

## Travel and Accommodation

Participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements. Limited accommodation will be provided for one day (16.02.2026), on a first come, first served basis upon request and payment.

### Fee payment

Bank account number : 1102 8714 5738

Account Name : Conveners, NGMD-2026

Bank : Canara Bank

Branch : Gandhigram

IFSC : CNRB0008500

MICR : 625015050



### Registration Fee

Students : ₹ 500 /-

Research Scholars : ₹ 750/-

Faculty / Others : ₹ 1000 /-

### Accommodation Fee

Students/Research Scholars : ₹ 500/-

Faculty / Others : ₹ 1000 /-

### Important Dates

Last date of Abstract submission : 31.01.2026

Notification of acceptance : 05.02.2026

Last date of Registration : 10.02.2026

## About NGMD -2026

- In 2026, NGMD will be held to celebrate the illustrious career of Sr Professor Dr. G. Muralidharan, marking his superannuation and honouring his outstanding contributions to Physics.
- Plenary and invited talks will be delivered by distinguished researchers specializing in various fields of Physical Sciences.
- The conference will feature oral and poster presentations based on the selected abstracts.
- The selected abstracts will be published in the Conference proceedings.

### Call for One page Abstract

Original and unpublished research contributions addressing the specified themes and allied areas are invited from Faculty members, Research scholars, and Students. Abstracts will undergo review before being selected for presentation at NGMD-2026.

### Registration

<https://forms.gle/RkjIv9L4wgCv39A8>

### Address for Communication

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## National Conference on

# “NEXT GENERATION MATERIALS AND DEVICES (NGMD-2026)”

Date: February 16 & 17, 2026

Venue: Silver Jubilee Hall, Gandhigram

### Celebrating Sr. Professor

### Dr G. Muralidharan’s Legacy and Outstanding Contributions to Physics

(Superannuating in February 2026)



### Organized by

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## About the Institute

The Gandhigram Rural Institute (GRI) was started in 1956 to take higher education closer to the villagers. The significant educational experiment, broadly conforming to their recommendations of Dr. R. Radhakrishnan Commission relating to Rural Universities and rural colleges, was inaugurated by Dr. R. Rajendra Prasad, President of India in August 1956. The first academic block of Gandhigram Rural Institute was opened by the former Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru in December 1957. The Govt. of India (Ministry of Education), on the recommendation of UGC, conferred the status of a Deemed University on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1976. The Institute is fully funded by Ministry of Education, Govt. of India and Accredited by NAAC with "A++" grade (4<sup>th</sup> Cycle).

## About the Department

Department of Physics started in 1965, has now prospered as a full-fledged Research Department, which is a proud recipient of DST-FIST funding to offer high quality education to students. Apart from regular UG and PG courses, the Department is offering Ph.D., and Post Doctoral programs. The faculty members of the Department carry out both theoretical and experimental research in various fields such as Supercapacitors, Semiconducting Nanostructures, EPR studies, Plasma Physics, Solar Energy Devices, Lithium-ion batteries, High pressure and low temperature studies, Luminescence, Glass and Ceramics, Nanobio-composites and have acquired research projects funded by UGC, DRDO, DST, ISRO and BRNS. Regular visits of experts from Academia facilitate the vibrant growth of the Department. The Astronomy Club of the Department conducts "Sky Watch" programs periodically. The Department has sophisticated research equipment such as UV-Vis, Photoluminescence, XRD, FTIR, Impedance analyzer, Keithley source meter etc.,

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