

# First batch of IIM-T students to shift to new campus today



The front view of the new campus of IIM-T which the first batch of students would be moving into | M K ASHOK KUMAR

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THE wait is finally over for the first class of the Post Graduate Programme in Management (PGP) at the Indian Institute of Management-Tiruchy (IIM-T). Students would now be shifted to a new campus covering an area of 175 acres on the occasion of the 71st Independence Day, to be celebrated on Tuesday. Regular classes will commence on the new campus from Wednesday.

The campus is situated at Chinna Suriyur village along the Tiruchy-Pudukkottai road. The state-of-the-art IIM-T is the eleventh established by the Government of India's Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD) at a revised cost of over Rs 750 crore. The foundation stone was laid by then Minister of HRD and Telecommunication Kapil Sibal on January 2011. The land has been provided by the Tamil Nadu government. Work started in full swing under the guidance of Central Public Works Department (CPWD) chief engineers. The new IIM-T new campus was inaugurated by HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar on April 3 through live video-

conferencing.

Comprising two courses, namely PGP and te Fellow Programme in Management (FPM), the institute has over 380 students. After the inauguration of both programmes on June 27, first-year PGP students got to experience the hostel on the new campus. Since then, they have been travelling to NIT-T for regular classes. IIM-T Director Bhimaraya Metri and other administrators have decided to get the first batch of both the programmes on the new campus to mark Independence Day.

Speaking to Express, Metri

## STUDENTS' COUNT ACCORDING TO COURSES

PGP-360

FPM-25

Number of faculty-36

Number of hostels in the new  
campus-six

Area of the new campus-175 acre

Revised estimate of cost of the  
new campus- Over `750 crore

said, "Students would be shifted on the the occasion of Independence Day celebrations on Tuesday and classes will commence from Wednesday."

Metri said the institution is just 11 km away from Tiruchy International Airport, has its own 2MW solar power facility and rainwater harvesting, making it unique among all IIMs in the country. He noted IIM-T has been ranked 13th among all management institutions in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2017. The institution will further improve with new campus and aspires to move up the rankings, he said.

For the Independence Day celebrations, students have planned intra-cultural events at the new campus on Tuesday. The full shifting of other students to the new campus would be done once they complete their examinations, most likely before the end of September, said Abhishek Totawar, assistant professor (OB and HRM) and chairman, Placement and External Relations. He said the new campus is capable of recycling waste, which would then be converted to manure for use in the gardens.

