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The Government of Gujarat has sanctioned a grant of Rs 1,000 lakh to set up a **Centre of Excellence in Biomedical Engineering** at IITGN. The Centre will focus on research and development in the areas of biomedical engineering, healthcare technology, biochemical engineering, pharmaceuticals, and nanotechnology. The Centre's efforts will focus on the development of low-cost diagnostic techniques and low-cost prosthetic devices for rural areas, and efficient drug delivery techniques. The activities envisioned include the development of relevant technologies, entrepreneurial ventures, promoting industry-academia collaborations and dissemination of knowledge in allied fields.

Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs Centre

A **Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs Centre** is being set up at IITGN with an initial grant of Rs 1.55 crores from the **Department of Information Technology**, **Government of India**. It will provide a platform to the students of the Institute to develop technologies for commercialization for entrepreneurship. The mandate of this Centre resonates with IITGN's vision that its graduates should create jobs rather than seek them.

Government of India establishes Chair at IITGN

The **Ministry of Earth Sciences**, **Government of India** has sanctioned an endowment of Rs 1.5 crore to establish a **Varahamihira MoES Chair** at the Institute in the area of Earth System Science and Engineering (including Earthquake Engineering, Science of Climate Change, and Ocean Science and Technology).

Research on Solar Power Systems get boost

Research in the area of integrating distributed renewable generation into electrical grid being carried out by **Prof. Naran Pindoriya** and his group at IITGN got boost from support provided by **Gujarat Energy Development Agency (GEDA)**, Gandhinagar and **NTT Facilities, Inc., Japan**. Both organizations have provided one 10 kW roof-top solar photovoltaic (PV) system each to the Institute. The GEDA system (44 polyerystalline modules each rated at 230 W) is produced by Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd., India while the NTT Facilities system (64 thin-film modules each rated at 150 W) is made by Solar Frontier, Japan. These PV systems are expected to generate a total of about 30,000 kWh of electricity every year and reduce CO_2 emissions by about 28 tonnes. These systems are already operational and being used for research work of solar PV, and also reduce the energy bills of the Institute. **Underwriters Laboratories, USA** has also shown interest in this research work.

Scholarship support from Neotia Foundation

Shri Suresh Neotia, member of the BoG of IITGN has donated through Neotia Foundation a sum of Rs. 4.5 lakh to support Ph. D. research in the area of Cognitive Science. Shri Neotia was born and raised in Kolkata and hails from a family that has been successful in business for over 100 years. He completed his B. Com. degree from St. Xavier's College, Kolkata and LLB from Kolkata University. He is currently the co-promoter and Chairman of Gujarat Ambuja Cements Ltd.

Nilekani Fund at IIT Gandhinagar

Mr Nandan Nilekani has donated Rs 25 lakh to initiate the Nilekani Fund at IIT Gandhinagar to support initiatives of excellence and pursue areas of high priority at the Institute. Mr Nilekani, a visionary, is an alumnus of IIT Bombay, and currently heads the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) project of the Government of India. A co-founder of NASSCOM and of Infosys Technologies Ltd, Mr Nilekani served as the CEO of Infosys from 2002-2007. In 2006, the Government of India conferred the Padma Bhushan on Mr Nilekani in recognition of his distinguished service to the nation.
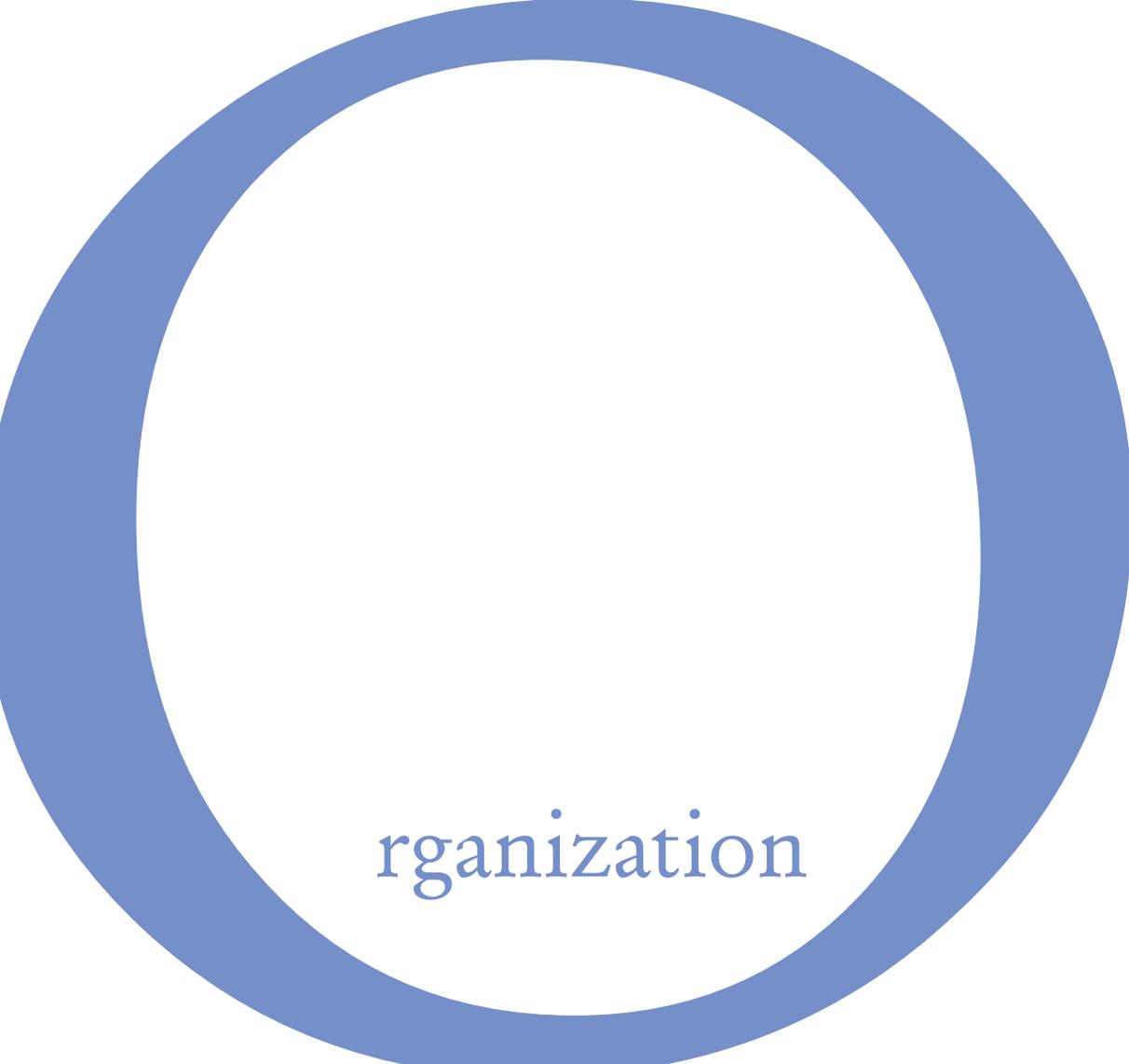
Motwani Fund at IIT Gandhinagar

The Motwani Fund was instituted at IIT Gandhinagar with an initial donation of USD 50,000 thanks to the philanthropic efforts of **Ms Asha Jadeja**, wife of Late **Prof. Rajeev Motwani.** Prof. Motwani was an alumnus of IIT Kanpur and did his Ph. D. at the University of California, Berkeley. As a professor of Computer Science at Stanford University, he carried out pioneering research in the areas of web search, robotics and theoretical computer science. Ms Jadeja, originally from Ahmedabad, did her graduate studies at USC, UC Berkeley, and Stanford University. She is actively involved in philanthropic educational initiatives in India and in the USA. She also mentors many startups in the Bay Area. The Motwani Fund will support excellence and high-priority initiatives at the Institute.

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