

## **INTRACOLLEGIATE MATHEMATICS FESTIVAL-2020**

**(online-IMF- 2020)**

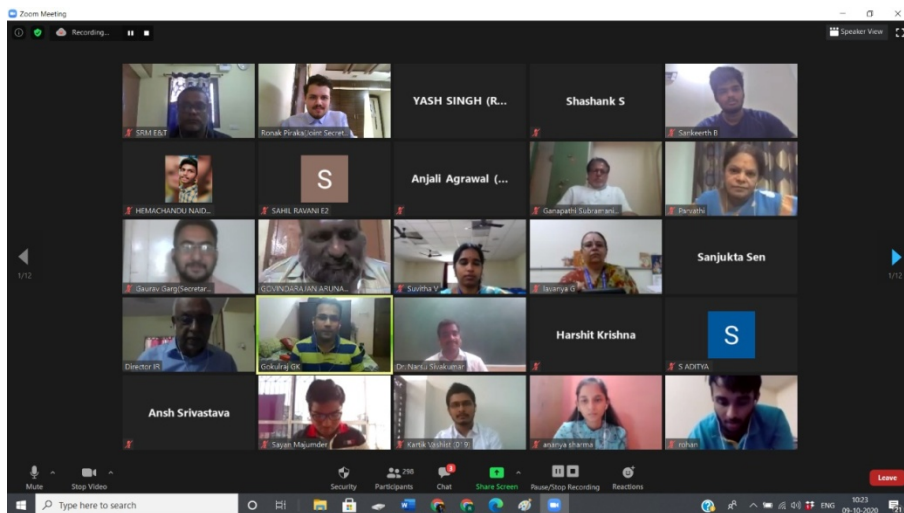
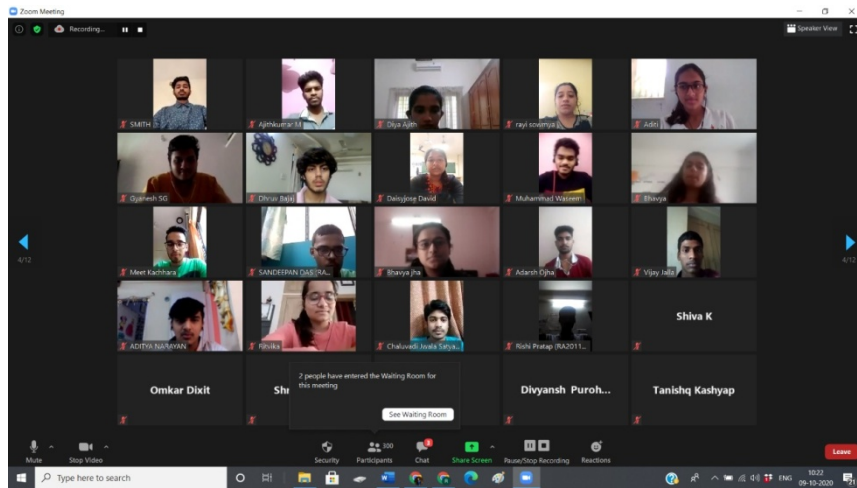
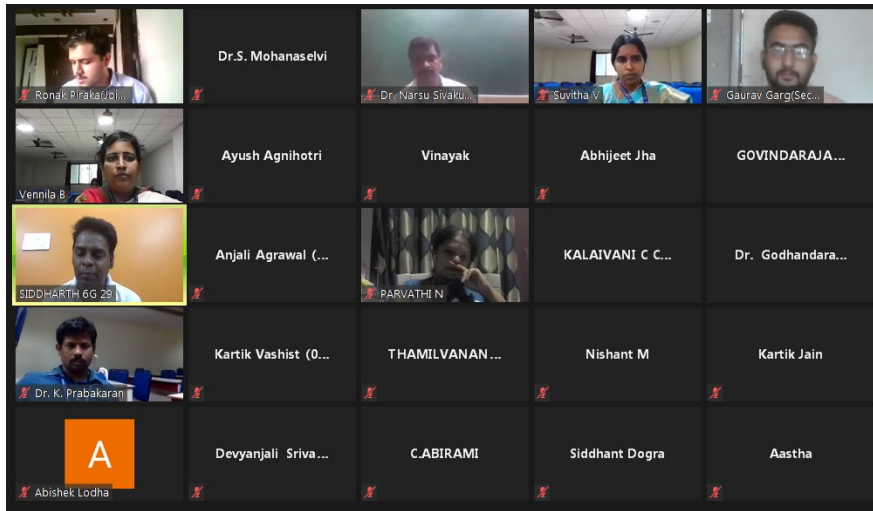
A one-day Intra Mathematics Festival (e-IMF 2020) the first of its kind since its inception in 1991 by Professor V. Sundaresan was organized in the online mode under the aegis of Sri Ramanujan Mathematics Club in the Department of Mathematics, SRM Institute of Science and Technology. The student's fest was inaugurated on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020, Friday using the zoom platform. The gathering was welcomed by the President of the club Dr. A. Govindarajan Professor and Head of the Department of Mathematics who briefed the functioning of the Sri Ramanujan Mathematics club. He appreciated the interest that the students have shown as the number of participants had touched 300. He was happy to inform that the Department of Mathematics is going to launch a five year integrated Post graduate programme on Mathematics combined with data science in collaboration with IIT Madras. In his welcome address he thanked the chief sponsor Viswa & Devji for their continuous support even during this pandemic situation. The Vice-President of the club Dr. N. Parvathi introduced the Chief Guest of the function Mr. G. K. Gokulraj, CEO-Managing Director, My Copie, Chennai. The Chief Guest spoke on the hurdles and pitfalls faced by him to reach the current position. The storm in 2015 and 2016 blew his business to zero and how he resurrected himself was explained vividly. He spoke of how he shifted from merchandise selling to organizing workshops. He was very happy

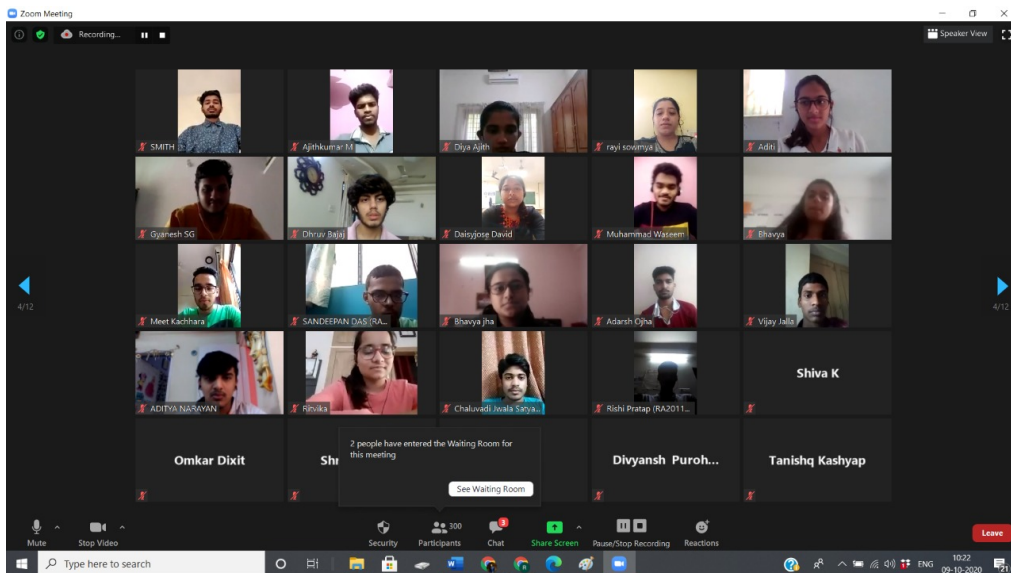
to share his first experience of organizing a fine arts workshop in 2018 at IIT Madras which had an unexpected turnout of 60 participants. By 2019 he had grown to the extent of organizing 12 to 14 workshops per week across the country. The pandemic situation again rocked his life. But, as before he now rose to the situation by organizing online workshops and has done about 800 workshops on fine arts till now making a monetary benefit of 25 lakhs per month. He advised the students to take up financial education courses and basic mathematics courses to enable them to shine as good entrepreneurs. The student anchor Sanjukta Sen requested Mr. Kartar Singh, Director, Office of International Relations to declare the meet open and share a few words with the gathering. Mr. Kartar Singh congratulated the IMF team and the department staff and in particular the Head of the Department for organizing the event. He spoke about Srinivasan Ramanujan's notebooks which are even now a mount of treasure still unrevealed completely. He was delighted to know about the ventures of the chief guest Mr. G. K. Gokulraj and welcomed him to visit the Centre for Fine Arts that functions in SRMIST, kattankulathur. He added that SRMIST would feel proud to connect with him and develop internship programs for the students. The way Mr. G.K. Gokulraj prospered through art forms inspired all the students to focus on opportunities than to pursue only on passion. The Director, Kartar Singh then declared the meet open. The inaugural function was moved on with a smooth discussion and sharing of thoughts rather than a formal function.

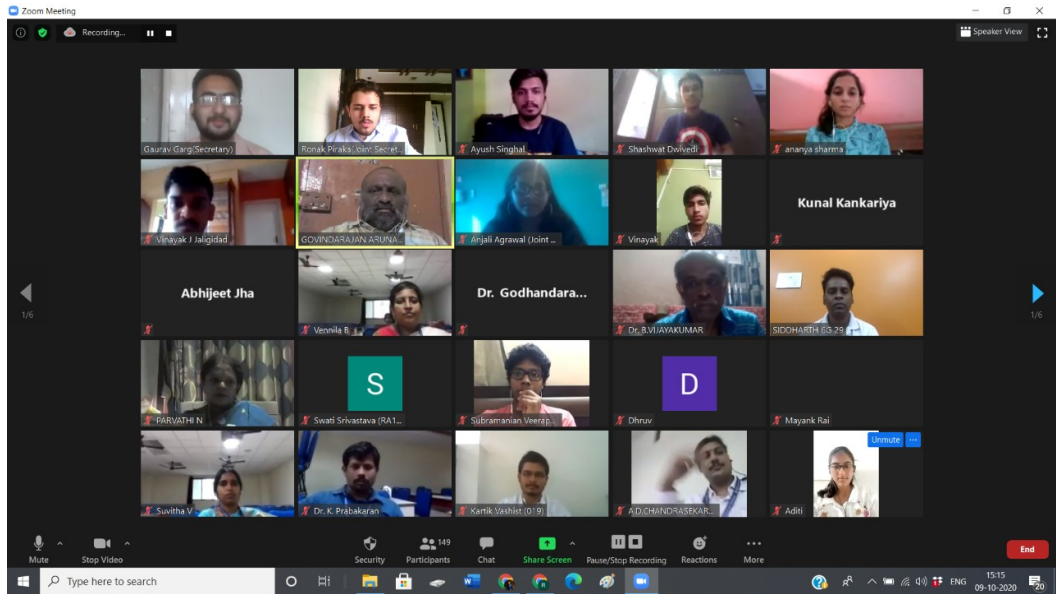
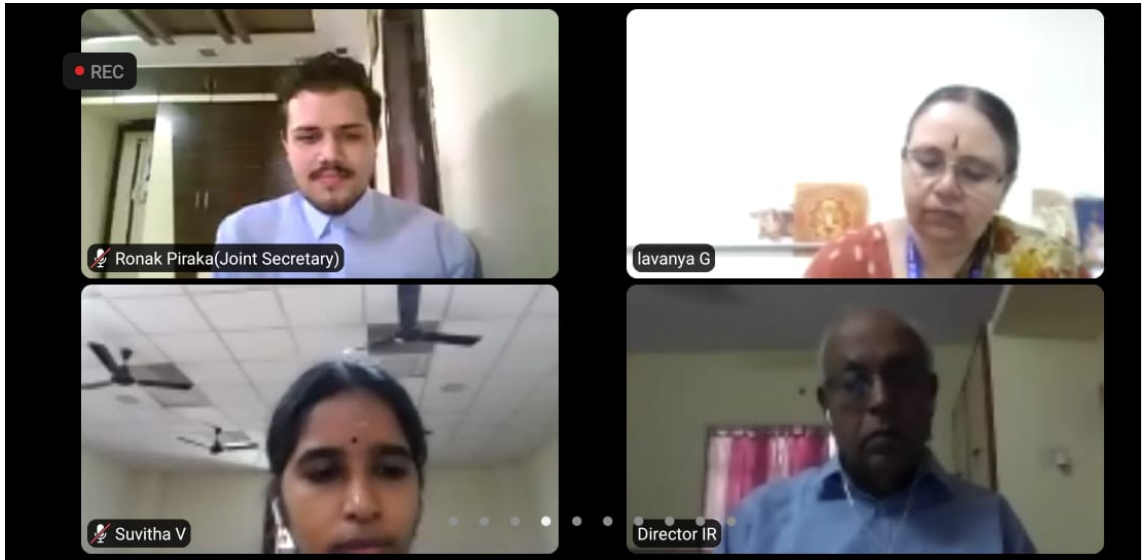
The three events scheduled for the day began at 11 am. Math quiz was the first event followed by Search cross and Treasure hunt. All the three events enthralled the students and witnessed active participation. The e-IMF brought together over 2511 student participation (Maths Quiz -888, Search Cross-740, Treasure Hunt-883).

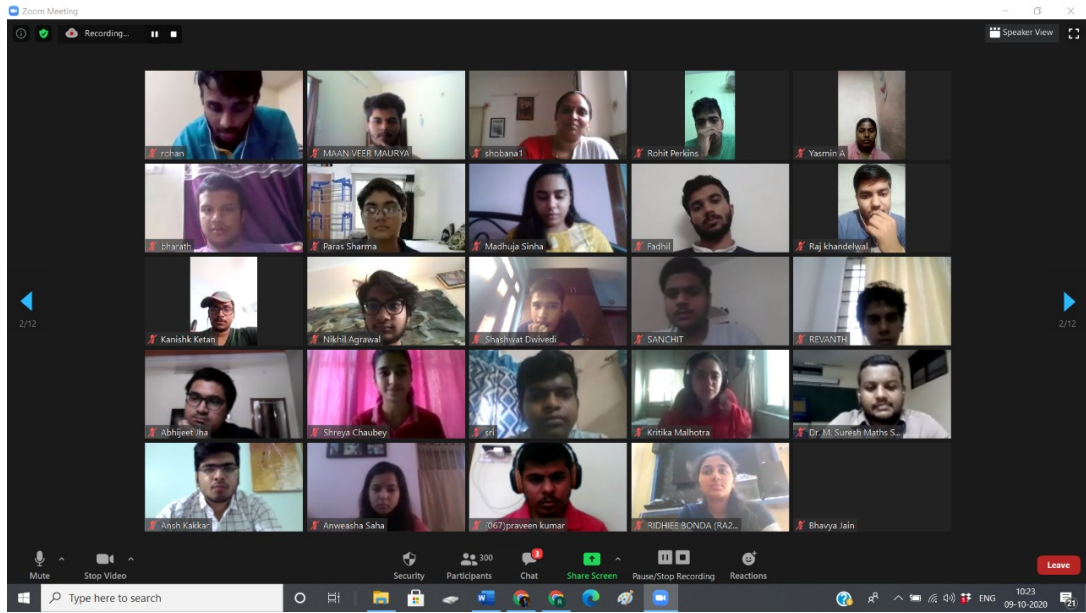
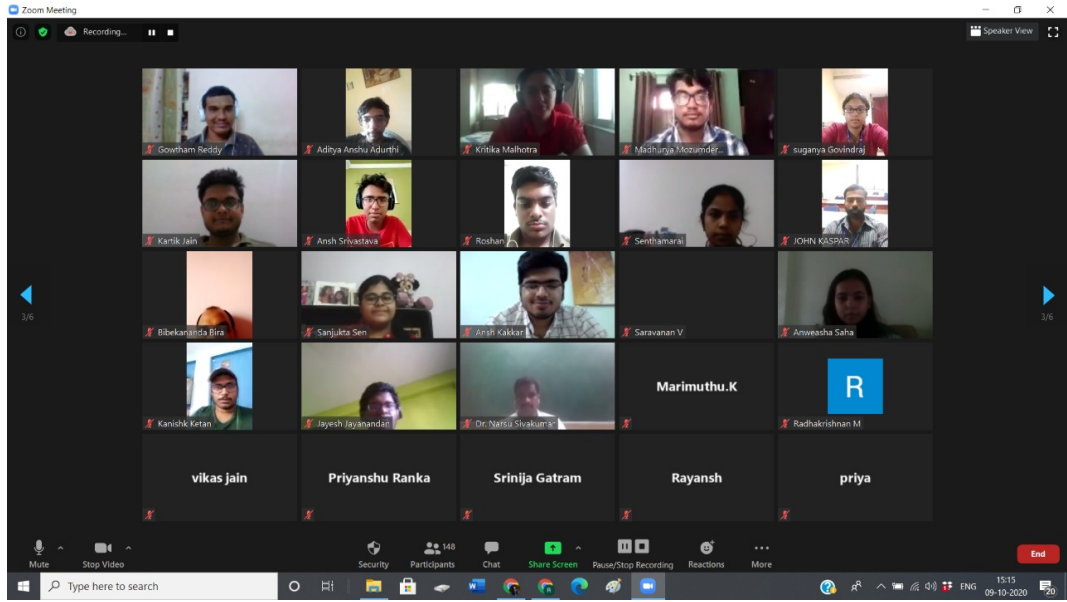
This was followed by the valedictory function. The gathering was welcomed by the Vice President of the club Dr. N. Parvathi, Professor, Department of Mathematics. Mr Madhan Shanmugasundaram, Director, Infosys Technologies, Chennai was the chief guest of the day. Dr. B. Vennila, Associate professor, Department of Mathematics introduced the chief guest to the audience. The Chief Guest spoke on the applications of Mathematics in Artificial Intelligence, Machine learning and Internet Of Things etc., Mr Madhan Shanmugasundaram announced the prize winners. It was followed by vote of thanks by Gaurav Garg, the Secretary of the Sri Ramanujan Mathematics club and National Anthem.

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Zoom Meeting

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