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IIM Trichy Celebrates 70th Republic Day and Alumni Meet

IIM Trichy celebrated India's 70th **Republic Day** with flag hoisting by Dr. Bhimaraya Metri, Director, IIM Trichy. The Director, in his address to the students, acknowledged that India has achieved a lot in the past 70 years and has grown at a global level in multiple avenues. He emphasized that to take India growth further we have to focus on reducing the digital divide between rural and urban India, address farmers' issues and literacy challenges. He further said that IIM Trichy, as part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan initiative, would be working with a few Gram Panchayats to help build smart villages like smart cities. He urged students to contribute to building a sustainable mother planet.

The director highlighted that IIM Trichy is the only second-generation IIM that has been ranked among the top 10 management institutions in India Today ranking. He encouraged the IIM Trichy family to strive hard to be one among the top 5 institutions in India within the next five years. In order to achieve this, he shared three important R's: Rethink, Redesign and Rebuild. He also highlighted the new initiatives that IIM Trichy is undertaking such as the executive management program for the Army, Navy and Airforce personnel and launch of e-learning for certification courses in coming months.

IIM Trichy has entered into a MoU with NAAC in order to set up a national centre for higher education quality. It is also planning to organize a conclave in collaboration with ICSSR for all the Directors of IIMs for redefining research for nation-building. He concluded his speech with a quote by Swami Vivekananda, "Arise, awake, and Stop not till the goal is reached."

Following the Director's speech, IIM Trichy also carried out the Tree Plantation Drive in the campus.

IIM Trichy is also hosting **IIMT Impressions**, its annual Alumni Meet in the campus on 26th and 27th Jan 2019 in which more than 50 alumni from all over the country are visiting the campus. The agenda for this year's meet is to scale up the brand IIM Trichy through alumni patronage. The meet will ceremoniously launch the Official Alumni City Chapters, which will start in the month of April and May 2019 in a number of prominent cities of India. This is an opportunity for students, faculty, and alumni of IIM Trichy to celebrate and foster new ties.