

THE ALCOM GAZETTE

A NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI AND STUDENTS OF KJSIEIT

OPENING NEW DOORS

This alumni newsletter is a great way to inform students and alums alike about the important events that have transpired.

Keeping the bond between the college and their alums strong, many alumni have given a hand to the students in one way or another and have been rewarded in kind.

To keep you up-to-date with the past events, workshops, expert talks, inaugurals, and placements that have taken place this semester, we present you the 3rd issue of The AlCom Gazette.

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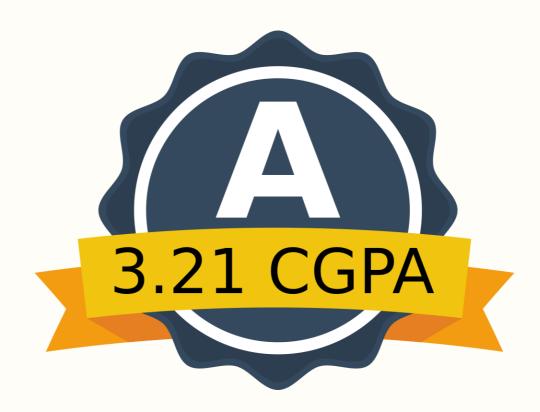
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Our Institute received "A" grade by NAAC

We are very happy to share with you that our institute K J Somaiya Institute of Engineering & Information Technology, Sion has received

"A" grade by National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the first cycle with 3.21 CGPA



This result is declared in 28th NAAC Standing Committee meeting on 30th October 2017 and is displayed on NAAC website. It is observed that total 215 colleges across India were processed in the first cycle where in we stand at 3rd rank amongst them with 3.21 CGPA.

We thank everyone from Somaiya Management especially Mr. Samir Somaiya, our Chairman, Mr. V. Ranganathan, Hon. Secretary, Dr. Rajan Welukar, Provost, Dr. Vijay Joshi, KJSCSC Principal, Dr. Shubha Pandit, KJSCE Principal, Dr. Sundderrajan, HR department, Riddl team, Hostel's team, Sports Department, Grounds department, K J Somaiya Hospital & College, Project office, Principal sir, all our faculty, staff, students, their parents, alumni, industrialists & each and everyone from SVV who contributed directly and indirectly for achieving NAAC A grade for KJSIEIT.

We once again thank Somaiya management for providing constant support and motivation to us for achieving great heights.

Annual General Meeting

An Annual General Meeting of The Alumni Committee, KJSIEIT was held at KJSIEIT, Room 504 on September 9th, 2017.

The meeting commenced at 10.30am and Mr. Uday Rote made the introductory speech, keeping forward the vision, mission of the committee. Mrs.Babita Krishnan who is the Head of all Alumni Relations for Somaiya Vidyavihar was also present as member from trust. The current team was also introduced in the process and an overview was given about the past events by the committee and the proposed upcoming events. Then the present Alumni introduced themselves. Various points related to Alumni Association functioning were discussed, few of them are as follow:

- Budget for the upcoming events
- · City Meets
- Recommendation of Appointment of an Auditor

Post Mock NAAC sessions in the Principal's office, a brainstorming session was initiated, participated by the committee members and the present Alumni. Various agendas and approvals were put forward and almost everyone had their say in the matter on the table.

Few announcements were also made including:

- The need to emphasize on the suggestions from the Alumni was put forward, to get the insights of the present industry and keep the committee updated.
- Mrs. Krishnan appealed to collaborate and synergize resources and alumni and stated that funds are important for any committee irrespective of its quantum.
- An Inter Association Cricket Tournament was also announced that is going to be held in near future with minimal contributions from the participating teams from various institutes.

"It is great to see so many of our Alums turning up for the event, taking out time from their busy schedule. This is going to be beneficial for the institute and the students both current and the pass-outs", stated Mr. Rote as the meeting concluded with some refreshments and a group photograph!



Alumnus Publishes Book!



Prashant Nair, Alumnus from K. J. Somaiya Institute of Engineering and Information Technology published his debut book titled "Beginning Apache Hadoop Administration"

Mr. Nair, founder of CognitolT Consulting Pvt Ltd, developed a keen interest towards IT technologies at the age of nineteen, which led him to pursue his passion, as a career. His organization provides training and consultancy on the niche technologies like Bigdata, Cloud, Virtualization and DevOps tools.

Presently, Prashant is an established corporate trainer and Bigdata consultant having an experience of more than twelve years in the fields of Datacenter and cluster implementations, cloud computing, Bigdata, DevOps, and Virtualization. He has also worked in the Bigdata domain as a Solution Architect and Hadoop consultant. He has trained lakhs of professionals in Bigdata, Cloud and DevOps tools.

He also enjoys writing technical blogs on his website https://bigdataclassmumbai.com. You can connect with him on LinkedIn.

The book covers one of the most demanding markets in the IT sector, and is a must read for any technocrat with the interest in the subjects of BigData and Hadoop. The level of this book goes from beginner to intermediate and includes 70% hands-on exercises, and will help the reader to race through Hadoop frameworks, its ecosystem components and slowly progress towards learning the administration part of Hadoop. If you are an administrator or a have a passion for knowing the internal configurations of Hadoop, then this book is for you.

Some of the techniques that you will learn, through this book include, Installation and configuration of Hadoop cluster Performing Hadoop Cluster Upgrade Understanding and implementing HDFS Federation Understanding and Implementing High Availability Implementing HA on a Federated Cluster Zookeeper CLI Apache Hive Installation and Security HBase Multi-master setup Oozie installation, configuration and job submission Setting up HDFS Quotas Setting up HDFS NFS gateway Understanding and implementing rolling upgrade and much more.

We wish him All The Very Best for his future endeavours!



CSI Alumni Meet

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of Computer Society of India(CSI) as a student chapter in KJSIEIT, the first ever chapter wise alumni meet was held on 5th August 2017.

The first student chapter to have the opportunity of doing so was CSI-KJSIEIT. The reason being the tenure 2017-2018 marks the 10th running tenure of CSI as a student chapter in the campus of KJSIEIT.

The event had attendees from almost all of the CSI tenures which have worked in making what CSI is today. The event began with a speech by the Vice Principal Ma'am, Dr. Sunita Patil followed by CSI-KJSIEIT's branch counsellor Mr. Uday Rote Sir who also serves as the Dean of Alumni and Corporate Relations in KJSIEIT. Many faculty members from Computers and I.T Department were present namely, Mr. Prashant Sawant who also act as CSI-KJSIEIT Co-Counsellor, Mrs. Sarita Ambadekar, Mrs. Shubhada Labde and Ms. Aarti. A member from the Somaiya Vidyavihar Alumni Coordinator, Ms Shrriya Pawar also came and told the students about why the Alumni are important to a college.

The Alumni were very excited to meet their juniors and seniors again under one roof. This led to the main aim of the meet, which was to reconnect the Alumni base back to their Alma-Mater.

An official CSI-KJSIEIT website and an application was unveiled in the course of the event by our Chief Technical Officer, Mr.Tejas Bharambe.

The Alumni spoke about their journey and how CSI helped them build careers. Nostalgia hit hard when few short videos of their respective tenures were played, which was followed by a few shared memories of their respective tenures. In total 13 Alumni with tenures ranging from 2009 to the most recent batch, along with a small group of 5 staff members and a huge audience of 41 volunteers and attendees attended this momentous event.

In the end an informal thanks was given by Alumni Administrator Mr. Tushar Koul and current CSI Chairperson Mr. Rahul Deshpande. And a memento was also presented from various staff members to the various Alumni as a token of love and appreciation of their time and shared experiences.

And finally the event ended with an informal Q&A session was held for the current members and CSI-KSJIEIT's members who had made it. It ended on a happy note with refreshments and loads of memories, new and the refreshed old-ones.







Mock placement Activity

The main objective of this activity, which was held on 16 September 2017 was to let the students experience the environment of a real workplace, give them the ability to organise themselves so that they can receive and quickly understand and carry out instructions to the satisfaction of their employer as a means of developing towards the completion of more responsible work. And lastly to develop the interpersonal skills required to enable them to work efficiently as a member of a team.

The activity organised by the Training and Placement Cell comprised of three major components, mainly the Aptitude test held in the Auditorium, Group Discussion held in classrooms 306, 307, 406, 407 and Personal Interview held in labs 302, 303, 304. The interview panel consisted of Mr. Alok Chitre from the DGM Mahindra Group; Mr. Arvind Pandi Dorai, Alumni Relations Manager SIMSR; Mr. Pratish Pallath, Chief of Klub One; Mr Gaurav Thingaliya, Consultant for Morgan Stanley; Ms Sonal Joshi, Analyst at TCS; and Ms Ankita Rajadhhyaksha, Business Manager for SMG Connvonix.

Out of a total of 75 attended students who appeared for the Aptitude Test, 40 students cleared the Test and were eligible for the Group Discussion, Out of which 11 cleared and then appeared for the Person Interview.

What was observed and talked on was the students should treat every interview seriously, they should not get too tensed up, not get bogged down by failure, work hard and sincerely to succeed and finally to network with their seniors.

At the end of the activity students should have met the following outcomes evidenced in Individual Portfolio:

Apply relevant business skills and knowledge in a work context.

Demonstrate use of initiative in dealing with issues/problems in the working environment.

Reflected on your learning experiences and how they fit with your personal objectives and development both short and long term.





Al-Com Administrative Board

President - Dr. S. K. Ukarande

Co-ordinator - Mr. Uday Rote

Secretary - Mr. Kunal Panchal

Jt. Secretaries -Mr. Prashant Nair & Ms. Harpreet Kaur

Treasurer - Ms. Kavita Kadam

Alumni Members - Mr. Shahbaaz Ansari, Mr. Vimal Chaubey & Mr. Srinath Shanbhag

Student Members - Tushar Koul, Omkar Dhuri & Hrishikesh Bihani

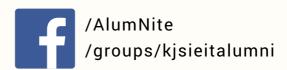
Advisory Committee - Ms. Reena Lokare, Ms. Shubda Labde, Ms. Pradnya Kamble & Ms. Sarika Bhosale

Upcoming events

- Somaiya Alumni Reunion
- KJSIEIT-Alumnite (back in KJSIEIT)
- IEEE Alumni Meet







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