

Consul General's Visit to Loughborough University

8 October 2025

Consul General Dr. Venkatachalam Murugan visited Loughborough University on 8 October 2025 for a series of productive engagements aimed at strengthening India–UK cooperation in higher education, research, and innovation.

During the visit, Dr. Murugan held a meeting with Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nick Jennings and Prof. Bala Vaidhyathan to explore avenues for collaboration between Indian and UK institutions. Discussions focused on joint research initiatives, innovation partnerships, and expanding ties in the field of sports, including potential future projects with the Sports Authority of India.

The Consul General also toured Loughborough University's cutting-edge facilities, including 3D printing, advanced materials, UAV, and robotics laboratories. The visit provided valuable insights into the university's world-class research and innovation ecosystem, underscoring its potential to contribute to India–UK technological advancement.

Later in the day, Dr. Murugan interacted with a group of enthusiastic Indian students at the university, engaging in an open dialogue on welfare, safety, and academic progress. He also highlighted the upcoming **Edu-Ex Conference**, which will focus on immigration, career opportunities, and employment prospects for Indian students in the UK. Dr. Murugan encouraged students to stay connected, support one another, and actively contribute to the vibrant Indian community in the United Kingdom.