



ALUMNI NEWS

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Puja season, also called the festive season that started this year during end-September continued in October. Activities like gift giving, family meetings, religious services, parties, tour, etc keep everyone busy and vibrant. Lakshmi Puja and Kali Puja came in October this year. During Kali Puja and Diwali a depression triggered sporadic rain and sometime heavy showers did not dampen the spirit of the festive mood. .

Bijaya Dashami, is celebrated after Durga Puja on immersion of the images when families and friends visit each other and exchange greetings and sweets. The Alumni association also celebrated **Bijaya Sammilani**.

SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

Bijaya Sammilani was organized by the Social Sub-committee of Alumni Association at Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium on Thursday 13th October 2017 at 5.00 P.M. when a large number of members together with their families and friends attended.

On the Durga Puja Panchami day there was sudden sad demise of Asit Baran Pal ('61 ME), who was very closely associated with this sub-committee. Prior to the commencement of the function everyone prayed for the departed soul by observing one minute silence.

A cultural programme was held by Alumni members who performed songs, recitation, narration, geeti-aalekhya, etc. It evoked a fascinating response from the members resulting into a very enjoyable evening. Tea was served and packets of sweetmeats were distributed to everyone at the end of the function.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND AWARDS PROGRAMME (2017 – 2018)

Among 393 fresh applicants interviewed, successful candidates have been selected to fill in vacancies and where applicable with donors' stipulations. The total number of beneficiaries during this year would be 631, comprising of 94-higher (Rs.20000) category, 42-high (Rs. 12000) category and 245-normal(Rs. 500 per month) category assistance and an additional 250 to receive assistance from the Anant Education Initiative (AEI). Total disbursement during this academic year would be Rs. 47.75 lakhs (including AEI contribution) approximately. Award ceremonies would be held in Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium on 23rd, 24th and 28th November 2017 for higher/high category, normal category and AEI awardees respectively.

Preparations are under way for the award of the merit medals for JU toppers.

EWYL (EARN WHILE YOU LEARN)

Due to Puja holidays and closure of the University and the Alumni office there was no activity of EWYL in the month of October'17.

Two photos of the cleaning operation of *8B Bus Terminus, Jadavpur* that was undertaken jointly by EWYL sub-committee and NSS Department of Jadavpur University on 6th Sept'17 are attached below. More than 50 students of the University participated in that activity. The President, Vice President and Secretary of our Association attended the program along with the members of the sub-committee.



CHAPTER COORDINATION and INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION SUB-COMMITTEE

Website: www.hqalumniju.org.in

A .Maintenance of Website:

In the last EC Meeting held on 27th October 2017, the following decisions were taken:

1. A total sum of Rs. 6000/- will be paid in instalments for uploading the relevant information both Dynamic and Static portions of Website.
2. Dynamic portion will be uploaded by a student of Jadavpur University (studying B.Ed). He is also a helping hand of Earn While You Learn Sub-Committee. Static portion of the Website will be uploaded by the Web Designer.
3. To facilitate the job of uploading in our Website, the Laptop of the Association will be exclusively used by the Chapter Co-ordination and Information & Communication Sub-committee

B. All upcoming Events were uploaded and work on uploading the Names of Sub-Committee with list of Members, is in progress.

TASK FORCE-CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT

In the Agenda of last EC meeting held on 27th October,2017, there was an Item for Discussion on "Amended Constitution (Memorandum of Association and Regulations)". Since the matter is very important and it warrants thread-bare discussion on point by point basis , it was decided to convene a single Agenda Meeting on Constituent Amendment on Friday, the 17th November 2017.

Chapter News

- Scholarship disbursement program of JUAA Mumbai Trust was successfully held on 18th Oct 2017 in JU campus in presence of the Vice Chancellor and some other dignitaries, students and Mumbai team.
- Jadavpur University Alumni Association Hyderabad Chapter presented “Jeeboner Jolsaghare” on 28th October 2017 where Pt. Jyoti Prokash Chattopadhyay rendered Manna Dey’s songs.
- JU Alumni Association, Singapore Chapter (JUAAS) was established on 1st November 2014 with approximately 100 members and thereafter carried out their activities with dedication and commitment. We would like to congratulate them for completing 3 years successfully.
- JUAA-WMA invites all JUAA members to "An evening of Rabindra Sangeet" by Kamalini Mukhopadhyay in their Annual Day celebration on November 11, 2017. Smt. Kamalini Mukhopadhyay is an acclaimed singer and also an alumna of Jadavpur University’s English Department.

BUDHER AADDA

Budher Aadda is held on every Wednesday at 5.30PM at the Meeting Hall of the Association.

The spirit of Durga Puja lingers almost up to Lakshmi Puja, which was on 5th Oct’17. Thereafter the first Budher aadda was held on 11th October 2017 which was very low in spirit as we lost Asitda (Asit Baran Pal ‘61ME) on the day of Durga Puja Panchami. Asitda, with his ever smiling personality, was so enthusiastic about Budher Aadda and every aspects of the Alumni Association that everyone felt his absence with intense sorrow.

SHANIBAARER AASAR

Shanibaarer Aasar was held on 28th October’17, the last Saturday of the month, at 5.30PM.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Memorial Programme Lecture :

Prof. Hiralal Roy Memorial Lecture will be held on Friday 3rd November 2017 at 5.00 PM in Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium of the Association. The speaker will be Prof. Dhruvajyoti Chattopadhyay, Vice Chancellor, Amity University, Kolkata. The topic of the lecture is “WONDERS OF NANO TECHNOLOGY”.

This will be followed by a Musical Tribute of Folk Songs by Alumni Members.

Cultural Programme :

The hilarious Drama “Chadmabeshi” written by Upen Gangopadhyaya and directed by Sri Jatin Rdura ’63 Civil, Chairman, Cultural Sub-Committee will be staged on Saturday 11th November 2017 at 6 p.m. in Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium. The cast of the drama will be all from our alumni members. Cultural sub-committee requests all members to join this popular function with their family and friends.

Student Assistance Presentation Ceremony :

Award for Higher Amount: 23rd November 2017 at 5 p.m.

Award for Normal Amount: 24th November 2017 at 5 p.m.

Award for Anant Education Initiative: 28th November 2017 at 5 p.m.

ALL DAY SOCIAL :

All Day Social, the day-long programme, will be held on Sunday 31st December 2017 at Alumni Association Building, Jadavpur University, Kolkata – 700 032 from 10.00 A.M. onwards. The fun-filled day will include breakfast and lunch and other various interesting activities. Further details about the programme and applicable charges will be communicated in due course or by contacting the Alumni office towards the end of the month.

NEW MEMBERS

The following New Life-member was enrolled during the period 16th Sep 2017 to 26th Oct 2017 :

Mr Bikas Chandra Sanyal 1965 Ph.D (Eco)

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Donations received during the period from 16th September 2017 to 26th October 2017 are as follows:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
1. Sunburst Systems Pvt. Ltd	Rs. 5,000/-	Student Assistance
2. Sunburst Systems Pvt. Ltd	Rs. 5,000/-	Student Assistance
3. Yogesh Nanavati '61 EE	Rs. 15,000/-	Student Assistance
4. Barnali Kar '91 MEE	Rs. 1,000/-	Development JU
5. Bikas Chandra Sanyal '65 Ph.D (Eco)	Rs. 10,000/-	Development JU
6. Sabyasachi Bose '61 Ch.E	Rs. 5,000/-	Development JU
7. Jahar Bhattacharya '66 ME	Rs. 25,000/-	Development JU

NCE BENGAL PROGRAMME

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
5 th Nov 2017	Malini Bhattacharya Memorial Lecture On "Shatabarsher Mulyayone Roosh Biplab"	Prof. Shyamalesh Das
12 th Nov 2017	Kaleekrishna Bandopadyay Memorial Lecture On "Rabindranath, Jateeyotabad, Nationalism – Boktritamaalar Shatabarsho"	Prof Satee Chattopadhyay
19 th Nov 2017	Sri Arobinda Smaraok Memorial Lecture On "Banglaay Noitikataar Sankot: Sri Arobinder Aadorsher Aaloke"	Sri Manas Ghosh
26 th Nov 2017	Durgadas Bosu Memorial Lecture On "Bharatiya Sangbidhan O Tin Talak"	Justice Murarimohan Ghosh
	Sharatchandra Sengupta Memorial Lecture On "Naree Nirjatan: Samasyaar Samadhan Sandhaan"	Smt Safiunnisa

AN APPEAL BY THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

Kindly accept our hearty Bijoya greetings for you and your family.

This is to share with you all that the Vice Chancellor of Jadavpur University had invited our Alumni President, Secretary and a few other Senior members in a meeting on 18th September, 2017 in his office. The Pro-Vice- Chancellor, Registrar and others dignitaries of the University were also present in the meeting.

Vice-Chancellor informed that the University Grants Commission have decided to offer a grant of Rs. 1000 Crores to each of the 10 number of universities of India for a span of 5 years as an institution of Eminence for the development of university among all universities of India.

As you know, JU maintains its high reputation in ranking as an premier Institution of higher education of India and it is expected that there in a fair chance of getting the grant through selection.

But the grant commission has imposed a processing fee of Rupees One Crore during application. VC has informed that the University is under extremely financial constraints to incur such amount from University fund. As the same time he does not want to miss this opportunity for development of University which is long overdue.

He appealed to alumni institutions to raise the fund from the members and others to help to apply for the status Institute of eminence and to secure the grant which this University is worthy of getting it.

Please note that a Copy of Vice-Chancellor's letter dt. 18.9.2017 is enclosed here.

Under this circumstance I earnestly request all members of our Alumni Association including all Chapters and Branches in India/Abroad to generously donate to this noble cause by 20th November 2017 through Therefore, I earnestly request all members of our Alumni Association, Chapter and Branches in India or abroad to generously donate to this noble cause by 20th November 2017 through cheque/NEFT. Please send letter or mail expressing the purpose of your contribution as Development JU (Required for audit by Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt of India) along with your contributions to our Domestic Bank account as detailed below:

Name of the Bank: STATE BANK OF INDIA, JADAVPUR UNIVERSITY BRANCH

Address : 188, Raja S. C. Mullick Road, Jadavpur, Kolkata – 700032

IFSC Code : SBIN 0000093

Swift Code : SBI N/N BB 106

Branch Code : 93

For Indian residents:

Account Name : Alumni Association NCE Bengal & JU A/c Students Award

Savings Account No: 31571336542

For NRI and Foreign nationals (FCR) :

Account Name : Alumni Association, NCE Bengal & Jadavpur University (FCR)

Savings Account No: 33643042253

Foreign donors please send a scanned copy of inside page of passport bearing the passport number. All donations to alumni will be covered under 80G of IT Act.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,

Subodh Kumar Bhattacharyya
(President, Alumni Association NCE Bengal & JU)

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Mr. Subodh Bhattacharya
The President
Jadavpur University Alumni Association.

Dear Mr. Bhattacharya

I am sure you are aware that Jadavpur University has successfully maintained its reputation as one of the premier institutions of higher education in India, despite the many obstacles it has faced. The Government of India's 2017 National Ranking Framework has accorded Jadavpur University the fifth position among all Indian universities, the 9th position among the country's engineering institutions and the 12th overall rank among all national institutions of higher learning in India. In the recent Times Higher Education Ranking of the World Institutions Jadavpur University has been placed in the 601-800 category and at the 99th position among the universities of the BRICS region. In both these international rankings the University has remained at the top among the State Universities of the country. I may mention that the Jadavpur University has already been accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council of India with a score of 3.68 out of 4.

Jadavpur University now proposes to apply to the University Grants Commission to be selected as one of the Institutions of Eminence under the category "Existing Government educational institutions" [see: http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/4523868_Press-release-IoE-final.pdf for more details]. JU will have to compete with the best institutions of higher education in India to be chosen as one of only 10 such Institutions of Eminence. If Jadavpur University is accorded the status of the Institute of Eminence it will be entitled to receive up to Rs.1,000 crores as a Government of India grant for a period of five years and enjoy considerable academic autonomy. This proposal is required to be sent to the UGC within the first week of December 2017. The grant of the status of Institute of Eminence will allow us to set JU on the path to becoming a university of global significance.

I do feel that we have a good chance of being selected as an Institution of Eminence if we can all work together and present our case effectively before the University Grants Commission. However, the processing fee for applying has been fixed at Rupees One Crore. Unfortunately, the current financial situation of our University - as in the case of country's all State Universities -- makes it extremely difficult, if not impossible, for us to incur this amount of from our University's own funds. In view of this, I appeal to all alumni/ae to come forward and lend a helping hand so that we can apply for the status of the Institute of Eminence which we certainly richly deserve.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information or clarification about this matter, which may prove vital to putting our university on the path to global academic excellence, as also financial security.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely


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Got a minute?

"I wasn't that drunk yesterday."

"Oh boy, you took the shower head in your arms and told it to stop crying."

Husband brings the child home from kindergarten and asks his wife, "He has been crying the whole way home! Is he sick or something?"

"No", replies the wife, "he was just trying to tell you he isn't our son".

"Face reality as it is, not as it was or as you wish it to be."

Jack Welch