

Celebrating the Generosity of

Shri Vellayan Subbiah



IMPACT OF YOUR GIVING IN

2023

Director's Message



Prof. Kamakoti Veezhinathan

Director, IITM

Greetings!

IIT Madras continues to retain her top position for the eighth consecutive year, in the National Institute Ranking Framework, thanks to the world-class research of its faculty and students. The contribution and support of Alumni and well-wishers like you has crucially helped this standing and stature. Our achievements in research, education, innovation and entrepreneurship have also earned us the recognition of an 'Institute of Eminence' as well as the top position in the Atal Innovation Ranking from the Government of India.

The institute is making an indelible mark with her 'research with impact' in several areas including quantum computing, drinking water technology, industrially relevant mathematical models for governance, rendering cancer-cure more effective. Our centres of excellence, the Center for Innovation, Nirmaan – the pre-incubator, the Incubation Cell, technology centres such as 'IITM-Pravartak' and others, work in unison for not just our nation's building, but societies world-wide. We aspire to be locally impactful and globally relevant through all these efforts.

Towards exploring new research frontiers, a Department of Medical Sciences and Technology has been launched to conjoin medicine and engineering. Similarly, a School of Sustainability is on the horizon to research sustainable practices in the Global South. The campus is moving towards 'carbon-net-zero' goal through water conservation by 100% recycling, efficient garbage disposal, and electrification of vehicles. The traditional education system is undergoing a paradigm shift, with our online Bachelor of Science programme in Data Sciences and the National Program of Technology Enhanced Learning, that have won Gold in the 'Lifelong Learning' category and Silver in the 'Best Online Program' category of the Wharton-QS Reimagine Education Awards 2022 respectively. IIT Madras is leading this revolution from the front.

Such achievements are not possible without the deep-rooted faith and support of alumni and well-wishers such as yourself. We are indebted to you for your generous, bountiful, and impactful contributions. On behalf of IIT Madras, I offer you our deepest gratitude for continuing to strengthen the Institute. Together with your support, we are confident of building an IIT Madras that is more inclusive, diverse, and enabled by an ecosystem to be nationally relevant and globally recognised. Thank you!

Dean's Message



Prof. Mahesh Panchagnula

Dean, Alumni & Corporate Relations, IITM

Greetings!

I express my heartfelt gratitude to you for your generous support to IIT Madras. We appreciate your passion in supporting the causes you do and I assure you that your contributions will be optimally utilized. This report has been compiled to convey how your largesse has touched lives and made a difference at IIT Madras. In keeping with the rapid, contemporary strides in science, technology we have set ambitious goals for ourselves – your continued enthusiasm and support will help us greatly in these endeavors.

IIT Madras is far more diverse in its set of pursuits, more green and more research-focused. And yet, it remains unchanged over these years, it is still the best Institute in the country, and attracts the best students that India has to offer to come and make a mark. I also cordially invite you to visit your campus to see for yourself, the impact of your contribution, and the growth and transformation the Institute has undergone over the years.

We can never express our gratitude enough for all that you have done - Thank You!





Shri Vellayan Subbiah

1990/BT/CE

Chairman, Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited (Chola), Chennai

Insights from your visit during 60th convocation, IIT Madras

Shri Vellayan Subbiah, son of Padma Bhushan M. V. Subbiah, belongs to the fourth generation of the Murugappa family. He is also a part of the fourth generation of the Murugappa Group, with varied business interests, is attempting to transform the finance company.

The focus of his strategy is on competing differently in the business segments, which the company has identified and fostering long-term ties with customers. He is a person with a clear vision. At the same time, he is an excellent transcender of the vision to the followers and influences them to achieve the vision. He has an in-depth understanding of the company and its place in the industry and continues to hone his skills through learning from different forms. He is also a person who shows an extreme level of confidence in all that he does.

The report will present a thorough assessment of the impact that your contributions have made towards the causes outlined causes below:

- 1990 Batch Silver Reunion Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- SarasVidya Fund 1990 Batch Silver Reunion (process of collecting funds is still ongoing, the report will disseminated once the sufficient funds and the beneficiaries are identified)





1990 Batch Silver Reunion – Innovation and Entrepreneurship

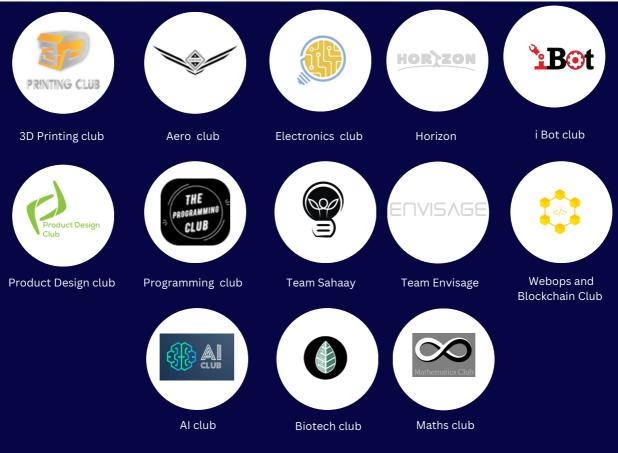
The Centre for Innovation (CFI) was seeded in 2008 by the Class of 1981. Later the Modernization of CFI was initiated by the Class of 1990, 1991, and Jamuna Hostel inmates of the 1991 Batch. The funds received from India for the 1990 Batch Silver Reunion were used towards the upgradation of the Centre for Innovation and the funds received from the United States were used towards the E-Summit every year.



The new Centre for Innovation in the Sudha and Shankar Innovation Hub was inaugurated by the Hon'ble. Vice President of India, Shri Jagdeep Dhankar on February 28, 2023. The motto of CFI is "Walk in with an idea, walk out with a product". The centre helps students translate their innovative ideas into working prototypes.

CFI Clubs

Clubs at CFI are its functioning organs. Divided based on interest, each club represents a student group highly enthusiastic in that specific field. Knowledge transfer, resulting in reducing the learning period is the strength of clubs at CFI. CFI is now home to 14 clubs



Competition Team

CFI's Competition teams are groups of highly motivated individuals who work round the clock to meet challenging deadlines of various competitions. Over the years, our teams have bagged prizes both at the national and international level.



Recent Achievements



①1 Team Abhiyaan, Centre For Innovation (CFI), has won First Place in the IGVC Design Challenge, the first Indian team to win a design challenge held as part of the IGVC competition in the USA recently. The team also achieved first place in the Cybersecurity Challenge during the Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition 2023 held in Michigan, USA. Over 25 university teams from all over the globe participated in this event conducted by Oakland University in association with the US Army Ground Systems Service Center



Team Abhyuday participating at the Spaceport America Cup in Las Cruces, United States, saw their rocket soar into the sky.

E-Summit

Innovation is getting deep-rooted into our culture with the start-up culture blooming in India. Anyone who takes the unconventional path, thinks creatively, and creates ground-breaking innovations to solve problems is a changemaker. With such changemakers present at every corner of our country, trailblazing impact can be created when they are brought together.

E-Summit 2023

With entrepreneurship continuously gaining a strong foothold as a future option for the students, it was inevitable for the event to take a huge leap from the previous editions and it is safe to assume for the future editions also. In the 8 years of E-Summit, entrepreneurship has come a long way and with more startups emergingand establishing a golden age for entrepreneurship in IIT Madras.

E-Summit, IIT Madras' annual flagship event, focused entirely on young entrepreneurs and their ventures is an entrepreneurial extravaganza filled with an insane amount of energy and enthusiasm. There is something for everyone to gain and learn, be it in the form of knowledge, prize or funding for the startup. From pitch-fests to lectures and workshops, E-Summit is truly one of the finest learning opportunities for the attendees and other stakeholders.



Theme of E-Summit 2023

Assemblage of Changemakers



8th Edition of Annual Entrepreneurship fest of IIT Madras (NIRF Ranked 1 Institute)



Dates : 7th to 9th April 2023



The only ISO-Certified E-Summit across India



50+ speakers 30+ VC firms 800+ startups



4000+ Registrations across all events in E-Summit



50+ Events across 4 conclaves of E-Summit



16 Lakh+ Prize money pool for winners of E-Summit



This year's Summit is themed around "Assemblage of Changemakers"



250+ membered organizing team for E-Summit



Offline Conference hosted at IITM Campus with pan-India participation

Glimpses from the E-Summit 2023...



We are grateful to you

Shri Vellayan and Mrs. Kanika Subbiah & Family



Thank you for your sustained generosity to IIT Madras over the years. Contributors such as yourself enable our students and Professors to dream big and work towards a better and brighter future. We hope you are proud of your alma mater and how it has remained steadfastly committed to academic and research excellence during and after your time here. You and your family have been instrumental in facilitating this significant growth.

Our efforts to nurture the culture of academic excellence that is the hallmark of IIT Madras - quality education, cutting-edge research, and unfettered creativity - shall continue. We are privileged and humbled to have you and your family walking with us along this trail. We wish you and your family the best always in all walks of life!



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