



patients seeking treatment at the SAT Hospital, Trivandrum. Our aim is to provide individually optimised, multidisciplinary treatment and care, thereby alleviating the burden for both the patient and caregivers. Right now, the project is run by contributions given by Dr. M.I. Sahadulla (1963 batch), CMD, KIMS Health and Dr. P.S. Thaha (1970 BDS), CMD of PMS Dental College. This is one project which needs continuous financial support from the alumni.

Dr MRS Menon Medical Research foundation

Trivandrum Medical College Alumni Association has formed a research foundation for encouraging and supporting medical research by students, faculty members and alumni. This foundation is named after one of our great teachers, Dr M.R.S Menon. The membership to this foundation is open to all the alumni who are interested in supporting medical research. Dr MKC Nair, former Vice Chancellor of Kerala Health University is the present Chairperson.

Dr. VC Mathew Roy Medical Academy

In memory of Dr. V.C. Mathew Roy, one of the most admired teachers of TMC, the alumni association has launched Dr. VC Mathew Roy Medical Academy. This academy is now coordinating all the academic programs of the alumni association. Under the aegis of this academy, we are conducting regular talks by eminent faculty members and alumni and this is known as Master Class Series. The academy has a goal of providing both online and in-person knowledge-sharing programs. This academy is now chaired by Dr. K.R. Vinayakumar, former Vice Principal and Dean.

As part of the academic programme, we have decided to publish the TMC Journal of Medicine. Dr. S. Vasudevan, former Professor of Urology has been entrusted as the editor of the journal. It would be extremely helpful if members of the AKMG provide articles related to medical research.

Dr. P. K. R. Warriar Social and Literary Academy

TMCAA has established a Literary Corner within the college campus, with the goal of fostering and nurturing the literary talent of the Alumni, the students and faculty members of Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram. As part of this initiative, we have already set up a medical related Book Club at the newly constructed Knowledge Centre which is the contribution of Dr. MP Ravindranath (1958 Batch), USA. We regularly organize book reviews featuring esteemed writers and interested alumni who have a passion for reading and writing. Dr. B. Ekbal, former Vice Chancellor, Kerala University is the chairperson of the academy.

Dr Thankavelu Amenity Centre is the dream project of TMC Alumni association.

It was in 2018 that the state government allotted 28 cents of land to Alumni association, for the purpose of constructing an amenity centre for students, faculty members and alumni. During the pandemic, we could not pursue the plan so as to begin construction, but recently we received the final permit for the 35,000 sq ft 6 storeyed building. We are starting the work by September 2024 and we wish to complete it within 2 years.

It was the unanimous decision that this institution should be named after Prof Dr Thankavelu, the father of Modern Trivandrum Medical College. This centre will accommodate a modern restaurant, health club, 2 conference halls, 12 twin bed rooms, party area, swimming pool and a reading area in addition to India's first Medical History Museum. We wish to form "The TMC Circle" (which will work as a club), the membership of which, we are happy to offer to all the AKMG members irrespective of their medical school. The members of the circle will enjoy a lot of benefits including free rooms, facility access, discount while availing restaurant services and so on. Another attraction of the membership is that it is transferable once to his/ her spouse or children.

Dear friends, we are sure that one's Alma mater had played a significant role in shaping one's personality and destiny. This is why one's Alma mater is considered as his / her second mother.

As we were connected to our mother, inside the womb, by the umbilical cord, the alumni association is to be considered as the umbilical cord through which we all are connected to our second mother, the Alma mater. We need to preserve this great relationship throughout our entire life time to enjoy the blessings of "Guruthuam".

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