

THE ALCOM GAZETTE

*The KJSIEIT Newsletter
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Change At The Helm!

“I want to see KJSIEIT in the top 3 amongst the engineering colleges in Mumbai”, was reverberated across classrooms on the very first day of the new semesters. Former Dean, Faculty of Technology, Mumbai University, **Dr.**



Suresh Ukarande joined our college taking over the reins of the coveted post of the Principal and to develop a certain camaraderie with the students, fresh from the month long hols, made a point to go to every department and interacted with them.

Having a colossal administrative experience, he is a premier addition to the KJSIEIT family, and as from the very start of his term is determined to take our college to the pinnacle of success. As John Maxwell says, *“A leader is the one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way!”*, Dr. Ukarande happens to be just epitome, reflecting the perfect qualities of a true leader, the one every institution needs and ours is propitious to have one. Looking forward to exciting times! Surely...!

In and Around KJSIEIT



NEW ADDITIONS! (L-R) Players sweating it out on the **AstroTurf Football Ground** ; **Backyard Gardens** adds up to the green cover on the campus, a favourite hangout for the KJSIEITians!

Bridging The Gap-AlCom

Since its inception in 2001, K.J. Somaiya Institute Of Engineering and Information Technology have been churning out some of the finest minds in the field of technology and sciences. Need was felt then, to bring together all of them under one roof and the sine qua non was met with the formation of Alumni Committee (AlCom) in August of 2015. A team was floated, before the initiation of AlCom in the winter of 2015 to orchestrate **The AlumNite**, KJSIEIT Alumni Meet, thus embarking on the interactions between the students and the Alumni. Following up, our college working in the field of creativity, sponsorship and registration participated in the Somaiya Alumni Reunion, reuniting alumni from over 34 institutes under the Somaiya trust. Serving the main goal set before it, that of *serving as a platform for increasing the synergy and communication between alumni and the students*, AlCom is in the process of spawning a portal. Once complete, it will bridge the gap and bring together the prodigious experience of the alumni and the eager minds of the students creating wonders for the future!



Alumni Updates:

Workshops:

Mr. Ritesh Shah had conducted Summer Internship program on Quad Copter and Raspberry Pi with Linux was conducted by Mr. Ritesh Shah for EXTC department. He also conducted workshop on 3D printing along with Mr. Hiren Shah

Seminars/Guest Lectures:

We also had a slew of lectures on vast array of topics:

The lecturers included Sagar Thareja, Mayank Purohit, Gaurav Valecha, Miheer Maniyar, Gaurav Bhor, Kulsum Syeda, Shivani Oza, Kapish Agrawal, Yaksh Rawal, Maharaja Balpandi and Anish Pagnis among others. Mr. Kenil Jain CEO of One Roof Technology, Mr. Dhaval Dattani CEO of FUDS international has provided internships to the students and also Judged the Project Competition held in KJSIEIT along with Mr. Kunal Panchal and Mr. Suresh Kumar.



KJSIEIT face in Forbes!

Sanket Avlani, EXTC batch of 2009 was recently included in the Forbes “30 under 30” for the year 2016. He is the curator of TaxiFabric, an association that designs beautiful and innovative fabrics for our Mumbai’s very own taxis! Founded in 2015, TaxiFabric has been filling colors in the otherwise dull interiors of the *kaali-peeli*!

British rock band, Coldplay recently featured TaxiFabric’s designed taxis in its music video-“Hymn for the Weekend”

Former GS of KJSIEIT, Sanket played a pivotal role in organizing the first ever Surge! After freelancing for firms such as BBH London and Mother, he worked as a designer in Wieden+Kennedy before coming up with TaxiFabric. It is said, “When all think alike, then no one is thinking!” Sanket thought unorthodoxly, dared to take the unexplored way

and breaking the stereotypes emerged as a victor!



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Campus Activities: (L-R) International Yoga Day Session held with active participation from every department ; Job Fair organized which attracted hordes of aspirants at our college.

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