

INSPIRE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2018 PRESENTATION CEREMONY 18 AUGUST 2018

"Welcome to IFA 2018" - Ariwalagan Marappan

Greetings. Welcome to IFA 2018. First, let me give you a brief overview of Inspire and its activities. Back in 2014, a small group of Indian graduates from Universiti Sains Malaysia got together and decided to do something meaningful for the less fortunate in our Indian community. That was when we first conceptualized the idea of a society dedicated to providing financial assistance to needy students trying to pursue their education to the tertiary level. With the support of more Indian graduates of USM, INSPIRE was officially



formed on the 5th of February 2015 with the objective provide financial primary to assistance for educational purposes underprivileged students from the Indian community. My dear friends, in the past two years, Inspire has done quite a bit to help the needy in our community, particularly in the field of education. Two years ago, we started an initiative which we named 'INSPIRE Financial Assistance', or IFA 2016. We managed to collect RM81000 and distributed the amount to 39 students to help with their initial expenses at the university. For IFA2017 I am pleased to say that the Inspire members, with the help of some kind-hearted souls, managed to collect RM114000 which was disbursed to 55 students. We are currently looking into other types of community service like orphanage support and educational programmes for adolescents.



Another thing that I feel is really worth mentioning is that Inspire will and should always maintain its policy of zero operating cost at all times. There is no point in collecting money from Inspirers to help the needy if the bulk of the sum collected goes to operating cost and only a small fraction goes to the target group. The leadership of Inspire must always run the society with full integrity, accountability and transparency without any self-interest. No one should, at any time, use Inspire and its activities for any kind of personal gain.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone in Inspire for supporting our activities. I would also like to extend my gratitude to certain individuals who are not part of Inspire for their valuable contributions. To the committee members, who have been carrying out their duties with so much passion and enthusiasm, thank you for your time, effort and energy. Let us continue doing our part in helping the less fortunate in our community. Dear Inspire members, you will always remain our greatest asset. Without your support and commitment, Inspire cannot function. Our community, Our responsibility. In TRUTH we serve! – Ari

Central Committee Members of Inspire Society for 2017/18

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Some committee members and members of Inspire. Can you identify them? Check out the cool Inspire T-shirts. Apparently, the T-shirts don't fit everyone.













The IFA 2017 recipients



Inspire









THE IFA 2016 RECIPIENTS



IFA2016 - 39 STUDENTS @ RM81,000



IFA2017 - 55 STUDENTS @ RM114,000



THERE ARE TWO PRIMARY CHOICES IN LIFE:

TO ACCEPT CONDITIONS AS THEY EXIST

ACCEPT THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CHANGING THEM.

INSPIRE HAS CHOSEN THE LATTER TO GIVE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES TO THE NEEDY.



Inspire Graduate Development Programme (IGDP)

- PARAMESWARAN NAIR

In keeping with INSPIRE's core focus on <u>community development through education</u>, an initiative was launched in 2017 to support the undergraduates who received Inspire's financial assistance. The initiative is in the form of a personal development programme that is shaped through mentorship and other relevant activities that will focus on three key areas:

- 1) Coaching, guidance and monitoring to ensure that the undergraduates consistently excel in their studies in the university.
- 2) Work closely with the undergraduates in their final year to pave the way for career development.
- 3) Once they start working, close the loop by ensuring that this group plays an integral role and acts as a role model to other potential undergraduates.



Mentors & Mentees who were recipients of IFA 2016 and IFA 2017 have already been identified in the respective regions. Though the response has been slow in some institutions, we hope that the IGDP will gain momentum in 2018 as the number of IFA recipients is steadily increasing. Inspire also hopes that members of the society will play more active roles in this programme by volunteering their services.



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"NURTURING EXCELLENCE THROUGH EDUCATION"

"EDUCATE A CHILD AND UPLIFT A FAMILY"

- PERSATUAN KEBAJIKAN INSPIRE -

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