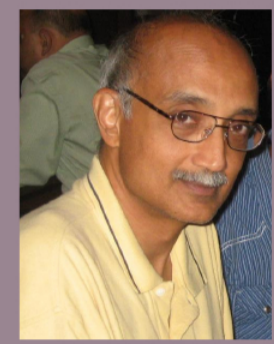




MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Dear Reader,

Summer Schools are very popular in many Universities abroad. While the Chennai climate discourages one on campus, a Winter School is certainly a viable alternative. December and January are wonderful months to be in Chennai, and we get a bulk of visitors to campus during those months. CSIE conducted a summer School on "Social Entrepreneurship" in August, and it was a resounding success as far as participant experience was concerned. However, the number of attendees was less than hoped for, especially from abroad. We're trying again with a Winter School from Jan 3-12, 2018. Do spread the word to your contacts, national and international. IITM students can also take the course for credit. Campus residents and alumni get 50% discount on registration. We'd love to get to the optimum class size of about 30. Help us get there, and put us on the SE map....



Prof. R. Nagarajan
Dean,
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EVENTS

International Summer School on Social Entrepreneurship

The first edition of the Summer School brought social entrepreneurs from domains such as health, livelihood, micro-finance, agriculture and energy. Faculty from IIT Madras engaged with the participants on variety of topics from 'Theories of Social Entrepreneurship' to 'Business Model' and 'Design thinking'. This was interspersed with field visits to local social enterprises in Chennai and other parts of Tamil Nadu. The course helped the participants to gain a good understanding of the current trends and challenges in the social entrepreneurship ecosystem

"A very well designed course with a balance of field visits, interaction with entrepreneurs and theoretical sessions to give a holistic view on social entrepreneurship. The diverse sectors and domains was amazing. 17 entrepreneurs interacted with us in these 12 days. If I had tried to connect with the entrepreneurs all by myself I would've never been able to do it. The speakers were all passionate and committed to their cause and were very inspiring" was how one participant described the Summer School on Social Entrepreneurship held in August 2017.

And another stated, *"Wonderful and unique experience. I would have never learned so much about the country as I have learned from the course"*

More Details here - <http://csie.iitm.ac.in/socentschool/>

EVENTS

Capacity Building Program for POPIs

In a mission to enhance the capacities of farmer producer organisations (FPOs), CSIE has organized a capacity building program for the promoting Institutions of such FPOs, termed Producer Organizations' Promoting Institutions (POPIs) from 9 - 11 October 2017 at IIT Madras. The first 2 days were organized as classroom sessions covering topics on 'Management', 'Futures Trading', 'Branding', 'Compliance', 'Nutritional aspects and 'Design-Thinking'. A panel discussion with key stakeholders from various relevant domains on day 2 and an exposure visit to a efficiently functioning FPO in Villupuram on the final day made this 3 day program complete. Another attraction of the program was the exhibition cum sale of the FPO products which attracted a huge crowd comprising mainly of the campus residents and IIT staff. Each stall had a turnover in the range of Rs.12,000 to Rs.48,000.



UK India Social Entrepreneurship Education Network (UKISEEN)

The UKISEEN meeting and seminar at KLSIMER, Belgaum on 23 September 2017 has seen some like minded people debate on the concept of Social Entrepreneurship Education and Corporate Social Responsibility. Two panel discussions were part of the seminar. The panelists for Social Entrepreneurship Education were Prof. LS Ganesh, Prof. Majumdar & Dr. Neelam Maheshwari from Deshpande Foundation. The panelists for role of CSR were Mr. Balasubramanian, Aditya Birla Group, Mr. Jayant Humbarwadi, Ashok Iron Works and two executives from Aequus Private Limited.



[More details here : http://ukiseen.org/meeting-and-seminar](http://ukiseen.org/meeting-and-seminar)

Socially Relevant Projects at IITM (Profiles)

Faculty Profile:

Prof. Ligy Philip from the Dept. of Civil Engineering specializes on Environment and Water Resources Engineering. Her core research area includes Domestic and Industrial wastewater treatment with emphasis on wastewater reuse and recycling which aims to enhance rural water supply and water supply to underprivileged communities.



<http://www.civil.iitm.ac.in/people/faculty/ligy/index.html>

Student Profile:

Akhilesh, Santhosh, Sreeram, Gobinath (4 th Year B.Tech students from the Dept. of Civil Engineering) have come up with a great innovation -'Foldable Houses' which is an ideal option for refugee housing and disaster management. Through this innovation they aim to eliminate the shortcomings of traditional building mechanisms and optimize the process of construction. More details here : <https://goo.gl/Vo12zt>



PROJECTS

Livelihood Enhancement

The number of followers for the Facebook page titled Pathamadai Mats and Value added Products, started and maintained by CSIE is increasing steadily by 150% every month. CSIE is in line to tap funds from the Govt. to set-up Common Facility Centres at both Veeravanallur and Pathamadai

Click anywhere above to visit the Facebook Page.

Research

Research assignment with UK -British Council on the study of Social Enterprises & Women Empowerment has been completed. The publication will be released by UKBC. Prof. Arun Kumar at IIT Madras was the leader of the assignment and it was carried out with the support of CSIE staff and faculties from DoMS (Management Studies) and DoHSS (Humanities & Social Sciences)

Gallery



International Summer School on Social Entrepreneurship



Capacity Buiding Program for POPIs



Quote

"In every crisis, if you look carefully, you will spot an opportunity. My insistence is on finding and seizing that opportunity. I never try to side-step a crisis. Rather, the more monstrous the crises, the more I am tempted to rush at it, grasp it by the horns and maneuver it until it gives me what I want."

**-Vergheese Kurien ("Milkman of India")
Founder, Amul**

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Winter School on Social Entrepreneurship

Dates: 03-12 January 2018 at IIT Madras [Apply Here](#)

Faculty Development Program

Dates: 27 Nov - 09 Dec 2017 at IIT Madras