

IIM TRICHY GETS Rs. 14 CRORES FOR SOLAR ENERGY

IIM Trichy aims to serve society, by training socially responsible managers and also doing its part to safeguard the natural environment. The installation of a **2 Mega Watt Solar Power Plant** (2 MW SPP) at the permanent campus has been initiated to achieve this objective. The **Rural Electrification Corporation Limited** (REC), A Government of India Navratna Enterprise, has extended financial assistance of **Rs.14.2 crores** for the project, as a part of their **CSR** support initiative (Corporate Social Responsibility).

The primary objective of this project is to reduce the Grid energy consumption resulting in a clean community, devoid of pollution by reducing carbon dioxide emissions. Dr. Prafulla Agnihotri, Director, IIM Trichy, highlighted that IIM Trichy would become the **“first among all IIM’s to have 2 MW Solar power plant on campus”**. This 2 MW SPP will completely address the energy requirement of the campus, making it a **100% zero emission and self-sustained green campus**.

The permanent campus has been strategically designed to focus on the efficient usage of water, energy, air and other resources, to reduce any negative impact on the environment during the phase of development and create a highly sustainable living community space.

The Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) in regard to the financial assistance was signed between RECL and IIM Trichy, at the RECL corporate office, New Delhi on 16th January 2017. Dr. P.V. Ramesh, Chairman & Managing Director, REC and Dr. Prafulla Agnihotri, Director, IIM Trichy signed the MoA in the presence of other senior officials of REC and IIM Tiruchirappalli.

Dr. Prafulla Agnihotri wholeheartedly thanked Dr. P.V. Ramesh and REC for funding this activity as a part of CSR support and assisting IIM Tiruchirappalli to achieve its goal of being an environmentally conscious institution.