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TRAVEL GRANT  
REPORT  
2020 -21

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BACK  
THROUGH  
TRAVEL  
GRANTS

Travel Grant program is very popular amongst Institute students, and is one that impacts the students directly by helping them financially to participate in International Conferences to present research papers, as well as participate in competitions, workshops, summits, exchange programs, internships, etc.

In 2020- 21, about 64 students received grants. The total amount granted towards student travel is about Rs. 3.187 Lakhs.

So far 797 students and 53 faculties are benefited by travel grant program and the amount granted is about Rs. 3.69 Crores.

### *Few words from beneficiaries:*

#### *Ajay Piriya V S*



**Roll No: PH15D302**

**Department: Ph.D Physics**

**Conference Attended: 236 ECS MEETING,  
Atlanta, USA**

“ I had attended **236th Electrochemical society (ECS) conference** that was held at Atlanta, USA. The mission of The Electrochemical Society is to advance theory and practice at the forefront of electrochemical and solid-state science and technology, and allied subjects.

I had presented a paper entitled **‘Dual Storage Mechanism Induced High-Capacity Cathode for Rechargeable Aluminium Ion Battery’**. This presentation provides a new approach of improving the performance of cathode material in rechargeable aluminium ion battery to the research community.

The event helps to interact with the various researchers working in the field of energy storage application. It was very much helpful for me since it provided a good platform to exchange the ideas and to gain more understanding about the existing technology in the field of energy storage.”

## *Ajith Jogi*



**Roll No:** ME14D213

**Department:** Ph. D Mechanical Engineering

**Conference Attended:** AOTULE 2019, Tokyo, Japan

“ I have attended the **14th AOTULE Conference**. I have presented conference presentation. The theme was **Actions towards Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and Oceania**. It gave exposure to a different culture, helped networking, gave me a different perspective on my work.

I would volunteer myself in career and technical guidance for the scholars and students. I would collaborate with IITM to develop innovative technologies”.

## *Akshaya Panicker*



**Roll No:** CH14S008

**Department:** M.S Chemical Engineering

**Conference Attended:** International Winter Program, South Korea

“ I was one among the two students selected from India to attend the **International Winter Program of Chung Ang University**. The program offered courses in Korean language, economy and business model in entertainment. It also gave the opportunity to network and understand socio economic, technological and cultural differences between the two countries. The program included field visits to places of cultural and economic significance.

The international program gave me an invaluable experience in gaining knowledge about the socio-economic setting of South Korea. The visit to South Korea and the International Winter Program in Chung Ang University was an amazing learning experience for me.”

## *Muhammed Abdul Majeed Ameen*



**Roll No:** CS16B109

**Department:** Dual Degree Computer Science and Engineering

**Conference Attended:** Semester Exchange @ Univ. of Groningen, The Netherlands

“ I have attended the **Semester Exchange**. The highlight of the event was Software Language Engineering, Information Security, Neural Networks and Computational Intelligence. Participated in research intensive group projects that provided a foundation for my Dual Degree Project.

It has provided me with connections; gave me exposure to different pedagogical methods and cultures; Tutored by eminent academics; attended many informative events.”

## *Anurag Khandelwal*



**Roll No:** MM15B004

**Department:** Dual Degree Metallurgical and Material Engineering

**Conference Attended:** Research Internship @ Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

“ I spent the summer of 2019 at **Karlsruhe Institute of Technology**, located in the state of Baden-Wurttemberg in Germany. This research internship was in conjunction with my dual degree project as my supervisor collaborated with the lab here for various projects. The group here was also one of the foremost worldwide in High Entropy Materials, which was the topic of my thesis. My work was mainly focused on finding non-toxic alternatives to existing electrode materials, which are usually based on cobalt (highly toxic).

Working in a new research environment and interacting with international lab mates was also a precious experience. The internship was an incredible experience where I explored a new continent, performed research, interacted with a new scientific community. It also fueled my passion for research in material science and helped me make up my mind about pursuing a PhD in Materials Science.”

## *Rumiaya Pervin*



**Roll No:** CH14D010

**Department:** Ph.D Chemical Engineering

**Conference Attended:** AMRC 2019, NUS, Singapore

“I have attended **AMRC 2019 (Advanced Materials Research Conference), Singapore**. The highlight of the event was to present findings of my research (oral presentation), To network with various students and delegates of different areas of research

I have learned new development in my area of research. Knew more opportunity for continuing challenging research in international universities.”

## *Sanjana B Acharya*



**Roll No:** HS16H066

**Department:** Humanities and Social Sciences

**Conference Attended:** Semester Exchange @ University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy

“I have visited **Semester Exchange at Bologna, Italy**. The Highlight of the event was Geography of Development (course on Climate Change Adaptation), Regional Cultural Development (course on urban planning and cultural policies), Political Economy of the Welfare State (detailed course project with statistical analysis)

It was able to take courses from one of the highest-ranking social sciences courses in the world. Exposed to a multicultural environment, made connections with people from different parts of world. Was able to take courses on climate change and work on a project with data analysis, which will help me in the career path I wish to take up.

# Thank you!

We would like to take this opportunity again to express our heartfelt gratitude to all those who made benevolent contributions towards the growth and development of IIT Madras.



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