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Mr. N. R. Narayana Murthy
Founder, Infosys



Mr. N. Chandrasekaran
Chairman, Tata Sons



L - R : Rajesh Gopinath, CEO, TCS; T.V. Narendra, MD&CEO, Tata Steel;
Dr. Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT Tiruchirappalli;
Mr. N. R. Narayana Murthy, Founder, Infosys;
Mr. N. Chandrasekaran, Chairman, Tata Sons

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'Have Tata boss as your role model'

Infosys Founder Gives Pep Talk To NIT-T students; 1,649 Graduate From Institution

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Trichy: To become successful in one's professional career, he/she must learn to perceive like N Chandrasekaran (chairman of Tata Sons), Infosys founder N R Narayana Murthy told graduating students at National Institute of Technology Trichy (NIT-T) on Saturday.

Narayana Murthy, the chief guest for the 13th convocation of NIT-T, Trichy at the newly inaugurated golden jubilee convention hall, lauded the Tata Sons chairman, who was present as the guest of honour.

Chandrasekaran, who was conferred the degree of Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa), is a distinguished alumnus of the institute having completed his master of computer applications from the institute in 1986.

"Study his life and follow his precepts in every action of yours. Use him as your role model in every decision you take. You will turn out to be a successful professional," the Infosys founder told the outgoing students.

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"I hope somebody will write a book on his illustrious life so that all of us can refer to it in our hour of moral dilemma and our hour of vacillation," he said, praising Chandrasekaran.

He told students that as an alumni of the institution they have to bear the share of responsibility of taking the institution to greater heights. Asking students to contribute a small part of their salary every month to the institution, he said, "It would ensure that future generation of students may receive an even better quality of education than you did. That is how societies progress."

"All my success today is because of the formative years I spent at Trichy in NIT. I had excellent teachers and am grateful to all of them," said Chandrasekaran.

Director of NIT-Trichy Mini Shaji Thomas told students that this convocation is special for them as they are receiving their hard-earned degrees from the country's



HIGHLIGHTS: 1) President's Medal for overall highest CGPA was received jointly by Amrith Rajagopal Setlur and Yashvi Singh 2) A student receives her degree certificate from NIT-T director Mini Shaji Thomas 3) N Chandrasekaran receives degree of Doctor of Letters from Narayana Murthy 4) The golden jubilee convention hall, inaugurated by Narayana Murthy, is a multi-purpose auditorium with a seating capacity of 5,000



Murthy, Chandrasekaran share success secrets

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Trichy: In a free-wheeling interaction with the students of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Infosys founder Narayana Murthy and Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran discussed the enormous opportunities for start-ups in the country.

Answering questions thrown at them by the young minds, the industry bigwigs highlighted the need to enhance the probability of success as it is not guaranteed.

Narayana Murthy advised budding entrepreneurs to conduct an inexpensive test marketing of their idea before venturing wholeheartedly. "There are a few things that raise the probabilities of success. You need people who are good in sales and finance, especially trusted members whom you can rely on," said Murthy.

Reminiscing about the days when he launched Infosys 30 years

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Narayana Murthy | INFOSYS FOUNDER

ago, Murthy said, "You have to start some day with a team with enduring value and then you will see yourself growing." Entrepreneurs should be able to handle scale and increasing costs without losing quality to be able to sustain in the highly competitive market.

Asked why Indian companies have not witnessed a growth similar to that of US companies like Facebook, Amazon and Uber, the Infosys founder said venture capi-

tal firms provide many forms of support in the US. They mentor entrepreneurs and connect key prospective customers to companies, which still does not exist in India. "We will have such time in the next two decades," he said.

Murthy said that as the unemployment rate in US hovered between 3 and 4% for a long period, it has forced youngsters to become much more adventurous and try out lots of new things. "In US society, failure is not considered a bad thing. It is changing in India too compared to the olden days, but still it has not come to a critical mass of acceptance," said Murthy.

He lauded Chandrasekaran for taking the company to greater heights. "What Chandrasekaran is doing here in Tata Sons or did so far in TCS is no less than what Sundar Pichai or Satya Nadella achieved in US. Let us celebrate the success of people who have done it in India. We produce approxi-

mately 6.5-7 lakh engineers every year. If a small percent of those Indians go to Silicon Valley and succeed there, they are raising the image of India. A lot of politicians say that they are unhappy. We, the elders, need to introspect how to create and an ecosystem here to retain talented youngsters," he said.

Chandrasekaran said it is important to realise that success has to be earned everyday. "You need to initialise everyday. History doesn't matter," he said, adding that there is no point regretting about the past and one has to live in the present.

Urging students to act on a hunch, Chandrasekaran said, "I first ensure that I have all the data and even if the data says that I can go ahead with this, my hunch has to back it up. There are factors that cannot be captured by data. I always have a list of what is not to be done and what can be done."

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PhD received their degrees from the director.

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EXPERT ADVICE

Celebrate home-grown talent to stop brain drain: Murthy

NIT-T confers honorary doctorate on Tata Sons Chairman N Chandrasekaran

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tiruchy

THE country must recognise and celebrate people who have excelled in diversified fields in order to prevent brain drain, co founder of Infosys NR Narayana Murthy has said.

He made this remark while interacting with students of National Institute of Technology-Tiruchy (NIT-T) during its convocation day programme on Saturday. Distinguished alumnus N Chandrasekaran, Chairman of Tata Sons, was present on the occasion.

Renowned for his strategic planning and implementation, Murthy said society must stop comparing domestic talents with tech savvy minds in the Silicon Valley. "If we continue all the good things that we are doing now to make India more attractive for our youngsters, we are likely to have people like Sundar Pichai and Satya Nadella in our country," he said.

"Earlier one had to choose engineering or medicine as there were hardly any jobs. But, today the situation has improved quite a lot, and tomorrow it will improve even further," Murthy pointed out and advised students to opt the field one feels passionate about. Heaping praise on Chandrasekaran, Murthy said the feat accomplished by the former are no lesser to the talents of celebrated minds abroad.

Turning nostalgic, Chandrasekaran said it was wonderful to walk around the campus and see how much it has expanded. Addressing the students, Chandrasekaran said. "When you want to achieve something, it is not about how you are going to achieve it,



Mini Shaji Thomas, Director of NIT-T (R), conferring honorary doctorate on Chairman of Tata Sons N Chandrasekaran. Infosys co-founder NR Narayana Murthy looks on | M K ASHOK KUMAR

Emulate Murthy, students told

Tiruchy: National Institute of Technology-Tiruchy (NIT-T), formerly Regional Engineering College, on Saturday conferred a honorary doctorate on N Chandrasekaran, chairman of Tata Sons and alumnus of the 1986 batch. Accepting the honour, Dr Chandrasekaran said perseverance was the key to success. He advised students to emulate NR Narayana Murthy, co-founder of Infosys, and described him as a legend with multiple dimensions. "Narayana Murthy has shown how simple a successful person can be and he is the best role model for youngsters," Chandra said. A total of 1,649 students was awarded degrees and doctorates. The President's Medal for overall highest Cumulative Grade Points Average (CGPA) was bagged by two students.

but all you need is to have aspiration."

The Tata Sons Chairman added that it was not just academics that pre-

pared him for the future rather the interaction with faculty members moulded him into a strong personality.

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TIRUCHIRAPALLI THE HINDU
SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017

Doctor of Letters conferred on Tata Sons Chairman

National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi holds convocation

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
TIRUCHI**

Emphasising the importance of commitment and courage for achieving success, Infosys founder N.R. Narayana Murthy on Saturday said that Tata Sons Chairman N. Chandrasekaran, who rose from the bottom of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) through performance and values to sit in the same chair as J.R.D. Tata, stood as a role model to emulate.

Delivering the convocation address at National Institute of Technology-Tiruchi, after Mr. Chandrasekaran was conferred with Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the corporate world, Mr. Murthy said that Mr. Chandrasekaran was a leader in every position he had chosen to accept. He had demonstrated that there was no glass ceiling for those who demonstrated competence, courage, commitment and character. In an apparent reference to Mr. Chandrasekaran's long association with TCS since 1987 and frequent change of jobs by present generation, Mr. Murthy said that, "I hope somebody will write a book on Mr. Chandrasekaran's illustrious life so that all of us



Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT-Tiruchi, conferring honorary degree of Doctor of Letters on N. Chandrasekaran, Chairman, TATA Sons, at the convocation held on Saturday. N. R. Narayana Murthy, founder, Infosys, looks on.

• PHOTO: M. MOORTHY

can refer to it in our hour of moral dilemma and vacillation in decision making. Study his life and follow his precepts in every action of yours," he said.

In his acceptance speech, Mr. Chandrasekaran, who was an alumnus of the then Regional Engineering College (now NIT), Tiruchi, turned nostalgic. "It is this campus that laid the foundation for my successful career. I had extraordinary luck to have lecturers, who enriched my knowledge on science and mathematics and inculcated values. I owe it to NIT-T," he said.

Going down memory lane to trace the influence of his

teachers on his life, Mr. Chandrasekaran recalled how his primary school teacher Kannammal took notes for him when he was hospitalised for two months. Her affection and love demonstrated her dedication to the profession and many teachers like her had made his life meaningful.

NIT-T Director Mini Shaji Thomas, who conferred the Doctor of Letters on Mr. Chandrasekaran, said the institute has been ranked the best among the 31 NITs and eleventh among all engineering institutions in the country under the National Institutional Ranking Framework-2017.

IT ind will keep growing: Narayana Murthy

R. VALAYAPATHY | DC
TIRUCHY, AUG 12

Padma Vibhushan N. R. Narayana Murthy, Founder, Infosys called up on the alumni of the National Institute of Technology (NIT-T) Tiruchy have to bear a bigger share of the responsibility of taking this institution to greater heights, by contributing a small part of their salary to NIT-T, to help future students get good quality education.

Delivering the 13th convocation address at NIT-T here on Saturday, Mr. Narayanamurthy pointed out that the country faced huge challenges - basic education, health-care, nutrition and shelter for the 700 million poor people in this country. "Please remember that despite these challenges the tax payers of this country have given you a fine education at a throw-away price," he added.

N. Chandrasekaran on receiving the honorary



N. R. Narayana Murthy, Founder, Infosys delivering the 13th convocation address at NIT-T at Tiruchy on Saturday. —DC

doctorate from his alma-mater, said in his acceptance speech said that it was a tremendous privilege and honor to receive this recognition and thanked the Board and the Senate of NIT-T. He advised the students to imbibe the values instilled by their parents and teachers. He also men-

tioned about the tremendous scope for entrepreneurs in India.

In her welcome address, Dr Mini Shaji Thomas, director, NIT-T pointed out that

this convocation is special for the students as they received their hard earned degrees from the country's

top NIT and 11th best technical institute in the country as ranked by the National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) of the Government of India. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has recommended the NIT-T curriculum as a model for all NITs, she

added.

Earlier Mr. Narayanamurthy and Mr. Chandrasekaran inaugurated the Golden Jubilee Convention hall of the NIT-T, and also lay the foundation stone for the Chemical Engineering Golden Jubilee annex building.

Addressing a press conference later, Mr. Chandrasekaran said that business embedded with technology was the need of the hour and also pointed out that technology would lead to improving the economy and increased job opportunities.

Mr. Narayanamurthy said that the IT industry will continue to grow. He said that focus should be on customers and skill training should be given to employees. Calling for improving the education system, the 'Infosys' founder stressed the need to retrain employees to develop skills as IT biggies like Infosys and TCS have been doing.

Infosys founder wants grads to follow Tata Sons chairman

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TIRUCHIRAPALLI THE HINDU
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2017

New opportunities are arising, says Narayana Murthy

"We have to equip our youngsters"

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
TIRUCHI

Infosys founder N.R. Narayana Murthy on Saturday said that IT industry had bright prospects and it would keep up the pace of growth further if the companies invested on improving the capability and capacity of their workforce.

In an interview to a select group of journalists, along with Tata Sons Chairman N. Chandrasekaran on the sidelines of NIT-T's 13th convocation here, where he (Chandrasekaran) was conferred upon Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa), Mr. Narayana Murthy said that he believed that IT industries had good opportunity to grow subject to some business issues. New opportunities were arising.

"We have good opportunities to grow as long as we satisfy our customers and equip our youngsters. We have to ensure that companies invested adequately on retaining employees. We have to ensure that they work hard with dedication," he said.

He added that almost all



N.R.Narayana Murthy, Founder, Infosys, and N. Chandrasekaran, Chairman, TATA Sons, at a press meet in Tiruchi on Saturday. ■ PHOTO: M. MOORTHY

developed countries except France had about 4 to 5% of unemployment.

According to economists, between 3 and 4% of unemployment was an ideal state of economy.

"There was no economy with nil unemployment. If we look at the developed nation and learn lessons from them, we can grow further," Mr. Narayanamurthy said and added that many IT companies, including Infosys and TCS, were making

sustained efforts and investment on equipping youngsters.

On the global debate regarding gender gap in IT companies, Mr. Narayanamurthy said that women were no less than men in performance.

The percentage of women employees in IT companies in the country was more than the average in many countries. However, the percentage of women employment should go up further.

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TIRUCHIRAPALLI THE HINDU
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017

Narayana Murthy to visit NIT-T

As chief guest for the 13th convocation

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
TIRUCHI**

Infosys founder N.R. Narayana Murthy, will be the chief guest of the 13th convocation of National Institute of Technology-T on Saturday, according to its director Mini Shaji Thomas.

Speaking to reporters here on Wednesday, she said Mr. Murthy was one of the brilliant minds of the country and his visit would be a milestone in the history of NIT. His presence would motivate the students.

His vast experience in the Information and Technology would be immensely beneficial to the students. He would also inaugurate gold jubilee convention hall, she added.

Later, Mr. Murthy would lay the foundation stone for a new building to commemorate the golden jubilee of

Chemical Engineering Department and interact with the students.

Honorary doctorate

Ms. Thomas said that it had been decided to confer the degree of Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) on N. Chandrasekaran, Chairman, TATA Sons. He was an alumnus of NIT (formerly Regional Engineering College). The senate of NIT was unanimous in its decision to confer honorary doctorate on Chandrasekaran.

He was the second person to receive the honorary doctorate next only to NIT's (then REC) founding Principal Professor Manisundaram.

She said 1,649 students, including 46 B.Arch, 814 B.Tech, 663 M.Tech, 71 MSc, 88 MCA, 46 MBA, 37 M.S. (by research) students and 85

doctorates, would receive the degrees in the 13th convocation.

Amrith Rajagopal Setlur of B.Tech, (Computer Science and Engineering) and Yashvi Singh of B.Tech (Metallurgical and Materials Engineering) would receive the President's Medal for overall highest Cumulative Grade Point Average.

Institute medals would be presented to nine B.Tech, one B.Arch, 22 M.Tech, three MSc, one MCA and one MBA students.

New recruitment rules

On filling up of faculty positions, which were lying vacant for so long, Ms. Thomas said the NIT council had recently framed new rules for recruitment of faculty members. It had been approved also. A few queries had to be addressed on it.

Steps would be taken to begin the recruitment process shortly.

She added that a new M.Tech. programme on Data Analytics had recently been launched.

Consequent to the successful completion of Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP) phase I and II, TEQIP III had been sanctioned.

It was a proud moment for all NIT-T graduates that the institute had won the prestigious CII-AICTE best industry linked institute competing among IITs, NITs and IIITs.

The institute also received national level awards from FICCI for social excellence and employability and from ASSOCHAM for best Institute to use ICT tools, the Principal said.

CONVOCATION - 2017

NIT to confer honorary PhD on star alumnus Chandrasekaran

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tiruchy

COME Saturday, N Chandrasekaran, an alumnus of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Tiruchy who completed his Master of Computer Applications (MCA) in 1986 and is now Tata Sons Chairman, will be honoured with a doctorate by his alma mater. The decision was passed by Mini Shaji Thomas, Director, NIT and Senate members in a meeting held recently. The decision was passed unanimously.

In a press conference, Thomas

said Chandrasekaran would receive the doctorate during the 13th convocation ceremony to be held on August 12. She stated awarding the doctorate had been in the works for a while and it was decided to accord Chandrasekaran the honour at the convocation.

She said, "This year, 1,649 students will be awarded degrees and two students who scored 9.91 per cent in cumulative grade point average (CGPA) will be

awarded medals." This is the highest number of NIT Tiruchy graduates till date. Over 1,000 students' have been placed in 250 companies across the country, Thomas said, with 97 per cent of undergraduates and 87 per cent of postgraduates selected by firms during placements. NIT's Golden Jubilee Community Hall will also be inaugurated at the time of convocation. "Graduates have been told



N Chandrasekaran

to bring their parents to the convocation as the hall can accommodate 5,000 people," Thomas said. A new foundation stone would be laid inside the premises at the time of the event.

NIT is one of the few institutes in the country to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Academic Depository (NAD), a Union government and University Grants Commission (UGC)-recommended platform for institutions to digitally secure online academic awards to students directly to the NAD ac-

count. For an interactive session with graduates and students, NIT has decided to bring in Infosys founder N R Narayana Murthy along with Chandrasekaran. Speaking about NIT's five-year strategic plan, the Director said that decisions are under process to set an action plan for the next five years, including the filling of vacant posts for teachers in the institute and moving up from the current 11th spot in the National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) rankings to number one, Mini stated.



TIMES CITY

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TATA Sons chairman to get honorary doctorate from NIT-T

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Trichy: The National Institute of Technology, Trichy (NIT-T), will honour Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran by conferring him with a honorary doctorate at the 13th convocation of NIT-T in the presence of Infosys founder N R Narayana Murthy on Saturday, who is the chief guest for the event.

The two industry giants will spend the whole day at NIT-T campus and interact with the students of the institute apart from attending various other events.

Chandrasekaran is the second man to be honoured with a honorary doctorate by NIT Trichy (earlier known as Regional Engineering College). Founder of the institution, P S Mani Sundaram, was the only one to be conferred with the honour so far by NIT-T.

Chandrasekaran was conferred with the 'Distinguished Alumni Award' by NIT-T in 2014 when he visited the institute.

While justifying the decision which was acknowledged by the NIT board and the government, Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-T, said that it was a proud moment for NIT-T to have its alumnus occupy the chair occupied by someone like J R D Tata, the for-



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Chandrasekaran will also inaugurate a golden jubilee convention hall at NIT-T having a seating capacity for 5,000 people.

Mini Shaji said that NIT-T continues in the top 31 of the national institutional ranking framework (NIRF) list in the country. "Now we have put in a five year strategic plan to break into the top engineering institutions in the country by critically analysing NIRF data," she said.

The new flexible curriculum implemented at NIT-T has been recommended by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) as a model one for NITs. The senate of the institute has endorsed the introduction of flexib-

le curriculum, minor specialisations and flipped classrooms based on course plans and new evaluation models.

This year, a record 1,649 students will be graduating from the institution, including 46 BArch, 663 MTech, 71 MSc, 88 MCA, 46 MBA, 37 MS (by research) students and 85 doctorates.

NIT is also among the very few institutions which has signed an MOU with the National Academic Depository (NAD) launched by the union government for safe keeping of document and verification. Every institutions has been asked to become a member. This year's degrees of students will be uploaded on the NAD site. It will be available for graduates and industry for verification.

Alumni Day 2017
Sunday, 13th August 2017



R Chandrasekaran, executive vice-chairman, Cognizant India (right), handing over Young Alumnus Achiever (YAA) Award to an alumna on Sunday. Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-Tiruchy, looks on | EXPRESS

NIT-T made me reach dizzy heights: Cognizant chief



The universities have to produce more thinkers than doers while self-learning will augment skill sets of students. Time-frame of successive revolutions has shrunk
Cognizant official

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Tiruchy

R CHANDRASEKARAN, executive vice-chairman, Cognizant India, recalled his life as a student in the National Institute of Technology-Tiruchy (NIT-T) and said the institute helped him reach heights to be what he is today. He was speaking at the Alumni Day 2017 celebrated at the NIT-T on Sunday.

Meanwhile, Distinguished Alumni Award (DAA) and Young Alumni Achiever Award (YAA) were given in the category towards excellence in academic and research to 10 deserving alumni.

Chandrasekaran obtained his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from NIT-T (formerly known as Regional Engineering College). He said the time-frame of successive revolutions has shrunk

and the current digital age is rapidly developing. "The universities have to produce more thinkers than doers, and self-learning will augment skill sets of students," he added. Reminiscing on NIT life, he did not miss nostalgic moments on the campus and his time as a student.

Mini Shaji Thomas, director of NIT-T, asked the alumni to spread the news of excellent infrastructure at the institute and improve the public, industrial and peer perception. She recalled the convocation address by the co-founder of Infosys N R Narayana Murthy. To mark their field of excellence, the institute awarded DAA and YAA award to over 10 alumni of NIT-T.

Breaking the usual pattern of giving bouquets, director presented to Chandrasekaran a green certificate for planting 100 saplings.



ALUMNI DAY - 2017



Work for society also: Cognizant chief

R. VALAYAPATHY | DC
TIRUCHY, AUG 13

R. Chandrasekaran, executive vice-chairman, Cognizant India, one of the leading software companies, underscored the need for students to meet the needs of not only the industry but also society at large.

Mr Chandrasekaran who obtained his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from the National Institute of Technology (formerly Regional Engineering College, Tiruchy), made this observation while delivering the Alumni Day - 2017 address at NIT-Tiruchy here on Sunday. He also pointed out that the social entrepreneurship is the ne-



R. Chandrasekaran, executive vice-chairman, Cognizant India at the Alumni Day, 2017 at NIT-Tiruchy on Sunday. The NIT-T director Mini Thomas gives the memento. —DC

ed of the hour. Though many people talk about "gloom and doom", we are instead at the cusp of great opportunities in this 'digital age', he added.

"What is required is exponential thinking, not incremental thinking. Even traditional agriculture and tourism are being transformed by the digital age",

he said, adding, the universities have to produce more thinkers rather than doers.

In her presidential address NIT-T's director Dr Mini Shaji Thomas sought the help of the alumni to inspire the students to opt for entrepreneurship. She urged the alumni to spread the news of excellent infrastructure at NIT-T that would help to enhance the public, industrial and peer group perceptions.

Dr Mini Thomas said she was keen to build 'Brand NIT-T' on par with 'Brand IIT-Madras'. The 'Young Alumni Achiever Awards (YAA)' and 'Distinguished Alumni Awards (DAA)' were given to select alumni at the function.

'Digital disruption has changed the ways of business'

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Trichy: Digital disruption has changed the way business is conducted, said the executive vice-chairman of Cognizant India, R Chandrasekaran, while urging students to indulge in exponential rather than incremental thinking to counter challenges of the new era. He was speaking at National Institute of Technology Trichy as chief guest of the alumni day celebrations on Sunday.

A distinguished alumni awardee in 2008 by NIT Trichy, Chandrasekaran said "Though many people talk about "gloom and doom", we are instead at the cusp of great opportunities in this digital age. Digital disruption has changed the way business is conducted," he said. He asked the students to develop agility as the time frame of successive revolutions had shrunk and the current digital age was developing rapidly.

"Even the traditional agriculture and tourism are being transformed by the digital age. The changes are difficult to cope with but will bring prosperity, said Chandrasekaran who joined Cognizant in 1994 and served in various capacities before taking up executive vice-chairmanship.

He said that the universities had to produce more thinkers rather than doers. Self-learning would augment the skill sets of students. He said India had more problems and hence more opportunities. The whole world was appreciating the Mars Mission of ISRO.

Chandrasekaran recalled the contribution of NIT Trichy alumni K R Sridhar at the world level and said social entrepreneurship was the need of the hour. He said Sridhar, CEO of Bloom Energy, was on a mission to "make clean, reliable energy affordable for everyone on earth," he said.



YOUNG ACHIEVER: Executive Vice-Chairman of Cognizant India R Chandrasekaran presenting Young Alumni Achiever Award to Vaibhav Lodha, Co-founder, ftcash, during the alumni day celebrations at National Institute of Technology, Trichy

"We should meet the needs of not only the industry but also society," said Chandrasekaran who did his mechanical engineering at NIT Trichy before moving to IIM Bangalore.

Instead of the usual bouquet, Director of NIT Trichy Mini Shaji Thomas handed over a "Green Certificate" to the chief guest for planting 100 saplings on his behalf. Seeking the help of the alumni to inspire students to go for entrepreneurship, she said that under TEQIP (Technical Education Improvement Programme) Phase III, half the funding was for setting up innovation centres where the emphasis was on filing for more patents.

Young Alumni Achiever awards (YAA) were given in the category "towards Excellence in Entrepreneurial venture" to Vaibhav Lodha, co-founder, ftcash while Vishnu V, executive director, Chennai metropolitan water supply and sewerage board (CMWSSB), bagged the honour for Excellence in Public Administration).

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"IT industry in the cusp of opportunity and prosperity"

Cognizant India Executive Vice-Chairman was speaking at NIT-Tiruchi alumni meet

**SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
TIRUCHI**

The IT industry is in the cusp of opportunity and prosperity in the phase of transition and a lot could be done through digital disruption, R. Chandrasekaran, Executive Vice-Chairman, Cognizant India, said on Sunday.

Seeking to allay apprehensions caused by 'gloom and doom' talk about the industry, Mr. Chandrasekaran said the innovation agility is what is required to prevent the industry from perishing.

Citing instances of business models followed by a global footwear brand, flower exporters in Holland, Mr. Chandrasekaran said the operational effectiveness through leveraging technology was the basis for life-time engagement of customers.

The thinking about growth has to be exponential, not incremental, he said, speaking at the Alumni Day celebrations of National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi.

Mr. Chandrasekaran joined the NIT-T Director Mini Shaji Thomas and president of Regional Engineering College's Alumni Association Krishna Sai in



Executive Vice Chairman of Cognizant India R. Chandrasekaran (right), hands over Young Alumni Achiever Award to V. Vishnu, Executive Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, at National Institute of Technology - Tiruchi on Sunday. ■ PHOTO: A. MURALITHARAN

presenting Young Alumni and Distinguished Alumni Awards.

The two Young Alumni Achiever Awardees were Vaibhava Lodha, Co-founder, ftcash, for excellence in Entrepreneurial venture, and V. Vishnu, IAS, Executive Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, for excellence in Public Administration.

The Distinguished Alumni Award winners were Sridhar Mahadevan, Director, Artificial Intelligence Centre, Stanford Research Institute, USA (Academic / Research), Jayanth Ramakrishnan, Chief Operating Officer, Bastion Technologies, Houston, TX, USA (Corporate/ Industry); Nagaraj Murthy, Vice-president of Operations, High-Speed Verification Business Unit at Cadence Design Inc

(Corporate / Industry); Srimathi Shivashankar, Vice-President, HCL Technologies (Corporate/ Industry); A. Vijayarajan, Founder and Chief Technology Officer of InnAccel Technologies (Entrepreneurial Venture); Prabhu G Kumar, Co-Founder and Board Member, Logic Group of Companies (Entrepreneurial Venture); R. Vasudevan, Secretary of YOKE Society (Service to society at large); and Saibal Mitra, Secretary and Managing Director, Deenabandhu Trust, Kolkata (Service to society at large).

Presiding over the function, the NIT-T Director said an Alumni Interaction Cell will be constituted with the objectives of encouraging entrepreneurship among students, improve the perception about the institution at national and international levels, and streamlining funds for scholarships and endowments.

With placements of 97% for B.Tech and 87% for post-graduation at NIT-T, it was the best in the country, the institution was placed first among NITs and 11th overall in NIRF (National Institute Framework Ranking), Dr. Mini said.

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நிறுவனர்: டி.வி.ராமசுப்பையர்

சென்னை, வேலூர், புதுச்சேரி, ஈரோடு, சேலம், கோயம்புத்தூர், திருச்சி, மதுரை, திருநெல்வேலி, நாகர்கோவில்



திருச்சி என்ஐடி-யில் நடந்த பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில், என்ஐடி முன்னாள் மாணவரும் டாடா சன்ஸ் நிறுவன தலைவருமான சந்திரசேகரனுக்கு என்ஐடி இயக்குனர் மினி ஷாஜி தாமஸ் முனைவர் பட்டம் வழங்கினார். அருகில் இன்போசிஸ் நிறுவன தலைவர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி.

இயந்திரமயமாக்கலான பிறகும்

பணிக்கான வாய்ப்புகள் அதிகம்

திருச்சி, ஆக.12: தொழில் நிறுவனங்கள் இயந்திரமயமாக்கல் ஆன பிறகும் கூட பணிக்கான வாய்ப்புகள் அதிகம் இருக்கின்றன என்றார் டாடா குழுமங்களின் தலைவர் என். சந்திரசேகரன்.

திருச்சி தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகத்தில் சனிக்கிழமை நடைபெற்ற பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில் பங்கேற்க வந்த அவர் செய்தியாளர்களிடம் கூறியது: தகவல் தொழில்நுட்பத் துறையில் ஏற்பட்டுள்ள டிஜிட்டல் புரட்சி பொருளாதார நிலையிலும், வேலைவாய்ப்பிலும் அதிகரிக்கச் செய்துள்ளது. தகவல் தொழில்நுட்பத் துறையில் பணிக்கு வருபவர்களின் திறன்தான் முக்கியம். பல புதிய விஷயங்களை சுற்றுக் கொண்டுதங்கள் திறன்களை மேம்படுத்திக் கொள்ள வேண்டும்.

மாணவர்கள் எண்ணிக்கைக்கு இணையான ஆசிரியர்கள், நோயாளிகள் எண்ணிக்கைக்கு இணையான மருத்துவர்கள் இல்லாத நிலைதான் தற்போது உள்ளது. இதற்கு உடனடியாக தீர்வு காண வேண்டும் எனில் புதிய தொழில்நுட்பத்தை பயன்படுத்தும் போது தீர்வு உடனடியாகக் கிடைக்கும்.

எச்.பி. விசா தொடர்பாக சில தவறான புரிதல்கள் எடுத்துரைக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றன. மூன்று விதமான விசாக்கள் வழங்கப்படுகின்றன. அமெரிக்க குடிமக்களுக்கு வழங்கப்படுகிறது. இந்தியா போன்ற நாடுகளிலிருந்து அங்கு வேலைக்கு செல்பவர்களுக்கு குறுகியகாலம் மட்டும் பயன்படுத்தும் வகையில் விசா வழங்கப்படுகிறது. டிசி எஸ் போன்ற நிறுவனங்களில் பணியாற்றும்பவர்களுக்கு குறுகிய கால விசாவைப் பயன்படுத்திச் சென்று வருகின்றனர்.

தகவல் தொழில்நுட்ப நிறுவனங்களில் பணியாற்றும்பவர்களுக்கு ஊதியம் உயர்த்தப்படுவதும் குறைவதும் அந்த நிறுவ



திருச்சி தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக்கழகத்தில் சனிக்கிழமை நடைபெற்ற 13-ஆவது பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில் டாடா குழுமங்களின் தலைவர் என். சந்திரசேகரனுக்கு கௌரவ முனைவர் பட்டம் வழங்குகிறார் என்.ஐ.டி. இயக்குநர் மினி ஷாஜி தாமஸ். உடன் இன்போசிஸ் நிறுவனர் என்.ஆர். நாராயணமூர்த்தி.

னத்தின் வளர்ச்சியைப் பொறுத்துதான் அமைகிறது. கல்வியில் மட்டுமல்ல, தகவல் தொழில்நுட்ப நிறுவனங்களிலும் ஆண்களுக்கு நிகராக பெண்கள் போட்டி போட்டு பணியாற்றி வருகின்றனர். இது சமுதாயப் பொறுப்புணர்வாகும் என்றார் சந்திரசேகரன்.

இன்போசிஸ் நிறுவனர் என்.ஆர். நாராயணமூர்த்தி அளித்த பேட்டி: இளம்பட்ட தாரிகள் தங்கள் திறன்களை வளர்த்துக் கொள்ள வேண்டும். வளர்ச்சியடைந்த நாடுகளில் பிராண்டை தவிர இதர நாடுகளில் 4 முதல் 5 சதவிகிதம் வரை வேலையில்லா திண்டாட்டம் இருந்து வருகிறது. எந்த நாட்டிலும் பூஜ்ஜிய சதவிகித அளவிற்கு வேலையில்லா திண்டாட்டம் என்ற நிலை இருக்காது. இதுபோன்ற பிரச்சனை

களுக்குத் தீர்வு காண வேண்டும் எனில் நம் முடைய கல்வி முறையில் மாற்றம் தேவை என்றார் நாராயணமூர்த்தி.

தொடர்ந்து நடைபெற்ற பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில் 1649 மாணவ, மாணவிகளுக்குப் பட்டங்கள் வழங்கப்பட்டன. டாடா குழுமத் தலைவர் என்.சந்திரசேகரனுக்கு கௌரவ முனைவர் பட்டத்தை தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழக இயக்குநர் மினி ஷாஜி தாமஸ் வழங்கினார். இன்போசிஸ் நிறுவனர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி வாழ்த்தி பேசினார். டாடா குழுமத் தலைவர் சந்திரசேகரன் ஏற்புரையாற்றினார். இந்திய மேலாண்மைக் கழகத்தின் இயக்குநர் பிம் மராய் மேத்ரி, டிசிஎஸ் செயல் அதிகாரி ராஜேஷ் கோபிநாத், உள்ளிட்டோர் பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில் பங்கேற்றனர்.



தீன மலர்

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நிறுவனர்: டி.வி.ராமசுப்பையர்

வேலை வாய்ப்புகள் கொட்டிக்கிடக்கிறது தயாராக சொல்கிறார் இன்போஸிஸ் நாராயணமூர்த்தி

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இந்தியாவில் வேலை வாய்ப்புகள் கொட்டிக்கிடக்கின்றன. மாணவர்கள் தங்களை அதற்கு தகுதி வாய்ந்தவர்களாக உருவாக்கிக் கொள்ள வேண்டும் என இன்போஸிஸ் தலைவர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி பேசினார்.

திருச்சி என்ஐடியில் நடந்த பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில், இன்போஸிஸ் நிறுவனர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி, டாடா சன்ஸ் நிறுவன தலைவர் சந்திரசேகரன் ஆகியோர் கலந்து கொண்டனர்.

பின்னர் இருவரும் நிருபர்களுக்கு அளித்த பேட்டி: 'பல்வேறு துறைகளில் டிஜிட்டல் புரட்சி ஏற்பட்ட பிறகு இந்தியாவில் பொருளாதார நிலையும், வேலை வாய்ப்பும் அதிகரித்துள்ளது. தொழிற்சாலைகளில் இயந்திரமயமாக்கல் அதிகமாக இருந்த போதும் பணிக்கான வாய்ப்புகள் அதிகரித்துள்ளது. தொழிற்சாலைகளில் பணிபுரிபவர்களின் திறன்களை மேம்படுத்துவது, புதிய தொழில் நுட்பத்தை அறிமுகப்படுத்துவது மூலம் ஆட்குறைப்பு நடவடிக்கையை குறைக்கலாம்.

மாணவர்களுக்கு தேவையான ஆசிரியர்களின் எண்ணிக்கை, நோயாளிகளுக்கு தேவையான டாக்டர்களின் எண்ணிக்கை குறைவாக இருக்கிறது. கல்வி, மருத்துவத்தில் புதிய தொழில்நுட்பத்தை அறிமுகப்படுத்துவதன் மூலம் இந்த பிரச்சனையை தீர்க்க முடியும். உலகில் பிரான்ஸ் நாட்டை



திருச்சி என்ஐடியில் இன்போஸிஸ் நிறுவனர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி, டாடா சன்ஸ் நிறுவன தலைவர் சந்திரசேகரன் ஆகியோர் நிருபர்களுக்கு பேட்டியளித்தனர்.

தவிர அனைத்து நாடுகளிலும் 4 முதல் 5 சதவீதம் வேலையில்லா திண்டாட்டம் உள்ளது. எந்த நாட்டிலும் வேலையில்லா பிரச்னை முழுமையாக தீர்க்கப்படவில்லை.

அமெரிக்காவில் விசா வழங்குவதில் ஏற்பட்டுள்ள பிரச்சனைகளை மக்கள் சரிவர புரிந்து கொள்ளவில்லை. இந்தியாவிலிருந்து அமெரிக்காவுக்கு பணிக்கு செல்பவர்கள், அமெரிக்க குடிமகன்கள், ஆலோசகர்கள் என 3 பிரிவுகளில் பணி அமர்த்தப்படுகின்றனர். இதனால் ஐடி நிறுவனங்களுக்கு பிரச்னை ஏற்படவில்லை. சாதிப்பதில் ஆண்களுக்கு

பெண்கள் சளைத்தவர்கள் இல்லை. மகளிருக்கு பணி வழங்குவதில் ஐடி நிறுவனங்கள் முறையாக செயல்படுகிறது.

நிறுவனங்களின் சந்தை வளர்ச்சியை பொறுத்து ஊழியர்களுக்கு ஊதியம் நிர்ணயம் செய்யப்படுகிறது. விலையை அதிகரிக்காமல், தரத்தைக் குறைக்காமல், வாடிக்கையாளர்களை திருப்தி செய்வதே நிறுவனங்களின் வெற்றிக்கு முக்கிய காரணம். அயல்நாட்டில் சாதித்த இந்தியர்களை பாராட்டுவதில் தவறில்லை என்றாலும், இந்தியாவில் சாதித்தவர்களை பாராட்டி உற்சாகப்படுத்த வேண்டும்' என்றார்.

ஆக.12 இல் என்ஐடி பட்டமளிப்பு விழா

திருச்சி, ஆக. 9: திருச்சி தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகத்தின் 13 ஆவது பட்டமளிப்பு விழா வரும் 12 ஆம் தேதி நடைபெறுகிறது. இந்த விழாவில், இன்போசிஸ் தலைவர் நாராயணமூர்த்தி பங்கேற்று பட்டங்களை வழங்குகிறார் என்றார் இக் கழகத்தின் இயக்குநர் மினி ஷாஜி தாமஸ் (படம்).



திருச்சியில் புதன்கிழமை அவர் அளித்த பேட்டி:

மத்திய மனிதவள மேம்பாட்டுத் துறையின் தர நிர்ணயப்படி அகில இந்திய அளவில் 11 ஆவது இடத்திலும், இந்தியாவிலுள்ள தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகங்களில் முதலிடத்திலும் இருப்பது திருச்சி தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகம்தான்.

இக்கழகத்தின் நெகிழ்வுப் பாடத்திட்டத்தை மத்திய மனிதவள மேம்பாட்டு அமைச்சகம் நாட்டிலுள்ள இதர தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகத்துக்கும் வழிகாட்டும் முன்மாதிரியாக பரிந்துரைத்துள்ளது. ஆசிரியர்கள், ஊழியர்கள், மாணவர்களின் கடின உழைப்பை அங்கீகரிக்கும் விதமாக தகவல் தொடர்பு மற்றும் அமைப்புகள், உலோக அறிவியல், போக்குவரத்தப் பொறியியல் மற்றும் மேலாண்மை, ரசாயனப் பொறியியல், மின் அமைப்புப் பொறியியல்,

முதுகலைத் தொழில்நுட்பப் பிரிவுகளுக்கு தேசிய அங்கீகரிப்புக் குழு அங்கீகாரம் அளித்துள்ளது. முதுகலையில் புதிய பாடப்பிரிவாக பேட்டா அனலடிக்கஸ் இந்த கல்வியாண்டில் அறிமுகப்படுத்தப்பட்டுள்ளது.

தொழில்நுட்பர் கல்வி தர மேம்பாட்டுத் திட்டம் பகுதி 1,2 போன்றவற்றின் மேலான செயல்பாடுகளால் திருச்சி தேசிய தொழில்நுட்பக் கழகத்துக்கு தொழில்நுட்பக் கல்வித்

தர மேம்பாட்டுத் திட்டம் 3 செயல்படுத்த நிதி அளிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளது.

கடந்த கல்வியாண்டில் 97 சதவிகித இளங்கலை மற்றும் 87 சதவிகித முதுகலை மாணவர்கள் வேலைவாய்ப்பைப் பெற்றிருக்கின்றனர். மாணவர்களுக்குத் தரமான கல்வியை அளிப்பதில் என்ஐடி சிறந்து விளங்குகிறது.

ஆகஸ்ட் 12 ஆம் தேதி நடைபெறும் பட்டமளிப்பு விழாவில், இன்போசிஸ் நிறுவனத் திந் தலைவர் என்.ஆர். நாராயணமூர்த்தி பங்கேற்று பட்டங்களை வழங்க உள்ளார். இந்த விழாவில் இக்கழகத்தின் முன்னாள் மாணவரும், பாடா குழுமங்களின் தலைவரான என். சந்திரசேகரனுக்கு கௌரவ முனைவர் பட்டத்தையும் நாராயணமூர்த்தி வழங்குகிறார் என்றார் மினி ஷாஜி தாமஸ்.



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