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IIT DELHI ENDOWMENT FUND

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OVERVIEW

The second quarter of FY 2026-27 saw IIT Delhi alumni extend their support for the Institute in substantial ways. The IIT Delhi Endowment Fund welcomed two new Founders, one Co-Founder and two Platinum Donors, while alumni gifts established a new international faculty fellowship in Computer Science and Engineering and scholarships for undergraduate students.

The 57th Convocation on 8 August 2026 saw 3,036 students receive their degrees. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi attended as Chief Guest and remotely inaugurated PARAM Pragya, the AI supercomputing facility at the Sonipat campus, during the ceremony. The Convocation also recognised the recipients of the 2026 Distinguished Alumni and GOLD Awards. On campus, six construction projects are under way across Hauz Khas and R.K. Puram, including two new hostels.

Alumni came together at mixers in Delhi and Greater New York and at the Singapore Chapter Meet. Six batches will return to campus for milestone reunions between December 2026 and February 2027.

The issue also carries an important leadership update from the IIT Delhi Endowment Management Foundation.

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INSTITUTE
UPDATES

IIT Delhi celebrated its graduating class at the 57th Convocation and expanded its capacity for AI research. Alongside these milestones, redevelopment and new construction are in progress across the Institute’s campuses, with new hostels, academic spaces and residential facilities taking shape.

Prime Minister Addresses IIT Delhi's 57th Convocation

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FIFTY SEVENTH
CONVOCATION
8th August, 2026

"Your degree tells the entire world that you know exactly how to solve highly difficult problems."
-Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi was the Chief Guest at the 57th Convocation of IIT Delhi on Saturday, 8 August 2026, where 3,036 students received their degrees.

Shri Pralhad Joshi, Union Minister of Education; and Prof. Abhay Karandikar, Member, NITI Aayog, attended as Guests of Honour. Shri Harish Salve, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IIT Delhi, presided over the ceremony. Prof. Rangan Banerjee, Director, IIT Delhi, welcomed the dignitaries and presented the Institute's achievements.

The Prime Minister congratulated the graduates and their families. In his speech, he mentioned that a degree is a mandate to contribute to the nation. He added that the value of an IIT degree goes beyond grades or placements because it certifies to the world an ability to solve difficult problems. He also praised the medal recipients and welcomed the Institute's new AI initiatives.

THE CLASS OF 2026

3,036
Graduates

587
PhD Graduates

1,206
Undergraduates

1,243
Postgraduates

PARAM Pragya:
AI Supercomputing at Sonipat

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CDAC

The Prime Minister remotely inaugurated PARAM Pragya, an AI-powered high-performance computing facility at IIT Delhi's Sonipat campus. It is the latest supercomputing facility in the Indian Academia of its scale.

400
NVIDIA A100 80GB GPUs

250
AI petaflops of compute

New Constructions Underway

Boys' Hostel

Girls' Hostel

Six major construction projects are under way across IIT Delhi's Hauz Khas and R.K. Puram campuses. The programme includes **two new hostels, additional academic space, and housing for faculty and staff.**

The new hostels are planned to accommodate 4,392 students. Once they are complete, residents can move into the new facilities, allowing the older hostel blocks to be rebuilt in phases.

Distinguished Alumni Award 2026

The 2026 Distinguished Alumni Awards recognise IIT Delhi graduates for their contributions in industry and corporate leadership, entrepreneurship, academics and research, and public service. This year's recipients reflect the range of fields in which the Institute's alumni are making their mark.

PROF. RAJASEKHAR BALASUBRAMANIAN
M.Tech., 1985
Professor,
National University of Singapore
(Academics & Research Category)

DR. RAVI S PRASHER
B.Tech., 1995
CTO,
Bloom Energy
(Industry & Corporate Leadership Category)

DR. VIVEK RAGHAVAN
B.Tech., 1989
Co-Founder,
Sarvam AI
(Entrepreneurship Category)

SHRIKANT PRABHAKAR JOSHI
B.Tech., 1981
Advisor to CMD,
Larsen & Toubro
(Industry & Corporate Leadership Category)

AMIT LODHA
B.Tech., 1995
IPS, ADGP,
State Crime Records Bureau, Bihar
(Public Service Category)

GOLD Award 2026

IIT Delhi instituted the Graduates of Last Decade (GOLD) Award in 2020 to recognise young alumni for their achievements in academia, business, entrepreneurship, and public service. The recipients of GOLD Award 2026 are:

ANAND AGRAWAL
Dual Degree, 2017
Co-Founder and Chief Product & Technology Officer,
Credgenics

ABHAY MITRA
B.Tech., 2016
Co-Founder and CEO, Effective AI
Co-Founder, Nirvana Insurance

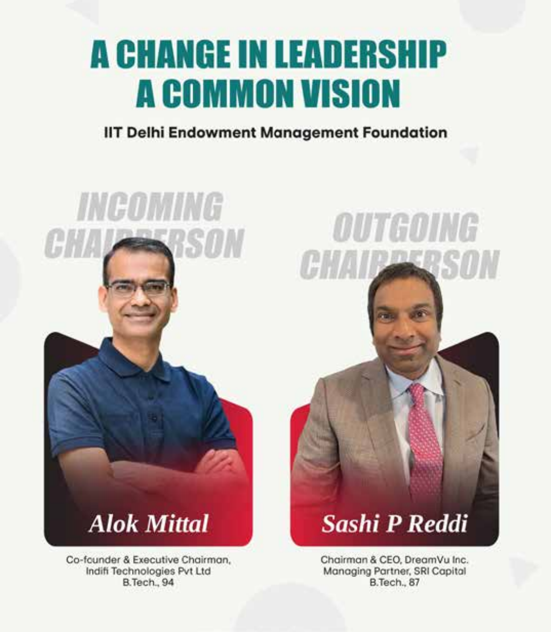
Leadership Update

With effect from 1 October 2026, Alok Mittal (B.Tech., Computer Science, 1994) is the new Chairperson of the IIT Delhi Endowment Management Foundation, succeeding Sashi P Reddi (B.Tech., Computer Science, 1987), who has completed his tenure.

A serial entrepreneur and investor, Alok co-founded Indifi Technologies and helped shape the Indian Angel Network. Speaking on his appointment, he said: "I'm excited about what lies ahead. Our alumni community and IIT Delhi, working closely together, is what builds an endowment strong enough to carry this Institute toward its goals."

Reflecting on his years leading the Foundation, Sashi said: "It's been an honor of my lifetime to serve an institution I love. I truly believe that our endowment, over the next 10 years, will have a profound impact on IIT Delhi's ability to better serve our students, faculty, and nation."

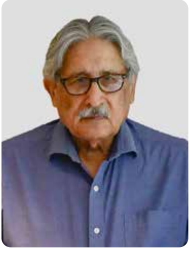
The Foundation thanks Sashi for his leadership and welcomes Alok to his new role.


A CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP
A COMMON VISION
IIT Delhi Endowment Management Foundation
INCOMING CHAIRPERSON
OUTGOING CHAIRPERSON
Alok Mittal
Co-founder & Executive Chairman,
Indifi Technologies Pvt Ltd
B.Tech., 94
Sashi P Reddi
Chairman & CEO, DreamVu Inc.
Managing Partner, SRI Capital
B.Tech., 87

ENDOWMENT & GIVING

Alumni supported IIT Delhi's faculty and students through a new international faculty fellowship and scholarships for undergraduate students, extending support to academic excellence and financial assistance for those who need it.

Prof. S N Maheshwari Distinguished International Faculty Fellowship



The fellowship was established in honour of Prof. S N Maheshwari (Shachindra Nath Maheshwari) by a group of more than 20 IIT Delhi Computer Science and Engineering alumni, represented by Nandit Soparkar (B.Tech., Computer Science and Engineering, 1986) and Alok Ramsisaria (B.Tech., Computer Science and Engineering, 1989). It aims to bring internationally renowned faculty to the Department of Computer Science and Engineering as visiting faculty, to promote excellence in teaching, research, and innovation at IIT Delhi.

Fellowship At A Glance	
Department	Computer Science and Engineering
Focus	AI, computing, and interdisciplinary technologies
Positions	Visiting Professor/Professor of Practice; Visiting Faculty
Faculty Enabled	One or more internationally renowned visiting faculty
Appointment	Minimum one year, up to five years
Fellowship Tenure	Up to five years, valid over 15 years
Support For Fellows	Remuneration top-up over Institute pay, housing support and a research grant
Selection	The selection happens through IIT Delhi's standard Visiting Faculty/Professor process

Prasoon and Ravi Sharma Merit Scholarship

Established by IIT Delhi alumnus Vidit Aatrey (B.Tech., Electrical Engineering, 2012), this scholarship supports eight B.Tech. students at IIT Delhi. Each scholar receives financial support for four years, covering the full duration of the undergraduate degree. Scholars are selected on the basis of their JEE Advanced rank, and the scholarship is open to students who need financial support.

Duni Chand Chopra Scholarship

Established by IIT Delhi alumnus Subash Chopra (B.Tech., Electrical Engineering, 1967), this scholarship supports one woman B.Tech. student at IIT Delhi. It covers the scholar's hostel and mess fees for four years, the full length of the undergraduate degree. It is open to students paying the full hostel and mess fee.

ALUMNI GIFTS

The Founders and Donors of the IIT Delhi Endowment Fund are building a permanent base of support for the Institute. We welcome those who joined this quarter.

NEW FOUNDERS

Chetan Vohra (B.Tech., Chemical Engineering, 2002)
Managing Director, Barclays Investment Bank

Chetan Vohra's gift supports the infrastructure and upkeep of Aravali Hostel. In recognition of his contribution, the hostel's activity centre will be named the **Vohra Activity Centre**. The name will remain for the life of the present hostel and will transfer to the rebuilt Aravali Hostel on completion.

Rajiv Kuchhal (B.Tech., Electrical Engineering, 1986)
General Partner at Exfinity Venture Partners

Co-Founder of the Endowment Fund since 2021, Rajiv Kuchhal has now become a Founder. His enhanced contribution is dedicated to Aravali Hostel.

NEW CO-FOUNDERS

Alok Aggarwal (B.Tech., Civil Engineering, 1986)
Former Managing Director and CEO of Brookfield India Real Estate Trust

Alok Aggarwal's gift supports the infrastructure development and maintenance of Aravali Hostel, including the refurbishment of its facilities for residents. In recognition of his contribution, the hostel's visitors' room will be named the **Alok Aggarwal Visitors' Room**. The name will remain for the life of the present hostel and will transfer to the rebuilt Aravali Hostel on completion.

NEW PLATINUM DONORS

Vidit Aatrey
B.Tech., Electrical Engineering, 2012
Co-Founder and CEO of Meesho

Vidit Aatrey has established the Prasoon and Ravi Sharma Merit Scholarship, named in honour of his parents, which supports eight B.Tech. students.

Nimit Bindal
Dual Degree, Mathematics & Computing, 2015
Director at Graviton Research Capital LLP

One of the Endowment Fund's youngest Platinum Donors, Nimit Bindal has established two scholarships named in honour of his parents and grandparents.

THE IIT DELHI ENDOWMENT FUND AT A GLANCE

The IIT Delhi Endowment Fund represents a forward-looking partnership between the Institute and its alumni. It funds endowed chairs, research centres and student scholarships from returns rather than annual appeals.

Governed by its own board of directors comprising esteemed alumni and the Director of IIT Delhi, the fund operates through the independent Section 8 company "IIT Delhi Endowment Management Foundation", with a vision to reach a fund size of ₹10,000 crore over the next decade.

Causes For Support

Infrastructure Renewal	Faculty Excellence & Retention	Frontier Research	Student Success
Modernising ageing hostels and buildings with naming opportunities.	Endowed Chairs and fellowships to attract top talent.	Funding Centres of Excellence, labs and innovative projects and research.	Scholarships, wellness programmes, diversity initiatives and extracurriculars.

Recognition:

Donations to the IIT Delhi Endowment Fund are recognised in two ways. The donor is recognised by the naming of the activity/asset supported.

Additionally, depending on the amount of the donation, all donors are recognised as Founders or Donors as per the below categories.

Founder Category

Director's Circle	₹100 Cr
Eminent Founder	₹50 Cr
Distinguished Founder	₹25 Cr
Founder	₹10 Cr
Co-Founder	₹5 Cr

Donor Category

Inner Circle Donor	₹2 Cr
Platinum Donor	₹1 Cr
Gold Donor	₹50 Lakh
Silver Donor	₹25 Lakh
Benefactor	₹10 Lakh
Investor	₹2.5 Lakh

IIT DELHI ALUMNI EVENTS

During the quarter, the IIT Delhi Alumni Relations and Endowment Office brought alumni together in Delhi, New York and Singapore.

Delhi Alumni Mixer

Saturday, 4 July 2026

Alumni from six batches, from the 1977, 1986, 1992, 2001, 2005, and 2006 , came together on campus for an evening of conversation and catching up with old friends.

GNY Summer Alumni Mixer

Thursday, 30 July 2026

IIT Delhi alumni gathered in Greater New York for an evening mixer.

Singapore Chapter Meet

Friday, 31 July 2026

The Office of Alumni Relations and the IIT Delhi Alumni Association jointly organised the Singapore Chapter Meet.

Alumni Homecoming

Six batches are scheduled to return to IIT Delhi for milestone reunions in 2026–27.

Class of	Date
1977	*12 Feb 2027*
1986	*5 Feb 2027*
1992	*29 Jan 2027*
2001	*21 Dec 2026*
2005	*18 Dec 2026*
2006	*26 Feb 2027*

▶ *If your reunion is scheduled this year, register here:* *https://alumni.iitd.ac.in/alumni-reunions*

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Get The Right Invites

Your details help us make sure institute updates, alumni initiatives, reunion announcements and stories from the community keep reaching you.

Supporting Global Recognition

Your professional details help strengthen our records and contribute to the standing, reputation and global visibility of IIT Delhi.

Contribute To Our Newsletter

Want to share your stories with us?
Here's your chance!

HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE:

- Share career milestones & insights.
- Write on industry trends and innovations.
- Offer advice to young graduates.
- Showcase your startup, research or impact.

WHY CONTRIBUTE?

- ✓ Gain recognition across our global alumni network.
- ✓ Connect with industry leaders and peers.
- ✓ Leave a lasting impact on future IITians.

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