



THE MEMOIR

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Institute Insight

- ❖ Professor T.K. Garg, who retired last year, was the first Mess Secretary of our College.
- ❖ Earlier, the girls used to be so less (3 in total till 1971) that there was no Girls Hostel. They used to stay in what are today the Staff Quarters. Their addresses : DB-14, 16, 18. The food for them used to be carried in buckets from boys hostel. It was only in 1986 that the Girls Hostel came into being.
- ❖ The Apollo Canteen is named after Apollo XI which took Neil Armstrong to Moon.
- ❖ Earlier, the college had a library on the second floor of Electrical Block.
- ❖ Before OAT came into existence, the place was used for showing the movies using projector. On an average, time taken was more than what it was supposed to take because of the repeated demands from students to rewind a particular scene. Bobby was one such movie which took more than four and a half hours to get completed amidst continuous whistling and hooting by students.

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Major Achievements of Alumni Association

Within a short span, the Association has come up with numerous activities and the college-alumni relation has started strengthening already, with the feeling of “belongingness “ being rekindled with every step we take. Here are some of the efforts taken by the Alumni Association in recent times-

- a. Inclusion of MBA & PG course alumnus as members;
- b. ALUMNI TALKS-

Alumni Guest Lectures of eminent Alumni like Mr. Vijay Sethi, Mr. Vivek Atray, Dr. Vinish Kathuria, Mr. Radhesh Gupta, Amit Borundiya, Mr. Ravindranath, Mr. Nikesh Jain amongst others at NITK on 14th and 15th April, 2012.

Alumni Talk on 13th October, 2012 featuring Guest Lectures by Mr. Arvind, Mr. Javed Khan, Mr. Shouvik Roy and many more.

- c. NITKAA Web Portal.
- d. Facebook Group https://www.facebook.com/groups/RADExCom/450211658353902/?notif_t=group_activity
- e. DNC Web Portal.
- f. Various get together and trips organized by Delhi NCR Chapter
- g. Alumni Club in NCR Region

TETE-A-TETE

Dr. Chandra Shekhar, the designer of India's first LSI chip and also an eminent researcher in the field of Electronics and Communication, is the Director of CSIR-Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute and a recently-appointed member to the Board of Governors, NIT Kurukshetra. **Ankush Banga and Shantanu Yadav**, correspondents of **The Memoir** recently got a chance to interact with Dr. Chandra Shekhar. He came across as a highly intellectual person who realizes and stresses on the need of research-oriented education in India. Here is what he had to say in response to their questions:

The Memoir: Enlighten us on the role of the Board of Governors in running the institute.

Dr. Shekhar: The role of Board of Governors is to provide an overall direction to the institute and to see that the goal is achieved along with day to day functioning with the help of faculty and the administration.

The Memoir: What are the various plans and proposals we may see from the BOG?

Dr. Shekhar: As I am here to attend my first meeting as the member of BOG, I am not in a position to comment on behalf of the Board, but I would personally like to see research work going into design oriented knowledge as is expected from a premier institution like NIT Kurukshetra. My experience with knowledge and research has taught me that it's the synthesis of knowledge that ranks you higher in the world; and generating knowledge is what institutes like us are meant for. Design oriented knowledge and knowledge synthesis is an area to be stressed upon.(Emphatically)

The Memoir: What do you exactly intend by research? Is it research by faculty members and scholars, or is it research-based learning for students?

Dr. Shekhar: Well. I refer to both: there is a need to emphasize on research which brings in the state of the art knowledge, and also research-based education for students. The students should not just be taught the concepts but they should be also be given problems, the answers to which should be sought by the students on their own. The knowledge gained this way is far more important and useful than the 'Spoon Feeding' type of education we usually have in our classrooms. The students should be encouraged to go forth, research, and arrive at their own hypothesis and the ideal atmosphere should be to improve these hypotheses through constructive and meaningful discussions.

The Memoir: The youth today has questions to ask and views to share. How do you think the views of the students can be helpful in bringing a constructive change to the college?



Dr. Shekhar: I have always believed that the ideal way is for all the stakeholders to come to the table with their grievances and solutions, and arrive at an amicable solution which lies inside the span of the problem space, and is agreeable to all the parties. There can always be meetings between the authorities and students where they can sit together and chalk out solutions feasible to both, but the span area of the problems and solutions should be common and there should always be a line marking as to the problems of common interest.

The Memoir: The world of technology is changing rapidly with each passing day. What in your views should be the attitude to be useful or successful in such a rapidly changing world?

Dr. Shekhar: There are two things, the engineers who want to study further should be given directions towards the same, which should be in a research-oriented manner, and engineers wishing to join industry should be industry ready. Internships with industry can contribute well in this regard, but the main thing is that the core process of learning should be robust. Alumni can have a very important role to play in this in two ways, first is financial help and also interaction with the industry as the alumni have a tendency to maintain links with their college.

The Memoir: (Promptly) There is an event on Saturday ‘Alumni Talks’. How do you think it can be helpful in this regard?

Dr. Shekhar: Just one day of Alumni coming to deliver a lecture is like opening a window to let the breeze in but it would be better if the alumni association works to bring the alumni closer to administration for the overall upliftment of college. The main concern should be not to just show the students a glimpse of the outside world but to let them get a hands-on experience of it.

The Memoir: (Proudly) The institute is entering into its golden jubilee year. What is now the role of students administration now as the college has now seen an era?

Dr. Shekhar: It is never about the length of time, the expectation always was and will always be there and with the growth of the institution, the expectations and responsibility to produce good quality engineers galore.

The Memoir: Any message for the students?

Dr. Shekhar: My first and foremost message to the students will be to exercise and practice this cycle- Do, and Learn, Do More and Learn More. Learn by actually doing it and not just rote learning of the solution to the same old problems but explore newer problems and in the tedious process of solving them, enjoy the learning of their lives.

The Memoir: Thank you, Sir.

TALENT SHOW,2012

The Talent Show was organized with much fervour from 21st September, 2012 to 23rd September, 2012. The show was a platform for the first yearites to showcase their talent in various events like Quizzes, Debates, Sketching, Photography, Dance and Singing. Huge participation poured in from juniors and some brilliant performances took it to a whole new level



ALTIUS,2012

Altius, a technical design and modeling contest, was held from 5th October to 7th October, 2012. The fest was flagged off successfully by the much enjoyed Family Fortune event. The 3-day magnum opus organized by the technical societies of all branches saw over 60 events like Robowars, Junkyard Wards, paper presentations, Excalibur, debates and many more. This technical symposium offered opportunities to the students to pit their application skills and in the process learn. The event which attracted a huge crowd particularly was the Mr. and Miss NITK.



UTKARSH,2012

As a part policy set by Ministry of Human Resource, to promote Hindi as a language, Utkarsh was organized from 8th September, 2012 to 14th September, 2012 to celebrate Hindi Week. The event was inaugurated by Dean(Faculty Welfare), Professor V.K Sehgal who pressed the students for the usage of Hindi saying, “*Hindi hi nahi lekin Hindi bhi*”. The Fest consisted of more than 25 events in Hindi ranging from crossword, Bharat Prashnotri to Debates and Elocution, thus bringing pride to our mother-tongue *Hindi*.

Nikhil Taneja, who successfully(somewhat!) graduated from our college in 2008. He , since then, has worked for Hindustan Times, interviewed Amir Khan, A.R. Rehman, John Bon Jovi, became the Editor of MTV's official website. He has directed, shot and edited videos and online shows for MTV. He is above all a ZEHERI.

The Meaning of Life

Five years ago, when I was a student at NIT Kurukshetra, if someone would have told me that five years from then, I'd be making TV shows for MTV India, I'd have offered him the quintessential NITK phrase that's used for everything right from the biased boy-girl ratio to all little things that make up life and its meaning here: "Zeher".

But here I am, doing exactly that – or at least trying to, even as I ferociously try not to get engulfed into the world of people who "want to get into Roadies." And as unbelievable as it sounds, my journey to being an MTV Shows Producer started in our very own college, during those long days spent on the back benches trying to sleep with my eyes open, during those long nights at Khoka eating Maggi and abusing numerous aspects of the college, those intellectual times coupled with trying to apply all the engg. subjects and theorems learnt only to figure out why in the world would someone open a college 50 kms away from any known sensible civilization, in Kurukshetra. (I had this strong feeling that the founder was a failed engineer and he wanted to revenge his plight, hence curse the coming generation with this college)

It's quite funny that only when you actually start doing engineering, you realize how much you don't want to do it. When I joined NITK as one of the 30-odd computer undergraduate engineers in the batch of 2004, I had never set out to be one of those students whose life and death depended on their CGPA in college (evidently, I was right!)... I was merely there to fit in.

Little did I know, that fitting in would be the least of my worries. Between bribing doctors to get fake medical certificates, and inventing innovative techniques to cheat in exams, I'd devote most of my time doing work that would make me forget, even if momentarily, that I was an engineering student.

Kurukshetra was, in a sense, as epic as the Mahabharata itself –too many plots, too many characters, and you only get the true essence of it in the final chapter. And it was in the final chapter, when we were right at the cusp of getting that elusive degree we had suffered almost perennially for, that it struck me: in all the time I had eagerly spent waiting, dreaming, planning, and looking forward to the day I'd enter the 'real world' and take on life, I finally realized I had been living it right from day one in this college.

Because NITK, in its essence, and also in its full glory, represented what life is all about. In this confluence of students from around the country(pun about college festival not intended), in its various phases, faces and some facades, in its new fountains that work only on special occasions and its old canteens that surprisingly refuse to serve, and of course, in its *fiercely* original pop culture, there was always a lesson to be learnt. A lesson that helped me prepare for the 'real world' and in fact, one that prepared me for life itself.

So more than orthographic projects, more than integration by partial fractions, and more than the entire subject of Automata Theory, it's the ghissus, the frustoos, the fundoos, the bonds and the bandis who inspire my writing. It's the late night antaksharis during the power cuts, the last minute rattas during endsems, the RECK chair during interactions with juniors, the nausea during mess dinners, the Linkin Park classics at 2 am, the 15 minutes nap at 2 pm, the ccgiri, the GTs, the jugaad and those magnificent zehers that inspire my creative work today, and will probably continue to, all my life.

I'm not sure what the future holds for me now... I may be a writer, producer, director or a corporate slave, but I know for sure, I'll always be a zeheri by heart. Because essentially, as NITK teaches us, isn't that the key to life and its struggle?

The Memoir interviewed Mr. Arvind Kumar, CEO, Aravali Power Company, a member of International Society for Rock Mechanics, Tunnelling Association of India, International commission on large dams, International geosynthesis and a Civil Engineering graduate from our college. With over 35 years of experience in the power sector and after spearheading 3X500 MW power project erection and plant operations, he recalls how the college shaped him to be the great one he is today. Here's an excerpt from our interview with him with Abhinav Singh and Anurag Kundu.

WALK THE TALK

The Memoir : After how long have you visited this college. Do you feel nostalgic?

Arvind Kumar : (Taking his time) Yes, It's been a very long time since I last came here and yes I do miss life at this college. The very moment I enter the NIT Gates, I am flushed with so many memories of my time spent here. It's like I am back into my college days.

The Memoir : Speaking of memories, could you please share with us an anecdote of your time spent here.

Arvind Kumar : (Lost in thought) There used to be a cinema hall in the city which has now been demolished, it was in bad shape, even then. We would rent a bicycle from Ram Kishan's shop for 40 paise and cycle down to the cinema or the bhramasarovar or go out to drink mango shake and have samosa.

The Memoir: Do you think the students passing out of NIT Kurukshetra now are better off or worse than your batch?

Arvind Kumar: (Spontaneously) I feel with the onslaught of information and technologies, the students now are far better equipped to handle the world and are smarter in the way they conduct themselves. I'll give you an example. Last time I visited the college, I went to the room I stayed in, in my first year. There was a student sound asleep when I entered and woke up to the noise of the door opening. The first thing that he asked me was if I had ever lived in the same room. This reflects the good presence of mind, the kids now-a-days have.

The Memoir: How do you feel when a graduate trainee (GT) comes to work under you in your company?

Arvind Kumar: It feels nice to have someone from the same college as yours work with you. In fact, when my company asks for my preference on where I'd like to go for college placement interviews, my answer always is NIT Kurukshetra. (Candidly)

The Memoir: How was the college like back in those days, looking at it now, do you see any major changes?

Arvind Kumar: In many ways, it was a pristine reflection of the mood of our very nation. Since there were people from almost every part of the nation, it was pretty alive then. It is more and less the same except for the fact it is somewhat developed now (Chuckles).

The Memoir: Have you kept in touch with any of your teachers?

Arvind Kumar: I haven't been able to keep in touch with the teachers since we didn't have telephones so readily available and neither the internet. (Passionately) Though I can still remember professor D,M,Sen who, in fact, was a wonderful teacher.

The Memoir: (Grinning) – Did you ever like the food that was served in the mess in your hostels?



Arvind Kumar: The food served in our hostel mess was actually very good and we were served everything like mik, paranthas, rajma with aloo etc. I was one of those few guys who managed to gain weight after eating in our mess. (Giggles)

The Memoir: Did you have fests in college during your stay here?

Arvind Kumar: We didn't have fests but we had a 'hostel day'.(In a Recollecting fashion) All the students would chip in and help set up bamboos and bed sheets to make up an area for the event and we would conduct it with the meagre funds that we received.

The Memoir: How do you think the alumni of this college can help us?

Arvind Kumar: The alumni can provide financial assistance to those in need. They can also be a good source of inspiration and motivation. (Smiles) They can also help in job interviews, all you need to do is get in touch with us and we will go the longest yard to help you.

The Memoir: What advice would you like to give to the students reading this?

Arvind Kumar: I would like to motivate you all to never underestimate yourselves since you all are bright minds and im sure you can do great things in life. I would like to give the example of my daughter here. She did her Bachelors from Jamia Millia Islamia University after which she wanted to give the CAT. I encouraged her but I wasn't too optimistic about her chances of qualifying in it. (With Immense Pride)However, she did qualify and now has a degree from IIM Ahmedabad. NIT is at par with the IITs and MIT, you just need to realise your potential and then toil hard to fulfil your dreams.

The Memoir: Thank You Sir for your valuable time.



The Institute has crossed 50 years of Successful existence, if you are thinking of giving back to your Alma-Mater, What could be a better time?

You can always help to add a whole new dimension of training and application for the students by providing internships, Scholarships, Support in Research Projects, Summer Training, Seminars, Entrepreneurship Projects and Workshops. Write to us and we ensure that we will tie up the loose ends.

NITKKR THROUGH MY EYES

By Abhinav Singh (1 yearite)

When I thought of college as a dazed school kid, always submerged under a pile of screens both bigger and smaller than my palm, I'd often think of discipline and of serious professors walking in a serious fashion, carrying bulky imposing tomes, writing serious-looking equations and of course, assuring you that you were always, always, less competent than they were. I also thought of changes — an opportunity at redemption; of being able to display that I was, perhaps, a different person than I'd been suppressing myself from being. And of course, I thought of the jolly times roaming aimlessly around the campus doing nothing but wondering why the sky was that particular shade of blue that very moment. I thought of all this, and filled in my applications, and soon enough, I was given a right of passage.

The college at first glimpse was pretty much what I expected a fifty year old college to be. It had a lush green campus, good infrastructure (Note, this was my first day in college). I then proceeded towards the room I was going to spend the rest of the year in and the zeal in me turned down a notch. The next place of pilgrimage was the sports complex which left me befuddled owing to its dismal condition. Rest of the places I visited that day didn't make me much merrier either. Class rooms with semi functioning fans, no power back up and of course the rot system of learning in a professional course, everything contributed to the metering down of excitement.

Soon enough though, I got a jumpstart at life at Nitkkr, with a 9 to 5 routine, chilling out with friends after classes, being herded around like cattle to 'protect us from being ragged', to BEING ragged, from powering through multiple 5 hour long power cuts to sharing a room with three other people. These were a few things I wish I had foreseen.

Then it was time for the Talent Show. Though it was thoroughly enjoyable, it was testing and tiresome, both, for the participants and the organisers from three years. The talent show provided freshers with ample opportunities to come out of their shell and re discover themselves and their talents (And also get hold of some shiny trophies!). The event ended with the valediction, with some of the very best performers showcasing their skills on stage. This was one week to relish.

Altius-2012 was held two weeks after the talent show. This gave us an opportunity to pit our newly discovered talents against the previous winners and maybe end up winning a bit of the cash prize. (mainly why i participated!)

Judging by what has already taken place in the short span of time that I've been here, I can confidently say that there are many more exciting and inspiring things yet to come. I can honestly say that despite of the many not so perfect areas of the college, I am definitely going to enjoy my four years here.



INSIGHT



*J.A Khan, Chairman, Haryana Forest Development Corporation, is a multi-talented businessman turned politician with a corpus of wide ranging skills like leadership and management groomed to perfection. An intellectual, having proven his mettle in diversified fields such as civil construction, IT, exports of handicrafts and the record of serving the longest at HFDC, he agreed to give **The Memoir** correspondents **Abhinav Singh and Anurag Kundu**, a sneak peek into his life. Here are few excerpts from the interview.*

The Memoir: Returning to your alma mater after such a long time, how does it feel to be back as an alumnus?

J.A. Khan: (Staring into space) It's always great to be here, coming back takes me to my own college days when I was a student, like one of you. I even attended confluence earlier this year which certainly filled me nostalgia. Honestly, I envy you kids for being a part of such fun.

The Memoir: (Broadly smiling) Could you narrate to us a small anecdote from your time at college?

J.A.Khan : (Laughs out aloud)I remember, we once got a friend to act like he was really sick and called an ambulance to the hostel. And as soon as we were out of the campus, we got the driver to take us to Karnal instead to feast on paranthas. We spent most of the night roaming around in the ambulance and finally went to the hospital for time towards the end in order to play safe.

The Memoir: (Chuckling) Where was it that you spent the most of your college time at during your stay here?

J.A. Khan : I was neither a very studious person nor a bookworm. I would usually hang around either the khokhas or Apollo with my friends. This is something I, in hindsight, feel has been very useful to me since I have stayed in touch with a lot of them and they are all doing very good in life.(Proudly stating)

The Memoir: Have you been in contact with any of your teachers?

J.A. Khan: No, we didn't have mobile phones and facebook in those days so it was hard to keep in touch with them. (Recalling something) This reminds me of a teacher I had, Professor Pillai. He used to prepare a 120 mark paper instead of 100 so that the students would be motivated to perform better than their 100%.

The Memoir: (Inquisitively) How did you get into politics after passing out from an engineering college?

J.A. Khan:(Abruptly) The only benefit that I got by getting a degree from NIT Kurukshetra was that I got a good wife, sine engineers were in high demand back then (Giggling). After leaving college

I started a number of businesses ranging from Diamonds to LPG to petrol pumps. This helped me in accumulating a lot of wealth and as a result I even paid a significant amount of ‘Zakht’ (A tax paid by those who profess Islam). This money went into a lot of charitable work such as setting up of medical camps. This initiative faced stern resistance from the political class. This is what triggered my entry into politics.(in a Concluding fashion)

The Memoir: So, how does it finally feel to be a politician?

J.A Khan: (Smiling) It feels good when top bureaucrats report to you. But on a serious note, it feels good to have the required funds to do the social work that I had initially endeavoured to do.

The Memoir: The common image of politicians is not really that clean, what work have you done towards cleansing this image?

J.A Khan: We broke the nexus of government workers and contractors. We cancelled several dubious tenders, sat on auctions to overlook them and inspected the background of contractors and monitored the tenders issued. Because of all the good work that we have done ,we have been given a number of contacts in metro, defence, railways and beautification of airports and improved efficiency of government workers.

The Memoir: What are your views on ragging? Give us an idea of what happened during your times.

J.A Khan: (laughing mischievously) I was asked to describe how my girlfriend would be and then I was asked to pretend that the nearby tree was my girlfriend and interact with it.

I believe it is a good way to increase interaction between the seniors and the freshers as long as the interaction is within limits and its objective is positive. It is like a weapon, its existence is not a problem but the person handling it matters.

The Memoir: On a final note, what advice would you like to give to the younger generation reading this?

J.A. Khan: I appreciate the work done by the alumni association in getting in touch with the alumni. I would extend help to any student in need and would offer them help if they reach out to me. I would like to tell them that engineering is not restricted to text books; the technology should help the ‘aam aadmi’. An Engineer is one who can integrate technology in everyday life, for example, I would like someone to find a cost effective way to fix motors in rickshaws which roam around in YOUR campus. Also, the students mustn’t only be money oriented but must have a passion for the nation. The students must also keep a good network of people and keep it strong.

The Memoir: Thank you sir for this glaring insight into your life.

NITK IN MEDIA



Academia-DRDO interface hailed

THE WORKSHOP AIMED AT EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES OF COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS WITH DRDO IN THE EMERGING AREAS OF SCIENCE AND

OUR CORRESPONDENT

KURUKSHETRA, May 3

A two-day e-summit was organised by the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Kurukshetra, recently. The main aim of the summit was to promote and celebrate the spirit of entrepreneurship amongst the young innovative minds.

While inaugurating the

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Kurukshetra institute holds e-summit

summit, Prof Anand Mohan, Director, said the development of entrepreneurship had to play a key role in the growth of domestic economy.

An interactive session was conducted by Siddharth Sharma, Director of Success Monks, New Delhi.

Also, an interactive lecture by Prof Rajat Aggarwal, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee, was

organised. Aman Aggarwal, an entrepreneur from Ambala, shared his success story along with the business competition and challenges with the participants.

The prestigious title of future Chief Executive Officer was won by Chanda of NIT, Kurukshetra. The closing ceremony was presided over by Prof AK Gupta, Dean-Academic.

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Honour for Kurukshetra NIT

KURUKSHETRA, JULY 12

The National Institute of Technology (NIT) Kurukshetra, was given the award of Outstanding Engineering Institute (North) by ABP News (formerly TAR News), at a function, National Awards for Excellence in Engineering and Management Education, held in Mumbai recently. The award comprised a trophy and a citation.

Dr RL Bhatia, project director, while announcing

the awards said the award was intended to spur excellence in professional education. The awardees were chosen through a stringent process which included assessment of students, alumni, and a committee of experts from the academia and industry, he added.

Prof Anand Mohan, director, NIT, Kurukshetra, expressed gratitude to ABP News for conferring this honour on NIT, Kurukshetra. — OC

OUR CORRESPONDENT

KURUKSHETRA, JULY 2

Padma Shri Dr A Sivathanu Pillai, distinguished scientist and Chief Controller (R&D), Defence Research and Development Organisation, Ministry of Defence, and CEO and MD, Brahmos Aerospace, New Delhi, has been nominated as the chairperson, Board of Governors of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Kurukshetra, by President Pratibha Patil and visitor of NITs recently.

Stating this to mediapersons here recently, an NIT Kurukshetra spokesperson said a communication to this effect was received by the NIT authorities here.

Dr Pillai joined the Space Science and Technology Centre at Thiruvananthapuram in

■ Dr Pillai is globally regarded for conceiving and transforming into reality the most advanced BrahMos - Supersonic Cruise Missile of the country. He is regarded as the Father of BrahMos

honoured Dr Pillai by conferring him status of 'Distinguished Scientist' in 1999.

Dr Pillai is globally regarded for conceiving and

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Padma Shri Dr Pillai is BOG chief at Kurukshetra NIT

CAMPUS BEATS

Flight to Germany:

Nishant Aggarwal, final year student of Mechanical Engineering was offered DAAD WISE 2012 Scholarship for research internship at CSI, Technische Universit Darmstadt, Germany under the guidance of Prof. Dr.-Ing. Cameron Tropea. The project involved “Numerical Investigation of Laser Energy Absorption in Powder Bed.” Nishant has done 3 Research Projects and published nearly 6 research papers.

Changing the World:

Deepak Gupta, Nakul Mohan, Abhishek Aggarwal secured place in top 30 teams of the Imagine cup. Microsoft’s Imagine Cup is the world’s most prestigious student technology competition, bringing together student innovators from all over the world to help resolve some of the world’s toughest challenges like poverty, hunger and illiteracy. They made a website to tackle the adulteration in food and help rank the shops around. The Software was based on Artificial Intelligence and was very appreciated by Clean India, a Delhi based NGO

NITK Shines @ IITK

Jagbir clinched Gold Medals Hurdles Race, Long Jump and Pole Vault in the Annual Sports meet held at IIT Kanpur. The Basket Ball Team won Silver Medal too. A team led comprising Varun Wadhwa, Vishesh, Rahul Roy and Vishal Thapa Won bagged Second Prize in Sports Quiz.

Ticket to IIT Bombay

Devender and Arpit Sahu made it into the next round of the tech-olympics to be held at IIT Bombay by qualifying in the north zone Eliminations. Their remote controlled boat sailed them through the competition and they would now compete with their design and technology at the finals of the Tech-Olympics at IIT Bombay.

Guest Lecture:

Prof. Sanjeevan Reddy (Professor, Mechanical Engineering, IIT Delhi) delivered an Expert Lecture on Desiccant Cooling Systems on 12th October in the Senate hall. The lecture is part of the series of short term courses and seminars that are being organized for the faculty in order to bring a research like study model in the college.

Workshop on Cloud Computing

Technobyte, the technical society of Department of Computer Engineering, in collaboration with IBM organized a workshop on Cloud Computing, latest technology that has been ruling the upcoming trends in Mobile and Computer Markets. More than 70 students attended the workshop.



Mahindra Auto Quiz:

Team of Shantanu Yadav and Saurabh Jadhav bagged second Prize at National Level Mahindra Auto Quiz held in Delhi. The Quiz was organized by Mahindra and Mahindra Ltd and NDTV.

NITK Celebrates Golden Jubilee:

National Institute of Technology, our own beloved college, formerly called Regional Engineering College has entered into its 50th year. The Institution is celebrating Golden Jubilee year from 15th September, 2012 to 14th September, 2013. On this occasion, various conferences, expert Lectures, Training Programs and Symposiums have been planned. The Institute today has an intake of around 1000 students in Computers, Electronics and Communication, Electrical, Mechanical, Civil Engineering, Industrial and Engineering Management and Information Technology. It today has Postgraduate degrees in Business Administration, Computers Application and Masters of Technology. In a lush green campus spreading over 300 acres, the Institution today has two halls and one Open Air Theatre along with 24X7 Internet facilities. With the commencement of celebrations, the new Administrative Building was inaugurated.



Professors-In-Charge :

*Prof. PJ Philip
Prof. Pankaj Chandana
Prof. Saraswati Setia*

Students Team :

*Saransh Pahwa
Preet Sagar
Anurag Kundu
Shantanu Yadav
Ankush Banga
Archit Bidawatka
Nishant Dhanendra
Abhinav Singh*

ALUMNI IN NEWS

Our jewels have yet again proved their mettle on the world compass, making everyone somehow associated to this alma-mater immensely proud. Here are a few stars that have illuminated the world-

- 1) **Mr. Ravindran** (1971-76) joined as Managing Director, IGL, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi
- 2) **Mr. Vijay Mohan Jain** (1979-84) became Director, Department Of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi
- 3) **Mr. Vijay Sethi** (1982-87) - CIO, Hero MotorCorp, Gurgaon had the privilege of giving away the award at India England match.
Video link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gtcQ5F9_bWM
- 4) **Mr. Chandan Singh** (1985-89) has come out with some videos on Flute Songs and has turned Actor-Director in Media industry.
- 5) **Ruchir Puri** has been awarded IBM fellow,2012. In IBM as an enterprise, this achievement is considered equivalent to Nobel Prize.

NITK (RECK) Alumni, Delhi & NCR Chapter (DNC):

With the aim of "*Engineering Togetherness*" amongst our fraternity of "*Kurukshetra Groomed*" friends, a caravan of events have been conducted in the past one year which are meant to provide new platforms where the alumni can all re-connect, at their convenience. DNC is aspiring to spread the message of "*One-ness*" amongst the alumni and bring them all together for a bright and meaningful future and create a brand image "**NITK**". DNC is a force to reckon with and we (RECKers/NITKers) are the best.

This is what one of the members had to say-

All of us, over the years, have been networking with our friends at official and unofficial forums. Yet, we have all been feeling the need to re-group and be more in touch with each other at all times. Alumni coordinators at the college have taken up this task in a renewed spirit. Delhi NCR alumni have re-grouped as a very vibrant chapter to support the College and help connect various chapters in India and abroad. With this common goal, Delhi & NCR Chapter of our College Alumni Association has been officially launched on 14th April 2012. This is the first and only one of its kind in India (or for that matter world) to be directly under the aegis of the Institute of National Importance, we passed out from.



ALUMNI TALKS

Under the patronage of the the Alumni Association, NIT Kurukshetra, Alumni Talks are orgainsed in order to strengthen the link between the college and and its alumni.. The talks are primarily held under the two heads- Managerial and Technical thus having something in store for every person on the campus. This year ALUMNI TALKS saw speakers from all walks of life in form of ripened business tycoons, innovative inventers and robust management heads who held the audience spell bound by their speeches replete with information for the young minds. Here are some special moments that could summarise the event for you.

Dr. V.K Arora, Dean(Planning & Development), NIT Kurukshetra presenting a token of gratitude to Mr. Arvind Kumar, CEO, Aravali Power Comp



Professors alongwith students showing immense interest in the Alumni Talks



Shouvik Roy, Director, Elephant, also one of our Alumni going about his lecture

