

IIM Tiruchirappalli inaugurated 2 MW Solar Power Plant

IIM Tiruchirappalli inaugurated the 2 MW Solar Power Plant on 1st October 2020 through virtual mode. This project has been sponsored by the **Rural Electrification Corporation Limited (RECL)** as part of their CSR initiative to IIM Tiruchirappalli. REC has sponsored a sum of Rs.14.20 Crore for this project.

The occasion was graced by the **Chief Guest Shri. Sanjeev Kumar Gupta**, Chairman and Managing Director, Rural Electrification Corporation Limited, New Delhi and the Guest of Honour **Shri. Ajoy Choudhury**, Director (Finance), Rural Electrification Corporation Limited, in the presence of **Shri. Srinivas Shroff Nagesha Rao, CEO, REC Foundation** and **Dr. Bhimaraya Metri**, Director, IIM Tiruchirappalli.

The event began with an invocation and the lighting of the lamp.

This was followed by an inaugural address by Dr. Bhimaraya Metri, Director, IIM Tiruchirappalli where he welcomed the dignitaries and talked about the genesis of the Solar Power Plant project. He also mentioned how IIM Tiruchirappalli is the first among 20 IIMs to have received such a funding from **Rural Electrification Corporation Limited (RECL)** and shared his vision for an entire green IIMT campus. Stating this inauguration as the beginning of a new era in IIM Trichy, Dr. Bhimaraya Metri also spoke about IIM Trichy's contribution to the field of education, and how it has set benchmarks for other institutes to follow.

The 2 MW Solar Power Plant was inaugurated by the Chief Guest **Shri Sanjeev Kumar Gupta** who in his address shared the journey of RECL so far and expressed his joy in being associated with IIM Trichy. He congratulated IIM Trichy for becoming one of the first institutes in the country to have successfully implemented such a project and stated his hope of other institutes following in similar footsteps.

In his address, Guest of Honor, **Shri. Ajoy Choudhury**, spoke about RECL's contribution to CSR activities and its motto of providing electricity to ever household in India. Hailing IIM Trichy for this initiative, he spoke about how the values of IIM Trichy also corroborates with the solar power plant project.

The Vote of Thanks was propoed by **Shri. Srinivas Shroff Nagesha Rao, CEO, REC Foundation**. The event concluded with National Anthem.