

Builders Association of India

Builders Association of India (BAI) is a prestigious association representing the construction industry, dedicated to promoting the interests of builders and contractors and enhancing the standards of the construction industry through various initiatives and collaborations.

College of Engineering Trivandrum (CET) is entered into a **Memorandum of Understanding** at Thiruvananthapuram on **8th of August 2025**. The mutual benefits of collaborating are to enhance the academic and practical knowledge of students, faculty, and technical staff, and to contribute to the growth and development of the construction industry

Objectives

1. To promote collaboration between CET and BAI in the fields of education, research, and industry practices.
2. To facilitate knowledge exchange and capacity building among students, faculty and professionals in the construction industry.
3. To provide opportunities for students to gain practical experience through internships, project work, and industrial training.
4. To encourage joint research projects and consultancy services that address industry challenges and advance the state of knowledge in Civil Engineering.

Areas of Collaboration

1. **Internships and Training:** BAI will provide opportunities for students of the Civil Engineering Department at CET to undertake internships, industrial training, and site visits to gain practical exposure and hands-on experience in the construction industry.

2. Guest Lectures and Workshops: BAI will arrange for industry experts to deliver guest lectures, conduct workshops, and participate in seminars organized by CET to enhance the learning experience of students and faculty.
3. Joint Research and Consultancy: Both parties will collaborate on joint research projects and consultancy services in areas of mutual interest, leveraging their combined expertise to address industry challenges and promote innovation.
4. Curriculum Development: BAI will provide inputs and feedback to CET on the curriculum for Civil Engineering programs to ensure it aligns with industry needs and trends, thereby enhancing the employability of graduates.
5. Technical Events and Competitions: CET and BAI will jointly organize technical events, competitions, and conferences to foster a culture of innovation and excellence among students and professionals.
6. Certification Programs: Organize joint training programs and certification courses to enhance the skills and employability of Civil Engineering professionals.
7. Joint technical Programs: Take efforts in organizing joint conferences, workshops, professional development programs, training programs, Hackathons etc. for the benefit of the research community.
8. Student Projects: BAI may offer the topics for the student projects at the M.Tech level for the students of CET.
9. CET to consult and take approval from BAI before publishing any information derived as part of the joint activities.
10. Training: BAI may offer training programs to the faculty and technical staff of CET.
11. Joint Guidance: Subject to relevant academic regulations, parties will promote co-direction or co-supervision of under graduate project works, master's dissertation works and doctoral researches.
12. Any other project of common interest suggested by either of the two parties.

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Activities

CONCLAVE 3.0 – PANTHEON 11

As part of Pantheon 11, the Department of Civil Engineering, College of Engineering Trivandrum, organized Conclave 3.0 in collaboration with the **Builders Association of India** on 26th September 2025. The conclave aimed to provide a platform for students and faculty members to interact with industry leaders and gain insights into the theme – '*Opportunities and Challenges in Civil Engineering Entrepreneurship.*'



The event was conducted at CGUPU Hall and witnessed active participation from both students and faculty. The conclave commenced around 11:00 AM and concluded at approximately 12:15 PM.



The session was structured to create a bridge between academic learning and real-world applications in civil engineering, particularly focusing on entrepreneurial opportunities, challenges faced by professionals, and the future scope of innovations in the construction industry.



The conclave featured eminent personalities who are alumnus of our prestigious institution and from the civil engineering and construction sectors, shared their expertise and experience with the participants. The distinguished speakers from Builders Association of India were:

Er. Anil S – Structural Consultant, Sarayu Foundation; Former Project Manager, KSUDP (LSGD, GoK)

Er. Varghese Mathew – Founder, Vimson Properties; Current Chairman, Builders Association of India, TVM Chapter

Er. R Murugan – Chairman, PRS Builders; Former National Vice-President, Builders Association of India

Er. Nandakumar K – Chairman, Indian Plumbing Association; Founder, Dream Constructions; Former Chief Engineer, Nirmithi Kendra, Kerala

Er. R Rajesh – Managing Director, Mansions -Narmada Group of Companies; Civil Engineer and Entrepreneur



The conclave highlighted the dynamic scope of civil engineering entrepreneurship, addressing the dual aspects of opportunities and challenges. Discussions revolved around innovative construction practices, sustainability, adoption of new technologies, and the importance of professional ethics in entrepreneurship.



Each speaker brought unique perspectives from their professional journeys, inspiring students to consider entrepreneurship as a viable and rewarding career path. The interactive session allowed participants to raise questions and seek guidance, fostering a spirit of curiosity and industry-academia collaboration.



Conclave 3.0, conducted as part of Pantheon 11, proved to be a highly engaging and insightful event. With the participation of students and faculty members, the session successfully enriched the audience's understanding of the entrepreneurial landscape in civil engineering. The collaboration with the Builders Association of India added immense value, bridging the gap between academia and industry. The event concluded with a vote of thanks, marking another milestone in the department's efforts to prepare students for future leadership roles in the construction sector.