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GREETINGS!!

Industry & Alumni Relations & NIT Jamshedpur wishes abundance and joy to all its valued alumni in this New Year 2018. The year ahead holds promise of even more vibrant relations and we look forward to our continued engagements.

With breezy weather and budding daisies comes the new edition of Amrit this January. We hope it would be liked by everyone. We would be delighted to hear your suggestions and improve. So please inbox us your ideas at the email address, given alongside.

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Happy Reading!!

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INVITATION TO ALUMNI MEET' 18

COME, LET US WALK DOWN THE GOOD OLD LANE TOGETHER

“Reminisce with the old friends, talking about regrets to guilty pleasures, visiting the rendezvous where one discoursed about life being fickle and dancing to the same old tunes- heaven’s not too far. The premises of NIT Jamshedpur avidly await your charismatic presence”.

Industry & Alumni Relations cordially invites its dearest alumni to “The Grand Homecoming” on 27th-28th January, 2018.

As the temperature plummets this January, wishes come for new hopes, new joy, new dreams, new aspirations, new memories and above all “The Grand Homecoming” of our valued ambassadors. The trees, the weather, the old trodden paths, all inanimate to animate objects making obeisance to your grand welcome for the grandeur!

What could be better than talking with your past memories, meeting your antique kiths, strolling down memorable lanes, trodding same paths, reliving your treasured memories, and above all, “Being in the past, yet in the present.” This 27th-28th January, 2018 will surely give you profusion of good hours, your adrenaline triggering tears sometimes, on the other making you smile for no reason.

The meet will comprise of plethora of events namely lightening the lamp, Sansmaran Milap, Saptrang (cultural event), presentation and much

more. The second day will include reviving memories by visit to steel city, Kaushal Pradarshani and hidden treasures.

In these 48 hours, you will surely delve into the depths of time, explore old adorned memories, gather solace and applaud yourself being here! There shall be joy, love, memories, ecstasy, pleasure floating in the aura, diffusing in the premises.

The golden memories, that you will carry back with you will surely personify itself speaking to you and be the best hours that will reminisces you and rejuvenate your soul. It is all about 27th-28th January, 2018 and being a momentous part of this magnificent extravaganza.



THROWBACK TO ALUMNI MEET'17

LET US LOOK BACK

Alumni meet'17 proved to be one of those moments when every member of I & AR felt proud of being a part of such a great legacy, to be a part of NIT Jamshedpur.

The invitation for the Alumni Meet

grand homecoming of the alumni of the batches 1962, 1988, 1973 back to their endearing abode. To register themselves for the meet, all the alumni treaded to The Vishwakarma Sabha Griha (VSG) which has been

their professors & expressed their gratitude and regards for hewing a gem out of them. The professors were over the moon to meet their students after eons & know that they are doing well in their lives.



was meted out with an overwhelming response by the scions of the institute. They travelled back to the beautiful city of Jamshedpur during the spring time to relive the spring time of their lives.

28th of January witnessed the

a haven for all the merriment of the students since the inception of the institute. After the registration, all the alumni headed towards their respective departmental visited. They saw the classrooms where they used to sit some years before. The alumni met

I&AR was cognizant of the fact that hostel life has added a momentous frolic quotient to the lives. It was a delight to us being an audience to their story of how these hostels has witnessed nights that turned into mornings with the friends who turned

into family. From birthday bumps to Diwali crumps; there were a plethora of stories to unveil. On the way to the hostels, a bunch of students in the playground instigated the dormant sportsperson in them. The tug-of-war



their gratitude for sparing their valuable time for the meet out of their busy schedules. The meritorious students of the institute were presented with the Malli Mastan Scholarship by our alumni. All the alumni were presented



body swing to the sound. The clatter of the claps never stopped & the performances kept them glued to their seats. The day ended with the scrumptious multi-cuisine Dawat-e-Khaas.

The Day-2 started with the deli-



happened, followed by our alumni trying hands in shot put, discus throw, javelin throw & badminton. Despite many candles on their cake, the zeal & vigor to perform hasn't mitigated even by a modicum. The grand luncheon comprising the delectable nosh followed. Feasting along with their friends, they remembered the table talk they had in their times which added flavors to their meal.

Then the I&AR Gallery was inaugurated. The gallery had a gallimaufry of pictures of the previous alumni meets. Some of the pictures were contributed by the alumni themselves. Descrying their joyous moments framed up in a square urged a smile on their faces. Professor Rambabu Kodali, Director, NIT Jamshedpur and Mr. Priyanshu Kedia, Head, Industry & Alumni Relations welcomed all the Alumni in their speeches & expressed



with a memento as a token of thanks. This was followed by the presentation of all the technical teams & societies of the institute. All the teams elucidated their yearlong activities & their notable accomplishments in the national competitions as well as the competitions organized on the foreign soil. This was followed by the most awaited event of the day- the cultural programme "Saptrang".

"Saptrang" was mainly targeted at bringing back the exhilaration of those cherished days & make them go all-singing, all-dancing. The grand gala offered a gamut of performances from the dancing, singing & the dramatics teams of the institute, prepared under the able stewardship of the seniors. While the mellifluous voices onstage made our alumni hum the song, the electrifying dance moves provoked them to shake their legs & let their



cious Jalpaan in the morning. It was followed by "Sow Green Go Green" plantation drive where the alumni planted the saplings inside the campus & vowed to visit the campus again. This was followed by the Grand Luncheon where the alumni relished the last meal with their pals. This is how the "Alumni meet" concluded and all the 163 alumni attending the meet strolled back from their alma mater to their routine lives, wearing an ear-to-ear smile.

The emotion-filled stories that oozed out of their hearts, the stories of the frivolous fights, first hangover, classroom shenanigans, follies made in love were prodigiously relished & are never ever going to fade into oblivion.

ALUMNI MEET'18 PREPARATIONS

ONGOING PREPARATIONS FOR THE ALUMNI MEET'18

So, 2017 has already bid its adieu, and the winds of winter now carry with them the scent of a fresh year – of new beginnings. And this New Year brings with it one of the most awaited events of all – The Annual Alumni Meet, 2018.

While the preparations actually began immediately following the conclusion of last year's meet, a major kick-off point was the induction of new members into the various teams, about three months ago.

The entire Alumni team is striving hard to make these couple of days into precious hours – above all making you feel that we still owe you a lot. The zeal of thy presence aggrandizes each passing day, plans changing from one side to another.

In order to achieve our goal –making the Alumni meet'18 a grand success, surpassing the legacy of the previous years, the team has been divided into several departments each focusing on specific tasks.

Let's take a closer look at the groundwork being undertaken by the various teams.

Web and Database Team

↪ *There has always been a difficulty in creating and maintaining huge databases containing the records of over 60+ years of students. We have built a software thus ending this conundrum. It allows for easy insertion of data and easy categorization based on different criteria and is proving to be very useful to us.*

↪ *The Alumni website is under up gradation and we are working to provide all the necessary updates to the alumni through the website and also trying to incorporate new features that would further facilitate Alumni connection and involvement via the website.*

↪ *In this day and age, a smart phone app is an absolute necessity for any entity aiming to maintain a strong virtual presence. Thus, this is the first time that we are building an app for I&AR, aimed at strengthening the ties between the Alumni and the Institute.*

Creative Team

↪ *We have in place, an on-going series of posts, namely, "Know your Alumnus", by means of which we are attempting to spread awareness regarding the whereabouts and other relevant information of our distinguished Alumni, via various social media handles.*

↪ *A video is being prepared by the team, presenting the entire campus and a compendium of magical moments - nostalgic get-togethers, joyful camaraderie and tear-stained goodbyes. The video is expected to be released by the first week of January.*

↻ Recently, we have been preparing a series of posts, titled “Then and Now” , where we will be contrasting the past pictures of some of the well-known landmarks of the Institute against their renovated looks in the present day, thus bringing forth a hefty dose of nostalgia.

Event Management and Hospitality Team

↻ The meeting which involved the presence of the Dean and Faculty members along with the Student Committee for Annual Alumni Meet 2018 was held on 18th December, 2017. The file work pertaining to the meet are under process and all the official works are expected to be completed by the first week of January.

↻ We are using various social media platforms to communicate with the Alumni so as to acquire suggestions regarding the types of events that they'd like in the meet and any other relevant recommendations.

↻ We are also setting up various forms to collect data from our respected Alumni, regarding their stay in Jamshedpur during the meet, so as to ease their burden regarding this.

↻ Plans for the events to be conducted during the meet, e.g. Tree Plantation Drive, etc., are in the works, and will be finalized by the first week of January.

Literary Team

↻ The Literary Team is responsible for drafting the invitations that are being sent to our respected Alumni, in conjunction with the Database Team.

↻ Literary team is tasked with the publication of the monthly Newsletter, AMRIT thus intimating our dear Alumni about the various on-going events at the Institute, along with the interviews of senior faculties and other distinguished persona.

It is our earnest hope and belief that all this hard-work ultimately pays off and we are able to give our dearest Alumni- a gala Annual Meet'18 that they will cherish forever.

URJA'18 PREPARATIONS

PREPARATIONS FOR URJA'18 STARTED IN FULL SWING



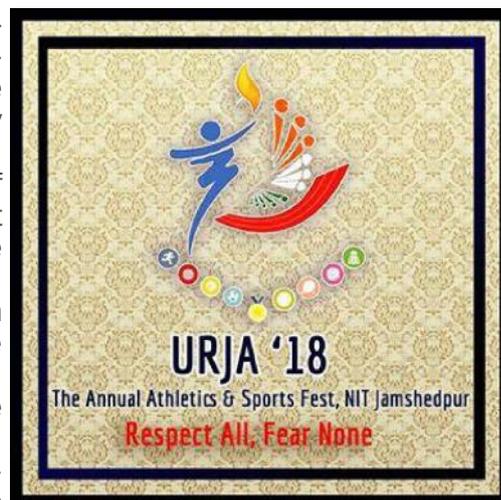
Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt.

---Special Olympics athlete oaths.

The campus of NIT JAMSHEDPUR is all set for its annual athletics and sports fest which has so aptly been named "URJA" symbolizing the energy and enthusiasm of every student for the fest. The tagline of the fest "Respect All, Fear none" is itself self-explanatory of the mindset that one should have while competing with others.

This sports meet is going to be an extraordinary display of strength, valor, dedication and above all, the never ending thirst for victory. Every branch is gearing up to prove their mettle in the various fields of sports like athletics, badminton, basketball, cricket, chess, football, table tennis, volleyball and hockey. The Sports team of the college has already proved its indomitability by winning outside like Ensemble'18 at XLRI Jamshedpur and Vajra'18 at BIT Mesra. Now it is the time to find out who is going to be the Champion of the Champions.

League matches for cricket have already been played while semi-finals and final will be played during the sports meet. All the matches for the remaining sports will be played from 5th of January and onwards. The events related to athletics will commence after the parade on 27th January. The organizing team of Sports meet is working day and night to make this event successful and memorable for all. The sports meet has gone through a lot of changes in the past few years. Hockey was added to the sports meet last year while this year, we are planning to introduce lawn tennis and kho kho. Special sports events like marathon, tug of war and many more were organized for our alumni last year. May the best team win!!!



CIVILIZATION

BUILDING & DEVELOPING RELATIONS

The invention of concrete has released us from the stereotype rectangle.

Connection is the key note in the establishment of any successful organization. So how can one end of a mountain stand aloof? Civil engineering is all about the modified constructive connections the world needs and also has acquired for an umpteenth time.

Even I & AR team lay its foundation on the concept of “**CONNECT, SUPPORT AND BELONG.**”

The sophomores of Civil Engineering Society of the institute invited the students of first year to explore and unveil new capabilities of themselves in various fields, under the event named “CIVILIZATION”, organized for three days from 20th to 22nd November. Creative writing skills were judged on an online platform. Aptitude test was a preliminary round of the quiz, which was held in the class. The room echoed with the perspectives of the students in different topics of group discussion, which was the next sub-event. Pro-Interview, was a session at the end of the Civilization. Students with best performances were also honored, which wrapped this three days' event.



NITIANS GIVING WINGS TO DREAM



What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains immortal.

With this motto Sankalp was founded by Shivendra Srivastava and other alumnus of NIT Jamshedpur. Sankalp is a Non-Government Organization (NGO) provides free and quality education to underprivileged children living in slums and villages near the NIT Jamshedpur campus. Sankalp emerged with the vision to inspire the privileged sections of society to work for the poor and present a model that can be replicated elsewhere. Sankalp is spreading the light of knowledge to these children with an aim to

explore their hidden talents and channelize it for the betterment of our nation by providing them with quality education.

The organization, rooted in Mohan Nagar slum area adjoining the college was no easy place to start education for underprivileged kids. It required mammoth efforts to convince the parents to allow their kids to study, rather than take up petty jobs to add to family income. The results showed fruits. Sankalp grew both in numbers and quality. The organization never looked back, growing with every passing day and now proudly boasting of over 700 members- 1600+ kids, 22 teachers, around 90 volunteers and over 300 alumni members. It has been a journey marked with events, bitter and sweet, but the fruits of labor have always been rewarding. For over seven years the organization has been active in providing quality education to many underprivileged kids.

Currently Sankalp is operational 4 states of the country through its 15 centers. The latest centre of Sankalp has been inaugurated in Madhepura District of Bihar with around 100 kids. Of them, seventeen are in the best schools of Jamshedpur like DAV NIT, DAV Bistupur etc. with their education totally sponsored by the NGO, and all these kids are among the top five rankers in their respective classes. Vivek



Kumar, Secretary of Sankalp sums up the society's approach and aims as, "We are a group of people with diverse interest and background sharing a common fire burning within us. It is this which keeps us motivated to work towards improvement and education enrichment of young children of India. We reach out to the most deprived and neglected children and their families and help them towards development. The best way to ensure a better future for these children is by educating them. It empowers them and enables them to emerge as better citizens. We not only provide them education but also ensure that they indulge themselves into various extra-curricular activities for their overall development."

Transparency has been the hallmark of the organization. Preparing monthly financial reports of the incomes and expenditures requires a great deal of work. The coherence between the various teams- academic, financial, maintenance, admissions, exams, and public relation, website-designing and special classes gives assurance of proper management.

Sankalp not only caters to the educational needs of the children but lays emphasis on the overall upliftment of people in the slums by organizing free medical check-up camp and cleanliness drive.

Sankalp President Shivendra Srivastava, a 2005 batch alumnus who joined Tata Group as a GET and currently is an officer in Tata Steel, spoke on the strategy to take the NGO forward. "So far, it has been a rewarding journey for us. We hope to continue the momentum in future, and wish that more enthusiastic people would come forward to support such initiatives. We have plans to establish at least one centre in each state in the beginning. We will leverage the learning of Jamshedpur centres to these new centres and support them with infrastructure and other assistance to develop them as self-evolving institutions. Our plan is to establish one centre in each state of the country by 2020"

Sankalp office has a poster in all the centres which reads as, 'All of us cannot be those firebrand leaders who can shout slogans in front of corridors of power to clean our democratic setup. But surely each of us can contribute in a positive way to enhance the social fabric of our country. It's time we stop being mere spectators, to rise above the occasion and be the crusaders for India's silent revolution.' It's time we give back something to the nation. Vision 2020 should not be just Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's dream. It should be our personal vision too. And this philosophy is what we strongly believe in and propagate at Sankalp.



कुछ नज़्म आपके नाम

याद है वो दिन, तुम पहली दफा जब आये थे
 कठिन परिश्रम कर के, एक सीट यहाँ तुम पाये थे
 ठाना था तुमने मन में, हर सपना सच कर दिखाएंगे
 इस R.I.T. के इतिहास में अपनी छाप छोड़ कर जायेंगे
 पहला सेमेस्टर बीता रैगिंग में, जीना तक दुश्वार हुआ
 ऐसी पतली हालत में फिर उम्मीदों का संचार हुआ
 पहली सीट पे बैठी थी वो, तुम्हें देख मुस्काई थी
 बोले दोस्त, कह ही डालो, जो बात हलक तक आयी थी
 दूसरे सेमेस्टर की बातें, अब भी मन में ताज़ होंगी
 ये सोच सोच रातें बीतीं, जाने कब वो राज़ी होंगी
 आया जवाब आखिर एक दिन, ये जीवन फिर गुलज़ार हुआ
 थी पुरे बैच की हालत ऐसी, उस वक़्त सभी को प्यार हुआ
 बाकी के बचे सेमेस्टर भी, बीते कुछ यूँ ही मरती में
 पानी टंकी की सर्द हवाएँ, वो दही पापड़ी बस्ती में

बिस्टु जाना, घूम के आना, दिनचर्या का एक हिस्सा था
 सुबह की पहली वलास छूटना, बहुतों के साथ ये किरसा था
 जिस गुरुकुल से शिक्षा पाकर, सब ने जग में है नाम किया
 जिस आँगन में खेले कूदे, सब हँसते हँसते काम किया
 उस गुरुकुल ने आपके स्वागत की फिर से कर ली तैयारी है
 पधारें आप 27 जनवरी को, ये नम्र विनती हमारी है