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Capacity building programme for social science faculty at NIT-T

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TIRUCHI: National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) has invited applications from young Social Science faculty for a Capacity Building Programme to be conducted by the Department of Management Studies from August 19 to 30. The two-week programme sanctified by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, an apex institution under MHRD, is open to young faculty members of social science disciplines working in Indian Universities, Colleges, Institute of National Importance, Leading B-Schools and ICSSR Research Institutes.

Preference will be given to young faculty members working in Management, Economics and Commerce discipline, followed by other social science disciplines, a press release said. There is no registration fee for the participants. Accommodation will be provided to all outstation participants at the NIT-T, and travel allowances will be reimbursed to the outstation participants, the release said.

The number of seats for the Capacity Building Programme is restricted to 30 candidates (10 from Tiruchi, 10 from rest of Tamil Nadu and 10 from outside the state). The selection of candidates will be done as per the ICSSR guidelines. Eminent resource persons from NIT-T, IIM -Tiruchi, and State and Central Universities will engage the participants, Courses Director G. Muruganantham, Associate Professor of Management Studies, said.

Indian higher education system being the third largest in the world, next only to the United States and China, such programmes will be useful to faculty members to keep themselves abreast of the latest research trends and developments, and to enhance their capacity for research publications and effective teaching, Prof. Muruganantham said. The programme will train the young faculty on 'science and art of doing research to create new knowledge', the release said.

Interested faculty members can download the application form from https://www.nitt.edu/home/ICSSR-NIT-Trichy-CBP.pdf

The filled-in forms must reach the Course Director on before July 30. Selected candidates will be informed during the first week of August 2019.
NIT to host capacity building prog for social science teachers

Trichy: Department of Management Studies, NIT Trichy, will play host to a capacity building programme sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, for young social science faculty members.

ICSSR is an apex institution under MHRD which encourages and sponsors policy research and capacity building of faculty members working in the field of Social Sciences at Indian higher education institutions.

The two-week programme for young faculty members working in Management, Economics and Commerce discipline, followed by other social science disciplines will have eminent resource persons from NIT Trichy, IIM -Trichy, State and Central Universities.

Organised with an objective to enhancing capacity for research publications and effective teaching, the programme is open to young faculty members of social science disciplines working in Indian Universities, Colleges, Institute of National Importance, Leading B Schools and ICSSR Research Institutes.

Starting from 19 August in NIT Trichy, the number of seats for the Capacity Building Programme is restricted to 30 candidates (10 from Tiruchirappalli, 10 from Tamil Nadu and 10 from outside the state). The selection of candidates will be done as per the ICSSR guidelines.

Courses Director G Muruganantham, associate professor of Management Studies, said, Indian higher education system is the third largest in the world, next to the US and China. Programme of this kind will be useful to faculty members to update the latest research trends and developments in their respective field and to enhance their capacity for research publications and effective teaching. Educational research indicates that teacher effectiveness is the number one determinant of student’s success. This programme will train the young faculty on science and art of doing research to create new knowledge.

High quality research publications by the faculty members will improve the ranking of the institute or university at the national and global level and helps in various accreditations, he added.

Since this programme is sponsored by ICSSR, there is no registration fee for the participants. Accommodation will be provided to all outstation participants at NIT Trichy. Travel allowances will be reimbursed to the outstation participants.
NIT-T to host Smart India Hackathon 2019 Hardware Edition

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The National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi is the only NIT in the country to be granted the status of nodal/host centre by the Ministry of Human Resource Development to conduct the Smart India Hackathon 2019 Hardware Edition.

Supported by the Prime Minister’s Office, the grand finale for 250 teams under 11 different themes will be held simultaneously at 19 nodal/host centres across the country from July 8 to 12.

Agriculture and Rural Development, Renewable Energy, and Smart Vehicles constitute the three themes on which 14 teams from different parts of the country will exhibit prototypes of project ideas.

Each project will be mentored by faculty members of the institute and national-level mentors.

The projects will finally be evaluated at two levels by a panel of experts from academic institutions and industry for choosing the top-three winning teams.

The finals will be simultaneously inaugurated in all nodal/host centres by HRD Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal through video conferencing, a press release said.

At NIT-T, the event will be inaugurated by C. Anandharamakrishnan, Director, Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology (IIFPT), Thanjavur, in the presence of M. Umapathy, Dean, Research and Consultancy, NIT-T.
Smart India Hackathon Hardware (SIHH) 2019 Edition inaugurated today by Hon’ble MHRD Minister through Video Conferencing

National Institute of Technology – Tiruchirappalli, one of the nodal centres selected by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) for the themes ‘Agriculture & Rural Development, Renewable Energy and Smart Vehicles’, takes its pride in hosting the Grand Finale of “Smart India Hackathon 2019 (SIH 2019) Hardware edition” from 8th – 12th July 2019, with support from the Prime Minister’s office. The local inauguration of this grand finale in NIT-Trichy Barn Hall was conducted on 8th July 2019 at 7.30 am.

During the inauguration, Dr. Samson Mathew, Dean (Students Welfare), NIT-Trichy welcomed the gathering, and Dr. M. Umamathy, Dean (Research and Consultancy) NIT-Trichy delivered the presidential address. In his presidential address, he emphasized on the importance of technology transfer to products through start-ups in a city and stated that the type of city influences that commercialization of products. Besides, he insisted that the economy of the nation will flourish automatically, if the needs of the society are satiated.

Then, the chief guest, Dr. C. Anandharamasankhman, Director, Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology (IFPT), Thanjavur spoke on the necessity of Smart India Hackathon Hardware edition for the present situation of India and declared it to be a great initiative in identifying hardware solutions for the major problems prevailing in Agriculture and other technologies. Further, Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT-Trichy addressed the gathering through Skype. She expressed her profound gratitude to the chief guest for inaugurating this event encompassing 14 teams. She congratulated the team members, students and others who have worked hard to make this a successful event. Further, she congratulated the chief guest to take-up a project and ensured him that NIT-Trichy will provide facilities to make the project, a reality. Further, she congratulated the team members, students and others who have worked hard to make this a successful event. Finally, Dr. S. Jerome, Associate Dean (Students Welfare) thanked the MHRD, the chief guest, Director, NIT-T, Dr. Umamathy, Dr. Samson Mathew, and Dr. M. Bhaskar, NIT-Trichy for their dynamic support and strenuous efforts. Besides, he conveyed his heartfelt thanks to the Deans, Registrars, HoDs, Chairman and Secretaries, NIT-Trichy and the media, industrial guests and mentors for their support and encouragement. Eventually, he exhibited his special gratitude to the faculty members, staff, students and participants for their diligence in making this event possible. The Grand finale contest for 250 teams was held in parallel sessions at 19 nodal/host centers all over India for 5 days under 14 different themes. This grand finale event was simultaneously inaugurated in all the nodal/host centers by Hon’ble MHRD Minister (Shri) Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal through Video Conferencing. Mr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu, AS (TE) & CVO, MHRD welcomed the gathering. Dr. Anand Deshpande, Chairman and MD, Persistent Systems Ltd., enunciated that this SIH – Hardware edition would be a great transformational experience for the students as well as the nation.

Then, Prof. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE, congratulated the participants and insisted that this is the one and only hackathon in the world that promotes the creativity and innovation of the students providing hardware solutions to 124 problems prevailing in Indian sectors, as a move towards smart India. Next, Mr. Sanjay Shamrao Dhotre, Hon’ble Minister of State, HRD proclaimed that this is an open innovation forum for the students to exhibit their talents. This programme provides an opportunity for the students to think ‘out of the box’ and provide novel and workable solutions, which will lead to commercial products in developing start-ups. Then, Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal asserted that this SIH 2019 – Hardware Edition was one of the many initiatives by the PWO and MHRD to promote India as the leading nation in the world and added that this initiative encourages the young talent pool to showcase their skills. Moreover, he compared the Indian and world ranking systems and recommended the NITs, IITs, and IIITs to adopt 5 to 10 villages to engineer need based solutions so that the technology would reach the grassroots. He was delighted to announce the three-fold increase in the student participation compared to the last year. Finally, Dr. Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MHRD’s Innovation Cell delivered his vote of thanks. He thanked MHRD ministers, AICTE, Persistent Systems Ltd. and other partners for their support in organising this event. He thanked the nodal centres for their facilities, participants for their hard work and innovation, and Doordarshan for promoting and promulgating the event.
Siemens Centre at NIT-T seeks to scale up skill training

Partnerships with six more institutions are in the pipeline

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The Siemens Centre of Excellence in Manufacturing at National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) is in the process of partnering with technical institutions to offer skill development courses.

With 12 sophisticated laboratories for Design and Validation, Advanced Manufacturing, Test and Optimization, Automation, Electrical and Energy Savings, Process Instrumentation, Mechatronics, CNC Machines, CNC Controller, Robotics, Rapid Prototyping and Internet of Things, the Centre has, so far, partnered with three engineering colleges to provide students opportunities for making promising innovations.

Since last year, after its inauguration by the then Union Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javdekar, the CoE has imparted skill training to about 100 students. Currently, the Centre has signed MoUs with three engineering colleges: National Engineering College, Kovilpatti; MAM College of Engineering and Technology, Tiruchi; and Mahendra Engineering College. Partnerships with six more institutions are in the pipeline, M. Duraiselvam, Head, Siemens Centre, said. “We are looking forward to scaling up the number of beneficiaries of the skill training at the Centre,” he said.

As an interdisciplinary, industry-backed centre, the CoE is intended to bridge the gap between industry requirements and technical education, that would make technical institutes more aligned with industry needs and make engineering graduate students industry ready, NIT-T Director Mini Shaji Thomas said.

The CoE also offers consultancy services to industries in automation, product development, process optimization and shop floor design and skill enhancement of existing employees on latest technology, she said.

After successful completion of course and assessment, students will be certified jointly by the Siemens CoE- NIT-T, Siemens Industry Software Pvt. Ltd., and Bengaluru-based AMAR Tech, which was established in 2014 under Make in India initiative, to provide a platform for youths to learn technology at low cost, and bridge their knowledge gap for quick employment in domestic and international industries.
‘SIH makes students think out of the box’

Smart India Hackathon 2019 - Hardware edition, envisioning the country's technological leadership, got under way on Monday at National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi, one of the 19 nodal centres identified by the Ministry of Human Resource Development to host the event. HRD Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal inaugurated the event simultaneously at all the nodal centres through video conference.

In his address, the Minister said SIH 2019 – Hardware Edition was one of the many initiatives by the Prime Minister's Office and MHRD to promote India as the leading nation in the world. Comparing the Indian and world ranking systems, he advocated adoption of five to 10 villages by each of the NITs, IITs, and IIITs to engineer need-based solutions so that the technology would reach the grassroots. He expressed happiness over the three-fold increase in the student participation compared to the last year.

Sanjay Shamrao Dhotre, Minister of State, HRD, said the programme provides an opportunity for the students to think ‘out of the box’ and provide novel and workable solutions, which will lead to commercial products in developing start-ups. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE, said solutions to 124 problems prevailing in various sectors in the country was expected through the hardware hackathon.

Anand Deshpande, Chairman and MD, Persistent Systems, and Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MHRD’s Innovation Cell also spoke.

At the NIT-T, the hardware hackathon was inaugurated by C. Anandharamakrishnan, Director, Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology, Thanjavur. Fourteen teams of students drawn from across the country will be presenting prototypes of their project ideas over five days on the themes: Agriculture and Rural Development, Renewable Energy and Smart Vehicles at the event, which is supported by Prime Minister's Office. In all, there are 250 participating teams at the 19 centres.

Observing that the event was the need of the hour for the country, Prof. Anandharamakrishnan, said the initiative to identify hardware technology solutions for the major problems prevailing in Agriculture and sectors was commendable. Prof. Anandharamakrishnan readily accepted a suggestion made by the Director of NIT-T Mini Shaji Thomas, who addressed the gathering through skype, for carrying out a project.

Presiding over, M. Umapathy, Dean (Research and Consultancy), NIT-T, was hopeful of commercialising products arrived at by start-ups through technology-transfer. Samson Mathew, Dean (Students Welfare), NIT-T, also addressed the students.

9th July 2019
Grand finale of Smart India Hackathon kicks off in NITTrichy

Trichy: The grand finale of ‘Smart India Hackathon 2019 (SIH 2019) - Hardware edition’ started on Monday at National Institute of Technology (NIT)-Trichy, which is one among the nodal centres selected by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) across the country. The event will go on till July 12 where final rounds for 250 teams will be held in parallel sessions at 19 nodal and host centres all over India for five days under 14 different themes.

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Chief guest of the event, C Anandharamakrishnan, director, Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology (IIFPT), Thanjavur said that the event was a great initiative in identifying hardware solutions for the major problems prevailing in agriculture and other technologies.

Mini Shaji Thomas, director, NIT-Trichy suggested the chief guest to take-up a project and ensured him that NIT-Trichy will provide facilities to change that project into a reality.

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National Institute of Technology – Tiruchirappalli, SIHH 2019 Valedictory Function held today

National Institute of Technology – Tiruchirappalli, one of the nodal centres selected by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) successfully hosted the five-day Smart India Hackathon-Hardware Edition (SIH-2019) event from 8th to 12th July 2019 and proclaimed the valediction of this Hardware edition on 12th July, 2019 at 6.00 pm. There were 14 teams with a total of 84 student participants and 28 mentors, who actively engaged and rigorously brainstormed for more than 100 continuous hours cracking the problem statements under the three broad themes pertaining to Agriculture and Rural Development, Smart Vehicles and Energy/Renewable Energy. All the participants encompassing 55 boys and 29 girls showed great enthusiasm and energy during the course of the event. The valediction commenced with the address by Dr. Samson Mathew, Dean (Students’ Welfare) and Chairman, SIHH-2019. Prof. Samson briefed the audience about the background of the SIHH-2019 and listed the teams working on different themes. He also thanked Pooja Kothari, Nodal Centre Head and all other departments for their valuable services such as transportation, press and media, hospitality and security. Ms. Pooja Kothari, the nodal head of the program, gave the overview of Smart India Hackathon 2019. She assured full support for the products developed by the students. She also thanked the management for their excellent hospitality. Then, Dr. M. Umapathy, Dean (R & C), NIT-T delivered the Presidential address. He discussed the importance of the process of product development and the constraints in developing a product. He also asked the participants to disseminate their ideas and experience to their respective institutes. He wanted the students to develop innovative patent products, which are useful to society. Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director of NIT-T, addressed the gathering through skype and recommended the Organizing committee to enumerate worthy projects to be supported by the institute that can be taken to Start-up level. The Chief Guest Shri S. Kumar, Additional GM, Ordnance Factory, Tiruchirappalli delivered the Valedictory address. He addressed that grand technical events like SIHH-2019 could help India in realizing the 5 trillion-dollar economy target as envisioned by our Prime Minister. He thanked the crucial roles of MSME, AICTE and Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development for their immense support in helping the younger minds to realize their ideas into working models. He appreciated the teams for working on such projects in a short span of time. He suggested the participants to evolve the products developed for smart vehicles category into defence vehicles so that it would help the Defense Ministry of India. He concluded his speech quoting Albert Einstein, insisting the students to contribute innovative and useful products and prototypes to the society. Finally, Dr M. Bhaskar, Professor of ECE and coordinator, SIHH 2019 expressed his gratitude towards MHRD and Director of NIT-T for their immense support in organizing this event. Besides, he thanked the participants, Design mentors, Faculty members, Judges and Staff of the Institute for their valuable presence, dedication and efforts. Further, he thanked the student volunteers, media team and others for their hard work and diligence to make the event a grand success. The presented solutions were judged on various criteria say innovativeness, Social and economic impact and Business potential and the following teams won the trophy and prizes.

1. The Team AGRO YANTRIKIES from Nashik, Maharashtra with the problem statement entitled Smart onion planter for the theme Agriculture and Rural Development bagged the trophy and first prize of Rs.1 lakh (Winner: Rs.1 Lakh)
2. The Team Social developers from Nagpur, Maharashtra with the problem statement entitled Hand Gesture Controlled Wheelchair for the theme Smart Vehicles was awarded the first runner up with a cash prize of Rs. 75,000/- (1st Runner-up: Rs. 75,000)
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13th July 2019
Innovative ideas galore at NITT hackathon

STAFF REPORTER

Team Agro Yantrikies from Nashik, Maharashtra, won The Smart India Hackathon-Hardware Edition which drew to a close at the National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi on Friday. The event saw 14 teams and 84 students participating under three themes - agriculture and rural development, smart vehicles, and energy/renewable energy. Agro Yantrikies who presented a ‘Smart onion planter’ under the theme, ‘Agriculture and Rural Development’ walked away with the top prize.

Team Social Developers from Nagpur, Maharashtra, who presented a ‘Hand gesture controlled wheelchair,’ under the theme ‘Smart Vehicles’ were the first runner-up and Team Civimechos from Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, who presented a ‘Vertical axis wind turbine’ under the theme ‘Energy/Renewable Energy’ bagged the third prize.

The winners were awarded a cash prize of ₹1 lakh while the 1st and 2nd runners-up got ₹75,000 and ₹50,000, respectively.

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At the valediction ceremony, Pooja Kothari, nodal head SIHH-2019, assured full support for the products developed by the students. M. Umapathy, Dean (R & C), NIT-T, discussed the importance of the process of product development.

He urged the participants to disseminate their ideas and experience to their respective institutions to develop innovative patent products, which were useful to society.

S. Kumar, Additional General Manager, Ordnance Factory, the chief guest, said technical events such as SIHH-2019 could help India realise the five trillion-dollar economy target as envisioned by the Prime Minister.
Team from Nashik wins hardware development competition at NIT

FOURTEEN innovative machines designed to solve problems in agriculture and rural development, smart vehicles and renewable energy made by college students from all over the country made it to the National Institute of Technology Tiruchy (NITT), one of the nodal centres for the Smart Indian Hackathon Hardware edition. Prizes were distributed to winners on Friday. S Kumar Additional General Manager, Ordnance Factory, Tiruchy gave away the prizes.

Agro Yantrikies from Nashik came first with its ‘Smart Onion Planting’ device. The Nashik team incorporated planting, fertiliser and drip irrigation delivery through a single machine. It can also plant eight rows of onion plants simultaneously, saving time and labour. The machines were reviewed by mentors assigned by NITT over their feasibility, operation and quality. Changes suggested by the resource persons at NITT were incorporated over the span of five days in the institution.

For instance, in a similar project, a turmeric seed sower developed by Kongu Engineering College, Erode students made their machine simpler. It was also upgraded to cope with uneven terrain based on an expert review at NITT.

Team member Rajkumar told TNIE, “We were asked to incorporate springs to allow our machine to robustly operate on rougher terrain.” They also replaced the control to simple switches from a mobile application, so those without a smartphone can also use it. Other teams also carried out similar alterations in the five days with the guidance of NITT resource persons.
‘Agro Yantrikies’ bags Smart India Hackathon trophy

Trichy: The Team, AGRO YANTRIKIES from Nashik, Maharashtra bagged the trophy and first prize of Rs 1 lakh at the Smart India Hackathon 2019 (SIH 2019) Hardware edition for their problem statement titled ‘smart onion planter.’

Under the theme, “agriculture and rural development,” they had proposed to address the limitations and problems involved in manual onion plantation and problem of availability of labour. The planter that they had designed has the ability to bury the plant in soil, is able to feed fertilizer at the same time and place the drip lining simultaneously with the plantation. The grand finale of SIH 2019 Hardware edition started on Monday at National Institute of Technology (NIT) Trichy.

NIT Trichy was one of the nodal centres selected selected by the ministry of human resource development (MHRD) across the country for the themes “Agriculture & Rural Development, Renewable Energy and Smart Vehicles”. There were 14 teams with a total of 84 student participants and 28 mentors, who actively engaged and rigorously brainstormed for more than 100 continuous hours to crack the problem statements under the three broad themes.

Another team from Nagpur, Maharashtra with the problem statement titled “hand gesture-controlled wheelchair” under the theme Smart Vehicles became the first runner up bagging a cash prize of Rs 75,000. The Team CIVIMECHOS from Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh with the problem statement “Vertical Axis Wind Turbine” under the theme Energy/Renewable Energy came second runner-up with a cash prize of Rs 50,000.

Appreciating the teams for working on such projects in a short span of time, chief guest S Kumar, Additional GM, Ordnance Factory Trichy (OFT) suggested that the participants develop products in smart vehicles category for defence. Finally, M Bhaskar, Professor of ECE and coordinator, SIH 2019, expressed his gratitude to MHRD and director of NIT-T for their immense support in organizing the event.
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NIT-T bags 11 research projects

Special Correspondent

The National Institute of Technology, Tiruchi, has been awarded 11 projects under the scheme for promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC), an initiative of the Ministry of Human Resource Development. SPARC aims at promoting a research ecosystem at higher learning institutes by facilitating academic and research collaborations between reputed Indian institutions and top-ranked international institutes so as to provide solutions to problems of national and international relevance, according to a NIT-T press release.

IIT, Kharagpur, is the national coordinating institute and nodal institutions involved in it will implement the scheme to significantly enhance the research collaboration with best institutes abroad, thereby improving the research scenario in the country. NITT is the nodal institute for research collaborations with Sweden under SPARC.

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A total of 1,721 graduands will be receiving their degrees from the President Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, Subra Suresh, at the 15th convocation of National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi (NIT-T) on Saturday. They include 98 doctorates, the highest at a convocation so far at the NIT-T. The rest comprise 51 B. Arch., 812 B. Tech., 18 M. Arch., 468 M. Tech., 77 M.Sc., 89 MCA, 85 MBA, and 23 M.S. (by research). The prestigious President’s Medal for overall highest CGPA would be received by Rupesh Gupta of B. Tech, Electronics and Communication Engineering. Institute medals would be received by nine B.Tech., one B.Arch., 21 M.Tech., one M.Arch., four M.Sc., one MCA and one MBA graduands. The first batch of M. Tech. Data Analytics will be graduating this year, Director of NIT-T Mini Shaji Thomas told media persons on Thursday. Students of NIT-T have accomplished notable fellowships: four Cargill, 12 DAAD, six MITACS and SN Bose, 34 Deity Scholars and 55 MITACS fellowships.

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TRICHY: National Institute of Technology (NIT) Trichy added 270 seats for the economically weaker section (EWS) category students this year.

“This includes 207 seats for undergraduate programs and 63 seats for postgraduate programs like MBA, M Tech and M Arch,” said NIT Trichy director Mini Shaji Thomas on Thursday.

Speaking to reporters about a convocation scheduled for Saturday, she said a record number of students would be graduating from the institute this year.

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NIT-T convocation on July 27

Tiruchy: The 15th convocation of the National Institute of Technology - Tiruchirappalli (NIT-T) will be held here on July 27. Prof. Subra Suresh, president of Singapore’s Nanyang Technological University (NTU) would be the chief guest of the convocation, according to Dr Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-T. She told newsmen at Tiruchy on Thursday, that during the convocation, degrees to 1721 graduates comprising 51 B.Arch., 812 B.Tech., 18 M.Arch., 468 M.Tech., 77 MSc, 89 MCA, 85 MBA, 23 M.S. (by research) students and 98 doctorates would be conferred. This is the highest number attained by NIT-T so far. The prestigious President’s Medal for overall highest CGPA would be received by Rupesh Gupta of B.Tech, Electronics, and Communication, she added.
270 students enter NIT through EWS quota

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NIT-Tiruchy (NITT) Director Mini Shaji Thomas has stated that 270 students have been given admission under the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) quota of the 2,700 admissions this academic year. Of the 270 students admitted under the EWS quota, 207 are undergraduates and 63 postgraduates (pursing MBA, M.Arch and M.Tech).

"We will be getting 270 students through EWS quota in addition to the existing 6,000 students," said Thomas.

She made the announcement in a press conference here on Thursday to announce NITT’s 15th graduation will be held on July 27. Singapore’s Nanyang Technological University president Subra Suresh has been invited to confer the degrees to 1,721 NITT graduates.

Speaking on the graduation, she said, “Of the 1,721 who will be conferred degrees, 98 are PhD scholars.” The prestigious President’s Medal for best academic performance would be given to Rupesh Gupta, graduating from B. ECE. In addition to this, institute medals would be awarded to nine B.Tech, one B.Arch, one M.Arch, 21 M.Tech, four M.Sc., one MCA and one MBA graduate.

She said NITT received the maximum number of projects and sanctioned ₹7 crore by the Human Resource Development Ministry’s Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC).

Overall, the institution received projects valued at ₹19 crore from various agencies last year. This was apart from receiving ₹1.16 crore from technical consulting.

Speaking about the progress of new ventures in the college, she said: based on the MoU signed with ISRO where a space incubation centre was set up at the college recently, the institute has proposed 10 projects for the space organisation so far.

She also announced the introduction of a new course designed and delivered by entrepreneur-alumni of NITT to be taught at the institute - Business for Engineers and Entrepreneurs - in the Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering.
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Speaking about the developments in the recently signed MoU with space agency-ISRO, the director said that 10 proposals have been sent to ISRO from NIT Trichy for consideration.

Space agency-ISRO had, in May this year, inaugurated its Space Technology Incubation Centre (S-TIC) at NIT Trichy. It also signed a MoU to incubate start-ups to build applications and products in tandem with the industry, which could be used in future space missions.

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“I never thought I would end up studying engineering. All my life, I wanted to become a doctor and I have put in a lot of effort for it. The day NEET results were out and I found out that I did not make it, I was shattered. I had no clue what I would be doing in my life. It is only then my teachers made me apply for NIT as I had cleared the JEE mains examination,” said Sabitha.

She said she had applied for JEE examination only because of her teachers’ compulsion and she really had no interest in taking up an engineering course. “I had taken the examination without any additional preparation. Even though the question paper was in English and I had studied in Tamil medium, most of the questions appeared familiar,” she said.

“I am confident of passing with flying colours, but all I am worried about is paying fees, she said. Her annual fees come close to Rs 1 lakh. She has two elder sisters – both studying engineering – and a younger brother. Sabitha’s father own three acres of land at Kaliyur, a tribal settlement in Velliangadu panchayat, but the land remains uncultivated most of the year due to water scarcity.

“Most of the days, my father does whatever work is available for a daily wage of Rs 200-250 and he is the breadwinner of the family,” she says.

“This year, I have made arrangements to pay my college fees through sponsors. But I’m worried about the coming years. I hope I will not lose my opportunity to study because of financial constraints,” she said. The headmaster and teachers of her school has contributed Rs 25,000 towards her college fees. “Nothing comes easy for the tribal students. They will always have to put in extra effort. We consider it as an achievement and hope it will inspire others. Over 25% of the students in the school are from the tribal community,” said her school teacher. With just five scheduled bus services to her settlement, she had to walk for over 3km to the nearest bus stand if she missed a bus at the scheduled time, the teacher added.
The Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU), with a wide global network involving over 100 universities and institutes, is negotiating with the National Institute of Technology, Tiruchy (NIT-T) to have an MoU on various programmes including students and faculty exchanges, according to NTU’s vice-chancellor Prof. Subra Suresh.

Earlier, addressing 15th convocation of NIT-T, Prof. Subra Suresh called upon the students to be an agent for positive change that also shapes their career and fills their life with purpose in the new digital era of the fourth industrial revolution.

He said compared to the previous three industrial revolutions, the first of which dates back to the 18th century, the fourth one has some unique features like including the rapid pace of change is unprecedented. It took 75 years for the telephone to be adopted by its first 50 million users, whereas only four years for Facebook and one year for WeChat to attract their first 50 million users, he said. He explained that the fourth industrial revolution will increasingly have the opportunity to access and contribute to global information and data in real-time, to help society; it is expected to jump significantly in the next few years through wide availability of 5G telecommunication, he added.

Speaking on the occasion, NIT-T’s director, Dr Mini Shaji Thomas said as many as 1,721 graduands, including 663 undergraduate, 760 post-graduates, 98 PhDs’ who received their degrees today. She said NIT-T has already signed a MoU with ISRO and established space technology incubation centre by way of opening a special window to innovation, research, and development relevant to Indian space programs.

Dr Mini Shaji Thomas said NIT-T is the only NIT chosen to organise the leadership for the academic programme (LEAP), a unique initiative of the Union Ministry of HRD in collaboration NTU Singapore and IIT, Chittoor.
NTU president asks India Inc to leapfrog technologies
Says benefits of technology and its negative effects must be critically assessed

Stating that the Fourth Industrial Revolution would open up an array of opportunities, Subra Suresh, president, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, said that India could leapfrog technologies so as to take forward the development agenda to a new level.

Delivering the 15th convocation address at National Institute of Technology-Tiruchir on Saturday, he said the Fourth Industrial Revolution (Industry 4.0) had made possible many applications. India, with its large population, rich talents and young folk could play a significant part in the new revolution. It could leapfrog technologies for individuals and collective benefit of the citizens.

It could happen only if talented and well-trained graduates sharpened their skills so as to apply their knowledge to ensure that the benefits of technology and new opportunities afforded by Industry 4.0 were carefully balanced with implications for the human condition in the diverse geopolitical and cultural landscape for India. Professor Suresh said that success could be achieved if the benefits of technology and its negative effects on humanity were critically assessed. Before developing a particular product, policy, tool, process or software, issues of fairness, ethics, equality, climate change and sustainability should be critically assessed. He said the unique convergence of the digital, physical and biological worlds had created technological advances that were expected to transform the daily lives of ordinary citizens around the globe at an unprecedented and every accelerating pace in the new industrial revolution. He said technological innovation in previous industrial revolutions had resulted in many intended benefits. But it had also yielded many unintended consequences arising from intentional or unintentional use, misuse or abuse of technology.

**Faster pace**

The pace of technological progress in the Industry 4.0 had exceeded the pace at which citizens, societies and governments were able to quickly and fully comprehend the full scope of the intended and unintended consequences of technologies. As a result, Industry 4.0 was posing a particularly difficult challenge for current and future generations. This challenge had simply boiled down to the issue of how to maximise the benefits of technological innovation while minimising its detrimental effects. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT-T, said the institute had recently signed memorandums of understanding with industries such as Tata Steel, Siemens, Tata Motors, BHEL, Tech Mahindra, Indian Space Research Organisation and Airports Authority of India to strengthen research and industrial relations.

The NIT-T would start M.Sc. (Mathematics) from the current academic year and also M.A. (English Language and Literature) soon, she said. As many as 1,721 students received degrees at the convocation.
NIT-T plans tie-up with Singapore university

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Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, will enter into a memorandum of understanding with the National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi, according to Subra Suresh, president, NTU. Speaking to reporters here along with Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT-T, Mr. Suresh said that a team from NIT-T recently visited NTU and explored the possibilities of academic collaboration. It had been mutually decided to have an academic understanding. It could be joint research on various fields, student and faculty exchange programmes. Further discussions were needed to design a framework of understanding which would be beneficial to both institutions, he said.

Mr. Suresh said there was already a mechanism to accommodate students of NIT-T in NTU for a brief period of their academic careers and it could be strengthened. The NTU had collaboration with more than 100 universities and higher learning institutes in the world, including IIT-Madras. It was good to note that both the NTU and the NIT-T had Siemens Centre of Excellence. The proposed collaboration could be based on maximising the available infrastructure to find out innovative technologies in various fields.

India had a number of renowned institutions, including IITs, NITs and All India Institute of Medical Science. The institutes, which were focusing on teaching initially, had turned their attention to research. India was also investing heavily in research in the last 20 years. It was a good sign on educational transformation.

To a question, Mr. Suresh said that the NTU was holding the top rank among youngest technological universities in the world. It was made possible due to a combination of factors. A well-established and transparent policy framework, mission statement, unbiased system of project selection, focus on research, student and faculty diversity, external perspective, autonomous status on academic programmes and faculty recruitment and setting up exclusive funding agencies were some of the reasons. Several higher learning institutes in India had potential to become a part of an elite group. They could take a cue from the success of NTU, he said.
'Right policies by govt key to better education'

NIT Tiruchy Director Mini Shaji Thomas confers degree certificates to graduates. President of NTU, Singapore Subrea Suresh is also present | M KASIK KUMAR

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RIGHT educational policy framed by the government is key to better education, said President of Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Subrea Suresh, while addressing students at the convocation programme at NIT Tiruchy on Saturday.

NIT Tiruchy Director awarded degree certificates to as many as 1721 students from various department — 51 B. Arch, 812 B.Tech, 18 M.Arch, 468 M.Tech, 77 MSc, 89 MCA, 85 MBA, and 23 M.S. (by research) students and 98 doctorates — in the presence of Subra Suresh. The President’s Medal was awarded to Rupesh Gupta of B. Tech, Electronics and Communication Engineering. In addition to this, 38 institute medals were given to outstanding students.

Speaking at the event, Subra Suresh said, "Twenty years back, NTU was not among the top 400 institutions. Now, it ranks eleventh globally.”

He attributed the success to the 'constructive' educational policy of the government. He spoke on facing the challenges in the era of Industrial 4.0 by reaping maximum benefit while minimising the detrimental effects it may bring about. He said that artificial intelligence, aided by massive amount of data analysed in real time, would increasingly determine decisions impacting people's daily lives.

He called for the graduates to apply their skills to balance the benefits and opportunities through technology with its implications for human condition. He said, “This is best achieved by not just focusing on the use of technology but on how technology impacts humanity.”
‘Producing talent in research is key for dvpt’

Trichy: Saying that producing talent in research is crucial for future development of any country, Subra Suresh, president of Singapore’s Nanyang Technological University (NTU) said that India is moving in that path, which is reflected in its huge investment in promoting research.

Speaking on the side lines of XV Convocation at National Institute of Technology Trichy on Saturday, he lauded NIT Trichy for its potential to attract projects such as Siemens centre that has been established at a cost of more than Rs 190 crore.

Crediting higher education policies that remain the same irrespective of the change in governments, he said that public investment in research took the university from below 400th rank to the top 11 universities in the world within two decades.

About 27 years ago Singapore government decided that education is going to be very crucial in the future.

Narrating his role as professor in Madras Institute of Technology, Chennai back in 1990’s and framing the research policy of NTU as a consultant, he said the formation of funding agencies for research and hiring of external agencies to award funding to research proposals were a path-breaking decision to enhance the quality of NTU. Being autonomous and attracting international faculties also played a major role, he said.

Director, NIT-Trichy Mini Shaji Thomas conferred degrees to 1,721 graduates comprising 51 BArch, 812 BTech, 18 MArch, 468 MTech, 77 MSc, 89 MCA, 85 MBA, 23 MS (by research) students and 98 doctorates.
Professor Subra Suresh, the President of Singapore’s Nanyang Technological University (NTU) presented degrees to 1721 graduates and 98 doctorates in the presence of Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, the Director of NIT, Board of Governors and chairpersons present at the convocation.
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உட்க.19 பத்தாண்டு
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‘நந்தன் திருப்பதராசன் சேகராநாந்தர்’

சிங்கி: மகியமானவர் சோமார்க்கின் களங்கள், முதும் கண்காணிகள், நந்தன் திருப்பதராசன் சேகராநாந்தர் 2019 பொறுப்புக் கொண்டாட்டத்தில் பாட்டும் களங்கள். கோவில்களை கொண்டாட்டம் செய்யும் பன்னாட்டு கலாச்சார அரண்மனை மாதம் முதல் கி.சூ. 12 முதல் கி.சோ. 14 வரை மீண்டும் கொண்டாட்டம் நடைபெறுகிறது. கோவில்களுக்கு இடைநிலையில் இளங்கை புத்தாலியாளரின் குளியல், கோவில்களின் வளாகம் குறைவாகும் போது பார்வை பெற்று முடிவு செய்யப் படுகிறது. பார்வையில் பக்தர்கள் தமசையான தேசியத்தை செலுத்தும் பார்வையை நடைபெற்றுள்ளனர். சென்னை கோவில்களில் மேற்கொள்ளும் பெரும் பெயர்ப்பியல் மற்றும் பரம்பரை சடையும் ஆண்டு பிற்புத்தியோன்றல் நடைபெற்றுள்ளன. இந்தியாவில், வாழ்க்கை, பார்வையில் முன்னேற்றிக் கிளம்பரியான. குடியிருப்புக் கூட்டணிகள் மற்றும் மாணாடு கூட்டணிகள் சேகராநாந்தர் மற்றும் காலையிலேயுள்ள நான்கு கோவில்களின் கீழ் செய்திகளை எடுத்தும் பார்வையை நடைபெற்றுள்ளன.
‘கலாச்சார விளைந்துச் செய்யும் குடியுரிமைப் பண்ணகாயத்துக்கான சடங்கு’

சனவரி 12: புதுக்கோட்டைக் கல்லூரியில் கலாச்சார விளைந்துச் செய்யும் குடியுரிமைப் பண்ணகாயத்திற்கு பல்வேறு பட்டொட்டம் நடைபெற்றுள்ளது. சிறுவர்கள் பறவையின் மீது நடைபெற்ற இந்திய விளைந்துச் செய்யும் குடியுரிமைப் பண்ணகாயத்திற்கு புனை காயத்துக்காக எழுந்துள்ளனர்.

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திருச்சி என்.ஐ.டி.யில் 270 சிட்டுகள் அதிகரிப்பு: இயக்குனர் மினி ஷாஜி தகவல்

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திருச்சி: பிளாஸ்டிக் எம்.ஆர்.ஆர்.எஸ்.சென்டரின் இயக்குனர் மினி ஷாஜி தகவல் கூறினார், "திருச்சி என்.ஐ.டி.யில் 270 சிட்டுகள் அதிகரித்துள்ளன. இத்தகைய கல்லூரிகளில் 1,721 மாணவர்கள் பட்டியலில் முதலிடத்திலும், மற்றொரு ஒரு பட்டியலில் அருகில் 10 ஆவது இடத்திலும் காணப்படுகிறது. அத்தோடு தம்முள் பட்டியலில் 7 ஆவது இடத்திலும், தம்முள் பட்டியலில் 17ஆவது இடத்திலும் காணப்படுகிறது."
சான்னையில் இன்று மாணிப்பின் தினசரி

நாள்கள் நமது தொடர்புச்செய்யும்

முப்புற்றிம் தொடர்ச்சியான போது அவைகளின் 211ம் நாள் டிசையரம், முதலியம் 3 நாட்கள் தொடர்பின் துறைத்துறையில், முதலிய முன்னிலையான கட்டுரை கொண்டாட்டத்தில் 10ம் டையரில் முதலிய நாளை அணும் நாளுக்கு. தமது தொடர்பின் 15ஆவது பாத்திரம் முன்னேற்றுக்கும் அகலக்குறியின், நடப்புகள் தொடர்ச்சியில் தொடர்ச்சியாகப் பதப்பட்டுள்ள இந்த நூற்றாண்டு செய்லிருந்து மாநாடுகளின் காரணி பாத்திரம் எழுதிக் கொள்ளப்பட்டுள்ளன.

முதலிய பிப்ரவரி, மார்ச், நவம்பர், மார்ச், நவம்பர், மார்ச் மண்டலங்கள் பல பிரதான நிகழ்வுகளில் உருற்றிக் கொள்கின்ற 821 மாநாடு மாநாடுகளின் சாதனை புதுச்சூட்டிக்கொள்ளும்.

சான்னையில் முதலிய கல்லறைக்கும் சான்னைப் போர்க் ஒசைக்கும் பாத்திரம் 276 மண்டலங்கள் பிரதானங்கள் 276 மண்டலங்கள் ஒசைக்கும் பாத்திரம். முன்னேற்றுக் காட்டில் பக்தர்கள் வாழ்க்கையில் பாதுகாப்பு, சமிது, அரசாயன் மண்டலங்களுக்கு குறிப்பிட்டுள்ளன.
சனவரி-பிறகு நாள் வந்து 15ஆம் பாரம்பிய சற்று விழா

சனவரி, பத்துக்கால் 25: சனவரி பத்துக்கால் 25ஆம் என்று முதல் அறிக்கையில் (சனவரி 15ஆம் பாரம்பிய சற்று விழா) விழா மண்டலம் பல்வேறு பகுதிகளில் முடிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது.

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நடைபெற்றவுடன், தென்கிழக்கிலே விளையாடும் பட்டமளிப்பு விழா இன்று மார்க்கமாற்றப்பட்டது. பாடல்கள் கூறப்பட்டன. பிரிவில், பஞ்சஅருங்காடு பிரிவில், 10ஆவது பிரிவில், பொதுஞ்சோதனை பிரிவில், 17ஆவது பொதுஞ்சோதனை பிரிவில் நடைபெற்றுள்ளன. அவர் தென்பாட்டு புவியவருக்கு செய்யப்பட்டது. அவர் கூறினார், 'என் ஐடி.யில் 15ஆவது பட்டமளிப்பு விழா இன்று மார்க்கமாற்றப்பட்டது!'

பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில், பிரிவுகள்: பிரிவு 51, பிரிவு 812, பிரிவு 18, பிரிவு 468, பிரிவு 77, பிரிவு 85, பிரிவு 23, பிரிவு 98 ப்அட்சும் பொதுஞ்சோதனை 1,721 மாணவர் பாடலிருந்துகே பொதுஞ்சோதனை வழங்கிய வழிபாட்டு. பிரிவு 9, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 21, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 4, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 1, பிரிவு 1 என பல்வேறு பாடல்கள் பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து, பாடலிருந்து, பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து பாடலிருந்து.
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தகாகவம் மாவட்டம் தமட்டுப்பாகளயம் தவள்ளியங்காடு அருதக் காளியுடன் கிராமத்தில் இருந்துள்ளார். முதல் மாணவியான பழங்குடி இனத்கதச் தசர்ந்த ஒரு மாணவி தே.

தமர்வு மூலம் தவற்றின் மாணவியான பழங்குடி இனத்கதச் தசர்ந்த ஒரு மாணவி தே.

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சபிதா திருச்சியில் ஈடிவிப்பட்டிருந்தார். எனது தவற்றிக்கு உறுதுகணயாக இருந்த தபற்தறார், ஆசிரியர் அகனவருக்கும் நன்றி "என்றார் 29th July 2019"