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Press Release

IIM Trichy's Fourth Annual Convocation
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The **Fourth Annual Convocation** of the Indian Institute of Management Tiruchirappalli, for award of the *Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM)* and the *Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management (PGDBM)* was held on Tuesday, 15th of March 2016 at 04:00 PM, at the Barn Hall, NIT Trichy.

Shri. Ajit Balakrishnan, Chairman and CEO, Rediff.com India Ltd. was the Chief Guest for the convocation. **Dr. R. Karunamurthi, Chairman of the Convocation, and Member of the Board of Governors, IIM Tiruchirappalli** awarded the diplomas to 102 graduates of Postgraduate Programme in Management and 24 graduates of the Post Graduate Programme in Business Management. **Dr. Prafulla Agnihotri, Director, IIM Tiruchirappalli** presented the Director's Report.

The Director, in his report, focused on the achievements of the students and faculty, highlighting the numerous awards and publications. Drawing attention to exceptional placement record with international placements in both summer and final placements, and a marked increase of 14.9% over the prior year in the average pay of the graduating batch, he congratulated students on their hard work. He also emphasised on the continued association of the institute with social responsibility through 'Make a Difference' projects. He also congratulated one of the first year students, Keshav Pasari, for winning 'Future Business Leader Award' at CIMA Global Meet held at Poland.

The Chief Guest, in his address, chose to speak from his years of experience on the interesting topic of "Tips on how to fail successfully". With the business landscape changing faster than ever, he advised business managers to move beyond the supervisory roles and participate actively into transforming their companies digitally. On a personal note, he asked the graduates to research on the following three questions: How to fail quickly? How to fail cheaply? and How to fail wisely? With each of these teaching them to realise their mistakes faster, providing them chances to move to the big opportunity and persist in their endeavours.

In addition to the award of diplomas, the following awards were given to these students for their meritorious and all-round performance:

1. IIM Tiruchirappalli Chairperson's Gold Medal for securing 1st Rank in PGPM: *Vivek Agarwal*.
2. HDFC Bank Gold Medal for academic proficiency in Finance & Accounting courses among PGPM students: *Vivek Agarwal*.
3. HDFC Bank Gold Medal for academic proficiency in Marketing courses among PGPM students: *Sangameswaran Ashwin*.
4. Leela Chandrasekhara Menon Award for the Outstanding PGPM Lady Student of the Year *Archana Nair*.
5. Kotak Securities Gold Medal for best all-round performance among PGPM students *Sangameswaran Ashwin*.
6. IIM Tiruchirappalli Chairperson's Gold Medal for securing 1st Rank in PGPBM: *Aarti Satyamurthy*.
7. IIM Tiruchirappalli Director's Gold Medal for securing 2nd Rank in PGPBM: *Kalpana P.*
8. Punjab National Bank Gold Medal for best all-round performance in PGPBM: *Sudha Ponnuswamy*.

Members of the Board of Governors, faculty members, graduating students, staff, parents, members of the media and other distinguished guests attended the convocation ceremony.

IIM Tiruchirappalli is scheduled to move to its ***permanent campus*** for the coming academic year in the month of June 2016. The site is located in the Chinna Suriyur Village, near Bharathidasan University, Pudukottai Main Road, Tiruchirappalli (620024). Funded by the *Ministry of Human Resource Development*, the construction is in full swing. Central Public Works Department (CPWD) is the Project Management Consultant, Shapoorji Pallonji is the construction agency, and CnT Architects is the architectural consultant.

The ***Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGPM)*** is a two-year flagship programme of IIM Tiruchirappalli. Its main objective is to develop young men and women into competent professional managers, capable of working in any sector of organized activity, proceeding leadership and achieving excellence in performance while contributing to the welfare of the larger society. First batch of this program started in the academic year 2011-12.

The ***Post Graduate Programme in Business Management (PGPBM)*** for working executives is offered at IIM Trichy's Chennai Centre. The programme was launched in 2012, and the second batch of students graduated today. The curriculum of PGPBM is aligned with the two-year programme offered at Trichy. The classes are held in the evenings from Fridays-Sundays to suit the requirements of working executives. The admissions for the fifth batch of PGPBM is now open, and classes will commence from coming August (2016).

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