

First Announcement

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ICMST – 2026

19 – 21 November 2026

Thiruvananthapuram

Kerala, INDIA

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3rd International Conference on
**Recent Trends in Materials
Science and Technology - 2026**



Organised by

Department of Chemistry

Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology

Thiruvananthapuram

In collaboration with
MRSI Thiruvananthapuram Chapter



The International Conference on Recent Trends in Materials Science and Technology 2026 (ICMST 2026) is a flagship conference organised by the Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST), Thiruvananthapuram. It is being jointly organized by IIST and the Materials Research Society of India (MRSI), Thiruvananthapuram Chapter, from 19-21 November, 2026, at the IIST campus.

The ICMST series was first held in 2010. In subsequent years, the national version of the conference, known as NCMST (National Conference on Recent Trends in Materials Science), has been conducted annually. The second edition of ICMST was held in 2018. Each year, IIST organizes either NCMST or ICMST. The 12th edition of NCMST was conducted in December 2025.



Conference Theme

Next-Generation Materials: Bridging Science, Technology, and Society

Areas covered in the conference

- Nanomaterials & sensors
- Energy storage & conversion materials
- High-temperature materials
- Computational chemistry
- Metal organic frameworks (MOFs)
- Materials for aerospace and defence
- Metals, alloys & optoelectronic materials
- Polymers, blends & composite materials
- Quantum materials
- Smart, functional & biomaterials
- Sustainable materials & green processes
- AI & ML in materials science

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Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST) Thiruvananthapuram

The Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST), a Deemed-to-be University, functions as an autonomous body under the Department of Space (DoS), Government of India. It is the first institute of its kind in the country to offer high-quality education at the undergraduate, postgraduate, doctoral, and post-doctoral levels in areas relevant to space science, space technology, and space applications. IIST has the unique distinction of having Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, the renowned technocrat and former President of India, as its founding Chancellor. IIST emphasizes research and innovation, with faculty collaborating closely with ISRO scientists and engineers on joint projects to drive advances in space science and technology.

Department of Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry of IIST offers Ph.D. and M.Tech. programmes in Materials Science and Technology, with a strong emphasis on building solid foundations that enable students to design and develop novel materials and processes to address future technological challenges. In addition, the department contributes to the B.Tech. curriculum by offering core and elective courses. Since its inception, the department has been engaged in pioneering research in diverse domains of materials such as biomaterials, smart materials, high-temperature materials, and composites. The department has established state-of-the-art facilities and these facilities support the development of advanced materials for a wide range of applications, including sensors, electronics, batteries, supercapacitors, drug delivery, and electromagnetic interference (EMI) shielding.

MRSI-Thiruvananthapuram Chapter

The Materials Research Society of India (MRSI), based in Bengaluru, is an interdisciplinary professional body committed to promoting research in materials and their applications. Among its various regional chapters, the MRSI-Thiruvananthapuram chapter is one of the most active, with members drawn from leading institutions in Kerala, including IIST, VSSC, NIIST, SCTIMST, University of Kerala, IISER, CUSAT, MGUniversity, University of Calicut, and NIT Calicut.



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Exhibition stall	Double space	Single space	Single space	Single space
Presentation	✓	-	-	-



Registration Fee

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Students (UG, PG, PhD)	₹3000	₹20000*
Academia	₹4000	₹30000*
R&D Labs	₹7000	₹30000*
MRSI Members	₹6000	
Industry	₹10000	₹40000*
Accompanying person	₹2000	(₹20000*)

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Accommodation and Transportation

- Accommodation (dormitory/hostel) will be provided on a chargeable basis, subject to availability on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Bus transportation will be provided at scheduled times: pick-up from the central railway station and drop-off.

Dates to Remember

Registration	open
Abstract submission deadline	15 July 2026
Announcement of selected abstracts	30 July 2026
Registration ends	15 October 2026

Chairman, Local Organising Committee

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