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CHAPTER AT A GLANCE

PSG TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION – CHENNAI CHAPTER

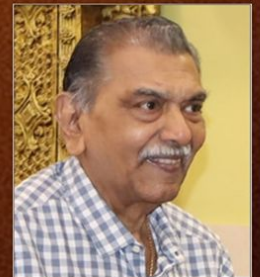
Connecting PSGians | Inspiring Excellence | Strengthening Community

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter connects PSGians across generations, fostering lifelong relationships and contributing to our Alma Mater and society. Through networking, knowledge sharing, mentorship, sports, cultural, and social initiatives, the Chapter keeps the PSGian spirit alive beyond the campus.

FROM THE ADVISOR'S COUNCIL DESK

Mr. Chandrasekaran N. – Batch of 1966 | Advisor

More than six decades have passed since we walked through the corridors of PSG Tech, yet the values and principles instilled in us by our institution continue to guide us through every stage of life. The friendships we forged, the lessons we learned, and the culture of excellence we experienced remain timeless and deeply cherished. As alumni, we share a responsibility to preserve this rich legacy and inspire future generations to uphold the same values of integrity, innovation, excellence, and service. The Chennai Chapter has continually evolved and strengthened over the years, adapting to the phenomenal growth and diverse age composition of its alumni community. It provides a wonderful platform for us to reconnect, contribute meaningfully, share experiences across generations, and strengthen the enduring bond that unites us as PSGians. I encourage all alumni to stay connected, actively engage with the alumni community, and contribute towards building a future that reflects the vision, values, and proud heritage of our institution.



Mr. Navanitha Krishnan P. – Batch of 1974 | Advisor

An institution's true strength is reflected in the achievements of its alumni and the willingness of those alumni to give back. PSG Tech has always nurtured leaders, innovators, and responsible professionals who have made meaningful contributions across industries and society. The Chennai Chapter continues to foster a culture of collaboration, mentorship, and lifelong learning. Let us use our collective knowledge and experience to guide young graduates, support our alma mater, and create opportunities that benefit future generations of PSGians.

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE BEARERS

President's Message – Mr. Ratnakumar Nagarajan 1994

Dear Fellow PSGians,

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter brings together generations of PSGians through meaningful engagement, professional collaboration, mentorship, and service. As we celebrate the legacy of our Alma Mater, let us strengthen our alumni network and inspire the next generation. Every PSGian carries the spirit of PSG Tech, and together we can create a lasting impact on our institution and society. I warmly invite every alumnus to reconnect, participate, collaborate, and contribute to our vibrant community. Let us celebrate our past, strengthen our present, and shape a brighter future for generations to come. Together, We Grow Stronger.



Our Vision

Connecting and supporting Alumni on scholarship, fellowship, and leadership in the service of professional organizations, the community, and the nation.

To provide exceptional value and continuous support to alumni members by offering a deep sense of belonging, connection, community, and pride.

Our Mission

To build a vibrant, connected, and impactful PSGian community by:

- Connecting PSG Tech and Polytechnic alumni across Greater Chennai and neighbouring districts for knowledge and experience sharing.
- Fostering fellowship, lifelong learning, and professional excellence in science, technology, and engineering.
- Supporting our Alma Mater through academic, research, fundraising, and development initiatives.
- Creating professional networks and collaborations across alumni, academia, business, and industry.
- Promoting knowledge and skill development through seminars, conferences, workshops, and professional forums.
- Strengthening alumni and family bonds through social, cultural, sports, and recreational activities.
- Supporting talent and excellence through scholarships, awards, and dedicated corpus funds.
- Collaborating with government, academia, professional bodies, and industry to advance education, research, innovation, and skill development.

Vice President's Message – Ms. Febin M. F. (1992,1994)

A strong alumni network thrives on meaningful connections, shared experiences, and mutual support. Our Chapter continues to foster networking, knowledge sharing, family participation, and lifelong friendships. I encourage every alumnus to stay connected, volunteer, and share your expertise. Together, let us keep the PSGian bond vibrant, strong, and enduring.



Vice President's Message – Mr. Sundaram M. (1979)

The Chennai Chapter is more than an alumni association—it is a vibrant community of professionals, innovators, entrepreneurs, academicians, and lifelong learners united by the values of PSG Tech. By connecting alumni across generations and industries, we create opportunities for mentorship, knowledge sharing, networking, innovation, and collaboration. Our strength lies in the active participation of every member. With paid membership crossing 400, let us unite to take it beyond 1,000 this financial year. Every PSGian matters together, let us strengthen our Alma Mater, empower our community, and create a lasting impact on society.



NEW CHAPTERS IN 2026

PSG TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION - JAPAN CHAPTER

OFFICE BEARERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

VANAKKAM & KONNICHIIWA, JAPAN!

A proud milestone in the global PSGian journey, the Japan Chapter was inaugurated as the 31st Chapter overall and 20th overseas chapter of the PSG Tech Alumni Association. The inaugural meeting was held on 28 February 2026 at Nishi-Kasai, Tokyo, with enthusiastic participation from alumni across Japan, both in person and online. With 50+ PSG alumni from Hokkaido to Okinawa, the Chapter brings together a vibrant and growing PSGian community.

The occasion was graced by Mr. Krishna Kumar (B.E. 1979), President, PSG Tech Alumni Association, Coimbatore, and Ms. Kiruthika Chidambaram (B.Sc. Applied Science, 1992), President, PSG Tech Alumni Association – Singapore Chapter.

Team PSG – Japan

The following Office Bearers and Executive Committee members were selected during the inaugural meeting:

President:	Mr. Thiru Jeevanandam (B.E. ECE 1972, M.E. 1974)
Vice President:	Mr. Venkatesh Krishnan (D.M.E. Mechanical, 1999)
Secretary:	Mr. Prasanna Parthasarathy (B.E. Production, 1997)
Joint Secretary:	Ms. Gowsalya Ramachandran (B.E. EEE, ITech, 2019)
Treasurer:	Ms. Gayathri Devi P (MBA IM, 2007)



Executive Committee Members:

- Mr. Udaya Sankar Palani (B.E. EEE, 2000)
- Mr. Rajesh Bellam (B.E. EEE, 2000)
- Ms. Kavitha Sankaresh (M.Sc. Mathematics, 1999)
- Mr. Ravi Krishnan (PGDM IM, 2007)
- Mr. Vijayaraghavan Ramamurthy (SW Production, 2007)
- Mr. Siddharth Raju (B.E. Automotive, 2017)
- Mr. Pragatheesh (B.E. Robotics, 2024)



The newly formed team is committed to making the Japan Chapter vibrant, energetic, inclusive, and engaging, while strengthening connections among PSGians across Japan and with the global alumni network.

Tamil Roots. Japanese Ikigai. PSG Tech Innovation. One Global Connection.

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONE : 400+ PSGIANS!

A historic milestone for the Chennai Chapter! For the first time, our membership has crossed 400+, reflecting the growing strength and trust of the PSGian community.

This achievement is a testament to the dedication, commitment, and collective efforts of our Executive Committee members.

Heartiest congratulations to the entire EC team— 400+ today, 1,000+ tomorrow! Together, we grow stronger.



ALUMNI BUSINESS COUNCIL (ABC)

Connecting Industry | Academia | Talent

A landmark initiative of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter, the Alumni Business Council (ABC) bridges industry and academia, bringing together 60+ industrialists, entrepreneurs, professionals, and alumni. Led by Mr. Ratnakumar Nagarajan (1994), President; Mr. Vijayakumar S. (1994), Secretary; and Mr. Madhu Chockalingam (1992), Treasurer, ABC focuses on industry insights, student mentoring, career guidance, industry exposure, and employment opportunities.



Ratnakumar Nagarajan
PRESIDENT
Co-Founder & Executive Director
Kaar Technologies
Class of 1994



Vijayakumar S
FOUNDER & CEO
Veeva Star Diamonds & Jewellery
Class of 1994



Madhu Chockalingam
PROPRIETOR
Red Cross Packaging
Class of 1992



The latest gathering, held on 1 March 2026 at Hilton, Chennai, strengthened networking and collaboration among members. Through engagement with engineering institutions, ABC helps align academic learning with evolving industry needs and prepares students for the workplace. ABC connects experience with opportunity, industry with academia, and PSGians with the future.



The success of an alumni association is measured not only by its events, but by the relationships it nurtures and the connections it creates. Every interaction provides an opportunity to reconnect, learn, and grow together. I encourage every alumnus to actively participate and share your ideas, experiences, and expertise. Together, let us **CONNECT • NETWORK • FLOURISH • ENJOY** and strengthen the enduring PSGian bond.

– Mr. Janak Rajan C. (Batch of 1978)

CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS QUARTER

PSG TECH PLATINUM JUBILEE ALUMNI MEET 2026

Celebrating **75 Years of Excellence**, Legacy and the Spirit of PSG

9–11 January 2026 | PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore

The PSG Tech Platinum Jubilee Alumni Meet 2026 was a landmark three-day celebration that brought together generations of PSGians to celebrate 75 years of academic excellence, professional achievements, friendship, and shared heritage. The celebrations featured knowledge sharing, networking, cultural programmes, sports, music, entertainment, and alumni–student engagement.



Day 1 – 9 January | Knowledge, Inspiration & Culture

The celebrations began with the inauguration of the Alumni Women Achievers' Forum, followed by Knowledge Connect, where alumni interacted with students, shared industry insights, and offered career guidance. The day concluded with Bharatanatyam, Mohiniyattam, and Pattimandram by Dr. Suki Sivam & Team.



Day 2 – 10 January | Achievement, Entrepreneurship & Celebration

The second day featured Paandi Melam, Alumni Entrepreneur Awards, Young Alumni Awards, stand-up comedy, and Pongal Kondattam. The evening showcased Carnatic music by Mr. Saketharaman & Team and a special PSG Tech Music performance by alumni.

Day 3 – 11 January | Fitness, Talent & Fellowship

The final day began with the Walkathon/Marathon, followed by Alumni Entertainment, showcasing the diverse talents of PSGians.

THINK TWICE!

1. A basket contains 5 apples. Five people each take one apple, but one apple is still left in the basket. How?
2. 10 candles are burning in a room. Two of them go out. How many candles will be left in the morning?

Chennai Chapter – A Vibrant & Proud Presence

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter played a particularly active role throughout the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Our members enthusiastically participated in Tech Music, Alumni Painting, Walkathon, and various sports competitions, showcasing their talent, creativity, fitness, and team spirit.

The Chennai Chapter made its presence felt strongly in the sports events, winning several prizes across competitions. Our participation in Tech Music and painting further highlighted the diverse talents of Chennai PSGians beyond their professional achievements. A proud and memorable moment was the felicitation of the Chennai Chapter Office Bearers by the parent PSG Tech Alumni Association, recognising their contribution and continued efforts in strengthening alumni engagement.



For the Chennai Chapter, the Platinum Jubilee was not merely a celebration; it was an opportunity to participate, perform, compete, connect, and proudly represent Chennai PSGians on the grand stage of our Alma Mater. The celebrations may have concluded, but the memories, friendships, inspiration, and renewed commitment to the PSG community will continue to live on.

ALUMNI ENTREPRENEUR AWARDEES

சிறப்பான கவிதை திரு.நீலகண்டன்

Alumni Entrepreneur Awardees



Mr B Govindarajan
BE Mech 1964-69
United Group of Companies



Mr K Ponnuswamy
BE Mech 1964-69
Indira Industries



Mr IAKOKA N Subramanian
BE Mech 1965-70
Founder, Franstek Belts P Ltd



Mr Srinivasan Thiagarajan
BE ECE 1972
Co-Founder
MEL Systems & Services Ltd



Mr Shankar Balan
BE Mech 1982-86
Founder, Chairman & CEO
Palmetto Industries



Mr Radhakrishnan
B Tech Textile 1983-1987
Founder-Managing Director
SIEGER Spintech



Mr Maran Nagarajan
BE Production 1990-1994
Founder & CEO, KaarTech



Mr Prashanth Subramanian
BSc App.Sc. 1993-96
Co-Founder & Director
Quadrasytems.net



Mr Sankar Thiagasamudran
BE EEE SW 1994-99
Co-Founder & CEO, Audeze

Special Recognition



Mr M D Venkataraman (Ambi)
BE Mech 1964-69 | Founder EMDI Europe S.A.

புலனப் பொலிவு



ஒவியமும் காவியமும்:
கல்விடை நீலகண்டன்
இயந்திரவியல் (1979)

விதை

பூ சா கோ. என்று ஒரு குடும்பம்
பூமிக்கு கிடைய வரம்
ஐந்தில் ஒரு பங்கு
அற்புதமாய் வார்த்தை பாங்கு

ஆரம்பித்த அறக்கட்டளை
அழகாய்த் தொடர் நூற்றாண்டு
இன்னும் பல நூற்றாண்டு
இனிதே செல்லும் நினைவுண்டு

விருட்சம்

தொடங்கப்பட்ட தொழில் கல்லூரி
தொன்மை சிறப்பு கல்லூரி
எழுச்சி மிகு 75 ஆண்டு
என்றும் முதன்மை அறக்குண்டு

அனைத்து தரப்பு மாணாக்கரையும்
அரவணக்கம் அன்பு அழகு
ஆற்றல் பெரும் அவர்கள்
அவனியில் சிறந்த நபர்கள்

விழுதுகள்

குருகுல வாசம் அன்று
குதிரை விடுதி இன்று
ஒன்றாய் கூடி இருந்தோம்
நன்றாய் கற்று மலர்ந்தோம்

செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவில் PSG
செயற்கை கோளில் PSG
எல்லாத் துறைகளிலும் PSG
என்றும் தனி முத்திரை PSG

PSG மாணவர்கள் – எதையும்
பிரித்து மேய்வார்கள்
நேற்று இன்றல்ல
நாளையும் நமதே என்பார்கள்

நட்பு.. நாளைய விதை

உலகம் விரிந்த நேசம்
ஒன்றாய் கூடும் பாசம்
ஒரு போதும் குறையா நட்பு
ஒளி வீசும் உன்னத பண்பு

வாழிய PSG
வாழிய PSG TECH
வாழிய நம் உறவு
வாழ்வோம்
வளம் பெருக்குவோம்



75 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE | ONE PSG FAMILY | A LEGACY FOR GENERATIONS

CAN YOU CRACK IT?

1. What has hands but cannot clap?
2. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?

PSG TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CHENNAI CHAPTER'S FAMILY GET TOGETHER (FGT) 2026

FGT 2026 – One Day, 130 Smiles, Unlimited Laughter

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter's Family Get Together (FGT) 2026, held on 25 January 2026 at Blue Lagoon Resort, Chennai, was a memorable celebration of friendship, family, and the PSGian spirit. With 70+ alumni registrations and around 130 participants, including families and children, it was the largest FGT in recent years. The day began with warm reunions and introductions, followed by games, laughter, music, dance, and plenty of togetherness.

Fun, Games & Unforgettable Moments

The tug of war and children's games brought tremendous energy, while the musical chairs created excitement and laughter. A memorable finale saw a 74-year-old alumnus competing against a 6-year-old child. The women's "Tug of the Century" between mothers-in-law and daughters-in-law ended with the mothers-in-law emerging victorious! The 130-member group photograph and the ever-popular selfie stand added to the fun, capturing family moments, batch reunions, and lasting memories.

Young Minds, Big Ideas

The FGT provided a platform for alumni entrepreneurs to showcase their ventures. D.I.Y.A Labs, promoted by Mr. Udhay Sankar (2014, Instrumentation & Control Systems), showcased engaging robotic models and automobiles. SS Native City, promoted by Ms. S. Swetha (2022, Diploma in Apparel Technology), delighted participants with its homemade sweets and savouries. Both sponsors were felicitated by the Chapter.

A Special Gesture of Support

Mr. N. Chandrasekaran (1966, Mechanical Engineering) generously sponsored the event, enabling the first FGT conducted with no expense to the Chapter accounts—a remarkable gesture reflecting the spirit of giving back.

An Evening of Talent & Celebration

The celebrations continued with songs, dances, mimicry, a Rajini-style performance, and special presentations by children and alumni. The evening concluded on a joyful note, celebrating the talent, friendship, and family spirit of the PSGian community.



The strength of our PSGian community lies in the enduring bonds we share across generations. Let us stay connected, participate actively, and use our collective experience to mentor, inspire, and create meaningful impact for our Alma Mater, society, and future generations

Mr. Neelakantan V. (Batch of 1979)





வானம் பொய்த்தது | மனம் மகிழ்ந்தது | ஒன்றாய் கூடினோம் | நன்றாய் கொண்டாடினோம் !

The Dindigul District Administration, in association with the Prof. S. S. Nagarajan Science Foundation, organized the Science, Technology & Startup Innovation Fest 2026 from 28 January to 3 February 2026—a pioneering initiative conducted for the first time in Tamil Nadu to bring science, technology, innovation, and entrepreneurship together on a common platform. The festival provided a vibrant platform for students, innovators, startups, academicians, and industry leaders to showcase ideas, explore emerging technologies, exchange knowledge, and inspire the next generation of innovators. A proud moment for the PSG Tech Alumni community was the participation of Thiru. Maran Nagarajan, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), KaarTech, and a member of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter. His presence and industry insights added valuable perspective to the event, reinforcing the importance of connecting education, technology, industry, and entrepreneurship. The landmark initiative reflects the growing spirit of innovation and technology-led development and provides an encouraging platform for young minds to transform ideas into impactful solutions for society and the nation.

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3. A family has 2 fathers and 2 sons, but there are only 3 people in the family. How is this possible?

4. One chicken lay one egg a day. How many eggs will 5 chickens lay in 5 days?

ALUMNI WALKATHON 2026 - FITNESS & FELLOWSHIP

Fitness and fellowship came together at the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter's Alumni Walkathon 2026. Alumni from multiple batches, along with families and friends, participated enthusiastically, promoting healthy living, camaraderie, and stronger PSGian connections.

WALKATHON 2026 - WALKING TOGETHER, CONNECTING STRONGER

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter stepped into the new year with energy and enthusiasm through Walkathon 2026, held on 1 March 2026 at Manapakkam, Chennai. More than 100 PSG Tech alumni, family members, and friends came together for a refreshing morning of fitness, fellowship, and fun. The lively Manapakkam trail was filled with energetic strides, cheerful conversations, laughter, and warm reunions. The Walkathon was more than a fitness activity—it was an opportunity to reconnect with old friends, build new relationships, and celebrate the vibrant spirit of the PSG alumni community.



The morning concluded with a hearty breakfast, giving participants the perfect opportunity to continue their conversations and enjoy each other's company.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - CELEBRATING WOMEN PSGIAN

Nimirdha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai
நிமிர்த்த நன்னடை, நேர்கண்டா பார்வை

14TH MARCH SATURDAY 6:30 PM ONLINE

REGISTER NOW

Kinuthika Chidambaram
1992 BSc Eng Sci
Tamil Nadu, Chennai, India
Chancellor of PSG Institute of Design & Technology

REGISTER NOW

Nimirdha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai
நிமிர்த்த நன்னடை, நேர்கண்டா பார்வை

14TH MARCH SATURDAY 6:30 PM ONLINE

REGISTER NOW

Archana Thiagarajan
1998 BSc Eng Sci
Tamil Nadu, Chennai, India
Senior Lecturer, PSG Institute of Design & Technology

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14TH MARCH SATURDAY 6:30 PM ONLINE

REGISTER NOW

Vidya Chendil
1992 BSc Eng Sci
Tamil Nadu, Chennai, India
Senior Lecturer, PSG Institute of Design & Technology

REGISTER NOW

Nimirdha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai
நிமிர்த்த நன்னடை, நேர்கண்டா பார்வை

14TH MARCH SATURDAY 6:30 PM ONLINE

REGISTER NOW

Umadevi Jayaprakash
1992 BSc Eng Sci
Tamil Nadu, Chennai, India
Senior Lecturer, PSG Institute of Design & Technology

REGISTER NOW

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter celebrated International Women's Day by recognising the achievements, journeys, and contributions of women PSGians across industry, academia, entrepreneurship, defence, technology, and social impact. The programme was coordinated by Mr. Sandeep Balekai, Ms. Asha J., and Mr. Prasanna Parthasarathy, and highlighted leadership, innovation, mentorship, work-life balance, resilience, self-discovery, and emerging opportunities for women engineers, inspiring the next generation of women professionals.



CAN YOU CRACK IT?

- What gets wetter the more it dries?
- What has many keys but cannot open a single lock?

NIMIRNDHA NANNADAI, NERKONDA PAARVAI

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WEBINAR – MARCH 14, 2026

International Women's Day – Nimirndha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai

In celebration of International Women's Day, the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter organised a special online webinar, "Nimirndha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai," on 14 March 2026, with 150+ alumni and participants from the wider community. Inspired by the Tamil expression symbolising dignity, courage, confidence, and clarity of vision, the webinar explored women's empowerment, leadership, resilience, self-discovery, and purposeful living. Coordinated by Mr. Sandeep Balekai, Mr. Prasanna Parthasarathy, and Ms. Asha J., the programme featured an accomplished panel of women achievers from defence, sports, education, IT, literature, entrepreneurship, and community leadership, making it an inspiring celebration of women and their diverse journeys.

INSPIRING VOICES

Sqn. Ldr. Archana Thiagarajan (Retd.)

An Indian Air Force veteran, national-level swimmer, and record-holding freediver, Sqn. Ldr. Archana Thiagarajan represents an extraordinary combination of discipline, resilience, and determination. A PSG College of Technology alumna, she served in the Indian Air Force for over a decade before pursuing her passion for freediving. She has won over 400 medals in swimming, holds all eight Indian national freediving records, and is recognized as India's deepest female freediver. She is also a certified yoga instructor, integrating breath, mindfulness, and performance into her journey. During the webinar, she shared her remarkable transition from the structured life of the armed forces to the depths of the ocean, highlighting the importance of mental strength, focus, discipline, self-belief, and continuous self-discovery in pushing beyond perceived limits.



Ms. Vidhya Chendhil

With over three decades of experience in education, Ms. Vidhya Chendhil is the Managing Director of Rajendra Institutions and Agastya Academy. An engineering graduate from PSG College of Technology and an All-India Gold Medalist in B.Ed., she has dedicated her career to creating holistic learning environments, particularly for rural and first-generation learners. Her work integrates academics, sports, sustainability, and teacher development, reflecting her commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals. During the session, she shared her perspectives on education as a powerful instrument of empowerment, emphasizing inclusive growth, nurturing potential, and creating strong foundations for future generations.



Ms. Kiruthika Chidambaram

A Senior IT Project Manager based in Singapore and a 1992 alumna of PSG College of Technology, Ms. Kiruthika Chidambaram exemplifies the spirit of pursuing excellence across multiple domains. Beyond her professional career, she is a published Tamil author, theatre artist, and community leader, actively mentoring young writers. She also serves as the President of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Singapore Chapter. Her journey reflects the successful balance of professional excellence with literature, arts, sports, and community engagement. During the webinar, she shared her experiences of embracing diverse opportunities, pursuing multiple passions, continuously learning, and evolving with confidence and curiosity.



Ms. Umadevi Jeyaprakash

An IT professional-turned-entrepreneur, Ms. Umadevi Jeyaprakash is the Founder and CEO of Books4Lending Library Services, an initiative dedicated to fostering a culture of reading within organizations. Combining her professional background in IT with her passion for books, she has built a platform providing curated access to more than 30,000 titles for employees and their families. During the session, she spoke about her entrepreneurial journey and the transformative power of reading. She emphasized how reading can broaden perspectives, enhance well-being, encourage creativity, and foster a culture of lifelong learning. A Celebration of Courage, Confidence and Purpose Although each speaker came from a distinctly different professional and personal journey, their stories carried a common message—stand tall, embrace your individuality, overcome challenges, and pursue your aspirations with courage and clarity



The enthusiastic participation of 150+ alumni and community members made the online webinar a memorable International Women's Day celebration for the Chennai Chapter. The programme demonstrated the power of shared experiences and meaningful conversations, inspiring individuals to look beyond conventional boundaries. The session concluded with a renewed sense of inspiration, encouraging participants to carry the essence of "Nimirndha Nannadai, Nerkonda Paarvai" into their own lives—to walk with confidence, face challenges with courage, and lead with purpose. A celebration of inspiring journeys, powerful voices, and women who continue to create change with courage and conviction.



The Chennai Chapter is a vibrant family where alumni across generations come together to celebrate, connect, exchange ideas, and create lasting memories. Every programme reflects the enthusiasm and commitment of our members. Let us continue to build an inclusive, welcoming, and stronger community through greater participation, friendship, and collaboration

Ms. Asha J. (Batch of 1987)

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Alumni Spotlight – Inspiring Journeys, Lasting Impact

This quarter, we celebrate distinguished PSG Tech alumni whose education, expertise, and values have shaped impactful careers across manufacturing, technology, healthcare, entrepreneurship, and public service. Their achievements embody the PSGian spirit of excellence, leadership, innovation, and service, inspiring students and fellow alumni to dream bigger, lead with purpose, and create meaningful impact.

Alumni Achievements

From industry leadership and entrepreneurship to public service and social impact, our alumni continue to make their mark across diverse fields. Their accomplishments are a testament to the strong foundation provided by PSG Tech and the limitless possibilities that follow.

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT | TWO PATENTS TO HIS CREDIT

Mr. P. Shanmugam, 2004

Senior R&D Manager, Fuller Technologies (formerly FLSmidth Cement)

The Chennai Chapter proudly celebrates Mr. P. Shanmugam (2004) for achieving a significant milestone in innovation with two patents in the field of industrial equipment and sustainable engineering.

Patent 1 – Method and Apparatus for Recycling Composite Mill Liners

This invention presents an optimized method for recycling worn-out composite mill liners by efficiently separating the composite material into its metal and rubber components, enabling their potential reuse. The invention also includes a mobile apparatus designed to carry out the recycling process efficiently.

Patent 2 – A Drain Gate Assembly

This invention introduces an improved drain gate mechanism for controlling material discharge in processing systems, including fluidized-bed systems used for fuel processing through combustion or pyrolysis.

These innovations demonstrate Mr. Shanmugam's contribution to sustainable engineering, industrial equipment design, and process improvement. His achievements exemplify the PSGian spirit of applying engineering knowledge to solve real-world industrial challenges.

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter congratulates Mr. P. Shanmugam on this remarkable achievement and wishes him continued success in innovation and R&D.



ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT | BRIDGING INDUSTRY, ACADEMIA & THE FUTURE

Ms. M. F. Febin, 1992 & 1994

Head – L&T EduTech

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter proudly congratulates Ms. M. F. Febin, Head – L&T EduTech, Larsen & Toubro Limited, for her outstanding contribution to industry-academia collaboration and nation-building through education and skilling. Every career leap is an opportunity to grow and inspire. M.F. Febin, Head – L&T EduTech, shares how stepping outside her comfort zone allowed her to lead major projects, drive organizational impact, and pave the way for other women. A proud PSG Tech alumna, Ms. Febin began her L&T journey in 1994 as the company's first woman Post Graduate Engineer Trainee in Civil Engineering. Over three decades, she has built an exemplary career spanning engineering, innovation, defence construction, and strategic leadership. Her contribution to the HITEX Exhibition Centre earned her a design patent and national recognition. Under her leadership, L&T EduTech has grown to 2,500+ programmes, 85+ institutional partnerships, and over 3 lakh learners, creating stronger connections between industry requirements and academic learning. Her leadership has been recognized with several prestigious honours, including the Women Engineer Award, L&T Success Story Award, Prof. Indira Parikh Award for Influential Women in Education Leadership, Women EduTech Leader of the Year, and Women Leadership Award. She was also recently felicitated by PSG College of Technology for her contributions to the alumni community and industry. Today, she continues to contribute to nation-building through specialized skilling initiatives, including PG Diploma programmes in Semiconductor Manufacturing with IIT Bombay and Industrial Safety programmes in collaboration with NEBOSH. From breaking barriers as a young engineer to



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ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT | PSG TECH ALUMNUS HONORED AS BEST DISTRICT COLLECTOR

Thiru S. Dinesh Kumar, IAS | 2008

District Collector Krishnagiri

A proud moment for the PSG Tech community: Thiru S. Dinesh Kumar, IAS, District Collector, Krishnagiri, has been selected by the Government of Tamil Nadu for the Best District Collector Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the welfare and empowerment of persons with disabilities. A 2008 B.E. Mechanical Engineering alumnus of PSG College of Technology, Thiru S. Dinesh Kumar, will receive a 10-gram gold medal, ₹25,000 cash prize, and a certificate at the District Collectors' Conference. His achievement is a testament to the values of leadership, service, and social responsibility nurtured at PSG Tech. The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter extends its heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Thiru S. Dinesh Kumar,



ALUMNI WOMEN ACHIEVER | MS. DIVYA SEETHAPATHY

Ms. Divya Seethapathy | 2006

Director – Global Supply Chain

A proud moment for PSG College of Technology as distinguished alumna Ms. Divya Seethapathy (B.E. Production Engineering, 2002–2006), Director – Global Supply Chain, Schneider Electric, participated in the Alumni Women Achievers Programme on 9 January 2026 during the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Her inspiring journey of leadership, perseverance, and continuous learning offered valuable insights to students and young women engineers. PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter congratulates Ms. Divya Seethapathy on her



ALUMNI ACHIEVER | MR. MARAN NAGARAJAN SCALING KAARTECH THROUGH AI-LED TRANSFORMATION

Mr. Maran Nagarajan | 1994

Chairman & CEO, KaarTech

A proud moment for the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter as Mr. Maran Nagarajan, Chairman & CEO, KaarTech, (1994, PSG Tech), was featured on CNBC-TV18's Smart Street on 20 March 2026, sharing KaarTech's growth journey and its vision for the next phase of digital transformation. KaarTech has recorded an impressive ~45% compounded growth over the past six years, driven by strong demand for digital transformation in the SAP ecosystem and its expanding presence across North America and Europe. Following its recent US\$11 million Series B funding, led by Playbook Partners, the company is targeting approximately 30% growth, with a sharper focus on profitability. Speaking to CNBC-TV18, Maran outlined KaarTech's next phase of evolution—from traditional ERP transformation towards an AI-led "enterprise operating system". The new funding will also support strategic acquisitions in data engineering and analytics, with potential deals expected to contribute an additional US\$20–30 million in revenue. Maran's journey reflects the PSGian spirit of entrepreneurship, technology leadership, resilience, and innovation. His leadership continues to position KaarTech as a significant player in the rapidly evolving enterprise technology landscape. The Chennai Chapter proudly congratulates Maran Nagarajan and the KaarTech leadership team on these milestones and wishes them continued success in their next phase of growth. From PSG Tech to shaping the future of enterprise technology—another PSGian journey making an impact.



CAN YOU CRACK IT?

5. What has a neck but no head?
6. What can travel around the world while staying in one corner?

ALUMNI ACHIEVER | THE POWER OF THE PSG ALMA MATER : WHEN TRUST CREATES OPPORTUNITY

Mr. Senthil Raja Sennimalai

Mr. Senthil Raja Sennimalai, TEDx Speaker, Author, Chairman & CEO of Namma Office, shares an inspiring story of how the PSGian network can turn trust into opportunity. While building NammaOffice, a Tier-2 city-focused coworking ecosystem, Senthil approached fellow alumnus Mr. Vimalan Paramasivam to pilot the concept at his Salem property. Instead of simply offering space, Vimalan extended trust and time, allowing the venture to validate its model without financial commitment. The result was remarkable—75% of the space was pre-booked within 30 days, leading to a formal lease and becoming a strong foundation for NammaOffice's growth across 6+ cities and nearly 3 lakh sq. ft. As Senthil aptly reflects, "It was never just about square feet. It was about honouring belief." A powerful reminder of the PSGian bond—where trust, support, and shared values create opportunities and lasting impact.



YOUNG ALUMNI HONOURS – CELEBRATING EMERGING PSGIAN ACHIEVERS

The PSG Tech Platinum Jubilee Celebrations proudly recognized the achievements of its young alumni through the Young Alumni Awards, celebrating professionals who are making a meaningful impact in their respective fields. Adding to the pride of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter, two of its young alumni, Ms. Swetha and Mr. Naveenraj, were among those honoured during the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Their recognition reflects the talent, determination, and excellence of the younger generation of PSGians and highlights the Chennai Chapter's growing contribution to nurturing and celebrating emerging alumni achievers. The Chennai Chapter extends its heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Swetha and Mr. Naveenraj and wishes them continued success in the years ahead. Our alumni's commitment to social change is as strong as their professional achievements. Ultimates Care Trust, Yogavanam, Karam Kaappom Foundation, Unnadham Trust and Kalvi40 School Solution exemplify the PSGian spirit of compassion, service, and giving back to society.

PSG TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

YOUNG ALUMNI AWARDEES - 2026

10th JANUARY 2026

 Mr. PRADEEP S K (B.E. Instrumentation and Control Engineering 2004) Deputy Commissioner Indian Coast Guard, New Delhi	 Mr. YASANTH MESHACH J (B.Tech. Data Science 2008) Deputy Director Indian Information Services (IIS), New Delhi	 Ms. SHANMUGAPRIYA V (B.Tech. Information Technology 2016) Engagement Manager PWC India, Bengaluru	 Ms. PRIYA DHARSHINI S (B.Tech. Bio Technology 2016) Professor Indian Forest Service, Government of India
 Ms. ABIRAMI BABU (B.E. Mechanical Engineering 2015) Entrepreneur Orthopedic Private Ltd, Coimbatore	 Ms. DURGAMIKA VENKATESHRAM (B.Sc. Applied Science 2017) Researcher IFT Madras, Chennai	 Dr. ELAYENIL GANESAN (B.Sc. Applied Science 2017) Post Doctoral Researcher Aix-Marseille University, France	 Ms. GAYATRI ANITA NAIR (M.Sc. Theoretical Computer Science 2017) Project Leader Boston Consulting Group, UK
 Dr. VAISHALI SRINIVASAN (M.Sc. Theoretical Computer Science 2015) Associate Professor University of California Santa Cruz, USA	 Mr. YOGESHWARAN S (B.E. Mechanical Engineering 2015) Engineering Officer Indian Air Force, Bangalore	 Ms. SATHIKA B (Diploma in Electronics and Communication Engineering 2015) Proprietor The Cake Box, Coimbatore	 Mr. KARTHIK R (Diploma in Family Technology 2015) Engineer Brokers India Private Limited, Coimbatore
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The success of an alumni association is measured not only by its events, but by the relationships it nurtures and the connections it creates. Every interaction provides an opportunity to reconnect, learn, and grow together. I encourage every alumnus to actively participate and share your ideas, experiences, and expertise. Together, let us **CONNECT • NETWORK • FLOURISH • ENJOY** and strengthen the enduring PSGian bond.

- Mr. Janak Rajan C. (Batch of 1978)

ALUMNI SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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Karam Kaappom Foundation – Art with Social Impact

The Karam Kaappom Foundation, led by Mr. Shiva Kumar, reflects the PSGian spirit of giving back through art, community engagement, and social service. The Foundation has completed 95+ mural projects, transforming nearly 148,492 sq. ft. of public spaces into vibrant expressions of hope, creativity, and community spirit



Unnadham Trust – Care with Dignity

Established in 2022 by B. N. Sandeep (1987, Textile Technology), Dr. Guhapriya, and Sangeetha (1991, Civil Engineering), Unnadham Trust grew from volunteer efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Trust provides safe, dignified care for senior citizens without family support, including regular medical check-ups and specialized treatment. Its initiatives have included cataract surgeries, kidney stone treatment, and other essential healthcare support.



The Gift of Life – Blood Donation

The PSGian spirit of service shines through the selfless contributions of our alumni. Mr. Manish Ramakrishnan (1987) has donated blood 72 times, setting an inspiring example of compassion and community service. Joining him are fellow alumni Mr. Theliban Aravindan (2019) and Mr. Saravanan Seran (2010), who actively contribute to blood donation initiatives. Their commitment reminds us that the PSGian legacy extends beyond professional excellence—to giving back, caring for others, and saving lives. Three Alumni. One Purpose. Countless Lives Impacted.



Green Revolution – Growing a Culture of Care

The PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter proudly highlights the green initiative led by Ms. Prema Bai, promoting environmental responsibility and community participation. The initiative encouraged participants to nurture plants with care, ownership, and a sense of belonging. As promised, seed packets were distributed and enthusiastically received, inspiring everyone to grow them into healthy plants and contribute to a greener tomorrow. Small seeds. Shared responsibility. Greener communities. A lasting impact



THINK TWICE!

7. Which month has 28 days?
8. If you overtake the person in second place in a race, what position are you in?

SPONSOR CORNER

FGT 2026 Sponsor – D.I.Y.A Labs

Do It Yourself Academy (D.I.Y.A) Labs is a future-tech education company focused on making students ready through hands-on learning. Since 2013, D.I.Y.A has been empowering school and college students through Robotics, AI, Coding, 3D Printing, IoT, App Development, Game Design, Cyber Security, and Data Analytics. With Made-in-India robotic kits, industry-oriented curricula, and its proprietary TechXploration (TXI) pedagogy, D.I.Y.A combines practical learning, design thinking, and real-world problem-solving. With a presence across major Indian cities and collaborations in 10+ countries, D.I.Y.A continues to nurture creativity, innovation, critical thinking, and 21st-century skills among young learners.



FGT 2026 Sponsor – SS Nativecity

Ms. S. Swetha, a 2022 Batch alumna of Diploma in Apparel Technology, founder of SS Nativecity, supported the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter's Family Get Together (FGT) 2026 with a sponsorship of ₹10,000. SS Nativecity specializes in homemade and handmade food products, offering authentic native foods crafted with purity, tradition, and trust. The Chennai Chapter sincerely appreciates Ms. Swetha for her generous support and for contributing to the success of FGT 2026.



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REMEMBERING A TRUE PSGIAN – MR. THARAKARAM (1974)

A Life of Participation, Fitness and Fellowship

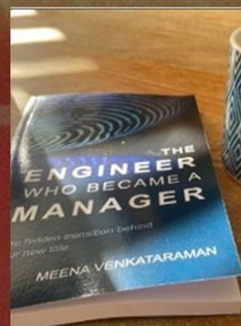
Mr. Tharakaram (1974 batch) was a familiar and much-loved presence at the activities of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter. His involvement went far beyond simply attending events—he actively participated in and supported the organisation of Chapter programmes, bringing enthusiasm and warmth to every gathering. A regular participant in family get-togethers, fitness programmes, runs, and games, he never hesitated to join the younger generation on the field. From taking part in a sack race to competing in musical chairs, his cheerful participation made events livelier and more enjoyable for both young and old. After graduating from PSG Tech in 1974, Mr. Tharakaram joined the Directorate General of Quality Assurance (DGQA), Ministry of Defence, and retired as a Director. Known for his simplicity, friendliness, and warm nature, he earned the affection and respect of fellow alumni. His journey reminds us that being an alumnus is not merely about belonging to a batch—it is about staying connected, participating wholeheartedly, keeping fit, and inspiring others through one's presence and spirit. Mr. Tharakaram truly embodied the PSGian spirit: Stay connected. Stay active. Keep inspiring.



PUBLICATIONS BY ALUMNI

From Engineer to Author – Ms. Meena Venkataraman, 2003

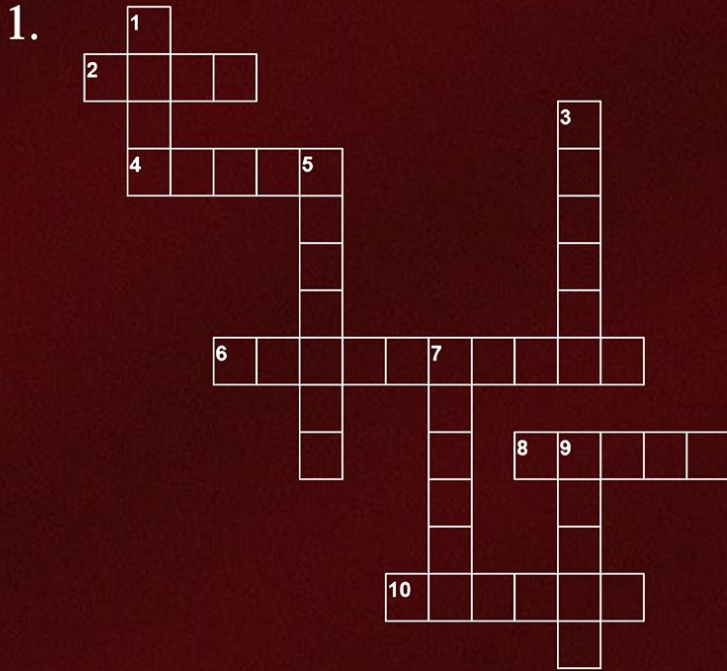
We are proud to spotlight Ms. Meena Venkataraman (B.E. Information Technology, 2003), a PSG Tech alumna based in Chennai/UK, on the publication of her book, *The Engineer Who Became a Manager: The Hidden Transition Behind Your New Title*. The book explores “Leadership DNA” and offers practical insights for professionals transitioning from individual contributors to leadership roles, encouraging authentic and purposeful leadership. Congratulations, Meena, on this remarkable achievement! We wish you continued success in inspiring the next generation of leaders.



CAN YOU CRACK IT?

7. What has one eye but cannot see?
8. What goes up but never comes down?

FUN ACTIVITIES : LET'S PLAY !



ACROSS

2. Joining two metal pieces by fusion
4. Automated machine that competes in a popular campus tech-fest event
6. City in Tamil Nadu where PSG Tech is located
8. Machine tool that rotates a workpiece for cutting/shaping
10. Reciprocating component inside an engine cylinder

DOWN

1. Toothed wheel used to transmit rotary motion
3. Device that detects and responds to physical input
5. Industry that gave Coimbatore its 'Manchester of South India' nickname
7. Former students of an institution, collectively
9. Mixture of two or more metallic elements, e.g. steel

2.

SPOT THE 7 DIFFERENCES!

Can you find all 7 differences between the two pictures?

CHALLENGE YOUR MIND!
Share with your friends and see who spots them all first!

DIFFERENCES TO FIND:

1. Birds
2. Dome on the clock tower
3. Clock time
4. Lamp post
5. Sign board year
6. Flower colors
7. Road curb color

3.

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The strength of our PSGian community lies in the enduring bonds we share across generations. Let us stay connected, participate actively, and use our collective experience to mentor, inspire, and create meaningful impact for our Alma Mater, society, and future generations

Mr. Neelakantan V. (Batch of 1979)

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THINK TWICE!

9. A plane crashes on the border between India and Sri Lanka. Where do they bury the survivors?
10. You enter a dark room with a candle, a lamp and a fireplace. You have one match. What do you light first?

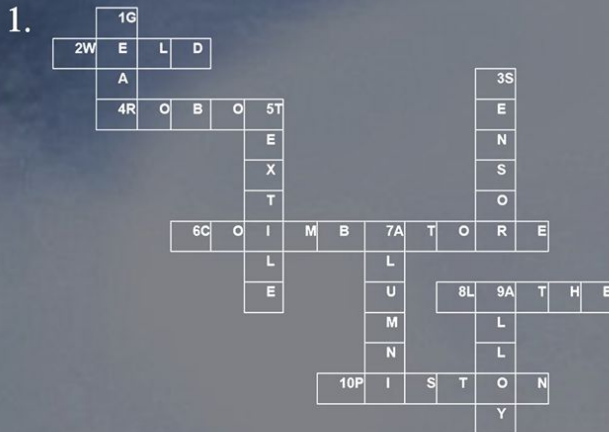
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CAN YOU CRACK IT?

9. What has four wheels and flies?
10. What comes down but never goes up?

ANSWER KEY



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12	8	2	10	4	6
6	4	10	12	2	8

THINK TWICE!

1. The Apple Puzzle

A basket contains 5 apples. Five people each take one apple, but one apple is still left in the basket. How?

Answer: The last person takes the apple along with the basket!

2. The Candle Puzzle

10 candles are burning in a room. Two of them go out. How many candles will be left in the morning? Answer: 2 | The other 8 will burn out completely.

3. The Family Puzzle

A family has 2 fathers and 2 sons, but there are only 3 people in the family. How is this possible? Answer: They are a grandfather, a father, and a son. | The grandfather and father are fathers, while the father and son are sons.

4. The Chicken Puzzle

One chicken lay one egg a day. How many eggs will 5 chickens lay in 5 days? Answer: 25 eggs | 5 chickens × 5 days × 1 egg = 25.

5. The Car Puzzle

A person is driving a car. Without turning left or right, he reaches his home within a few minutes. How? Answer: He is driving straight toward his home!

6. Farmer and Sheep

A farmer has 17 sheep. All but 9 run away. How many are left? Answer: 9 | Explanation: "All but 9" means all except 9 ran away. Therefore, 9 sheep remained.

7. Which Month Has 28 Days?

Answer: All 12 months! | Explanation: Every month has at least 28 days. February has exactly 28 days in a normal year, but all the other months also contain 28 days.

8. Overtaking the Second Person

If you overtake the person in second place in a race, what position are you in? Answer: Second place | Explanation: When you overtake the person who is in second place, you take their position. You are now second, not first.

9. Plane Crash

A plane crashes on the border between India and Sri Lanka. Where do they bury the survivors? Answer: Nowhere! Explanation: The key word is "survivors." Survivors are alive, so they are not buried.

10. One Match

You enter a dark room with a candle, a lamp and a fireplace. You have one match. What do you light first? Answer: The match | Explanation: Before you can light the candle, lamp or fireplace, you need to light the match first.

CAN YOU CRACK IT?

1. What has hands but cannot clap?

Answer: A clock

2. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?

Answer: A clock

3. What gets wetter the more it dries?

Answer: A towel

4. What has many keys but cannot open a single lock?

Answer: A piano

5. What has a neck but no head?

Answer: A bottle

6. What can travel around the world while staying in one corner?

Answer: A stamp

7. What has one eye but cannot see?

Answer: A needle

8. What goes up but never comes down?

Answer: Your age

9. What has four wheels and flies?

Answer: A garbage truck!

10. What comes down but never goes up?

Answer: Rain



The Chennai Chapter is a vibrant family where alumni across generations come together to celebrate, connect, exchange ideas, and create lasting memories. Every programme reflects the enthusiasm and commitment of our members. Let us continue to build an inclusive, welcoming, and stronger community through greater participation, friendship, and collaboration

Ms. Asha J. (Batch of 1987)

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It gives us immense pleasure to present this edition of the PSG Tech Alumni Association – Chennai Chapter Newsletter, bringing together the events, achievements, initiatives, and inspiring stories that have shaped our alumni community.

The past few months have been a vibrant journey of reconnection, knowledge sharing, social responsibility, professional networking, and celebration. From the Platinum Jubilee celebrations and alumni gatherings to industry-academia initiatives, social impact programmes, and remarkable achievements of our fellow PSGians, each story reflects the enduring spirit of our Alma Mater.

This newsletter is more than a record of events—it is a celebration of the people and values that keep the PSGian bond alive. We hope these pages inspire more alumni to reconnect, participate, share their experiences, and contribute to the growth of our community.

We sincerely thank all alumni, volunteers, contributors, and well-wishers whose enthusiasm and support continue to strengthen the Chennai Chapter.

Let us continue to connect across generations, celebrate one another's achievements, give back to society, and carry the PSG legacy forward with pride.

