


## DOSHIS SET UP CHAIR AT IIT GANDHINAGAR

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LOS ANGELES, CA - Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar on Jan 15 inaugurated the Kanchan & Harilal Doshi Chair at the institute. The Chair supports IITGN's efforts in finding possible solutions for water purification and sanitation problems, including potential desalination solutions to harvest ocean water as the country has a vast coastline.



The Chair is expected to identify and initiate research and develop cost-effective and sustainable technologies/solutions for water purification and sanitation.

The Los Angeles, based entrepreneur couple and well-known philanthropists Navin Doshi and Pratima Doshi have established the chair in water and sanitation in honour of Navin Doshi's parents, Kanchan and Harilal Doshi.

Delivering the keynote address at IITGN as the Chief Guest, Kartikeya V. Sarabhai, Founder Director of the Centre for Environment Education said, "Water is one of the fundamental requirements for achieving the

larger goals for the country. Water conservation cannot be achieved without people's participation." He lauded IITGN for practicing water conservation on its campus.

He said there is lot to learn from the ancient practices of our country itself and said, "There are many ideas world over and in our country too. But we have to select these ideas/ solutions wisely to apply to specific needs."

Speaking on the occasion, Ambassador Venkatesan Ashok, Former Consul General of India at San Francisco, said, "I am delighted that Mr Navin Doshi and Mrs Pratima Doshi have established this chair in IITGN to address the challenges of water and sanitation in the country. It is remarkable how he thinks of giving back to his home

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