



Dear Classmates and Fellow Alumni:

As we celebrate our latest NIRF Ranking as the Number 1 Institute in India., we are inspired to re-launch Twenty "Founding Professors" Chairs, 14 Indian, 6 German.

The purpose of this appeal notes, initiated on the eve of our Diamond Jubilee Event, July 31, 2019 is to encourage the students of these Founding Professors to honour them and to establish the Chairs. These are the Professors who strived to inculcate Fundas and concepts to us; to imbibe critical and analytical thinking skills to us; and in our formative years, crafted us to be the productive professionals and citizens of the world.

I am enclosing this appeal with the attachments of the List of Professors, Photo Kalash plus. The Plan is to establish Prof. B. Sengupto's Chair by September 2020 (his birthday); Dr. Ing. Koch by December 2020 Next, we will establish Dr. V. G. K. Murthi Chair, the living Founding Professor as soon as possible. He was honored to speak at our Diamond Jubilee event on July 31 with a video message."

The fundraising goal for each Chair is Rs. 70 lakhs (\$100 K). With approximately 1200 Alumni from 1964-69 Batches, we have an opportunity to raise adequate funds to that level. We have a starting baseline at Rs. 3.2 Lakhs. Though the Nominal contribution amount is Rs. 10,000 (\$1000), we welcome your contributions of One Rupee or One Dollar and up. Our Goal is approximately 1000 Alumni or 80 % participation. Can I count on you, folks to contribute?

Focals:

I have discussed these plans with most of you. Obviously, we would like to have very enthusiastic Focals to gather the support from the Batch mates. I have tried to balance B. Tech (5/5, 3/3), M. Tech, Ph. D alumni. I am missing M.Sc. alumni.

On behalf ~50K plus IIT Madras Alumni, we thank you for your continued support and offer of help to bring this initiative to a successful closure. Now, is the time to show our gratitude and generosity to make the Founding Professors Chair(s) a reality by December 31, 2020.

We take this opportunity to thank Prof. Bhaskar, Prof. Mahesh, Prof. Nag, Mr. Subrahmanian, Mrs. Latha Venkat, and host of IAR and MAA staff who have helped us in these endeavors.

Thanks,

1964 - B. Tech: Surjit Randhawa, Mallik Putcha (PMV), Sudhir Chandra, R. Mahadevan; M.Sc: TBS.

1965 - B. Tech: Pukhraj Jain, Chandrasekaran Subramanian, Esmalia Olia, Ramesh Vaswani, Pradeep Mallick; M.Tech: Pas Pasupathy, P. Satyanarayana Rao; M.Sc: TBS.

1966 - B. Tech: Subba Viswanathan: B. Muthuraman, Raj Varadarajan; MTech: TBS; M.Sc: TBS.

1967 - B. Tech: Ram Ramarathnam, Ganesan Subramanian, Gopala Rao, Ashok Khanna; MTech: TBS; M.Sc: TBS.

1968 - B. Tech: Seshan Rammohan, A N Narayanaswami; B. Tech; MTech: TBS; M. Sc: TBS; Ph. D: K. Thulasiraman.

1969 - B. Tech: V. Gopinathan; MTech: TBS; M. Sc: TBS; Ph. D: TBS.