32	Tushar Ubarhande	ARIES (33%)	Calibration and Testing of Aperture Masking Interferometry Mode using ADFOSC	Thesis Project	8Q	8Q	Oct-18, 25, 28, Nov-23
DOT-2026-C2-P33	Divyanshu Janghel	ARIES (33%)	ToO mode observations of young supernovae.	Thesis Project		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P34	Aayushi Verma	ARIES (33%)	Statistical Analysis of the Massive Stars Triggering Star Formation around Galactic Bubbles	Short Term	7Q	7Q	Oct-19, 29, Nov-22, Jan-02, 03, 05
DOT-2026-C2-P35	SUVENDU RAKSHIT	ARIES (33%)	Spectroscopic Follow-up of AGNs with Extreme Mid-Infrared Variability	Long Term (Ongoing)	8Q	8Q	Oct-08, 09, Nov-02,03

DOT-2026-C2-P36	Brijesh Kumar	ARIES (33%)	Gravitationally Lensed supernovae from the Zwicky Transient Facility: AD- FOSC Spectroscopy	Short Term		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P37	Cysil Tom Baby	Indian Time (60%)	From IMTTS to HAeBe: Accretion and Inner-Disk Evolution of Young Intermediate-Mass Stars in Cep OB3	Short Term	8Q	8Q	Nov-30, Dec-01, 04, 05, 06, 07
DOT-2026-C2-P38	Arya Sudhakaran	Indian Time (60%)	Probing the Accretion Disk-Jet Coupling in Changing-Look Blazars	Thesis Project	4Q	4Q	Oct-10, 16, Nov-05, 13
DOT-2026-C2-P39	Jincen Jose	ARIES (33%)	Optical and Infrared Spectroscopy of Changing-Look AGNs	Thesis Project	9Q	9Q	Nov-03, 16, Jan 12, 13
DOT-2026-C2-P40	Pankaj Pawar	ARIES (33%)	Investigation of progenitors of GRBs with optical observations	Thesis Project		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P41	Pankaj Pawar	ARIES (33%)	Investigating the Progenitors of High-Energy Transients via Host Galaxy SED Modeling	Thesis Project	2Q	2Q	Jan-1, 29
DOT-2026-C2-P42	Shahebaj Shaikh	Indian Time (60%)	Narrow-band Hα Imaging of Post-starburst Galaxies having Extraplanar Low Frequency Radio Emission	Thesis Project	15Q	15Q	Oct-13, 14, 15, 16, 17, Nov-19, 20, 21
DOT-2026-C2-P43	Shubham Yadav	ARIES (33%)	Unveiling Physical Origin of Complex Variability in BP Tau through Multi epoch NIR spectroscopy.	Long Term (New)	10Q	10Q	Dec-15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
DOT-2026-C2-P44	Kushagra Srivastav	Indian Time (60%)	Probing Accretion Variability in T Tauri Stars Through Line Diagnostics	Thesis Project	22Q	22Q	Jan-13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23
DOT-2026-C2-P45	Manash Samal	Indian Time (60%)	Do Molecular Streamers Regulate Protoplanetary Disk Evolution?	Short Term	6Q	6Q	Dec-29, 30, 31
DOT-2026-C2-P46	Ranjan Kumar	Indian Time (60%)	Connecting ALMA Disk Morphologies to the Evolution of the Inner Gaseous Disk	Short Term	9Q	9Q	Nov-30, Dec-01, Jan-05, 06
DOT-2026-C2-P47	SUNISH PRASHAR	Indian Time (60%)	The Missing Link in Episodic Accretion? Multi-Epoch Spectroscopy of Peculiar Variable Young Stars	Thesis Project	7Q	7Q	Jan-11, 17, 18, 19, 29
DOT-2026-C2-P48	Harmeen Kaur	ARIES (33%)	Optical and Near-Infrared Study of Massive Young Stars	Short Term	7Q	7Q	Oct-22, 23, Dec-05, 06, 08, 09, 10
DOT-2026-C2-P49	Divyanshu Janghel	ARIES (33%)	Photospheric and nebular phase follow-up study of supernovae with 3.6m DOT.	Thesis Project	7Q	7Q	Oct-28, 29, 30, Nov-01, 12, 21, 22
DOT-2026-C2-P50	Ritish Thakur	ARIES (33%)	VIS-NIR Observations of thermonuclear supernovae.	Thesis Project		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P51	SUVENDU RAKSHIT	ARIES (33%)	Calibration and testing the spectro-polarimetry mode of ADFOSC	Long Term (Ongoing)	6Q	6Q	Oct-08, 12, 31, Nov-1
DOT-2026-C2-P52	Anshika Gupta	ARIES (33%)	Probing Long-GRB Progenitors through Extragalactic Wolf–Rayet Stars	Thesis Project	4Q	4Q	Oct-25, Jan-1, 11
DOT-2026-C2-P53	Tarun Bangia	ARIES (33%)	Engineering observations for Thermal Effects on the Delivered Image Quality of the 3.6-m DOT	Short Term	9Q	9Q	Oct-25, 26, 27

DOT-2026-C2-P54	Kuwar Tushar Singh	ARIES (33%)	Deep Near Infrared Imaging of the High-Galactic-Latitude Embedded Cluster Candidates C932 and C939	Long Term (New)	5Q	5Q	Jan-27, 28
DOT-2026-C2-P55	SAYANTAN BHATTACHARYA	Indian Time (60%)	Probing Neutron-Star-Induced Perturbations in the Be Circumstellar Disc of EXO 2030+375	Short Term	2Q	2Q	Dec-11, Jan-03
DOT-2026-C2-P57	Sipra Hota	ARIES (33%)	Optical Spectroscopic Monitoring of Be Stars in the Young Open Clusters NGC663 & NGC654 with ADFOSC	Long Term (New)	9Q	9Q	Oct-22, 23, Nov-17, 18
DOT-2026-C2-P58	Akhil Krishna R	Indian Time (60%)	Resolved star formation across the disk and polar ring of NGC 660: A DOT–UVIT View	Short Term	2Q	2Q	Nov-12
DOT-2026-C2-P60	Tanima Mondal	ARIES (33%)	Optical Characterization of X-ray bright GRBs and Study of their jet break features	Short Term	7Q	ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P62	Kumar Pranshu	ARIES (33%)	Exploring the LSST Transient Landscape with the 3.6m DOT	Long Term (New)		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P63	Dhatri Dongre M	Indian Time (60%)	Deep Optical and Near-Infrared Spectroscopy and Near-Infrared Imaging of IRAS 23077+6707	Thesis Project	2Q	2Q	Jan-02, 04
DOT-2026-C2-P64	Aravind Krishnakumar	Belgian (7%)	Explosive fast transients in VRO Science	Long Term (New)		ToO	
DOT-2026-C2-P65	Arun Roy	Indian Time (60%)	ROCKETS Follow-up: Youth and Disk Signatures of Feedback-Accelerated Class II YSOs around Collinder	Short Term	4Q	4Q	Oct-17, Nov-04
DOT-2026-C2-P66	Debalina Kar	ARIES (33%)	Optical Follow-up of Rare Einstein Probe Xray Transients	Thesis Project		ToO	