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IIT Madras & Deakin University, Australia to launch academy for cutting edge healthcare research

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Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M) and Deakin University, Australia, have announced the launch of 'IIT Madras Deakin University Research Academy.'

Through collaborative global research projects, joint supervision and meritorious scholarships, the academy will nurture several highly talented graduate research scholars, representing SAARC and ASEAN countries, ready to address and solve pressing global challenges.

The announcement was made during the Tamil Nadu Global Investors Meet at Chennai, Tamil Nadu, and was welcomed by Sarah Kirlew, Australian Consul General, Chennai.

The research scholars will pioneer solutions through cutting-edge research in areas of strategic importance to Australia and India encompassing clean energy, critical technologies, sustainability, climate change, healthcare technologies and more, contributing to the socio-economic goals of both nations at a global level.

Building on over a decade-long collaboration between Deakin University and IIT-M, the research academy will offer a four-year joint PhD programme with high-value scholarships, joint supervision by esteemed faculty from both institutions and access to world-class research facilities and resources.

The research academy will also provide for participation in an open innovation ecosystem and research network and the opportunity for collaboration with top industry partners in India and Australia.

The four-year joint PhD programme is set to provide exceptional international doctoral training opportunities for early-stage researchers, with the allocation of 30 scholarships in 2024 to scholars from both IIT-M and Deakin University as part of this partnership.