



ALUMNI NEWS

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ALUMNI ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST 2016

SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

A day-long program on **Barsha Utsav** was organized by the Social Sub-Committee of Alumni association, NCE Bengal & JU on 7th August 2016 at the University Guest House. A wave of excitement had run through all the participants. It was a gathering of more than 150 participants including alumnus, their spouses, friends, children who joined the occasion with high spirit.

In the morning while breakfast was served the mood got well set in for 'aadda'! The lively 'aadda' was made more interesting with songs, recitation, and sharing of thought provoking topics. **Barsha Utsav** was planned with a befitting sense of atmosphere when the ambience was well created by nature with the occasional drizzle!

Monsoon delicacy Hilsa, without which the Bengali platter is never complete, was been the day's main attraction. All the participants enjoyed the flavor of the **Utsav** gathering to the fullest!

Like all good things which come to an end, **Barsha Utsav** ended happily by sipping hot coffee in the afternoon.



While conveying thanks to all the participants, the Social sub-committee would expect similar enthusiasm from all the members in the forthcoming events like Bijaya Dashami on 21st October 2016, All-day Social on 25th December 2016, Picnic in January 2017.

MEMORIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

Prof. Hem Chandra Guha Annual Memorial Programme was held on 8th August 2016 in Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium. The programme began with the invocation song and offering of floral tributes to the portrait of Prof. Guha by the guests on the dais. The speech entitled **Innovation - The Currency of Tomorrow** was interestingly delivered by Sri Alope Mookherjee, '59 EE and our Alumni member, Ex-President BCCI, CII-ER and Ex-consul of Sweden. Alumni President Sri Subodh Bhattacharyya and Memorial Sub-Committee Chairman Sri Ashutosh Deb also offered their respectful homage to Prof. H. C. Guha. Kallol Basu, Convenor introduced the speaker and outlined his many accomplishments.

DONATIONS AND STUDENT ASSISTANCE

JU Alumni Association has student assistance programme that was initiated about 20 years ago. Since then the financial assistance to the needy students is continuing. This provided quarterly stipends of Rs.1500/-, Rs.3000/-, Rs.5000/- during the academic year 2015 - 2016 to over 600 needy and meritorious students, aggregating about Rs.50 Lakh. This may be the largest of its kind by any alumni body across the country.

Funds are being received, mainly from the alumnus of JU & NCE Bengal, many well-wishers and a few corporate bodies, in the form of periodic donations or one-time donations for a permanent source of fund to endow the students. The donors are entitled to indicate preference in respect of recipient's assistance, and to assign a name of their choice to be awarded.

Applications for assistance during the current academic year are being processed, and subsequently selection of 'renewal applicants' and 'fresh applicants' would be carried out in Aug'16 and Sep'16 respectively.

Donations are eligible for exemption of taxes as per section 80G of Indian IT act.

SHANIBAARER AASAR

Shanibaarer Aasar is held on the last Saturday of every month at 5.30PM at the Meeting Hall of the Association. This month it was held on 27th August 2016. All the members are welcome to attend this Aasar on the designated Saturdays.

BUDHER AADDA

Budher Aadda is held on every Wednesday at 5.30PM at the Meeting Hall of the Association. 27th July'16 (Wednesday) being the death anniversary of A.P.J.Abdul Kalam, the 11th President of our country, tribute was paid to the great personality. In the beginning a few members spoke about him, after which everyone got engrossed in usual aadda.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Donations received during the period from 1st July to 31st July 2016 are as follows:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
M/s Sunburt Systems (P) Ltd.	Rs.15,000/-	Students'assistance
M/s IIM Calcutta Alumni Association	Rs.25,000/-	Students'assistance

NEW MEMBERS

The following New Life-members were enrolled from 1st July 2016 to 31st July 2016 :

Mr	Shounak	Set	2012	BA (Beng)
Mr	Tanmoy	Bera	1978	Pham
Ms	Shila	Karmakar	1986	Bengali
Ms	Trina	Datta	2012	History
Mr	Chapal Kumar	Ghosh	1978	Mech Engg
Mr	Prasun Kumar	Mitra	1972	Chem Engg
Mr	Sumantra Kumar	Ray Choudhury	1972	Chem Engg
Mr	Dipak Kumar	Paul	1972	Chem Engg
Mr	Tarun	Pramanik	1972	Chem Engg
Mr	Dipankar	Ghosh	1972	Chem Engg
Mr	Dilip	Datta	1959	Elect Engg
Ms	Sangha Mitra	Chakraborty	1986	BA (Beng)
Mr	Ranjana	Panda	1986	MA(Hist)
Mr	Subhendra Nath	Bhattacharyya	1979	Chem Engg

NCE BENGAL PROGRAMME

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
4 th Sept 2016	Subhashinee Bhattacharya Memorial Lecture on "Unish Shatoker Baangaali Sanskriti: Dwidhaa O Dwandwo"	Prof. Swapan Basu

11 th Sept 2016	Anjali Banerjee Memorial Lecture on “Doinandin Jeebone Rasaayoner Prabhaab”	Prof. Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay
18 th Sept 2016	Bhabani Chattopadhyay Memorial Lecture on “Krishnakaanter Will: Notun Kore Paraa ”	Prof Tapobrata Ghosh
25 th Sept 2016	Sarojkumar Das Memorial Lecture on “Engreji Saahityer Ruprekha (500 BC – 1100 BC)”	Prof Ramaprasad De
	Supreeti Sanyal Memorial Lecture on “Engreji Saahityer Ruprekha (1100 BC – till date)”	Prof Tathagata Sen

NEWS FROM BRANCH/ CHAPTER

- **Prasun Chowdhury** ('90 EE) of **JUECA (JU East Coast Association) at New Jersey, USA** informed us of their 11th Annual Picnic on Saturday, August 20 at a park in West Windsor, New Jersey. Last year, they had more than 100 participants. They expect to have a good turnout this year as well. They wanted to have updates from our alumni to share with their members during the event and we provided them with some note-worthy updates on our activities.
- **Krish De** ('70 ME), **Secretary of Sydney Chapter of NCE Bengal - JU Alumni** informed that altogether 31 members attended their May 2016 AGM. They decided they would continue the sponsorship of one 1st year student of JU Mech. Engg for year 2016-17 as a part of Mukti TSS programme.
- **Aniruddha Bhattacharya, Asamanja Dutta & Deepro Basu of North Carolina Chapter of JU Alumni** are directly involved with the “Earn While You Learn” programme involving JU students. This programme is funded by their team to encourage JU students to learn awareness, earn pocket money against some physical labour & get some training to face the outside world. Our EWYL sub-committee looks after this activity.
- **JU Alumni association Hyderabad Branch** organized their 7th Science Symposium in IICT auditorium at Habsiguda, Hyderabad on 6th August 2016.

NOTE

*It's very important to update a) **Email ID**, b) **Mobile no.**, c) **Postal Address**, of each of our members, in case the same has undergone any change and/or not available at our Alumni office. All members are therefore requested to look into this and inform JU Alumni Office at the earliest.*

Difficulties in your life do not come to destroy you, but to help you realize your hidden potential and power.

- A.P.J. Abdul Kalam