

## SRM IGS STUDENT CHAPTER

The Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS) mainly aims at promoting co-operation amongst engineers and scientists for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in the fields of Soil Mechanics, Foundation Engineering, Soil Dynamics, Engineering Geology, Rock Mechanics and their practical applications. It provides a common forum for academicians, research workers, designers, construction engineers, equipment manufacturers and others interested in geotechnical activity. To promote closer interaction amongst geotechnical engineers spread all over the country, local chapters of the Society were introduced in 1968. Student chapters create the opportunity for the IGS members to reach out, communicate; and they are the catalyst for many advances in Geotechnical Engineering field. Participation in an IGS Student chapters brings manufacturers, engineers, researchers, professors, contractors, and designers together in an environment which directly influencing the students with better field expertise.



On 26th December, 2019 marked the beginning of the SRM Institute of Science and Technology Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS) Student Chapter journey under IGS Chennai chapter at Kattankulathur. It was a proud moment for our institute to declare SRMIST- IGS

Student Chapter as the 3rd proposed student chapter under the aegis of IGS Chennai chapter. The inauguration of SRM Institute of Science and Technology Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS) Student Chapter was started by the welcoming address by Dr. K. Gunasekaran, Department of Civil Engineering and was presided by Director, (E&T) Dr. C. Muthamizhchelvan. Dr. P. T. Ravichandran, Faculty Mentor, IGS Student Chapter introduced the Chief Guests Dr. V.K.Stalin, Chairman, IGS Chennai Chapter, Professor Civil, CEG Anna University, Chennai and Dr. R. G. Robinson, Secretary, IGS Chennai Chapter and Professor of Civil Engineering, IIT-M, Chennai. Honorable, Chief Guest Dr. V. K. Stalin delivered a special lecture on the topic "Foundation Failure and Remedial Measures". Mr. S. Bala Shanmuga Sundaram, President, SRMIST IGS Student Chapter concluded the occasion by delivering the Vote of Thanks.

## **Key personnel**

- Dr. P. T. Ravichandran Mentor
- Mrs. S. Mary Rebekah Sharmila and Dr. Divya Krishnan. K Faculty Coordinators
- Mr. S. Bala Shanmuga Sundaram President
- Mr. Faizan Ahmad Wani- Vice-president
- Mr. Siddhartha Sarkar Secretary
- Bharadwaj Balaji K Treasure

## **Chapter Working Committee Members:**

- Ms Sharmila.B
- Ms.Titam Chowdhury
- Mr.Ansab Shafi Mir
- Mr.AnuragBhateshwar
- Mr. A.S. Ganeshan

## Students' chapter activities

The chapter strives to maintain close contact with the students. They were encouraged to attend the guest lectures and webinars for their benefits. For under-graduate students and post-graduate students, SRMIST- IGS Student Chapter have their first technical event 'Brainy Feast' on 18th February 2020 was coordinated by the faculty Mrs. S. Mary Rebekah Sharmila (SRMIST IGS student chapter coordinator) and a non-technical event "GAME

TRIVIA" was coordinated by the faculty Dr. Divya Krishnan. K (SRMIST IGS student chapter coordinator) conducted on 14.03.2020 for our students of Department of Civil Engineering.

For this events, many students have participated and won lot of prizes. Further, the chapter has been organizing guest lectures and webinars by the eminent speakers every year since then. The emphasis in these guest lectures is on field practices and practicing engineers were encouraged to actively participate in the organization. Presently, SRMIST-IGS Student Chapter has organized two workshops, two guest lectures, three webinars and one faculty development program during the COVID 19 pandemic situation.