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65th Annual General Body Meeting

The 65th Annual General Body Meeting of the Association was held in the evening of 05th November, 2014 in O.P. Jain Auditorium and was attended by over 200 members. The President of the Association welcomed the members of the association and the Jubilee Alumni who had graced the function. The minutes of the AGBM are attached herewith for your kind information. (Annexure-1)



Silver Jubilee Alumni at the Cricket Ground



AGBM in Progress



Felicitations to the Ruby Jubilee alumni

Alumni Jubilee Functions - 2014

The 2014 Jubilee Functions for the Alumni included customary Silver (25 years), Golden (50 Years) and Diamond (60 years) Jubilees, besides the two new additions, the Coral (35 years) and Ruby (40 years) introduced this time. This volume of Newsletter covers part of the information on the functions; the rest will follow in the next (January 2015) volume.

Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet, Ruby Jubilee Alumni Meet and Diamond & Golden Jubilee Alumni Meet - 2014 were celebrated with great enthusiasm on 05th & 06th November, 2014, 17th & 18th November 2014 and 24th & 25th November, 2014.

There were 13 Diamond Jubilee Alumni (1954 batch), 83 Golden Jubilee Alumni (1964 batch), 20 Ruby Jubilee Alumni (1974) and 120 Silver Jubilee Alumni (1989 batch) who attended the meet with their families. Some of the alumni had come for the first

time after graduating from the erstwhile University of Roorkee.

All the Jubilee Alumni along with their families had separately met their respective batch mates with great zeal and nostalgia. They enjoyed games on Lal Bahadur Shastri Stadium with great gusto. The Coral Jubilee Function is due to be held in 24 & 25 January 2015.

An interesting session for all the accompanying spouses and children was organized in the Khosla International House (earlier Afro-Asian Hostel). In this session, an informal cultural function was arranged, where the spouses narrated interesting stories regarding their husbands and their emotional involvement with Roorkee. Accompanying children cherished this occasion with great enthusiasm.

The Jubilee Alumni visited Anushruti (formerly Roorkee School for the Deaf) and many of them graciously made donations for the school. A large number of student volunteers participated in Jubilee functions. Visiting alumni appreciated their enthusiasm and participation.

News From Chapters of IITRAA Lucknow Chapter



The 73 batch at Lucknow

The 1973 batch had a re-union at IIT Roorkee in Nov'13 on completing 40 years. They decided to meet every year thereafter. This year the meeting named "Reunion-Avadh" was organized at Orchid Guest House, Nirala Nagar, Lucknow on 15th & 16th Nov. 2014.

Mr. Gopal Sinha, Mr. A. K. Chaturvedi, Ar. Savita

Agarwal, Mr. Verma and others played host. Mr. G.C. Goel and Mr. Rajesh Chandra coordinated the meet, which was attended by over 25 alumni.

Helping IITR Students

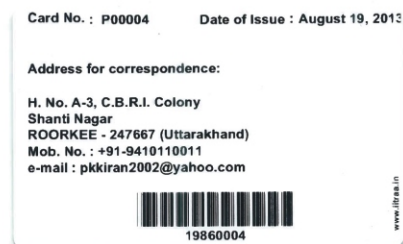
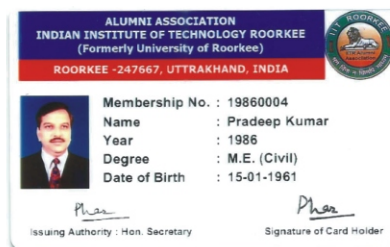
IITR Alumni Association is taking initiative to provide financial help to IIT Roorkee Students for making presentations in International technical events, outside the country.

Following 4 students have been provided financial help for making their presentations:

Mr. Karan Arora, B.Tech. IV year	Rs. 25000/-
Mr. Kush Garg, B.Tech. IV year	Rs. 20000/-
Mr. Harish Mahadasu, B.Tech III year	Rs. 25000/-
Mr. Gouresh Singhal, B.Tech IV year	Rs. 25000/-

Membership Card

I.I.T. Roorkee Alumni Association has made arrangements to issue Wallet size PVC Membership Cards to all its members. The members, who do not already have the card, and are interested in getting the card made, are requested to fill the attached application form (Annexure-2). Filled Application form may please be sent through e-mail or by post to the Honorary Secretary, IIT Roorkee Alumni Association, IIT Roorkee, Roorkee- 247667, Distt: Haridwar, State: Uttarakhand, E-mail: membershipcard.iitraa@gmail.com. Card will be prepared and sent through post / courier.



Sample of the life membership card

Young Achievers

We are attempting to identify our outstanding younger achievers (1986 batch onwards) in order to recognise a few of them in this feature of the newsletter. The exercise was initiated in June/July 2014, and thus the data base is still narrow. We seek the help of all the readers to widen this data base by identifying achievers, to begin with for the 1986-1990 pass out batches, in order to enable us to continue this feature in the upcoming issues. A few of our alumni are included below:

Dr. Vivek Joshi (Mechanical, 1987) is Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development, New Delhi. Prior to this Dr. Joshi served as Director, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, Deputy Commissioner-cum-Chairman District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), held several important assignments in State Government and was the Chief Executive Officer, District Rural Development Agency, Yamuna Nagar, Government of Haryana. He had also published various papers and got many fellowships and academic awards.



Mr. Mohan Kumar Singh (Civil, 1987) is working as Commissioner of Customs, Central Excise and Service Tax, Hyderabad (Under Ministry of Finance, Govt. Of India) and is entrusted with administration of customs, central excise and service tax in Hyderabad City with field formations such as airport, cargo, container depot, divisions having more than 300 persons in his staff. He has also worked as First Secretary (Trade), High Commission of India, London, United Kingdom entrusted with Customs and tax cooperation work with UK and other European Countries. He has received Presidential Appreciation Certificate for specially distinguished record of service on Indian Republic Day 2011.



Bhim Prasad Upadhyaya (Civil, 1986) is Joint Secretary at the Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local

Development, Nepal charged with planning monitoring and evaluation of local infrastructure development all over Nepal under the Ministry. Prior to this he was Director General, Department of Local Infrastructure Development and Agricultural Roads (DoLIDAR), Ministry of Federal Affairs and Local Development, and, Deputy Director General, Gazetted Class I Engineer at Department of Local Infrastructure Development and Agricultural Roads (DoLIDAR), Ministry of Local Development



Anupam Gupta (Civil, 1986) is Director, Lucknow Zoo from September 2013 till now. Prior to this he worked as Divisional Forest Officer (D.F.O.) in Mussoorie, Nainital, Allahabad, Aligarh, Bijnor, Jhansi. He was Associated with important Forest, Wildlife and Environment related tasks including rehabilitation of closed limestone mines and barren hills in Mussoorie; Greening of hills around Mussoorie and Nainital; Development of green belt in Sangam area in holy city of Allahabad. He has Received many appreciations in field of Forest & Environment including one from Hon'ble Chief Justice of High Court, U.P.



How the Money has Moved!!

The 167 years of our alma mater have been a period of stupendous change in various parameters - one of them being the financial one. Given below are some figures based on the "History of Thomason College of Engineering" by K V Mital, and annual reports for the post University period. True, this is not news but is interesting information.

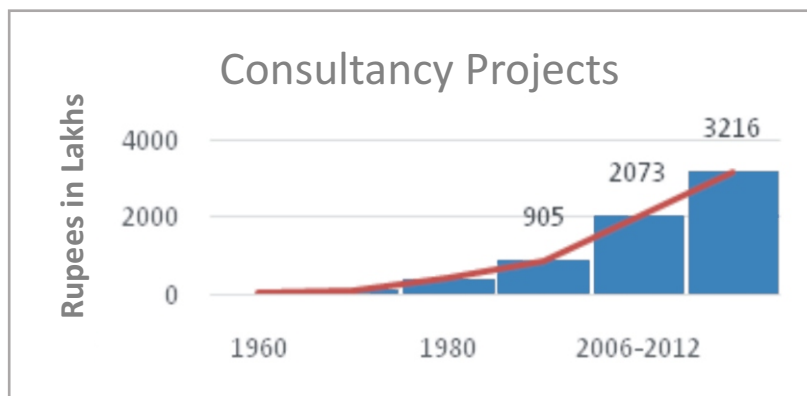
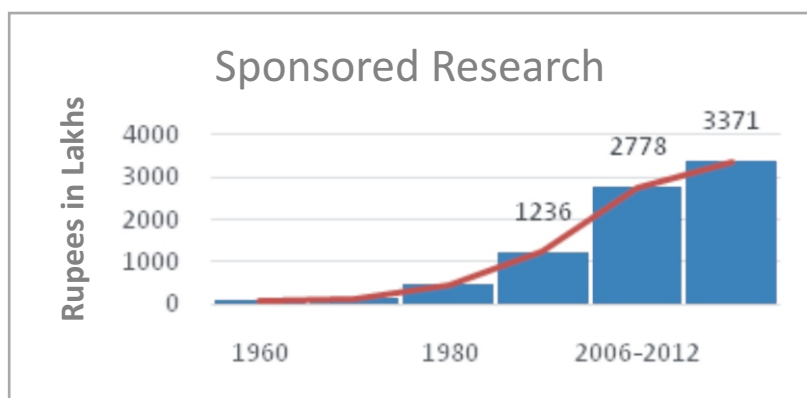
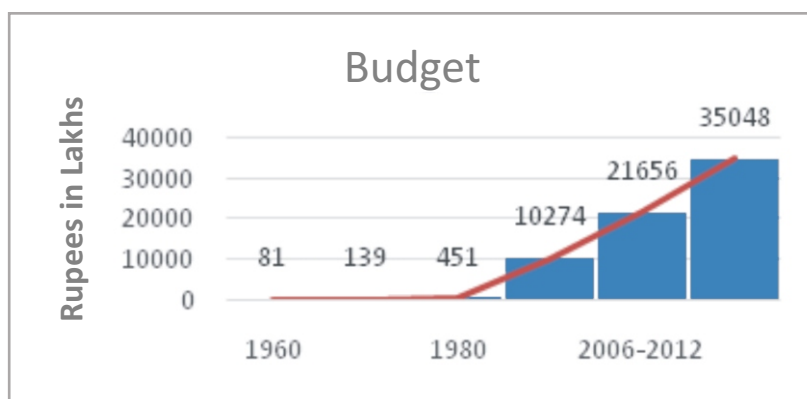
James Thomason, who spearheaded the proposal to establish the College of Civil Engineering at Roorkee, had envisaged an expenditure of Rs. 83,898 per annum in the 1840s. Stipends to students varied from Rs. 5 to 40 per month at different levels, besides free living quarters. In the initial years the Principal received Rs. 600 per month (a princely salary for

those times) in addition to Rs. 50 per month house rent. To the other staff the salary varied from Rs. 50 to Rs. 300 per month. These amounts were raised soon. A limited number of scholarships to students in the 1870s (05 nos.) varied from Rs. 35 to 50 per month.

Between 1870 and 1875 the cost of running the college (with 226 students) was Rs. 1,28,000 per annum. The fee received from students was Rs. 5140

per annum. The above figures imply that in 1870s, the support from public funds was of the order of 96% while the balance was contributed by the students through fee. The current figures indicate that the support from public funds is of the order of 87%.

Against this backdrop, the figures given below for the recent period from 1950 to date depict an interesting picture.



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Minutes of the 65th Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) of the IIT Roorkee Alumni Association held on November 05, 2014.

The 65th AGBM was held on November 05, 2014 at 4.30 PM in the O.P. Jain Auditorium of Civil Engineering Department. Over 200 Alumni were present. Among them were 120 Silver Jubilee Alumni of 1989 batch & B. Arch 1990 batch.

At the outset, the House condoled the sad demise of the following alumni

Shri V.R. Vaish (Batch 1941), Er. Gauri Shankar, (Batch 1953), Mr.O.P.Garg (Diploma 1954), Mr. Dinesh Narain Sarbahi (Batch 1960), Er. Narendra Patni (Batch 1963), Dr. Renu Bhargava (Batch 1971), Prof. Yogesh Chandra (ME 1973)

The members stood in silence for two minutes to pay their homage to the departed souls.

The meeting was adjourned for a while and reassembled to take up the agenda further as given below.

The meeting started with the recitation of Kulgeet.

Er. S.C.Goel, Vice President welcomed the members of the Alumni Association of Silver Jubilee (1989 batch and B.Arch 1990 batch) as well as Non-Jubilee Alumni.

- 65.1** The minutes of the 64thAGBM held on November 18, 2013 were confirmed.
- 65.2** Prof. Prem Krishna, the President welcomed the Silver Jubilee Alumni and non-Jubilee Alumni and delivered his address.
- 65.3** Felicitation of Silver Jubilee Alumni (1988 Batch and B. Arch 1989 Batch):
The alumni were felicitated by the President by presenting a memento to each of them.

At the end of this ceremony a few of the alumni gave their responses, which included the old memories of their stay at the University of Roorkee as well as some feedback suggestions for furthering the connect between IITR and the IITRAA.
- 65.4** The Annual Report for the period from November 01, 2013 to October 31, 2014 was presented and considered. The report was adopted by the house.
- 65.5** The Audit report giving the Audited Account for the period from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014 was considered and adopted.
- 65.6** Appointment of the auditor for the financial year 2014-15 was considered. It was resolved that the same Chartered Accountant as in Financial Year 2013-14 i.e. M/s Awasthi Prakash & Associates, Roorkee be continued for Financial Year 2014-15 also.
- 65.7** Tentative budget for the year 2015-16 was presented for the consideration of the house and the same was approved.

65.8

- (a) As Prof. Pradipta Banerji, Director, IIT Roorkee could not attend the AGBM due to unavoidable circumstances, Prof. Sandeep Singh, Dean Alumni Affairs and International Relations presented the message on behalf of Director, IIT Roorkee
- (b) A Presentation about IIT Roorkee was given by Prof. S.P. Gupta, Deputy Director, IIT Roorkee highlighting the recent activities of IIT Roorkee

- 65.9** The house approved the by-laws of IIT Roorkee Alumni Association pertaining to Local Chapters.
- 65.10** Announcement of President and Honorary Secretary nominated for the year 2015-16 was done by Prof. Sandeep Singh, the Dean Alumni Affairs and International Relations, IITR. He announced that the EC in its last meeting held on October 31, 2014 has nominated/elected the following for year 2015-16.
 - 1) Prof. Prem Krishna, BE (Civil) 1959 as the President
 - 2) Dr. Achal Kumar Mittal, BE (Civil) 1986 as the Honorary Secretary
- 65.11** Election of the Executive Committee for the year 2015-16. The returning officer, Prof. Rajesh Chandra announced the outcome of the election held on November 05, 2014. The election results are given in Annexure-A.
- 65.12** ROBA QUIZ: Dr. Achal Kumar Mittal, who conducted the ROBA Quiz, briefed the house about the correct answers of the ROBA Quiz and declared, the names of winners of ROBA Quiz. Prof. Prem Krishna, President, presented the memento to the winners.
- 65.13** Under Any other item Dr. Achal Kumar Mittal, Joint Secretary gave a presentation on the queries raised by some alumni. The details of the presentation are in Annexure-B.

The secretary gave vote of thanks. The meeting ended with the recitation of National Anthem.

Pradeep Kumar
Honorary Secretary

The results of the Elections to the executive Committee for the year 2015-16

Post	Name	Year	Batch
Vice President(1)	Prof. V. K. Gupta	1971	ME (Civil)
Joint Secretary (1)	Dr. R. D. Garg	1989	Civil
Treasurer (1)	Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar	1993	Mechanical
Members (15)	Er. Narendra Singh	1986	ME (Mechanical)
	Er. Mayank Kumar Tilak	1986	Civil
	Er. Naresh Chandra Garg	1963	Civil
	Dr. A.K. Gupta	1971	Chemical
	Er. Nand Kishore Sharma	1979	Civil
	Ar. B.D. Mittal	1969	Architecture
	Er. H.K. Verma	1988	CST
	Dr. Rajnish Garg	1989	Mechanical
	Er. Pradeep Kumar Bansal	1989	Mechanical
	Er. Sudhir Kumar Mittal	1966	Civil
	Dr. Bhavana Sindhu	1987	Humanities
	Prof. P.P. Agarwal	1983	ME (WRD)
	Mrs. Surjeet Sharma	1979	Electrical
	Dr. Satyendra Mittal	1988	ME Civil
	Er. Dinesh Kumar Garg	1992	Biotech

Some points regarding the functioning of IITRAA raised by a few alumni members were clarified in detail to the house during the AGBM.

Point 1: Notice for AGBM to all Members

The house was informed that the notice of AGBM is sent to all members as per all databases available with IITRAA.

The house appreciated it and desired to enhance the database. It was further informed to the house that the continuous efforts are being made to update the database.

Point 2: Fees collected from students and remittances to IITRAA

Regarding this issue it was informed to the house that IIT Roorkee collects security deposit from its students. At the time of passing out, they are transferring the alumni life membership fee to IITRAA. Further, the details of year wise transfer of amount have been sought from accounts and academic sections of IITR.

House appreciated the efforts and expressed satisfaction.

Point 3: Break up of Honorarium and names of recipients

A detailed table has been presented during AGBM giving names and amount paid yearwise as honorarium. It was explained to the house that honorarium includes payments to three staff hands assisting IITRAA office i.e. Mr Atin Sharma, Mr R K Sharma and Mr Rajeshwar. Apart from this, the honorarium has been paid to Workers/Malis of sports ground, KIH Staff, etc. who help IITRAA in smooth functioning of Jubilee meets. No honorarium has been paid to any of the EC members.

The house noted the clarification.

Point 4: Recovery from TACT:

The house was informed that the matter was discussed and closure of TACT was approved by earlier EC on 29/03/2014. Accordingly the balance amount of 31995/- was deposited in the Alumni Association account on 31/03/2014. The TACT account has been closed.

The house noted the clarification.

Point 5: FCRA Regulations of Govt. of India

The house was informed that Registration for FCRA has been initiated and the approval is awaited.

House expressed satisfaction.

Point 6: Entertaining Foreigner Participants in Jubilees

IITRAA has taken up this issue with IIT Roorkee. It was informed that for persons of Indian origin no special permission is required. Dean Alumni and International Relations confirmed this to the house.

The house noted the clarification.

Point 7: Heritage Foundation of USA

It was informed to the house that IITR Heritage Foundation of USA is an autonomous body formed by some alumni and is laudable work. However it has no formal linkages with IITRAA.

The house noted the clarification.

House appreciated the efforts of the EC in bringing a detailed reply to the concerns raised by a few alumni members, and resolved that these matters be considered as closed. IITRAA should move forward and devote time and energy to issues concerned with the betterment of alumni and Alma mater.



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Note – Please use capital letters & furnish complete information

Sir,

I wish to enroll as LIFE MEMBER of IITRAA. I hereby agree to abide by the rules & regulations of IITRAA as framed / amended from time to time.

1. Name in FULL

(Surname)

(First name)

(As recorded on Degree Certificate - please attach a photocopy)

2. Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) _____

3. Name of **FIRST DEGREE** & YEAR from IITR (*formerly UOR*):

Degree _____ Branch _____ Year _____

4. Name of Department presently serving - _____

5. Present

designation &
office address

City _____ PIN _____

Tel. with STD code: _____ (O) _____ (R), Fax _____**E-mail** _____ ; **Mobile** _____6. Present residential
address

City _____ PIN _____

Address for correspondence Office Residence Please issue me IITRAA Membership Card

Specimen Signatures (in Black ink)

7*. **Details of Cheque /** Amount _____ No. _____ Date _____
Draft enclosed/**(To be drawn in favour of Hony. Secretary, IITR Alumni Association,
IIT Roorkee, and payable at Roorkee ONLY) Payment in Indian Rupees only****Only if you are not yet a LIFE MEMBER of the IITRAA*

Place :

Dated :

Signature

Membership Fee Rs 2000/- : Add Rs.55.00 for outstation cheques

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Life Membership No. allotted	Amount Received (Rs.)	Cash Receipt No. & Date

Dealing Assistant

Honorary Secretary