NIT Tiruchy gets solar power system as gift from alumni

More than three decades after passing out of the institute, students of the 1980-batch of the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchy (then known as the Regional Engineering College) have come together to gift their alma mater a solar power system.

Institute Director and others during the inaugural function

Thiruchirapalli:

Using the funds collected by the ABCDEF trust run by the 1980-batch alumni, the solar power system with a capacity of 10kw was procured. It has been installed on the terrace of the institute’s administration building.

The modern grid connected by solar photovoltaic panels and the inverter system with online monitoring was commissioned and dedicated to the institute on Friday by Mini Shaji Thomas, Institute Director.

Raja Manohar (1980 batch alumni), who is presently the Executive Director of Bharat Heavy Electronics Limited, Tiruchy and few of his batchmates were also present during the occasion.

The ABCDEF trust envisages to implement more such green initiatives for the institute in future.
1980 batch alumni install solar system in NIT-T

It was commissioned on Friday

10 KW solar power system installed at the National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi by the 1980 batch through its ABCDEF Trust was commissioned on Friday by the Institute Director Mini Shaji Thomas. The photovoltaic panels have been fixed on the terrace of the administrative building.

Alumni of the 1980 batch, who run the ABCDEF Trust, mobilised funds and installed the modern grid connected solar power system with the panels, inverter system with online monitoring of generation data. Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas inaugurated the system in the presence of Raja Manohar, Executive Director of BHEL, Tiruchi, who belongs to the 1980 batch. The ABCDEF Trust plans to implement more such green initiatives for the institute in future also. The trust will also maintain this solar system during the coming years.
Solar power plant inaugurated:
A 10KW solar power system was inaugurated at the National Institute of Technology here on Friday by its alumni from the batch of the 1980. The 10KW solar photovoltaic panels and inverter system are linked online and can be monitored real-time.

In a deeply touching gesture, the 1993 batch students honour the mess workers of their days
Alumni donate 10 kw solar plant to NIT-Tiruchy

DC CORRESPONDENT
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The students of the 1980 batch of the Regional Engineering College (REC), at present widely known as National Institute of Technology, Tiruchy (NIT-T), have donated a 10kW solar plant at a cost of `7.50 lakh to the alma mater through the MANDEF Trust.

In a release here on Friday, Dr C. Narayanan, dean (Planning and Development), NIT-T, said that the modern grid-connected 10kW solar photovoltaic panels, inverter system with online monitoring of generation data was commissioned and dedicated to the Institute on Friday by Mr. Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-T and Mr. Baja Manohar (alumnus from 1980 batch) who is presently the executive director of BHEL, Tiruchy. The trust will also maintain this solar system during the coming years.

Ms. Mini Thomas thanked the Trust for their kind gesture and hoped they would gift more such green initiatives for the Institute in future also.

About 100 members of the 1980 Batch of Alumni of the REC/NIT-T also celebrated the ‘Silver Jubilee Reunion’ at NIT-T on the same day.

Participating in that function, Dr Mini Shaji Thomas, stressed the important role played by alumni in the development of the Institute by setting up laboratories and encouraging students to visit the campus.

Ms. Mini also informed that she would be meeting all the Alumni in Sunnyvale, USA on Aug 11, a release from NIT-T on Saturday said.

The highlight of the celebration was a heartwarming gesture by the chairperson of the ‘Silver Jubilee Reunion’ organising team, Mr. Senguttuvan, who invited 35 retired mess workers during their time at REC and honoured them with gifts for their services then in the various messes in the premier technical institute campus.
1993 batch assembles for silver jubilee reunion

Plant saplings on NIT-T campus

The 1993-batch of National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) converged from the nook and corner of the globe for an eventful silver jubilee reunion at their alma mater on Saturday. As many as 179 alumni members who had assembled for the reunion joined NIT-T Director Mini Shaji and retired faculty members in planting saplings on the campus. They turned emotional as they described how they had launched their dream careers from this very campus. Alongside felicitating the Director, retired professors, deans and faculty of the institute, the alumni batch also honoured 35 retired mess workers, who were called as special invitees, for having served them during their student days, and honoured them with gifts.

Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas related NIT-T's progress to the support extended by the alumni by way of setting up laboratories and encouraging students to visits abroad. Their association also reflected in establishing strong industry-institute interface, she said. Chairman of the silver jubilee reunion organizing team Senguttuvan said: "The institute gave us a wonderful life. We wanted to honour our professors and other people who took care of us."
NIT- Trichy celebrates silver jubilee reunion of 1993 batch

The silver jubilee reunion celebration of 1993 batch of NIT Trichy was celebrated on the college premises. As many as 300 alumni members took part in the event. Mini Shaji Thomas, director, NIT Trichy, welcomed the gathering and spoke about the importance of the role played by alumni in developing the institute by setting up laboratories. The batch alumni honoured the director, retired professors, deans and faculty of the institute.

Thirty-five former mess workers were honoured. Senguttuvan, chairman of silver jubilee reunion organizing team, said that the institute had given them a wonderful life and they wanted to honour their professors and people who took care of them.

Scholarship distribution function organised

Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College has organised a scholarship distribution function to commemorate the birth anniversary of educationist and founder Padmabhushan N Ramaswami Ayyar. P Vasantha Panchapakeshan, coordinator of Padmabhushan N Ramaswami Ayyar educational complex, donated Rs 1 lakh to nearly 183 students. Scholarships were given to meritorious students at Kamakoti Vichyala, Savitri Vidhyasala Hindu Girls Higher Secondary School, Padmabhushan N Ramaswami Ayyar Memorial Polytechnic and Seethalakshmi Ramaswami College. College principal R Padmavathy spoke about Padmabhushan N Ramaswami Ayyar and his son R Panchapakesan, who is the secretary of the institution. Sushila, the Principal of Savitri Vidhyasala Hindu Girls Higher Secondary School propose the vote of thanks.

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NIT Trichy convocation to be held on Saturday, graduates to wear traditional attire

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TRICHY: For the first time, graduates from the National Institute of Technology, Trichy will receive degrees wearing traditional attire and stole instead of the conventional gown during the convocation to be held on Saturday.

“The institute has taking cue from some of the other universities in the country that have done so in the recent time by ending the British tradition,” said director Mini Shaji Thomas.

All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) chairman Anil D Sahasrabudhe will be the chief guest. He will also honour distinguished alumni of the institute with awards for academic, research, managerial contribution, entrepreneurship, public administration and social service.

Two alumni will be honored with young alumnus achiever award.

A record 1,689 student, highest so far in the history of NIT Trichy, will be getting their degrees this year.

“While 1,050 of the graduates have opted for jobs after being placed in reputed companies, 195 graduates are set to begin their entrepreneurial ventures,” said the director.
NIT-T students to receive degrees in traditional attire

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A total of 1,689 students of National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi will receive their degrees at the 14th convocation on July 28.

All India Council for Technical Education Chairman Anil Dattatraya Sahasrabudhe will be the chief guest.

And in a break from tradition, the students and doctoral scholars will receive their degrees in traditional attire and not gowns, NIT-T Director Mini Shaji Thomas said on Wednesday. The prestigious President’s Medal for overall highest CGPA will be received by V. Arthi of B.Tech. (Metallurgical and Materials Engineering). Institute medals will be received by 9 B.Tech., 1 B.Arch., 21 M.Tech., 3 MSc., 1 MCA and 1 MBA students.

During the last academic year, 95% of undergraduates and 87% of postgraduates were placed. The student placement record continues to be maintained at higher percentage despite global sluggishness. In all, 225 companies participated in the recruitment process, one of the highest in the country and on par with the older IITs, she added.

NIT-T will also present the Distinguished Alumni Awards for academic, research, managerial contribution, entrepreneurship, public administration, social service and Young Alumnus Achiever Award. The awardees below 40 years of age were chosen from amongst those who had completed 20 years after PG and 25 years after UG from REC Tiruchi.
ACROSS INDIA

NIT-T to evaluate admission pattern of UG programmes

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THE National Institute of Technology-Tiruchy (NIT-T) will soon commission a project across India to study the distribution of enrolment to its undergraduate programmes. NIT-T director Mini Shaji Thomas said the exercise would help the institution to raise awareness about JEE, better understand the pattern of enrolments and concentrate on areas having limited turnout.

“Students are admitted as per quota, and the breakdown is 50 per cent of seats are meant for Tamil Nadu students, and the rest for students across India. There is also a quota named Direct Admission to Students Abroad (DASA),” Thomas said.

Explaining about the project, she said, “This will give us clarity on which region has maximum enrolments in NIT-T. Once the weak areas are identified, campaigns about NIT-T’s teaching club IGNITTE - which provides online classes for NEET and JEE- would be organised to engage students over competitive examinations.”

The study is likely to be commissioned in late August after undergraduate admissions get over. It is not a time-consuming study as all the students’ details can be sourced easily from the Management Information System portal.

The director informed that the 14th convocation of NIT-T would take place on July 28.
NIT-Trichy all set for a traditional convocation

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TRICHY: Graduates from the National Institute of Technology, Trichy, for the first time, will be receiving degrees wearing traditional attire and stole instead of the conventional convocation gown on Saturday during their 14th convocation day.

“The college has taken cue from some of the other universities in the country to end the British tradition,” said director Mini Shaji Thomas.

“Graduates will be wearing traditional attire and convocation stole instead of the conventional gown to get their degrees from all India council for technical education (AICTE) chairman Anil D Sahasrabudhe, who will be the chief guest,” said the director.

From this year onwards, NIT-Trichy will award distinguished alumni to honour them for achieving exceptional feat in their field.

While five alumni from this category would be awarded in this category, two members will be given the young achiever award for excelling in the field of entrepreneurial ventures.
A record 1,689 student, highest so far in the history of NIT-Trichy, will be getting their degrees this year in the convocation function.
NIT-T says it’s making efforts to enrol more rural students

Trichy: While the National Institute of technology is on the verge of completing the admission process where 800 seats for the UG courses stand filled out of total 831, its director has said that efforts are being taken to get students from rural parts of the state.

Saying that 25 students out of top 1000 rank holders in JEE have opted for NIT Trichy, director Mini Shaji Thomas added that 50 % of the seats have been filled by students from 16 states from rest of the country. While 50% of seats are filled by students from within Tamil Nadu, mostly from Chennai or urban areas. However, the director said that the NIT has taken efforts to bring in students from down south and rural parts with programmes like IGNITTE- the teaching club of NIT Trichy, which offers academic support to school students to clear NEET and JEE. Saying that they saw many successful students with the training given by NIT Trichy students for these competitive exams, she said that the numbers would go up in the upcoming days.

Speaking on the faculty recruitment, she said that out of the total 90 vacancies, 48 has been already filled and the process is ongoing for the rest.

The NIT Trichy has implemented the flexible curriculum, minor specializations, flipped classrooms based on course plans and new evaluation models that have been well received by the students and parents, said the director adding that Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has recommended NIT, Tiruchirappalli curriculum as a model for all NITs. A new position of Dean of Institutional Development and Alumni Interaction is created to give impetus to tap the huge potential of alumni who hold very high positions in academia and industry worldwide.

As an attempt to connect with the alumni and interact with them to facilitate possible collaborations in research and development activities in industry, research organizations and reputed universities, the institute has initiated an Alumni Institute Interaction Cell and its office will also be inaugurated on the convocation day.
In a move to utilise the technical expertise of National Institute of Technology–Trichy (NIT-T), Trichy City Corporation (TCC) has sought the help of the premier technical institute to estimate and characterise the total waste dumped at the Ariyamangalam dump yard. Based on the institute's report, the Urban Local Body (ULB) will prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for launching the much awaited bio-mining project under the Smart City Programme to reclaim the 47.5-acre dump yard for constructive purpose.

Among the two-dozen proposals submitted to receive the Smart City funds for infrastructure development, Trichy Corporation has proposed a bio-mining project to reclaim the dump yard. As the massive dump yard often witnesses fire accidents in summer, a high-power committee overseeing the Smart City projects seems to have agreed to fund the bio-mining project, but sought a detailed and latest report about the proposal. Though the ULB in 2014 conducted a study on Ariyamangalam dump yard, the Smart City mission has asked the ULB to submit a latest study on it. "The Commissionerate of Municipal Administration (CMA) has suggested to us to make use of the technical competence of NIT-T to study the present status of Ariyamangalam yard and take measures needed for safely reclaiming the land. The technical institute has agreed to provide us a detailed report about the dump yard," a senior official with Trichy Corporation said. It is said that NIT-T would quantify the heaps of waste mounds in the dump yard. Apart from the estimation of the total quantum of waste accumulated in Ariyamangalam dump yard, NIT-T would also submit a report disclosing the characteristics of the waste such as biodegradable and non-biodegradable.

Based on the quantification report from NIT-T, the ULB would prepare a DPR highlighting the prospects of bio-mining to reclaim the land used to dump waste for decades now. "Preliminary works for tabling the report will commence on Friday (today). It may take a month to submit the report disclosing the estimate and characteristics of waste dumped," an official source with the civil engineering department of NIT-T said. ULB sources said that the model pursued by Kumbakonam municipality to reclaim its dump yard would be studied to emulate the same success story in the comparatively bigger city. "We have found alternatives to restrict new set of city’s waste entering the dump yard by establishing micro compost entres. Gradually we will ensure no waste is dumped freshly into the dump yard," the corporation official added.
AICTE chief to address NITT’s 14th Convocation on July 28

Trichy, July 26:

The 14th Convocation of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli (NITT) will be held on July 28 at the NITT campus. All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Chairman Prof. Anil Dattatraya Sahasrabudhe will be the chief guest and deliver the convocation address.

This year, 1689 students including 46 BArch, 855 BTech, 15 MArch, 422 MTech, 79 MSC, 90 MCA, 73 MBA, 21 MS (by research) students and 85 PhD candidates will receive their degrees from NITT Director Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas. The prestigious President’s Medal for overall highest CGPA will be received by V Arthi of BTech (Metallurgical and Materials Engineering). Institute medals will be received by 9 BTech, 1 BArch, 21 Mtech, 3 MSc, 1 MCA and 1 MBA students.

The National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) of the Government of India has ranked NITT as the 11th best technical institute in the country, thus making it the topmost among all the NITs of the country for the third successive time. This convocation is a culmination of the hard work that students have put in to achieve their degrees, NITT Director Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas told reporters.

We are well positioned in a high-growth mode through a comprehensive strategic initiative and poised to join the elite club of the top universities of the world. A new position of Dean of Institutional Development and Alumni Interaction has been created to tap the huge potential of Alumni who have very high profiles in Academia and Industry.

world over, she explained, NITT has successfully implemented flexible curriculum, minor specialisations as well as flipped classrooms based on course plans and new evaluation models. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has recommended NITT curriculum as a model one for all NITs, she stated.

During the last academic year, 95 per cent of undergraduates and 87 per cent of postgraduates were placed. The students’ placement record continues to remain high despite global sluggishness. In all, 225 companies participated in the recruitment process; one of the highest in the country and on par with the IITs, she said.

Alumni of NITT are well renowned and decorating chairs of various established organisations across the globe. As a token of recognition, appreciation and love from the Institution where they were rooted, NITT is conferring the Distinguished Alumni Awards (DAA) for Academic, Research, Managerial Contribution, Entrepreneurship, Public Administration, Social Service etc and Young Alumnus Achiever Award (YAA) since 2007. Those alumni who have completed 20 years after their post-graduation / 25 years after under-graduation from NITT (previously known as REC, Tiruchirappalli) are eligible for the DAA and those who are not more than 40 years by age are eligible for the YAA awards.

NITT has announced the list of awardees for 2018 and the award ceremony is planned as a part of the 14th Convocation with a view of motivating the fresh alumni group who graduate on the day, she added.
‘Tech edu needs a paradigm change’

R. VALAYAPATHY | DC
TIRUCHY, JULY 28

The All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) chairman, Dr Anil Sahasrabudhe, stressed the need for paradigm shift in the field of technical education in the country.

Addressing the 14th convocation of the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli (NIT-T) here on Saturday, he underscored the need for setting up an industry-institute interaction cell, an industrial advisory committee for each department to help in curriculum revision, evolving vision, mission, goals and creating a roadmap for the department, internship, sabbaticals, adjunct faculty, setting up of labs with industry support, soft skills training, scholarships for deserving students, engaging in consultancy etc.

Asserting the need for innovation and opening up of avenues available including experiential learning for students, he said participation in ‘Unnat Bharat Abhiyan’, conducting Research Academies and Innovation workshops, should be encouraged, besides MoUs with IITs’, international universities for faculty and student exchange programmes.

Rajamanohar, executive director, BHEL Tiruchy, Power Plant Piping Unit Thirumayam and Piping Centre Chennai, receives the distinguished alumnus award from Dr Mini Shaji Thomas, director, NIT-T, at Tiruchy on Saturday.— DC

Dr Sahasrabudhe also called for inviting faculty from abroad for a semester to offer state-of-the-art courses. Speaking about the transformation required, he said that interdisciplinary research is very important. With digital platforms such as ‘MOOCs, SWAYAM’ and the over 1,500 courses available online, students of this age can break the classroom barrier to learn from various sources.

In her welcome address, the NIT-T director Dr Mini Shaji Thomas highlighted the achievements of the Institute in the last academic year. The ₹150 crore funded Siemens Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing was set-up this year and will pave the way for interdisciplinary research.

She also spoke about the faculty recruitment that had taken place after a span of ten years and added that 40 new faculty members across various departments from top institutes have joined the ranks of NIT-T.

Dr Mini Thomas also read the faculty and student achievers of last year. She also said that the Institute has embarked on a greening initiative of the campus and its neighborhood, buoyed by the ‘Green Campus’ award from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

Two thousand saplings have been planted in the last few months and the institute will add another 10,000 in the coming months, she added.
NIT-T’s flexible curriculum gets endorsement
Ministry recommends it as model

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The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has recommended the flexible curriculum framed by National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) as a model for all NITs.

NIT-T has successfully implemented the flexible curriculum, minor specialisations, flipped classrooms based on course plans, and new evaluation models. “Students and parents are quite impressed with the new flexible curriculum. The reforms introduced in academic processes was in line with the world’s top-class universities,” Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas said.

The National Board of Accreditation had recently accredited the MCA and MBA courses in NIT-T. The institute, ranked top among NITs, received the University of the Year award from FICCI in 2017, in recognition of the major academic transformation.

The NITT also ranks among the top institutions in terms of research publication. National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) of the Government of India has ranked NIT-T as the 11th best technical institute in the country.

Having roped in 48 new faculty members from top universities, and promoting 131 faculty members internally, the NIT-T was hopeful of securing funding for high-end research projects from both government and private entities, Prof. Mini said.

In recognition of the role of alumni in facilitating collaborations for research and development activities in industry, research organisations and reputed universities, the NIT-T has formed the Alumni Institute Interaction Cell.
NIT-T director opens media office: National Institute of Technology – Trichy (NIT-T) director Mini Shaji Thomas inaugurated a public relations and media office for the institution in Trichy on Friday. During the inauguration, Shaji spoke about the importance of building a good brand image among the academia all over the world. A newsletter titled ‘commuNITTy’ was also released during the event.

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More engineering colleges want to shut shop: AICTE

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The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has introduced common entrance examination (CEE) nationwide for B.E. and B. Tech course admissions like the JEE, which has evoked a mixed response, according to AICTE’s chairman, Dr. Anil Sahasrabudhe.

In an informal chat with newsmen at Tiruchiy on Saturday, he said that the main objective of this CEE was to reduce the burden for students and their parents both in terms of expenses and moving from one place to another for appearing different examinations by the different institutions.

He said, while many states accepted the AICTE’s attempt, States like Tamil Nadu and West Bengal vehemently opposed this move. However, the AICTE will continue its efforts in this regard to have CEE in the coming years, he added.

He said that there are 3,300 Engineering colleges and 3,000 polytechnics in the country of which 50 per cent seats go unfilled in these technical educational institutions every year. In order to give a fresh thrust, it is proposed to introduce a skill development programme. Every year, at least 200 technical education in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states come for closure of their institutions, followed by states like Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

He said that India is set to witness a rush to set up Pharma institutes. Of the 750 applications received by the AICTE this year for setting up new institutes, about 600 are new Pharma institutes. Until last year, the majority of applications received were for new Engineering institutes. In addition, maximum applications for closure are from Engineering institutes received by the AICTE, accounting for 65 per cent of the total 239 institutes that have applied for closure in 2016-19. Second highest applications for closure have come from management institutes, he noted.

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BHEL's Executive Director awarded at NIT convocation

Executive Director of BHEL, Tiruchy Power Plant Piping Unit, Thirumayam and Piping Centre Chennai, R Rajamanohar, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award of the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchy (NITT), on Saturday, at the NITT convocation function.

R Rajamanohar, Executive Director of BHEL, Tiruchy Power Plant Piping Unit and Piping Centre Thiruchirapalli:
The award was presented to him by Professor Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NITT.
Rajamanohar graduated in Electrical and Electronics engineering in the 1980 batch and later obtained his postgraduate degree in Process Control and Instrumentation engineering also from NITT. His major contributions include the implementation of two of the biggest modernization and capacity augmentation schemes in the history of the BHEL Tiruchy Complex.

As many as 1689 students including 46 B Arch, 855 B Tech, 15 M Arch,422 M Tech, 79 MSc, 90 MCA, 73 MBA, 21 MS (research) students and 88 doctorates were awarded degrees by NITT Director Mini Shaji Thomas. The prestigious President’s Medal for overall highest CGPA was awarded to V Arthi of B Tech.

Speaking on the occasion, Rajamanohar said that those who develop a positive attitude, good human relations based on mutual trust and respect for others and the ability to leverage others’ strengths were invariably more successful in their professional careers than those who were just individually brilliant.
Working on common entrance test: AICTE

The All India Council of Technical Education has been working on the mandatory Common Engineering Entrance examination at par with NEET but a few states have been opposing the move, said AICTE Chairman Anil D Sahasrabuddhe on Saturday.

Representative Image

Thiruchirapalli:

The AICTE Chairman said, as per the revised curriculum, the students must attend an industry internship. “With the common engineering entrance exam, the quota system would be followed properly and no state would lose its quantum of seats,” Anil stressed.

“We have revised the teacher-student ratio from 1:15 to 1:20. But, there are some allegations claiming that faculties are forced to resign by some colleges. They can get in touch with us,” said Sahasrabudhe.

With a sharp decline in the number of students choosing engineering studies, Sahasrabudhe offered the engineering colleges to file a written appeal with AICTE if they are willing to start arts and science courses or even ITI courses.
AICTE to push for common engg. entrance exam
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Some States have opposed the idea

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) would reach out to State governments to seek their support for conducting a common engineering entrance examination across the country, its chairman Anil Dattatraya Sahasrabudhe said here on Saturday.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the 14th convocation of the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchi, Mr. Sahasrabudhe said the AICTE had not dropped its proposal for a common entrance examination for engineering admissions. “Candidates vying for admission in select institutions are being forced to spend a lot of energy and money on writing examinations conducted by various technical institutions. Thousands of students are being forced to visit far-away States to take the entrance tests for getting admission in specific institutes and universities. Hence, the AICTE had floated the idea of conducting a common entrance test across the country for all engineering institutes, along the lines of the Joint Entrance Examination,” he said.

Mr. Sahasrabudhe said the AICTE had, so far, conducted two meetings with representatives of State governments. It had written to them on the importance of conducting a common entrance examination. However, some States had opposed the idea, the same way they opposed the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test. Hence, the AICTE would renew its efforts to take the State governments on board. He insisted that the proposed examination would in no way affect the reservation policy of the States. Each State had a different reservation policy. The common entrance examination was nothing to do with the reservation system. It was aimed at improving the quality of technical education. The eligible candidates would automatically get admission in their respective States, he said.

‘No coercion’

Mr. Sahasrabudhe made it clear that he was against coercing States into extending their support to the proposal. Instead, the AICTE would make efforts to convince the States by pointing out the advantages of a common entrance examination. Stating that the current examination system of technical institutes across the country was not according enough importance to testing the practical knowledge of the students, the AICTE chairman said the apex body had decided to bring reforms to engineering examinations. It had uploaded model questions on its website to seek the opinions of students, teachers and employers.
Siemens Centre of Excellence at NIT takes shape

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Work on establishing the Siemens Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing is on at a fast pace at the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchi.

The Centre of Excellence (CoE) is being established at a project cost of Rs. 189.83 crore, with 10% contribution by the institute. The NIT plans to invite Union Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javadekar for its inauguration later this year, its Director Mini Shaji Thomas said.

The CoE will encompass 10 state-of-the-art laboratories including Product Design and Validation Lab, Advanced Manufacturing Lab, Automation Lab, Electrical Lab, Energy Studies Lab, Process Instrumentation Lab, Mechatronics Lab, Test & Optimization Lab, Internet of Things (IOT) Lab, and Machines Lab.

A portion of the building where the institute had earlier planned to house a school is being converted into CoE. In recent months, tenders had been called for carrying out various civil works. A tender was also called for providing power wiring to Design and Validation, Mechatronics, Automation, Process and Instrumentation, Energy Saving and IOT Labs. The Siemens Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing will link the education system to the industry in Central and South Tamil Nadu through Industry Linked Learning Model.

The Siemens CoE for Manufacturing figures in the five-year action-plan of NIT-T to break into the top 500 world ranking, and 15-year strategic plan to get into the top 100.
‘Need to focus more on research, innovation’

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14th convocation of NIT-Tiruchi held

Stressing the importance of research and innovation, Anil D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman of All India Council of Technical Education, (AICTE) said that there was a strong need for building world-class graduate schools in engineering with focus on research work.

Delivering the 14th convocation address at the National Institute of Technology-T, he said that engineering education had to evolve in such a way that it involves the faculty and students more in research and innovation. The faculty members should be trained so as to sharpen their focus on research and discovery. Calling upon the students to use the facilities available in engineering institutes for extensive research, Mr. Sahasrabudhe said the experience that they receive from renowned institutes such as NIT should translate into innovations of economic and social value. Mere accumulation of basic knowledge was of limited practical use, unless it was translated into innovations. It was the transfer of knowledge that had revolutionized the world, he pointed out.

Emphasising the need for establishing institute-industry linkages, he said there should be a road map for each department to help curriculum development, evolving vision, mission and goals besides setting up industry institute interaction cell and industrial advisory committee. Internship, sabbaticals, adjunct faculty, setting up of labs with industry support, soft skills training, scholarships for deserving students, engaging in consultancy could be promoted.

Mr. Sahasrabudhe said that the institutes should also focus on establishing national and international networks and enter into an understanding with international universities for faculty and student exchange. Inviting faculty from abroad for a semester to offer state of the art courses could bring a tangible change in teaching and learning process. Similarly, alumni could be roped in to give back in different forms such as connecting with present students, inviting for lectures and courses, making them adjunct faculty, availing donations and scholarships and mentoring.

Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT-T, said that the institute has been adjudged the best Innovation Club among all the Centrally funded institutions, including Indian Institutes of Science and Indian Institutes of Technology, NITs and Central universities.
‘Compulsory internship will benefit students’

AICTE chairman says new provision under revised curriculum will curb malpractices such as fabricated projects

AICTE head stresses need for change in tech courses

Chairman of All India Council of Technical Education Amrit D. Sahasrabudhe stressed the need for paradigm shifts in technical education while addressing students at the 14th convocation held at NITT Trichy on Saturday.

The AICTE chairman brought out the need for setting up an industry institute interaction cell, an industrial advisory committee for each department which would help in curriculum revision.

Sahasrabudhe also spoke about the need for networking and the importance of memorandum of understandings with IITs and international universities for faculty and student exchanges. He elucidated the significance of inviting faculty from abroad for a semester to offer state of the art courses.

“Through SWAYAM, a platform developed by AICTE with support from the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development, the students can browse over 1,500 courses from the best faculty across the country free of cost. These massive open online courses or MOOCs together with the internet can help students get exposed to various subjects taught by qualified faculty in all domains,” he added. Speaking about technology, the AICTE chairman said students should make the best use of the latest in the field to ensure their learning does not stop.

As many as 1,689 students including 46 B Arch, 653 B Tech, 15 M Arch, 422 M Tech, 79 M Sc, 90 MCA, 73 MBA, 21 MS (by research) students and 88 doctorates were awarded degree certificates by NITT director Mini Shaji Thomas.

The prestigious President’s medal for overall highest CGPA was received by V. Arthi of B Tech (metallurgical and materials engineering). The students who received their degrees came donned in traditional attire to promote the theme of the event.

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Nearly 200 engineering colleges apply for closure every year: AICTE

TRICHY: An average 50% of seats in the 3,200-odd engineering colleges in the country have been lying vacant while around 200 colleges have been applying for closure every year, according to the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). This was revealed by the council’s chairman, Anil D Sahasrabudhe, on the sidelines of the 14th convocation of the National Institute of Technology Trichy on Saturday. What makes the waning interest in the engineering stream severe is the fact that this trend has been continuing for the past three years. “While most closure applications are from Andra Pradesh and Telangana, they are coming from Tamil Nadu as well. Quality education may not be imparted with less number of students, therefore we do allow such colleges to run vocational courses,” the chairman said.

Sahasrabudhe said that most closures were of rural engineering colleges which had large infrastructure. Permission was given for such colleges to ensure that students in rural areas had access to engineering education, but the students preferred colleges in urban areas for the sake of convenience and better opportunities leading to closure of many institutions. Asked about teachers being sacked by many of the engineering colleges after AICTE relaxed the student-faculty ratio from 1:15 to 1:20, the chairman said that change in ratio could not be offered as a reason for teachers getting retrenched from colleges. He pointed out that admissions in some colleges were so poor that they were not getting even one student. In such cases, the colleges might not be able to keep teachers and were likely to ask them to join elsewhere. “We have asked teachers to complain if they are sacked but we haven’t received any such complaints, which prove that the claims of retrenchment are false,” he added. On the reforms introduced by AICTE to the curriculum, Sahasrabudhe said that except for a common entrance test, it had been getting good response from the states. “Some of the states have been opposing a common entrance exam for the whole country. But a single entrance test will prevent students from unnecessarily appearing for various entrance tests to get qualified to various colleges,” he said. Without referring to the national eligibility-cum-entrance test (NEET), he said that some states were not on board because of the bad experience they had with some exam which should not be correlated with every test. He said that a common exam would not take away the policy of reservation of the state government. The AICTE chairman added that there has been a mad rush to open pharmacy colleges this year.
‘Interdisciplinary research gaining importance’

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Trichy: Inter-dependence of one discipline of engineering with the other is more relevant today than ever and interdisciplinary research is gaining importance, said AICTE chairman Anil Sahasrabudhe here on Saturday.

He was delivering his speech at the 14th convocation of National Institute of Technology, Trichy. The event was colourful with students dressed in traditional attire donning stole around their neck.

Sahasrabudhe said that by the time one graduates, what is taught in colleges become irrelevant because of the rapidly changing technology, making interdependence of engineering disciplines more relevant today.

He brought out the need for setting up an industry institute interaction cell, an industrial advisory committee for each department to help in curriculum revision, creating a road map for the department, setting up labs with industry support, soft skills training and scholarships.

Sahasrabudhe spoke about the need for networking and the importance of MOUs with IITs, international universities for faculty and student exchange. He also elucidated the significance of inviting faculty from abroad for a semester to offer state-of-the-art courses.

A record 1,689 students, highest so far in the history of NIT-T received their degrees on Saturday. Five alumni were awarded the distinguished alumnus award in the field of excellence in corporate / industry during the convocation function. The president’s medal for overall highest CGPA was received by V Arthi of B Tech department.
Institute keen that those who contributed to building their alma mater’s image must be honoured

Five illustrious old students of National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) received the Distinguished Alumni Awards (DAA) from the Institute Director on Saturday as part of the 14th Convocation ceremony.

Those who had excelled in the areas of academics, research, managerial capabilities, entrepreneurship, public administration, and social service since 2007 were given young Alumnus Achiever Award (YAA). The Institute was keen that the alumni who were instrumental in building the image of the alma mater through their expertise, talents and experience in various domains must be honoured fittingly. Those who had completed 20 years after their post-graduation/25 years after undergraduation from REC Tiruchi were eligible for the DAA and those who are not more than 40 years old were eligible for the YAA awards.

Awardees

The DAA awardees constituted Jayshree Seth, Corporate Scientist and Chief Science Advocate (3M), who completed B.Tech., Chem. Engg. (1989); Kumar Balachandran, Expert, Wireless Communication Networks (Ericsson Inc.), B.E. (Hons.), ECE (1986); Raghupathy Venkat Giridhar, Vice President, Non – Volatile Memory Solutions Group (INTEL Corporation), B.E. (Hons.), ECE (1980); Rajamanohar R., Executive Director, (BHEL Tiruchirappalli), B.E. EEE (1980); and Subrahmanian K., Executive Vice Chairman (AFCONS Infrastructure), B.E. Mech. Engg. (1980). Srihari Balakrishnan, Managing Director (Sri Kannapiran Mills Limited & KG Denim Limited), B.Tech., Chem. Engg. (1990), and Swaminathan Jayaraman, Founder & Managing Director (Vascular Concepts Limited), Bachelors (1986), were awarded the DAA in the field of Excellence in Entrepreneurial Venture.

Praveen Kumar B., Scientist – ‘E’ (ARDE, Pune), B.E. Metallurgical Engg. (2002) was awarded the YAA in the field of Excellence in Academic/ Research (YAA) An office of the Alumni Institute Interaction Cell that the NIT-T had started to connect students with the alumni, and interact with them to facilitate possible collaborations in research and development activities in industry, research organizations and reputed universities, was also inaugurated on the occasion.

Alumni support

The Institute appreciated the contributions of the alumni to the society with pride, and was thankful to the old students for the continuous support they have been extending. Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas said. She cited as instances their support in establishment for Internet of Things Innovation Centre Lab, Student Centre for Innovation in Engineering and Technology Lab, and 10kW Roof Top Solar on grid power generation unit.
Senior BHEL executive receives award from NIT-T

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It was indeed a joyous moment for R. Rajamanohar, executive director of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited-Tiruchy when he recently received the distinguished alumnus award from his alma mater National Institute of Technology-Tiruchy (NIT-T).

The award was presented by Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-T, during the 16th convocation ceremony held recently. Speaking on the occasion, Rajamanohar said that successful persons were those who develop a positive attitude with good human relations based on mutual trust and respect for others. He also cited the ability to leverage others' strengths as a major contributor to forge success in their professional careers than those who were just individually brilliant.

Looking after one's own health and simplicity in personal and professional life is also vital for success, Rajamanohar added. He joined BHEL-Tiruchy as an engineer trainee in 1980 and was elevated as head of BHEL's Tiruchy complex in 2018. An alumnus of NIT-T twice over, Rajamanohar's major contributions include the implementation of two of the biggest modernisation and capacity augmentation schemes in the history of the BHEL-Tiruchy complex involving an investment of over ₹1,500 crore.

Rajamanohar has served the industry as chairman of Indian Welding Society, Southern Zone and is also a recipient of the Best Engineer Award of the Institution of Engineers (India).
Maintain tempo after JEE, NIT director tells freshers

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TRICHY: Director of NIT-Trichy, Mini Shaji Thomas, asked the new students who joined the college to not to ease down after two years of rigorous preparation for JEE to enter the top NIT in the country. She was addressing the students during the orientation programme organised for them.

Motivating them to join various technical clubs like Delta, Spider and Robotics to enhance their knowledge, she also cautioned them to balance their time between academics and co-curricular activities.
She advised the parents to let their children fly on their own and at the same time keep an eye on their progress.

Thomas also inaugurated an ‘Own your plant scheme’ for the freshers. She instructed each fresher to plant 10 sampling to be given by the Estate Maintenance Department. She also advised them to nurture it for the next four years of their stay and have the satisfaction of contributing to ‘Green Campus’.

The two week-long orientation programme, which will end on August 12, includes the following event-motivational lectures, yoga, bridge courses, field trip, fire and safety practices and sports and games. Cultural programmes have also been arranged to entertain the students. Walkthon, a treasure hunt like activity has also been planned to enable the students to familiarise with the different places inside the 800-acre campus.

Nachiket, a student from Qatar, said he wanted to follow his dad in becoming an instrumentation engineer. He chose NIT, Trichy since it is the best institute in India offering an instrumentation and control programme. Balamurugan, from Abu Dhabi, said that he chose B.Arch programme based on the positive feedback he had heard from his seniors. His mother, Chitra Senthil kumar, said she appreciates NIT, Trichy officials for responding to her calls from Abu Dhabi.
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தேசிய விழாவியகாசிய நூற்றாண்டு தோற்றம் 28-வது பாரம்பரிய தினம்

தில்லியில், முதல்தலை: கியூட்டி ரோஜா பிகார்ட், சான்னின்சுகா திகுவேட்டியிடுமிடும் 14 ஏற்றுக்கொள்வதற்கான தமிழகம் 28 ஆம் வாரத்தில் பேசிய பொருள்களால் தமிழக நூற்றாண்டு தோற்றத்தை எழுதியது. பொருள்கள் மூலமாக நூற்றாண்டு தோற்றத்தை எழுதியது. பொருள்கள் மூலமாக நூற்றாண்டு தோற்றத்தை எழுதியது.

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