

Proposed Wishlist for the 25th Reunion of the 2000 Batch

Celebrating 25 Years – Building a Lasting Legacy

Dear Esteemed Alumni of the 2000 Batch,

As you return to your alma mater to celebrate your silver jubilee, we invite you to mark this milestone by creating a lasting legacy for generations of NITTians to come. We present below four impactful initiatives where your collective support can transform NIT Trichy's academic, research, student, and community ecosystem.

1. Establishing Industry-Sponsored Labs

Bridging Academia and Industry

NIT Trichy continually strives to provide students with cutting-edge learning environments that bridge the gap between academia and industry. To strengthen this vision, the Institute is planning to establish an Industry-Sponsored Lab in every department, focusing on domains of national and global importance—for example, Electric Vehicles, Cyber-Physical Systems, Sustainability, Advanced Manufacturing, and AI.

Your valuable involvement as alumni can make this initiative truly transformative.

Possible Roles for Alumni:

1. **Catalyst & Connector** – Contribute financially or connect the Institute with companies in your professional networks for sponsorship. Help facilitate MoUs and long-term industry collaborations.
2. **Expert Mentor** – Advise on lab setup, equipment selection, and research focus; support through workshops, lectures, and project mentorship.
3. **Ambassador** – Endorse and promote the labs to ensure wider recognition and sustainability.

With your support, we can empower students to tackle real-world challenges and become industry-ready professionals. The 2000 batch can play a pioneering role in establishing this initiative as part of its 25th-year legacy.

2. Chair Professorships

Attracting Global Eminence to NIT Trichy

To elevate academic and research standards, NIT Tiruchirappalli invites contributions for the establishment of Visiting Chair Professorships in project mode. These Chairs are designed to bring distinguished professionals from across the globe—academics, researchers, and industry leaders—who have achieved remarkable milestones and contributed significantly to their fields and society.

By engaging such eminent thought leaders, NIT Trichy aims to strengthen its global reputation, enhance research capabilities, and enrich the learning ecosystem for students, research scholars, and faculty. Visiting Chairs will be instituted across disciplines including Engineering, Sciences, Architecture, Management, Humanities, and Social Sciences, and each initiative will be associated with the contributing batch or organization.

Visiting Chair (Named) – Project Mode:

- Short-term engagement: 1–3 month visits by global experts
- Honorarium & associated costs: approx. ₹6.25 lakh per month (~\$7,500)
- 3-month engagement: ₹18.75 lakh per expert

Funding Options:

- Fund one internationally renowned expert in a year (₹18.75 lakh)
- Support multiple experts in the same year for one month, across different disciplines or departments.
- Extend support for bringing new experts every year, based on the batch's commitment

Your contributions will directly enable the Institute to host a diverse set of globally acclaimed scholars and industry leaders, fostering academic excellence and cutting-edge research collaborations. Through this initiative, we aspire to provide our students and faculty with unparalleled exposure to international expertise and innovation.

3. Legacy Hostel Basic Maintenance – Emerald and Pearl

For many of us, Emerald and Pearl were more than just hostels—they were homes away from home. Within those walls lived the laughter of late-night conversations, the determination of exam preparations, and the friendships that have lasted decades. Today, these hostels continue to nurture the lives of the next generation of NITTians. However, time has taken its toll, and they are in need of modern facilities and renewed spaces to match the aspirations and comfort expected by today's students.

With your support, we propose the Legacy Hostel Basic Maintenance Project, aimed at:

- Weather-proofing
- Interior and exterior painting
- Basic masonry and carpentry repairs in rooms, restrooms, and common areas
- Preserving the heritage character of Emerald and Pearl that makes them so special

A Legacy with Personal Meaning

What makes this initiative unique is the opportunity for personalized contributions by alumni. Spaces within the hostels can be dedicated:

- In your individual name, or
- As a collective tribute to the 2000 Batch

This way, your memories and legacy will be etched into the very corridors that shaped your student journey—while providing a comfortable, safe, and inspiring environment for future generations.

Proposed Funding Requirement

- ₹25 Lakh per hostel
- Each hostel (Emerald and Pearl) has 126 rooms
- ₹50 Lakh for both hostels combined

Your contribution will not just restore buildings—it will preserve memories, honour heritage, and inspire the future.

4. Food Court Development

As student life grows more demanding, NIT Trichy envisions a Food Court near the hostel and academic zones to meet the diverse culinary needs of students, faculty, and the wider campus community. Designed to provide hygienic, affordable, and multi-cuisine options, the Food Court will also ease the pressure on existing mess facilities. Beyond dining, it will serve as a modern social and cultural hub—offering a welcoming space for interaction, relaxation, and student activities. With your support, the 2000 Batch can make this a lasting contribution to campus life.

Proposed Funding Requirement:

Construction & Infrastructure (3,000 sq. ft. of space for food outlets and dining): **₹50 lakh**

As you celebrate 25 years of togetherness, these four initiatives—Industry-Sponsored Labs, Chair Professorships, Legacy Hostel Maintenance, and Food Court Development—offer the 2000 Batch a meaningful way to give back. Your collective contribution will create a lasting legacy that strengthens NIT Trichy's academic excellence, student life, and community spirit for years to come.