



# Computer Society of India

## Trivandrum Chapter

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## About Computer Society of India

The seed for the Computer Society of India (CSI) was first shown in the year 1965 with a handful of IT enthusiasts who were a computer user group and felt the need to organize their activities. They also wanted to share their knowledge and exchange ideas on what they felt were a fast emerging sector. Today the CSI takes pride in being the largest and most professionally managed association of and for IT professionals in India. The purposes of the Society are scientific and educational directed towards the advancement of the theory and practice of computer science and IT. The organization has grown to an enviable size of 100,000 strong members consisting of professionals with varied backgrounds including Software developers, Scientists, Academicians, Project Managers, CIO's , CTO's & IT vendors to just name a few. It has spread its branches all over the country. Currently having more than 500 student branches and rooted firmly at 73 different locations, CSI has plans of opening many more chapters & activity centers in smaller towns and cities of the country. The idea is to spread the knowledge, and provide opportunities to as many interested as possible.

## Mission Statement

The mission of CSI is to facilitate research, knowledge sharing, learning and career enhancement for all categories of IT Professionals, while simultaneously inspiring and nurturing new entrants into the industry and helping them to integrate into the IT community. The CSI is also working closely with other industry associations, government bodies and academia to ensure that the benefits of IT advancement ultimately percolate down to every single citizen of India.

## Vision Statement

Keeping in mind the interest of the IT professionals & computer users, CSI works towards, making the profession an area of choice amongst all sections of the society. The promotion of Information Technology as a profession is the top priority of CSI today. To fulfill this objective, the CSI regularly organizes conferences, conventions, lectures and gives various awards. And at the same time it also ensures that regular training and skill updation are organized for the IT professionals. CSI also works towards a global approach, by seeking out alliances with organizations overseas who may be willing to come forward and participate in such activities. CSI also helps governments in formulating IT strategy & planning.

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The activities of the Computer Society of India started in the city of Trivandrum with the annual convention of Computer Society of India CSI 69 in January 1969 on the theme topic 'Training in Software'. About 450 delegates took part in this convention. The full credit of organizing CSI 69 could be given to Sri. J.T.George and his colleagues at the Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Station. Sri. SR.Thakore of PRL, Ahmedabad also was instrumental in hosting this event at Trivandrum.

The CSI 69 was the pace setter of computer activities in a coordinated manner in Trivandrum. The computer enthusiasts in the city and other parts of Kerala started efforts to have a chapter of the Computer Society of India based at Trivandrum to foster their interests and to propagate the objectives of CSI. With a membership of over forty, thus the 11th chapter of CSI came into being with Dr. D.S.Rane, then Head of the Computer Division in 1976. Mr. K.Thanappan Nair of the Government Data Processing Centre was the founder Secretary of the Chapter. The Chapter was officially inaugurated on 25th June 1976 by Sri.F.C.Kohli, the President of CSI.

CSI- Trivandrum Chapter along with other sister Professional Organizations in the city, given below, arrange technical talks, by experts in all fields of Engineering/Science and Technology and Management, in Visvesvaraya Bhavan (Institution of Engineers), Thiruvananthapuram, at 5:45 P.M. on every Wednesday of the week. The participant professional bodies are:-

- The Institution of Engineers (India), Kerala State Centre
- Aeronautical Society of India, Trivandrum Branch
- IEEE Kerala Section
- IETE Thiruvananthapuram Local Centre
- Indian National Society for Aerospace and Related Mechanisms, Thiruvananthapuram Chapter
- Project Management Institute – Trivandrum - Kerala Chapter
- Systems Society of India, Thiruvananthapuram Chapter
- Society of Aerospace Manufacturing Engineers, Thiruvananthapuram

The Chapter gives the following awards to the students of local Engineering Colleges every year on the occasion of the annual general body meeting. All the awards carry certificates and cash.

- Prof. R. Venkitakrishna Iyer Memorial Award
- Prof. S. Krishnan Kutty Memorial Award
- Best Student Project Award

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