

# NEWSLETTER



# **IITR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

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IIT ROORKEE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WISHES ITS MEMBERS & THEIR FAMILIES A VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR-2024.

#### Dear Alumni,

IIT Roorkee Alumni Association extends warm wishes for a joyous and prosperous New Year to each one of you! May the coming year bring you success, good health, and abundant opportunities. As proud alumni of IIT Roorkee, let us continue to celebrate our shared memories, achievements, and the strong bond that unites us. Let's make 2024 a year filled with renewed connections and shared triumphs.

Wishing you a Happy New Year filled with endless possibilities!

Team IITRAA



Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar Honorary Secretary



### 73<sup>RD</sup> AGBM OF IITRAA & FELICITATION OF GOLDEN JUBILEE REUNION BATCH 1973 & 1974 B. ARCH

The 73rd IITRAA Annual General Body Meeting, held on November 24, 2023, at the MAC auditorium, was a momentous occasion that centered around honoring the Golden Jubilee Reunion Batch of 1973 and 1974 B.Arch. alumni. Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh, IITRAA President, provided insights into the association's ongoing activities, creating a delightful blend of nostalgia and discussions on current initiatives.





With over 500 attendees physically present and via live stream on the IITRAA YouTube channel, the event attracted a widespread audience. The meeting's agenda, led by Er. Dinesh Singh Pawar, Honorary Secretary, included the presentation and approval of new Bye laws and a Travel Policy. Additionally, Er. Nikhil Pant, Treasurer of IITRAA, shared valuable insights into the financial structure of the association.





The gathering not only served as a formal but the celebration of the Golden Jubilee Reunion added a special touch to the event, fostering camaraderie and shared experiences among the attendees.



#### **Jubilee Reunions**

#### DIAMOND JUBILEE REUNION 1963 BATCH & 1964 B. ARCH. BATCH

IIT Roorkee celebrated its 1963 batch Diamond Jubilee on October 13, 2023. Mr. Ashok Soota, distinguished alum was honored at the OP Jain Auditorium. President of IITRAA, Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh (Retd.), presented him with a shawl and memento, recognizing his contributions. President emphasized the importance of prioritizing health, enhancing the alumni network, and supporting the alma mater. He urged alumni to actively contribute to IIT Roorkee's for its progress, striving for the institution's top rank by 2030.





#### **RUBY JUBILEE REUNION 1981 & 1982 B. ARCH. BATCH**

The 1981 & 1982 B. Arch. Batch celebrated their Ruby Jubilee Reunion from October 27-29, 2023. Alumni attended the reunion with great enthusiasm, accompanied by their families. A significant number visited the campus. It was an honor for the IIT Roorkee Alumni Association to felicitate them on November 03, 2023.





#### EMERALD JUBILEE REUNION 1968 BATCH & 1969 B. ARCH. BATCH

The Emerald Jubilee celebration took place for the 1968 & 1969 B.Arch. Batch from November 03 to 05, 2023, within the IIT Roorkee campus. The Alumni Association had the distinct honor of felicitating these esteemed alumni, and this recognition ceremony occurred on the 28th of October, 2023.



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#### **GOLDEN JUBILEE REUNION BATCH 1973 & 1974 B. ARCH**

The Golden Jubilee celebration occurred for the B. ARCH batches of 1973 and 1974 from November 23 to 25, 2023, within the premises of IIT Roorkee. Numerous alumni, accompanied by their families, revisited the campus. A dedicated felicitation ceremony for the Golden Jubilee Batch was held by the IIT Roorkee Alumni Association during the 73rd Annual General Body Meeting at MAC Auditorium on November 24, 2023. The notable and enthusiastic presence of this gathering greatly enhanced the significance of the event.





#### PEARL JUBILEE REUNION 1993 BATCH & 1994 B.ARCH BATCH

The Pearl Jubilee Reunion for the 1993 batch and the 1994 B.Arch. Batch was celebrated from November 26 to 28, 2023, at the IIT Roorkee campus. It was a joyful occasion for all alumni who visited the campus with their families. Professor K.K. Pant, Director of IIT Roorkee, also attended the celebrations and interacted with the alumni.









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#### CORAL JUBILEE REUNION 1988 BATCH & 1989 B. ARCH. BATCH

The Coral Jubilee, commemorating the batch of 1988 and 1989 B.Arch., unfolded with joy from December 22nd to 25th, 2023. The IIT Roorkee Alumni Association took the opportunity to honor and felicitate the esteemed alumni during this festive period.





The Jubilee Reunion Participants has the opportunity of meeting their old classmates and rejoice their memories of their student- life at the University of Roorkee now known as IIT Roorkee. A huge number of Alumni along with their families visited the campus and participated in the functions.

Cricket matches and games like Musical Chair were organized for the enjoyment of Jubilee participants and their families.

#### **FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION**

IIT Roorkee marked its 176th Foundation Day on November 24, 2023, by presenting Distinguished Alumnus Awards of 2022. The serene ceremony at the iconic Main building recognized outstanding alumni in categories like Academic Excellence, Leadership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Service to Society. Lt. Gen. Vishwambhar Singh (Retd.), President IITRAA also attended the event.







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#### **NEWS ABOUT ALUMS**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. RAJESH JHA**

Congratulations to our distinguished alumnus, Mr. Rajesh Jha, BE Metallurgy (1988) from the University of Roorkee. Currently serving as the Managing Director and CEO of Adani Vizhinjam Port Pvt Ltd, he has been commended for his outstanding contribution to the development of Vizhinjam International Seaport. Mr. Jha's visionary investment of Rs 11,000 crore in phases II and III of VIST showcases his dedication to fostering growth and creating opportunities. His efforts have led to the generation of employment for over 5,500 individuals, demonstrating a strong commitment to community empowerment.



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. HARI MOHAN GUPTA



Congratulations to Mr. Hari Mohan Gupta, an esteemed IIT Roorkee alumnus from the batch of 1988, on being appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of IRCON International Limited. His outstanding career, from IES-89 to serving as Director (Infrastructure) at Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation Of India Limited, showcases his expertise. Notably, his pivotal role in the Rewari-Dadri section of the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor and contributions to the Ministry of Railways highlight his remarkable achievements.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. PRAMOD SHARMA**

Congratulations to Mr. Pramod Sharma on his appointment as the Director (Works) for the National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL). As an esteemed alumnus of IIT Roorkee from the 1988 batch, his journey to this significant role brings pride to the alumni community. His extensive experience as an IRSE officer and current position as the Principal Executive Director (Contract) at NHRSCL make him well-suited for this responsibility. We are confident in his ability to contribute significantly to the success of high-speed rail projects across India.



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. MANOJ KUMAR JAIN 🛚



Congratulations to Mr. Manoj Kumar Jain on his appointment as the Chairman & Managing Director of Madras Fertilizers Limited. His extensive experience and commendable contributions in oil & gas, particularly at Engineers India Limited, make him well-suited for this new role. Wishing him continued success in both his present role and new responsibilities.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS AR. K.K ASTHANA**

Congratulations to Ar. K.K Asthana, a distinguished 1982 B. Arch. graduate of IIT Roorkee, on winning the election for the position of IIA Representative for the Northern region on the Council of Architecture (Term: 2023-2026). Best wishes for a successful term ahead!



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. DEVESH KUMAR SINGHAL



Mr. D.K. Singhal, an alumnus of the 1990 batch in Pulp & Paper Engineering, is commended for delivering a presentation titled "Safe Storage of Paper & Waste Paper and Its Handling for Accident Free Operation" at the IPPTA (Indian Pulp & Paper Technical Association) Zonal Seminar-II, held on October 30-31, 2023, in Muzaffarnagar. Additionally, he actively participated in the 37th meeting of ISO/TC 6/SC 2 (International Standards Organization) as a distinguished member of the Indian delegation from October 31 to November 1, 2023. Your contributions are truly appreciated, keep up the commendable work!





#### **OUR DONOR**

Mrs. Rashmi Singh Rathaur and Mr. Ajay Rathaur, alumni from the Batch of '99, recently made a generous donation of 1 lakh to the IIT Roorkee Alumni Association (IITRAA) during their courtesy visit to the Alumni Association office. Their dedication to giving back is inspiring, and their contribution will have a lasting impact on the future of our alma mater.



#### **ALUMNI AUTHOR MR. VIKAS KAKWANI**





Congratulations to Mr. Vikas Kakwani, Class of 1993, Electrical, Alum, IIT Roorkee, for his outstanding achievements. As an accomplished professional in diverse industries and the author of notable books like "Tighten the Screws," "Food Safar," "Distress to De-Stress," and "Dead Man Talking," he has made significant contributions. Notably, he is recognized for his dedication to education as the founder and CEO of AAS Vidyalaya, an Ed-tech startup.

#### **ALUMNI FAMILY CORNER**

Congratulations, Ms. Vani Gupta, daughter of Mr. Brajesh Gupta (IITR - '93 Batch), on achieving an exceptional feat by securing AIR - 91 (Girls' - 2nd Rank) in JEE Advance 2023. A certificate of appreciation was presented to her by Prof. K.K. Pant, Director of IIT Roorkee.



#### **ELECTIONS**

Elections for the term 2024-26 will be held in the first quarter of this year, 2024.

#### **OBITUARIES**

The following members of IITR have left for their heavenly abode:

- Shri S. P. Shukla B.E. (E&C) 1979 Batch
- NK Manglik BE Civil 1966
- Rajpal Singh B.E., Civil 1960

#### **ABOUT IITRAA**



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The IIT Roorkee Alumni Association constitutes a thriving community comprising more than 40,000 distinguished individuals, encompassing engineers, technologists, scientists, managers, and entrepreneurs. It is imperative for any educational institution to remain dedicated to nurturing and empowering its students, both past and present, as they collectively represent the heart and soul of the institution. Whether as current students on their educational journey or as esteemed alumni contributing to the institute's legacy, each member holds a distinct and invaluable place in shaping the identity and character of the institution.







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The IIT Roorkee Alumni Association (IITRAA) extends an invitation for sponsored or paid articles, advertisements, and book publishing achievements that showcase the accomplishments of alumni, their professional work and related content, accompanied by a photograph. These contributions will be featured in the IITRAA Newsletter, which reaches a broad audience of approximately 43,000 alumni members and is distributed in both hard and soft copy formats through various platforms. IITRAA encourages all alumni of IIT Roorkee to submit news, articles, anecdotes, achievements, stories, poems, sketches, events, and activities (up to a maximum of 300 words) for potential inclusion in the Newsletter. Submissions can be sent via email to iitraa@gmail.com. Furthermore, members are informed that they can obtain their Life Membership Cards from IITRAA by contacting membershipcard.iitraa@gmail.com. This initiative aims to foster a sense of connection.



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