

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, GECT FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

The annual General Body meeting of the association was held on 26.1.2020, at the Gloria Gopikumar Alumni Hall. The following members were elected as the new office bearers of the association.

Office Bearers (Elected At The General Body Meeting Held On 26-01-2020)	
1	<u>President</u> Dr. Sheeba V.S., 9400006411 Principal : 0487-2334590
2	<u>Vice Presidents</u> 1. Prof. T. Krishnakumar(82 ME) 9447081459,0487 2381459 2. Prof. K. Vidyasagar (1984 PE) 9446029836 3. Dr. Sumam K.S. (1986 CE) 9496167977, 0487-2320217®
3	<u>Secretary</u> Dr. Nowshaja P T (1988 CE) 9496360505
4	<u>Joint Secretaries</u> 1. Er. K.V. Baby (1970 ME) 9446316102,0487-2251102 2. Dr. Anjana R. (2010 CHE) 9446024544
5	<u>Treasurer</u> Prof. Anil Rajagopal (2003 PE): 9447385405
	Members: 1. Er. P.Krishnakumar (1983 ME):9995297900 2. Er. Jose Thomas (1983CE): 9846180448 3Er. Jayadas (1964CE): 9447149097 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. Karun V. Gopal (2014 ME):8907457905 8. Prof. Binoy B. B. (2004 EE): 9496366263 9. HredyaSundaran (MCA): 9447774816 10. Prof. Rahmathulla (CSE):9446622225 11. Prof. Premanand 9446148067 12. Ar. Rekha V. Kumar (2005 B Arch.) 9497426819 13. Prof. P.P. Sivan (1995 CE): 9809631256

An overview of the significant activities initiated during the 2020-21 period by the GECT Alumni Association is reported in the subsequent paragraphs

Ad Ingenium Lecture Series: (The lecture series is jointly organized by Alumni Association, GECT Development Trust and IEDC of College.)

In order to motivate the students on finding the best skills to be achieved and to face the changed scenario in the Job market, a Lecture series was initiated by the Alumni association. 4 Lectures were conducted

1. Education & Job Security in the Age of Cognitive Machines by Dr Paul M Koola (1978- 83 batch Mechanical Engineering), Professor of Practice Texas A & M University , on 4th Aug 2020.
2. Career Options after Graduate Engineering in the Current New Normal by Sri. Anil Warriar (1983-87 batch of Mechanical Engineering), Head of India Talent Acquisition, Amazon Web Services , on 21st Aug 2020.
3. The Future in Knowledge Economy, by Mr Arjun Jayaram (1989-93 batch of Computer Science and Engineering batch), CEO and founder of Baton systems and from the. On 5th September 2020.
4. Space 2.0 New opportunities, by Dr P V Venkitakrishnan (1978-83 batch of Mechanical Engineering), Distinguished Scientist, Director CBPO, ISRO HQ and from on 3rd Oct 2020.

Condolence meeting in Memory of Dr P J George

A condolence meeting in memory of Dr P J George, Former Principal, and Director of Technical Education was conducted on 2/9/20, Wednesday at 5 pm IST. It was Jointly organised by Alumni Association, GECT, Senior Staff Association (TECSSA) And Trichur chapter of Alumni (TECOSA).

Felicitation to Civil Service candidates among Alumni and Children of Alumni.

The felicitation program “ALMA MATER SALUTES” was conducted on 27/8/20 at 5pm

The Following Alumni and children of Alumni, who were selected to the All India Civil Service examination 2020 were felicitated.

1. Jithin Rahman ICLS, presently Assistant Director (UT) , Ministry of Corporate Affairs
From 2014 ME selected to IAS
2. Ashik Ali of 2014 ECE, Selected to IRS

5 rank holders among Children of Alumni

1. Jeydev C S.

Son of Satheesan Varier 1984 batch EE and Roshni S 1988 batch ChE, selected to IAS

2. Anu Joshy.

Daughter of Joshy K. A of 82-86 batch CE and Geetha T. V, 88 batch EE, selected to IRS

3. Ravisankar Sarma. IFS(P)

Son of M S Mythili 82 batch ChE and S. Neelakantha Sarma. Selected to IRS

4. Matthews Mathew.

Son of Saji Mathew 84 batch ChE and Asha Elizabeth John. Selected to IA&AS
Indian Audits and Accounts Service

5. Ebin Benny Abraham, Selected to Indian Forest Service, Group 1 All India Services.

son of Annie P Ignatius of 81-86 batch CE and Dr Benny Mathews Abraham.

Following Alumni spoke in the program.

Sri A Hemachandran IPS, DGP (Rtd) Kerala. From 82 batch ChE.

Sri. Benny John, IRS. Principal Director of Income tax (investigation) Chennai. From 81-86 batch PE.

Sri. K V Baby, IRS from 70 batch ME.

Sri. Abdul Hakeem IRS, Joint Commissioner of Income Tax, Mumbai. From 2000 batch ME.

Sri Amith M P IAS Assistant Collector ,Thanjavore. From 2012 batch ME.

Sri. Sreerag M, IIS, Assistant Director, Bureau of Outreach and Communication
Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. From 2012 batch ME.

Sri. Shahansha K S, Asst Security Commissioner IRPFS RPF
From 2013 batch ME.

Civil Service aspirants Club

Online meet by Sri A Hemachandran IPS (Retired) Former DGP of Kerala and from 1977082 batch Chemical Engineering. He spoke in an online meet with the Civil Service aspirants of the college who have formed a discussion forum for Civil Service Preparations.

Laptop Sponsorship.

Due to the Financial problems faced by students due to lock down, in order to help them participate in the Online classes, laptops were provided free of cost of 101 students. 11 Students were provided Interest free loans to purchase laptops. 103 Individuals and 7 batches contributed.

The total amount for purchase of 101 Laptops - Rs 28.51 Lakhs

Sponsorship received - Rs 21.21 Lakhs

Amount taken from Alumni fund - Rs 7.3 lakhs

The support to this was given by Alumni, former & present faculty and batches of various years

Mentoring Program – Class room to Career, C2C

The program was launched by Dr. K. Radhakrishnan, Former Chairman Space Commission/ISRO and Secretary, Department of Space, on 1st Nov 2020.

Mr. SanthoshKurup, CEO ICT Academy and Alumnus of 1990-94 Electrical Engineering, presented a session on What, Why and How of Mentoring - on 10 30 AM IST, 15th November 2020.

264 Students of 2018 and 2019 admission were selected and assigned to 172 Mentors. An online Portal is formed which will be the HUB for connecting the Mentors and Mentees along with coordinating Faculty Members. An independent online Portal is being developed by a group of Alumni, Faculty and Students.

“SARGA KANTHI”

The bookshelf “SargaKanthi” maintained at the GECT Alumni Association Headquarters, exhibits the collection of literary books by Alumni, children of Alumni and former faculty. Currently there is a collection of 78 books.

“REFLECTIONS”

The Arts-Literary group of Alumni, GAZAL, has published the first edition of its digital magazine, “Reflections”. The amount of Rs 25,000/ collected from advertisement was contributed to the Laptop scheme.

The following financial supports were offered to various student chapters of GEC for supporting their activities.

Financial assistance to Spicmacay, GEC., Chapter, for their cultural night “ Tarang”
Financial assistance to Oasis, GEC Chapter for the program “ Kiranam”
Financial assistance to TeD-Ex event
Financial assistance for ISTE student chapter

The total funds available with the Association enabled us to continue the GEC T SAFE award to 42 students (which include students already in receipt of the award and the newly inducted first year and lateral entry students (2019 admission). 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 results published last. New applications from the first year students (2020 admission) for the SAFE scholarships will be invited as and when the physical classes resume for the first year students.

The Caution deposits of the 2017 & 2018 batch were released from office. The Association has extended financial support from the CD share to various departments in order to take care of urgent maintenance work and other student welfare related activities recommended by the heads of department.

B2C programs were conducted in Chemical and Electronics & Communication Engineering Departments. The Alumni association had fulfilled the student verification request by companies with help from the college office and departments to confirm the qualification of students. 8 verification reports and 33 certificates (in the requested format) were sent this year

The Second lecture of the Gloria Gopi Kumar annual lecture, initiated by the batch mates was delivered by eminent alumnus Sri Ganesh Iyer of 1988 Chemical Engineering, on 16/1/21.

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

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