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IIT Madras collaborates with National Institute of Siddha

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For research in molecular biology and in-vitro cell line studies and health system research



Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) is partnering with the National Institute of Siddha (NIS), a Centre of Excellence for Research and Higher Education in the Siddha system of Medicine in Chennai, for training, research and clinical

studies.

The partnership is expected to result in the development of new collaborative teaching programmes and research in the areas of clinical research, molecular biology and in-vitro cell line studies and health system research besides in exchange of faculty members.

An MoU towards this effect was signed recently by Prof V Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras, and Dr R Meenakumari, Director, NIS, in the presence of Prof Ravindra Gettu, IIT Madras.

Highlighting the impact of this collaboration, Prof V Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras, said, “Siddha is a very important school of Indian Medicine. This collaboration will focus on establishing a scientific basis that explains the efficacy of Siddha medicines.”

The institutes will also jointly organise seminars, workshops, webinars, conferences and continuing education programmes [including Continuing Medical Education (CME)] and develop academic programmes. They will also promote the exchange of students, PhD, Postdoctoral Scholars and faculty for teaching/training programmes.

image caption- Prof V Kamakoti (R), Director, IIT Madras and Dr R Meenakumari, Director, NIS, sign MoU in the presence of Prof. Ravindra Gettu, IIT-M