REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, GECT FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020

The annual General Body meeting of the association was held on 26.1.2019, at the college auditorium. The following members were elected as the new office bearers of the association.

Office Bearers (Elected at the General Body Meeting held		
on 26-01-2019, 10.00 am)		
1	President	Dr. Sheeba V.S., 9400006411 Principal: 0487-2334590
2	Vice Presidents	 Prof. T. Krishnakumar (82 ME) 9447081459,0487 2381459 Prof. K. Vidyasagar (1984 PE) 9446029836, Dr. Sumam K.S. (1986 CE) 9496167977, 0487-2320217®
3	Secretary	Dr. Nowshaja P T (1988 CE) 9496360505
4	Joint Secretaries	 Er. K.V. Baby (1970 ME) 9446316102,0487-2251102 Dr. Anjana R. (2010 CHE) 9446024544
5	Treasurer	Prof. Anil Rajagopal (2003 PE): 9447385405
	Members: 1. Er. Unnikrishnan Kizhakkepurakkal (1980 EEE): 0487-2362299,8547292299 2. Er. Jose Thomas (1983CE): 9846180448 3. Er. Raiju (1994 CE): 8075792441 (1994 CE)9249589919 (25 th year External) 4. Er. C.G. Ravindranathan (1972 CE): 9947453110 5. Er.C. C. Jose (1977 CE): 9447053960 6. Dr. C. P.Sunil Kumar (1985 ME): 9447391035 7. Prof. Miji Cheriyan (1994 CE)(25th year, internal):9497795009 8. Prof. Binoy B. B. (2004 EE): 9496366263 9. Hredya Sundaran (MCA): 9447774816	
	10. Prof. Rahmathulla (CSE):9446622225	
	11. Prof. Latha K N (1991 EC):9605151973	
	12. Ar. Surya S.: 9746583429	

13. Prof. P.P. Sivan (1995 CE): 9809631256

14. Prof. K C John (1969 ME) 50th year external: 9447136147

Note: All the HODs are invited members in the Executive committee meeting. One faculty member each from 25 th year and 50th Year celebration batch are also added (as coordinators of jubilee celebrations) in the Executive committee meeting.

This activity report is intended to give a snap shot of the association activities during the past one year.

With regard to the jubilee celebrations in 2019; the 1990-1994 Batch celebrated the silver jubilee and the 1964-1969 batch celebrated the Golden Jubilee of their graduation. The corresponding functions of Silver Jubilee & Golden Jubilee celebrations were held on 21st December 2019 & 17th August 2019 respectively. The college was the venue for the 40th year of graduation celebration of 1975-1979 batch, as well. All the reunions were organized in the college millennium auditorium and were successes in view of the good turnout and enthusiastic participation. Faculty of those times also blessed these functions with their presence, reviving the memories of the past golden days and it was a walk down memory lane for all who attended.

The Alumni association was instrumental in associating with the renovation activities of Western Amphi, beautification works of GEC campus, and participating in the activities of GRAFFITI, NSS etc. The most significant activity of the association during the period was however the renovation of the western amphi. The erstwhile western amphi was renovated with a contribution from Sri K.S. Krishnakumar in memory of his wife Gloria GopiKumar, an Alumna of 1988 batch of ECE. As per the request from Gloria's family, out of the Rs 55 lakhs contributed, Rs 10 lakhs was donated to the GEcT SAFE fund and the remaining 45 lakhs was utilised for the renovation of the western amphi. The additional expense for constructing a toilet block, furnishing the renovated hall and the adjacent guest room facility was estimated to be Rs 13 lakhs. . To meet this additional requirement of Rs 13 lakhs (over and above the received contribution of Rs 45 lakhs towards western amphi renovation), the Alumni executive committee decided to set aside the CD share of 2017 pass out batch both by the departments and alumni association . A fund rising was also initiated in this regard by circulating a brief write up among various Alumni groups. Several individuals and Alumni groups supported this cause and contributed significantly. The 1969 batch mechanical contributed an amount of Rs 2 lakhs which was earmarked for arranging the guestroom facility adjacent to the hall. The GECT development trust sponsored the landscaping and setting up of garden in front of the renovated western amphi.

The renovated western amphi, renamed as 'Gloria Gopi Kumar Alumni Hall', was inaugurated at 10.00 AM on 20.01.2020 by distinguished alumna Dr. Tessy Thomas, in a graceful function. The hall was dedicated in the presence of friends and family members of Gloria Gopi Kumar. The first lecture of the Gloria Gopi Kumar annual lecture, initiated by her batch mates, was delivered by eminent alumnus Sri Santhosh Kumar, on the same day. The friends

and family members have conveyed their appreciation on the well organized inaugural ceremony and meticulously undertaken renovation project.

The following financial supports were given/offered to various students for supporting their cocurricular and extracurricular activities which in turn facilitated in increasing the visibility of GECT at the national level.

Financial assistance to P Venugopal memorial gyanartha quiz fest 2019.

Financial assistance to Spicmacay, GEC. Chapter.

Financial assistance to the team that represented the SAE Tractor design competition and won third prize at the National level competition.

Financial Support for project Exhibited in KTUTech fest

Apart from this, awards are instituted to the Best final year B.Tech projects adjudged from various departments. These awards are given away from the innovation fund of Alumni Association, set aside for promoting innovations in Engineering.

A review on the contributions made by various batches to the GEcT SAFE fund- The Government Engineering College 1993 Batch Alumni contributed Rupees Four Lakhs to the GEcT Safe Corpus fund. 1963-1968 Batch Alumni contributed Rupees Three lakhs fifty three thousand forty nine to the GEcT SAFE corpus fund. The Bahrain Chapter -TECA GEC Alumni contributed Rupees One lakh and Fifty thousand to the GEcT SAFE corpus fund. 1975-1979 Batch contributed Rupees One lakh and one to the GEcT SAFE corpus fund. There are also similar contributions and the total funds available with the Association enable us to continue the financial support to all the students already in receipt of the award, throughout the course. The progress of these students is being monitored continuously and is found to be satisfactory. They have all secured high percentage of marks in the last published results. GEcT SAFE (renewal) scholarships were distributed to the students. New applications received from the first year students (2019 admission) for the SAFE scholarships are under process.

The Caution deposit pertaining to 2015 & 2016 batches were released from the office. Nearly 60% of the department share (which is 50% of the caution deposit collected) was distributed to the departments to support various student welfare related initiatives and urgent maintenance works/purchases based on the recommendations from the heads of departments. The activities for the ISO auditing were financed as well as supported by the Alumni Association.

Back to Class programme (B2C) programs were conducted in MCA, Civil, Chemical, & Electronics and Communication Engineering Departments. The program provided an appropriate platform for distinguished Alumni to interact with the current generation of their Alma matter. The Alumni association has taken up various student verification requests from the prospective employers and the same was carried out meticulously in a time bound manner so that our passed out students get the confirmation of their qualification in the appropriate format and within the requisite timeframe.

Some of the other significant decisions taken in the various executive committee are as follows--The matter of replanting of the tree in front of Visweswaraiya painting was referred to campus development committee, as per the decision of Alumni Executive meeting on 18.09.2019.

In the executive meeting conducted on 7/1/2020, it was decided to change the Auditor of the Alumni Association. The committee proposed to contact the previous auditor, Mr. Satheesan to take over the charge.

These were the highlights of the activities of the association in the previous year. The Alumni association aspires to continue the networking and contribution to the various causes of GECT.

Dr. Nowshaja P T

Secretary, Alumni Association, GEC Thrissur