

WELCOME ADDRESS

By M K Muthuvelu, Convenor & Chairman, IMCI Chennai Chapter

Dear participants, the chief guest for the inaugural function and my dear friends

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome all of you to this congregation of practising intellectuals and progressive industrialists. For the Institute of management consultants of India today is a great day as we have been able to assemble in this part of the country a galaxy of stars representing management consulting as an industry along with the colleagues from other industries and services.

A few months back when at IMCI the discussion on the next National Convention came up the Chennai chapter readily agreed to take up this responsibility having convinced that Chennai will be able to attract the best of the talents both on the dais and the other side. This has been more than proven today and I'm sure all of you will agree tomorrow at the valediction this very same point.

In these two days, apart from hardcore discussions on various topics of relevance we are also bringing in new concepts for enlarging the vistas of management consultancy as a profession. In this regard a very special meet of the clients with the consultants has been arranged. We are sure that the participants will make use of this opportunity to familiarise yourselves with the type of talent that is available in our country in the area of consulting.

In order to encourage youngsters into this profession and to train them academically IMC I in this part of the country conducts Quiz programs and debates annually. On this special occasion we are honouring young managers, still not yet out of the college, on their victory in the into collegiate management debate. The Chennai chapter has also been able to help University of Madras to introduce an elective paper on management consultancy for the post graduate students.

As a part of this National Convention, today have also compiled research papers on topics of relevance from the business schools and will be presented in a CD.

In order to compensate for the serious topics and discussions during the day we have arranged for an evening of interesting entertainment along with cocktail and dinner. We hope you have an enjoyable time with us.

I welcome all of you wholeheartedly to enjoy and elevate your self by participation.