

Pisharody. The centre was established just opposite the Dental College at the right side of the main entrance of TMC. This air-conditioned building has 800 sq. ft. floor area and presently houses the Patients Information Centre and Death Registration section of Trivandrum Corporation. This Centre provides necessary information to patients and bystanders regarding details of outpatient clinics, condition of inpatients, location of various labs and departments and so on, thereby closing a great lacuna inside the Medical College Hospital inpatient service. The total cost of this centre was Rs. 20 lakhs and it was inaugurated by the then Hon'ble Minister of Health, Smt. P.K. Sreemathy in December, 2008. Recently, we conducted the maintenance work of the building by changing the roof and electrical parts by spending nearly Rs. 2 lakhs.



Learning Resource Centre (LRC):

The concept of starting LRC at Trivandrum Medical College was put forward by AKMG in the year 2004. Dr. Narendra R. Kumar was the president of AKMG during that time. A portion of the Central Library in TMC was modified to accommodate the LRC which occupies an area of 1200 sq. ft. This air-conditioned space houses 16 computer outlets with adjoining office and a board room for the use of students and staff. The users can browse the internet and download e-journals and e-text books.

In addition, it has a small conference room and also provides the facility to take photostats and related services which helps in the thesis preparation of postgraduate medical students. This project was established with the help of CDAC, Trivandrum at a cost of Rs. 100 lakhs spent by AKMG, USA. This centre was inaugurated in the year 2002 by the then Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri. A.K. Antony. The centre at present is maintained by our Alumni Association and has 3 permanent staff in LRC, who with the regular staff of Central Library is managing the Centre exceptionally well.

Modernisation of Old Auditorium

The next major project the Alumni Association undertook was the renovation of the old auditorium at a cost of Rs. 150 lakhs in two stages. The old auditorium was converted to a modern airconditioned convention hall with digital equipments and modern sound system. This renovated auditorium was reopened by Sri. Vayalar Ravi, Hon'ble Central Minister during the Annual Conference of 2009. Even today, the auditorium where we once took the Hippocrates Oath remains as one of the most beautiful halls inside the campus. The auditorium is also maintained by the alumni association.

Burns ICU

We are sure that the senior Alumni of TMC would remember the pathetic situation of burns patients, particularly the female patients, who were all kept in the surgical general wards even when they had severe burns. With the help of our 1974 MBBS batch, we have converted a part of ward 19 into a modern air-conditioned BURNS ICU. We provided nursing and attending staff for the ward in the initial period and now it is managed directly by the government. The cost of this project was 5 lakhs.

Renovation of Lecture Halls

After repeated requests from the students and the government, we renovated four lecture halls and made them air-conditioned digital class rooms. We are extremely happy that the full cost of renovation of Anatomy lecture hall (15 lakhs) was taken care of by Dr. Narendra R. Kumar, former president of AKMG. The renovation of Biochemistry lecture hall was supported by the members of 1964 batch. The cost of Physiology lecture hall renovation was the contribution of Dr. Mohammed Majeed, CMD of Sami Labs (1967 BPharm). Unfortunately, Dr. Majeed, a strong supporter of alumni association and the alma mater, passed away three months ago. The cost of these renovations came to about 15 to 20 lakhs for each lecture hall.

Masterplan Implementation and Campus Beautification

As part of the beautification of the campus, the Alumni Association has converted the front area of the new casualty building and the adjacent area of the Diamond Jubilee