

Students' General Secretary - Manifesto

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Vision

To efficiently tackle problems concerning the entire student body, thereby making IIT Madras a safer, more inclusive and accessible campus

Digitization

- IIT-M Essentials: An institute mobile application will be created, which will include various features such as:
 - Centralized complaint system with status tracking
 - Facility to provide daily mess reviews
 - Consolidated online calendar comprising all institute events with filters
 - Bus tracking system
- A consolidated profile will be set up and maintained for all students
- Tracking of vehicles entering and leaving the campus will be streamlined using vehicle monitoring system
- Speed Cameras will be installed at various locations within the campus to keep a check on rash driving

Cleanliness and sustainability

- A robust system for collection, treatment and disposal of e-waste will be introduced for hostel residents
- Main switches will be installed outside every hostel room to save electricity
- Toilets will be set up at all the institute gates
- Proactive measures shall be taken to encourage student participation in regularly organized cleanliness drives across the institute

Health, safety and sensitization

- Online counseling will be introduced to help students manage stress and to provide career guidance
- Informal sessions and activities will be organized to promote healthy interactions among students and faculty
- Mosquito repellent plants will be grown in each hostel to help tackle the mosquito menace
- Initiatives such as installation of CCTV cameras, scrutinizing recruitment of security personnel, publicizing 'VithU' application, etc will be taken to increase safety
- Female students will be given the option of dining at any of the messes in Himalaya

General facilities and services

- For greater convenience of institute students, at the start and end of every semester:
 - The institute bus will be made available for travel to and from the railway stations and the airport
 - Taxis at discounted rates will be made available through collaboration with established companies
- Vending machines and night canteens will be set up across the academic zone
- Used cycle sale will be organized during institute freshmen orientation sessions
- Second hand book fairs will be organized during the semester
- The Hub: First floor at Quark will be revamped into a hangout cum meeting room
- Additional buses will ply during peak hours to solve the issue of overcrowded buses
- Basic services such as tailoring and ironing will be introduced in the hostel zone
- Feedback Portal will be revived as a means for the students to connect with the Executive Wing, and to act as a forum for discussing student-related issues
- SGSC events will be organized on a grander scale with the aid of sponsorship

Relevant Credentials

- General Secretary, Narmada Hostel, 2014-2015
- Strategist, Facilities team, Shaastra, 2014-2015
- General Arrangement Coordinator, Facilities team, Shaastra, 2013-2014