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As we approached 15th of this month, immortal patriotic songs like “Kadam kadam baraye ja” and “Vandemataram” hum in the mind & soul of all Indians. Also our great young poet Sukanta Bhattacharya was born in this month. Who can ever forget, “Purnima-chand jeno jholsano rooti” (পূর্ণিমা-চাঁদ যেন ঝালমানো রুটি). penned by Sukanta for the have-nots? We salute our martyrs for their sacrifice and the great men behind Nation building.

Publication Sub-committee is making an appeal to all Chairmen /Conveners of other sub-committees to submit their monthly reports for publishing in Alumni News within seven days of occurrence of any event or by month-end whichever is earlier. This will help us in timely release of the newsletter.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

- **CENTENARY CELEBRATION CORNER**

A **Centenary Organising Committee** has been formed as under:

Chairman: Alope Mukherjee ('59 EE):

Vice Chairmen: (All past Presidents)

Asit Mitra -- '61 Ch E (2000 – 02 & 2014 – 16)

J. N. Rudra – '63 Civil (2006 – 08)

Amitabha Roy Choudhury – '62 EE (2008 – 10)

Jyatis Chandra Chakraborty -- '51 ME (2010 – 12)

Rasendu Putatunda – '58 ME (2012 – 14)

Subodh Bhattacharya – '61 Civil (2016 – 18).

Organising Secretary: Prabir Choudhury ('72 EE) &

Organising Joint Secretaries: Sumit Chakrabarti ('99 Pharm. Ph.D) &

Barnali Kar ('91 EE Masters)

A Curtain-Raiser function will be held in January 2019 while the main Centenary celebrations will continue for one full year starting from 1st Jan 2020 to 1st Jan 2021.

We shall be seeking your suggestions and support to make the events memorable. We will be keeping you posted about our preparations of Centenary Celebrations as it progresses.

- **LIFE MEMBERSHIP CARD**

Please note that, to facilitate participation in various events in future, Life membership Photo ID cards will be required for validation of Membership. Other ID proofs, may also be valid but will create administrative difficulties and delays.

A few Life Members have not collected their Membership Photo ID cards. They are requested to collect the same from the Alumni Office (2 pm - 6 pm).

Life Members, who have yet to get their cards or have lost their cards, are requested to apply for the same following the procedure given below :-

1. Application is to be made to the Secretary (email/post) with the following details:

- Membership Number, if known.
- Member's Name
- Year of getting the degree from JU, as was mentioned & Stream.

2. Postal Address, e-mail address and phone number.

3. Application should accompany:

- 2 stamp size photographs with 2 signatures, if sent in physical form,
Or
- Scanned copy of passport size photograph (JPEG image 1024 x 768) & specimen signature , if sent electronically.

4. Fees to be paid (cash / Cheque / internet banking)...

- Rs.50 /- (rupees fifty only) if ID card is collected from Office or to be sent by post (within Kolkata)
Rs. 100 /- (rupees hundred only) if ID card is to be sent outside Kolkata (within India).

Cheque is to be drawn payable to : "ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NCE BENGAL & JU"
SBI A/C No. 11079704812

Life Members who are yet to get their cards, do not have to pay again.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND AWARDS SUB-COMMITTEE

Chairman - Biren Kr. Mallick '64 Civil (email : birenmallick@hotmail.com)

Convener - Sabyasachi Bose '61 Ch E (email : sabyasachibose39@gmail.com)

Applications for the renewal from the eligible candidates have been received and tabulated but further processing is waiting for May 2018 semester grade cards, not yet released by many departments of JU. These are expected by end-August and interview on selective basis planned thereafter. Applications from fresh students have been invited and would be received up to 31st August 2018. This has been extended in view of the delay in the admission process.

List of class toppers has been requested for from JU, preparatory to the merit medal distribution.

Members of OMAN chapter have collected funds for Students Assistance and contributed a further Rs. 5 Lakhs to enhance the existing endowment of their chapter. We are indeed grateful to OMAN CHAPTER for their immense support to this cause.



In the above picture, President of Oman Chapter, Asoke Ranjan Das (2nd from left) handing over the cheque

Other donations received during August 2018 have been as follows:-

Ranjit Kumar Chakrabarti '61 Ch.E	Rs. 1,00,000/- Students Assistance
Sanjayendu Bikash Gope '90 Ch.E	Rs. 4,000/- Students Assistance
Sunburst Systems Ltd.	Rs. 5,000/- Students Assistance

EWYL (EARN WHILE YOU LEARN)

EWYL weekly awareness programme in the month of Aug. '18. was held on 1st Wednesday only. J.U. remained closed as 2nd & 3rd Wednesday to observe Independence day and Eid festival respectively. On 4th Wednesday, students attended the program but they could not perform their activities in J.U. campus due to heavy shower

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

Chairman: Ranjit Sengupta '61 ME. (email - rsengupta@rediffmail.com)

Convener: Abhijit Mitra '74 Ch.E. (email - akmitra103@gmail.com)

- We are happy to report that we have been able to reach out to 3616 Life Members, who could be contacted by post or e-mail. Work is continuing to get in touch with members who have graduated in the same year and stream to establish communication link with non-reachable members. The count of such members currently is 983.
- To stream line the maintenance of Membership Information, the subcommittee is working on writing the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and creating easy to use software application.

- To attract new members and creating a vibrant organization, committee members held two sessions on ideation and a work plan is being formed to achieve a definite target.

SHANIBARER AASOR

- This month Shanibarer Aasor was held on 25th August 2018 at 5 p.m. in our meeting hall. The theme for this month was primarily “Swadhinata”. In addition to that, the Aasor was also dedicated to some legends like Sukanta Bhattacharya, Debabrata Biswas, Kishore Kumar, Shambhu Mitra, who were born in August. Members with their friends and families in good number participated in the Aasor. Chairman of Cultural Sub-Committee Prabir Chowdhury ('72 EE) & convener Mahasweta Ganguly ('72 Beng) along with Bijan Bandopadhyay ('65 ME) organized the entire programme wonderfully. Excellent rendition of patriotic songs, recitation & valuable speeches were presented by members.
- A unique arrangement of “Rakhi Bandhan” was made this evening as a mark of mutual love & respect within the attendees.

BUDHER AADDA

The regular attendants of Budher Aadda missed 2 of the 5 Wednesdays in August due to holidays – Independence Day and Eid. Whenever any other program is lined up on a Wednesday, they register a strong protest. But in this case, even after considerable brain storming, they were not sure where and to whom they should lodge their complaint. So finally they gave up and tried to make the best use of the remaining three Budher Aadda.

In one Budher Aadda, participants narrated the nostalgic memories of their younger days. With no prior preparation necessary for such a topic, almost all the participants shared interesting facts which was enjoyed by one and all.

Another Budher Aadda was on “Baishe Srabon”– Kobigurur’s death anniversary. The aadda started with Rabindra Sangeet sung by our very senior & dear member Jyotishda. This was followed by few more songs of Tagore by other participants. Thereafter, the present Secretary pointed out that two Suggestion Boxes have been put in Alumni Building sometimes back but no suggestions have been received so far. Hence he initiated a brain storming session on constructive suggestions in regard to operation of Alumni Association. Some very important points were raised by the participants which were duly noted by the Secretary. The Secretary informed that some points were already taken in hand for action and assured to take up the other suggestions at proper forum.

CHAPTER COORDINATION and INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION SUB-COMMITTEE

Chairman : Kalyan Das ('63 Ch.E): kkdratna@rediffmail.com
 Convener : Ananda Sankar Sen, ('71 EE) anandasankarsen@gmail.com
 Joint Convener : Abhijit Mitra ('74 Ch.E): akmitra103@gmail.com

Status of Website (www.hqalumniju.org.in) :

All upcoming Events including Monthly News of July 2018 have been duly uploaded .

- Last Membership number. entered in Data Base of Membership Directory is 4900. Further nine(9) members enrolled in August 2018 and will be entered in Data Base Membership Directory.
- Renewal of License of Website (Domain Name Registration and Web Hosting Charges) is due on 07/09/18. Action has already been initiated for the said Renewal.
- **Search for substitute Service Provider for Routine Maintenance of Website** : The search for a replacement person is still in progress. Meanwhile, the normal routine uploading of relevant matters in our website is carried out by the members of Sub-Committee.

Chapter Co-ordination: The job of updating the Table of Branches and Chapters appearing in the Website is being undertaken now. The Convener is liaising with concerned Office Bearers of Branches & Chapters. If any member from any of the Branches or Chapters happens to visit the city, we shall appreciate if he/she kindly makes it convenient to contact any of the three members of this Sub-Committee (as appearing above) for providing the details.

CONDOLENCE:

1. Sailendra Kumar Sarkar '48 EE - Expired on 18th January 2018
2. Shibnath Ghosal '69 ME 48 ME - Expired known by email on 30-7-2018 Sabyasachi Bose
3. Dilip K Mitra '69 ME - Expired known by email on 30-7-2018 Sabyasachi Bose

The Association conveys its deepest condolences to their family members on their sad bereavement.

NEW MEMBERS

The following New Life-members joined the Association in August 2018 ::

4908	Mr	Dinesh Kumar	Kundu	1978	Civil
4909	Mr	Dipak Kumar	Biswas	2011	IT Masters

FORTHCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS / PROGRAMME

The Cultural Sub-Committee is organizing a Cultural programme of songs, recitations, skits etc to be performed only by the Senior Members (age 60 years & above) on Friday, 7th Sept. 2018 at Dr Triguna Sen Auditorium at 6 pm. Intending participants are requested to contact **Mahasweta Ganguli, Convener (mob. 9433827591)** for enlisting their names within 5th Sept. 2018. All members are requested to attend with family and friends to make the programme a grand success. Intimation has already been sent to all members by email / sms

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prog./Event</u>
27th Oct. 2018	Bijoya Sammilani
17th Nov. 2018	Annual Drama – NAHOBAT
19/20/29 Nov. 2018	Students Assistance Programme
30th Dec. 2018	All Day Social
8th Jan. 2019	Foundation Day Programme

NCE BENGAL PROGRAMME

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
2nd Sep 2018	Lecture on "Paribesh Dushon Niyontrone Jaibo Abhishoshaker Bhumika"	Dr. Shrabani Majumder
9 th Sep 2018	Bhabani Chattopadhyay Memorial Lecture on "Rabindranath: Pourusher Notun Dharana"	Prof. Tapabrata Ghosh
16 th Sep 2018	Priyodaranjan Roy Memorial Lecture on "Jagadishchandra O Nivedita: Bijnane Sahocharjo"	Shri Ashish Lahiri
23rd Sep 2018	Shishir Kumar Pathak Memorial Lecture on "Arthaneeti O Paribesh"	Prof. Indrila Guha
30th Sep 2018	Binaykrishna Rohatgee Memorial Lecture on "Bartoman Bharatiyo Rajneetir Abhimukh"	Prof. Sibajipratim Basu
	Birajakanta Majumder Memorial Lecture on "Bangladesh: Dharma, Samaj, Rajneeti"	Prof. Parthapratim Basu

Just a minute -

Always remember money is not everything in life but make sure you earn sufficient before you think of such nonsense.

***Life is like a painting –
Draw the lines with HOPE
Erase the errors with TOLERANCE
Dip the brush with a lot of PATIENCE
Add the colours with LOVE***