

SPOTLIGHT ON FACULTY MEMBER

DR. NATANAMURUGARAJ GOVINDAN, Marine Biologist



Dr. Natanamurugaraj Govindan was born in August 1, 1979 at Pudukkottai district, Tamil Nadu State, India, where his parents and sister continue to play a big part in his life and career. He received his B.Sc. and M.Sc. degrees in Botany from Bharathidasan University, Trichyrappalli and B.Ed. degree in Biological Science from Alagappa University, Karaikudi, India. Following his Ph.D specialization in Marine Algal Biotechnology from Bharathidasan University, India, Dr. Natanam was appointed Post-Doctoral Research fellow in the School of Engineering and Advanced Technology, Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand. He has written a book entitled “Marine diatoms from Karaikal coastal region (India)”. This book describes taxonomy and identification of marine microalgae (particularly diatoms) for biotechnology students.

On February 2011, Dr. Natanamurugaraj Govindan joined FIST as senior lecturer. These days, his research work is concentrated on Botany (Plant Taxonomy), Marine Biotechnology (Algae and Seaweed Biotechnology), Environmental Biotechnology (Bioremediation of polluted – waste water treatment, Seasonal variation and climate change) and Plant tissue culture. His hobbies are reading, writing, driving and walking.

“Microalgae can fulfill all the nutritional requirements of human and animal consumption”

