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Chairman, IIT Kanpur and IIT Rajasthan scheduled to visit NTS-INDIA, CIIL, Mysore

Dr. M. Anandakrishnan, Chairman, IIT Kanpur and IIT Rajasthan, is scheduled to visit NTS Headquarters, CIIL, Mysore for two days on 15th and 16th December 2008. During his stay, NTS team will have an interaction with him to seek guidance on challenges in setting up the benchmark at all levels of education. NTS-India aims at fulfilling the evaluation requirements of the country as well as developing the national/regional norms/standards of quality. It also proposes to develop instruments of evaluation (tools and scales) in the area of languages, to start with, before extending it to other areas of study. These instruments will be standardized with reference to the population across the country identified through 60 Regional Field Units (RFU) of NTS located in 15 states / UTs. The focus of the interaction would be centred around aptitude for the various courses offered by the technical institutions and also the norms being followed for the award of certificates in these institutes.

About Dr. M. Anandakrishnan, Chairman, IIT Kanpur and IIT Rajasthan.



An eminent scholar with Ph.D in Civil Engineering (1960) from the University of Minnesota, USA. Served as Professor of Civil Engineering at the IIT, Kanpur (1963 to 1974). He was the first Science Counsellor at the Embassy of India Washington, D.C. (1974 to 1978). He served the United Nations in the UN Centre for S&T for Development (1978-1989); as the Vice-Chancellor of Anna University (1990-96); Vice-Chairman of the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education from 1996-2002; and as the Advisor to the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on Information Technology and e-Governance.

Currently he is the Chairman, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur and IIT/Rajasthan; President, Ranganathan Centre for Information Studies (RCIS), Chennai; President, Tamil Nadu Academy of Sciences, Chennai; Member, Board of Management, NUEPA, Delhi; Member, High Power Committee on Renovation and Rejuvenation of Higher Education in India. and Chairman, Executive Council, Science City, Chennai. Earlier he was Chairman, MIDS. (2003-2008). He has served as Chairman or Member of several high level committees of MHRD, UGC, AICTE and NAAC.

His honours and awards include Padma Shri from the President of India (2002); The Order of Scientific Merit from the President of Brazil (1996); Distinguished Leadership Award of the University of Minnesota (2003); Honorary Fellow of the Indian Society for Technical Education (2005); UGC National Swami Pranavananda Saraswati Award in Education (2006); Fellow of the Institution of Engineers, India and Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India.

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