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IIM Tiruchirappalli Celebrates its Eleventh Foundation Day

Indian Institute of Management Tiruchirappalli celebrated its Eleventh Foundation Day on the 4th of January, 2022 to mark the inception of IIM Tiruchirappalli as the 11th Indian Institute of Management. The celebration was conducted in person and virtually in light of the pandemic. The event was attended physically by the students, faculty, and staff of IIM Tiruchirappalli and virtually by the institute's Board of Governors and alumni. The event was inaugurated with an invocation song and the lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries. After this, a video presentation was shown, highlighting the journey of IIMT and its achievements since its inception in 2011.

The welcome address was delivered by **Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh, Director**, IIM Tiruchirappalli. He welcomed the **Chief Guest, Shri Sadish Babu, Executive Director - Human Resources NLC India Limited**, and congratulated the faculty, staff, students, and alumni for the successful completion of eleven years of IIM Tiruchirappalli. He expressed his heartfelt gratitude towards the preceding directors and chairpersons for laying the institute's foundation, and their role in shaping the institute in its present form. Thanking the alumni, he added that the institute belonged to them more than anyone else, as people always fondly remember their alma mater. A memoir called "A Decade of IIM Trichy" was released to mark this occasion. On a concluding note, he asked the attendees to rededicate themselves to serving the institute with a sense of festivity.

Shri Jalaj Dani, Chairman, Board of Governors, IIM Tiruchirappalli, further addressed the gathering. He started his address by acknowledging the visions, efforts, and initiatives of the institute's founders, whose fruits we enjoy today. Shri Dani thanked the non-teaching staff for looking after the institute over the past 21 months during the Covid-19 pandemic. He praised them for supporting the faculty and students despite the considerable health risks in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. He also expressed his gratitude to the parents and corporates for supporting the students. He concluded by asking the alumni to give back to the institute, which was their home for two years.

The Best 'Make A Difference' (MAD) Project was awarded to the PGPM 2020-2022 batch students Divyansh Gupta, N Karthik, P Rishikesh Menon, U Praveen, P Ann Mary Michael, and Shashwat Jain. The project was titled "Artisans, Industry, and Livelihood: Livelihoods affected by COVID & its mitigation" and was carried out under the faculty in charge, Prof V Gopal.

This was followed by the felicitation of faculty and staff who have completed ten years of service at IIM Tiruchirappalli. The felicitated employees then shared a few memorable moments of their decadal journey at IIM Tiruchirappalli.

The celebration was further graced with the Foundation Day Address by the Honourable **Chief Guest Shri Sadish Babu, Executive Director - Human Resources NLC India Limited**. He shared his learnings and experiences over three decades of his professional career in his address. He stressed how managers generally rely on data for decision-making, along with their intuitions and common sense. He also elucidated the various qualities an effective leader must possess. A leader is someone who promotes a work culture filled with integrity, ethics, hard work, and empathy. A leader must also provide an umbrella of safety for their employees to develop trust and good relations. Furthermore, he talked about how an organization's success or failure is based on leadership excellence. He then enlisted the three ways to become a better leader. The first was to expect more from oneself every passing day. Second, he talked about how we must never let success feed our ego or let failures dishearten us. Finally, he expressed the need for people to do something meaningful and impactful with their lives to create a legacy for themselves.

The ceremony concluded with the Vote of Thanks, followed by the National Anthem.

The dignitaries and faculty members then proceeded to the tree plantation activity to mark the auspicious day.