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I am delighted to present the latest edition of the **IIT Madras CSR Bulletin**, reflecting how purposeful partnerships between industry, academia, and philanthropy are shaping solutions to some of India's most pressing challenges.

At IIT Madras, we believe CSR is most powerful when it goes beyond compliance to become a catalyst for innovation, scale, and long-term societal transformation. This edition captures that spirit through stories where technology, research, and shared intent come together to create measurable impact.

A major highlight is the upcoming [IIT Madras Technology Summit & Awards 2026](#), themed "From IITM. For Bharat. Building Together." The Summit will convene leaders from industry, government, and academia to explore how technology-led collaboration can accelerate inclusive growth. We warmly invite organisations driving technology-enabled social impact to nominate their initiatives for the Social Impact Awards and join us for a day of ideas, dialogue, and partnership.

This issue also marks a defining scientific milestone, the **launch of the Bharat Cancer Genome Atlas (BCGA)**, enabled through CSR collaboration with Hyundai Motor Company India Foundation, demonstrating how sustained industry partnerships can advance frontier science while delivering long-term public good.

You will also read about the unveiling of the **Hyundai Centre for Cancer Genomics plaque by Shri Dharmendra Pradhan** and our CSR Spotlight on the **Electronic Kit Initiative, expanding hands-on STEM learning in underserved communities**.

We deeply value this partnership and look forward to building enduring impact together.

With warm regards,
Kaviraj Nair,
CEO, Office of Institutional Advancement, IIT Madras.



IIT Madras Technology Summit 2026

The IIT Madras Technology Summit 2026, themed **"From IITM. For Bharat. Building Together."**, is a national platform that brings together leaders from Government, Industry, Academia, and Civil Society to advance India's vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. The Summit focuses on strengthening industry-academia collaboration and translating research into real-world impact aligned with national priorities.

IIT Madras Social Impact Awards 2026

As part of the IIT Madras Technology Summit & Awards 2026, the Social Impact Awards celebrate organizations that harness technology to create meaningful, measurable, and inclusive societal impact across India.

From AI to climate tech, healthcare to agriculture, the Awards honour organisations that:

- Translate innovation into outcomes
- Strengthen last-mile access through CSR
- Build inclusive growth through technology

[Know More About the Summit & Awards](#)

Shri Dharmendra Pradhan unveils the plaque of the Hyundai Centre for Cancer Genomics



Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Government of India, unveiled the plaque of the **Hyundai Centre for Cancer Genomics**, a landmark initiative established through the CSR collaboration between **Hyundai Motor Company India Foundation** and **IIT Madras**.

As part of the ceremony, the Hon'ble Minister also released the **Hyundai Hope on Wheels Compendium**, which captures the vision, impact, and collaborative journey of this CSR-led initiative in **advancing cancer genomics research in India** and highlights the social impact created by the screening & awareness camps and vaccination drives conducted as part of this program

CSR PROJECT SHOWCASE

What if decoding India's cancer DNA could change how we diagnose and treat cancer, forever?



On World Cancer Day, IIT Madras released the **Bharat Cancer Genome Atlas (BCGA)**, a landmark public resource mapping the genomic architecture of cancers prevalent in India. With cancer incidence in India rising sharply, and one in nine Indians likely to develop cancer, this initiative addresses a long-standing gap: the under-representation of Indian

populations in global cancer genome studies. Initiated in 2020, the program has completed **whole genome sequencing of leukaemia, colorectal, and pancreatic cancer samples collected nationwide**, creating an anonymized, clinician-ready dataset. The BCGA is complemented by the **Bharat Cancer Genome Grid (BCG2)**, designed to translate genomic insights from lab to bedside.

This research was enabled by Hyundai's generous CSR support via the Hyundai Hope for Cancer program in line with the Hyundai Hope on Wheels initiative of Hyundai Motors India Limited, in **collaboration with leading hospitals and healthcare partners across India**. The BCGA is now publicly accessible to researchers and clinicians worldwide.

[Bharat Cancer Genome Atlas](#)

CSR SPOTLIGHT

Electronic Kit: Practical STEM Education



Access to quality, **hands-on STEM education** remains uneven across rural and underserved regions of India. Many students lack practical exposure to electronics and embedded systems—skills essential for participating in the nation's fast-growing semiconductor and technology sectors.

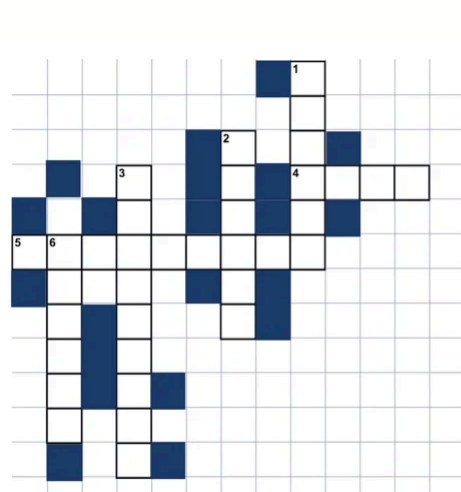
IIT Madras proposes a structured, certification-driven **STEM Outreach Program centered on experiential learning**. The initiative integrates:

- Electronic learning kits
- Embedded systems training
- Faculty-led instruction to build strong technical foundations
- Priority access for students in Tier-3 regions and young women learners.

[Join us in scaling industry-ready STEM education.](#)



CSR Knowledge Quest



Clues

Across

- [4] A leading institute driving innovation and impactful CSR programs
 [5] Inclusion of varied groups, a core focus in CSR.

Down

- [1] Guidelines shaping a company's CSR commitments.
 [2] Moral principles guiding business decisions.
 [3] False claims of environmental responsibility.
 [6] The effect CSR initiatives have on society.

Exciting rewards await! The first three to complete the crossword will receive an exclusive gift hamper. Please click the button below to start.

[Enter Your Answers Here!](#)

PARTNER SPEAK

"Our collaboration with IIT Madras has been a highly meaningful and forward-looking partnership. Working with IIT Madras has enabled us to support cutting-edge research in Green Hydrogen and Battery Management Systems, aligning sustainability with innovation. The institute's strong research ecosystem, technical expertise, and commitment to real-world impact have made this collaboration both seamless and impactful. We value the depth of knowledge and the long-term vision that IIT Madras brings to advancing clean energy solutions."



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 National Head CSR,
 Indus Towers Limited

We would love to hear from you!

We trust you enjoyed perusing our CSR Newsletter Bulletin!

Do get in touch and let us know your thoughts. We look forward to hearing from you!

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