**Comment from Professor V Subramaniam, former head, Department of textile Technology, Anna University, India on the December 2024, Pallikkutam Article.**

Professor Subramaniam was my undergraduate mentor some 30-years back. He created interest in research in me while I was in my 4th year B. Tech at the prestigious A. C. Tech., Anna University, India. While I was in Leeds he fondly wrote many hand written letters encouraging me with my Ph. D. work.

Now in his mid-eighties, he is an inspiration to many to be active and live life well. I still remember the quotes he often states from Tamil mystic saint Pattinathar indicating "hard work always leads to rewards."

Having read my article on Student-Teacher relationship in the Pallikkutam magazine, edited by [Sreekumar Raghavan](https://www.linkedin.com/in/sreekumar-raghavan-39142b25/) where I recognized Professors like him, [P. Hemachandra Reddy](https://www.linkedin.com/in/p-hemachandra-reddy-a6639aa7/) and [Arubala Reddy](https://www.linkedin.com/in/arubala-reddy-479a3938/), he sent the e-mail.

I am delighted as if I received a Nobel. Indeed to maintain relationship with my former mentor for over 30-years is indeed a life long learning.

Here is his e-mail to me:

*From: V Subramaniam <>
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 12:00 AM
To: Ramkumar, S <**S.Ramkumar@ttu.edu**>

My dear Ramkumar:

I was very happy to see your mail in which you are paying tributes to me. I do not know whether any of my students will acknowledge the assistance I gave to them but you are an exception. I cannot forget the papers and thesis you have sent me on my request. I wish long life and good health to you all.

With kindest regards

Dr V Subramaniam*