## A REPORT ON THE VISIT OF SECRETARY, DEPT. OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, GOVT. OF INDIA AT SREE CHITRA TIRUNAL INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY, TRIVANDRUM

Dr. Abhay Karandikar, Secretary, Dept. of Science and Technology (DST), Govt. of India visited Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology (SCTIMST) Trivandrum on 13 Feb 2024. SCTIMST is an Institute of National Importance under the DST. He was accompanied by his wife and Dr. Manoranjan Mohanty, Head of Al Division, DST. He and his team received a warm reception at the Trivandrum airport from Dr. Sanjay Behari, Director, SCTIMST, and Dr. H.K. Varma, Head of the Biomedical Technology Wing.

Later he and his team visited the Biomedical Technology (BMT) Wing of the Institute. He was received by the senior scientists of the institute at the BMT Wing. A brief meeting with the senior scientists of the BMT Wing was held in the seminar hall. The Director, SCTIMST, introduced him and his team to the scientists. During the meeting, the Head BMT Wing gave a brief overview of the institute, its mandate, focus areas of research, medical devices developed, and how its translational research is contributing to the nation and Indian medical device industry.

After the presentation, he was taken to different laboratories to have first-hand information on the medical devices and products developed in the institute. He visited engineering labs, biology labs, and materials research labs and interacted with the scientists. The visit lasted for about 2 hours and he left the BMT Wing by 4:20 pm. Some photographs in connection with the visit are given below.





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