Press Release

Shiv Nadar University Chennai signs MoU with Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB)

Chennai, 13 June, 2023: Shiv Nadar University Chennai, an initiative by Shiv Nadar Foundation in the higher education space, signed a Memorandam of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay to open academic avenues for the students, researchers, scholars, and faculty members of both universities to get benefitted from the agreement. The MoU is aimed at fostering academic excellence, faculty and student exchange, research collaboration, and quality education.

The MoU envisions combined efforts in the areas of joint academic programmes, research, and training along with jointly organizing conferences and symposiums on thematic areas of relevance. **Dr. Sriman Kumar Bhattacharyya**, Vice-Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University Chennai, and **Professor Subhasis Chaudhuri**, Director, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay signed the MoU. The MoU would remain in force for a period of five years from the date of its signature and will be extended with mutual understanding.

Dr. Sriman Kumar Bhattacharyya, Vice-Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University Chennai said, *"We are excited to partner with the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay. This agreement will provide the students with unique opportunities to work with leading researchers in their respective fields and will help to foster collaboration between our institutions. This is another significant addition to the growing education ecosystem at SNUC. The agreement will allow us to share expertise and resources and will help to advance research in key areas of mutual interest."*

Speaking on the occasion, **Professor Subhasis Chaudhuri, Director, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay**, *stated that as an institute IITB tries to anticipate and meet the needs of learners. IITB has always focused to provide an education that transforms students through rigorous coursework and by providing an understanding of the needs of society and industry. Highlighting the significance of this partnership, Prof. Chaudhuri stated that such collaborations across all higher educational Institutes are the need of the hour in generating a talent pool that will take our country to the next level.*

About Shiv Nadar University Chennai

Shiv Nadar University Chennai (https://www.snuchennai.edu.in/) is a quality-focused University offering wide range of specialized academic programs at the undergraduate level to start with. The University has been set up by the Shiv Nadar Foundation, a philanthropic foundation established by Mr. Shiv Nadar, Founder, HCL - a US$ 12.3 billion leading global technology enterprise. Shiv Nadar University Chennai endeavors to become a pioneering institution of higher education, setting new global academic benchmarks and revolutionizing the education landscape in the country.

The University campus features state-of-the-art infrastructure for learning, including seminar halls, auditoria, libraries, gymnasium, sports complex and hostels for men and women. The campus is entirely wi-fi enabled with 24/7 internet access.

The University offers a holistic educational environment that is continually evolving to bridge the gap between the classroom and professional demands by a group of world-class faculties who are progressive

academicians, leading thinkers, eminent professionals and innovative educators from ranked global universities. The University has commenced its journey towards becoming a globally acclaimed center for learning and innovation in engineering, commerce, and management, and economics will continue to add diverse disciplines to its repertoire.

About Shiv Nadar Foundation

Established in 1994, by Shiv Nadar, Founder, HCL - a US$12.3 billion leading global technology enterprise, the Foundation is committed to the creation of a more equitable, merit-based society by empowering individuals through transformational education, and to bridge the socio-economic divide. Over the last 27 years the Foundation, has directly touched the lives of over 36,000 alumni and students through its marquee institutions in literacy, K12 and higher education. Today, the Foundation has a community of over 100,000 constituents, which includes not only globally dispersed alumni and students but also faculty members, corporate executives, and extended families.

The Foundation has invested over US$1.1 billion in its seven landmark institutions and initiatives across education and art. Currently close to 14,000 students and over 2,000 faculty are part of the Foundation along with more than 22,000 strong globally dispersed alumni community.

The Foundation's students have gone to study at some of the best institutions globally including the Ivy League in the US and top universities in other countries including Australia, Singapore, China and UK. Students are also working in major corporations, including Goldman Sachs, Honda, HP, Schindler, and several others both in India and across other geographies. Faculty across the Foundation institutions are drawn from the best Indian and international universities, with a strong focus on research and innovation.

The Shiv Nadar Foundation pursues the philosophy of 'Creative Philanthropy'. It is a powerful model which envisages creation of institutions that are built to last and continue to impact future generations. It is an approach that allows sustained institutionalized philanthropy for long-term, high impact, socio-economic transformation.

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