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50 YEARS OF LEGACY: THE PRESIDENCY STORY

Presidency University, the Jewel in the Presidency Crown is celebrating its Decade in the Private University segment, coinciding with the 50th Anniversary of the Presidency Group. Led by its Visionary Chancellor, Dr. Nissar Ahmed, the University is poised to transform itself into an AI-driven Campus, with thrust on Technology-integrated contemporary knowledge and skill-impart.



Nestled in the verdant outskirts of Bengaluru, Presidency University radiates the energy of a bustling campus alive with curiosity, passion and a love for learning. Founded by Dr. Nissar Ahmed—visionary Chancellor of Presidency University and Group Chairman of the Presidency Group of Institutions—the university blends a rich heritage of academic excellence with cutting-edge technology and innovative teaching methods. Its sprawling, sylvan grounds create a haven for young minds, while attracting a diverse cohort of students from across India and around the Globe. As one of the city's largest campuses, Presidency University stands poised to shape the future of education.

Dr. Nissar Ahmed, is a visionary leader whose clarity and optimism inspire his team. An empathetic chief with keen insight, his courageous spirit has guided the Group through its 50th anniversary and the University to its decennial milestone. Dr. Ahmed believes that higher education shapes a young person's personal and professional life, and that universities can craft experiences that meet students' expectations. Starting from a modest school in Bengaluru in 1976 with just eight students, he has grown the Presidency Group into a premier network of schools, colleges, and a university, serving the Student Community, with its values-driven philosophy and ethos.

A NAAC-accredited state private university and ranked in the NIRF band (Management



and Engineering), the university has carved a unique niche for itself in the world of higher education. It offers a curriculum that sparks curiosity, complemented by a range of alternate programmes and short-term courses. Research is woven into the fabric of student life, and the university's strong academic framework is matched by a relentless focus on career progression. Employability, academic excellence, and state-of-the-art facilities are all given equal importance.

The university's extensive industry partnerships ensure that students receive guidance tailored to their chosen

fields. Across its schools—Engineering, Computer Education, Information Science, Management, Commerce, Liberal Arts, Sciences, Legal Studies, Media, Health Sciences and Design—Presidency delivers specialised graduate and postgraduate programmes, many of which follow international pathways. These programmes are regulated by bodies such as the UGC, Bar Council of India, AICTE and others.

Driven by its single minded pursuit of transforming itself into a AI-integrated University, in the foreseeable future, the University has established Knowledge-disseminating Centres of Excellence, in



collaboration with reputed organisations like Capgemini, Tech Mahindra, Samsung R&D Institute India and NVIDIA, partnerships that will transform the landscape of Learning at Presidency University.

Faculty members are hand-picked experts who view teaching, research and mentorship as pivotal. Their dedication makes individual attention a reality rather than a promise. Cutting-edge technology, trans-disciplinary and multidisciplinary learning, and robust support systems propel the university forward.

Beyond the classroom, a vibrant campus life thrives. Clubs, NCC, NSS and other student-centric activities nurture life skills and bring together diverse backgrounds. Sports facilities—football, cricket, basketball, kabaddi, a well-equipped gym and a yoga park—are complemented by cultural spaces such as theatres, music rooms and business clubs.

A strong alumni network creates valuable connections for internships and career opportunities, while visionary leadership and supportive faculty foster a nurturing learning environment. Dr. Nissar Ahmed, Founder-Chancellor and Group Chairman, leads with gentle resolve and inspiring courage. As he often says, “Establishing a world-class university is a dream every edupreneur must pursue; we must leverage new frontiers of knowledge and technology to build institutions of excellence.” His forward-looking approach addresses the challenges faced by today’s youth and positions Presidency University at the forefront of higher education.

