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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

BESU - GAABESU Activities: Looking Back at 2009

Year 2009 has brought a lot of positive changes to our *Alma Mater*. It is really amazing to see how a good administrator can change the environment so quickly. It is also a lesson for the Govt. on the selection of VCs for the West Bengal universities. It is my fervent hope that in the future, reputed academicians rather than party hacks will be selected for such positions [\[Click here for details\]](#).

The new VC at BESU, one of our own who knows the institute, can feel its pulse. He has properly diagnosed the campus problems and has tried to put remedies in place. His methodical approach has completely changed the atmosphere in the campus. He has started to adopt progressive policies that have been appreciated and enthusiastically accepted by the BESU community. Unlike previous years, nowadays BESU is in the news for the right reasons and we hope, it will continue this way in the future.

He sought GAABESU's cooperation in advancing BESU's cause and GAABESU has promptly reciprocated the gesture. We hope this cooperation will help BESU regain its status as a top technical institution. Accordingly, GAABESU's activities have been geared towards that goal. At the VC's request, GAABESU initiated two fund raising campaigns - one to defray partial expenses for a documentary on our *Alma Mater*, directed by the famous film-maker Mr. Buddhadeb Dasgupta; and two, to partially fund Guest Chairs at the institute. We are glad to announce that the first campaign has been tremendously successful. The documentary should be out soon. For the second campaign, we have raised about half the amount of the requested fund. This campaign is still going on.

At the same time, our other on-going successful activities like alumni scholarships, book/admission grants, fellowships for excellence and emergency help programs are continuing. We will be awarding over Rs. 12 lakhs towards educational assistantships. Awards under emergency help program are detailed elsewhere in this newsletter.

As our *Alma Mater* is slowly changing for the better, we must help our VC to ensure that it does not revert back to its prior condition. BESU and GAABESU, are jointly involved to convert it to an Institute of National Importance (INI) under the dynamic leadership of one of our own, Prof Ajoy K Ray,'74ETC, VC.

We hope all of you will join GAABESU in this journey. If you are visiting Kolkata, we request you to stop by at GAABESU' campus office and review our activities and how our alumni association is involved in the betterment of our *Alma Mater*. If you do, please also check whether your latest contact information is in our on-line database. If you are not yet a member, we request you to join GAABESU as a life member. Your membership is tax-deductible in India and USA and can be applied to this tax-year. An application is enclosed here for your convenience.

We wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Note: The editorial is representative of the thoughts and beliefs of the editor and does not reflect the official position of the GAABESU.

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- 2) Personal and professional accomplishments that you want to share with your fellow alumni;
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- 4) Batch news, event announcements and reports;
- 5) Looking for friends;
- 6) Looking for help;
- 7) Anything you feel appropriate for the alumni community.

As long as the message does not attack anyone personally and/or contain any hidden political agenda, we will publish them as-it-is. Electronic newsletters are published in every two months but alumni web site is updated continuously. You may submit your articles anytime.



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BESU NEWS & NEWS FROM MEDIA

BESU Proposes to Set up Green Technology Park

Based on the reports in The Telegraph on Monday, Nov. 2 & The Indian Express on Nov. 16, 2009

The Bengal Engineering and Science University (BESU) Vice-Chancellor (VC) Ajoy K. Ray recently met Union HRD Minister Kapil Sibal and discussed with him a proposal to build a Rs. 20 Cr green technology park at the Shibpur campus. Spread over 100 acres, the main academic block & various air-conditioning systems of the university will run on alternative sources of energy. "If the proposal is accepted, the university will be one its kind to have an integrated centre for research in green technology - a feat unachieved as yet by any university offering technical education in the country," said the VC, adding that he has received a positive response from the Centre [[Click here for details](#)].

New Examination System at BESU

The Times of India on Nov 15, 2009

Copying in class tests or mugging up answers for semester examinations in engineering colleges has been a cause of concern for teachers. The Bengal Engineering and Science University (BESU), Shibpur, is mulling a new concept to weed out the rot. Ajay Ray, VC wants to introduce the open-book system, though in a limited way. The system allows students to consult class notes, reference books and calculators while answering questions. [[Click here for details](#)].

BESU Plans Rs 100 Cr Medical College

KOLKATA: BESU has drawn up a Rs 100-crore plan for a medical science and technology centre next to the Shibpur campus that'll include a medical school and a 400-bed state-of-the-art research hospital.

"We are waiting for the land (70-acre vacant plot next to the campus) to be handed over to us. If the state government takes up the proposal and acquires land, it will be a-dream-come true for us and the state," said VC Ajay Roy.

International Colloquium on "Engineering in Aid of Society"

Submitted by Arun Deb, '57CE

A colloquium titled "Engineering in aid of Society" was held on November 3, 2009 at the Alumni Seminar Hall (1st Floor, Science & Technology Building, BESU). Prof. Jyoti Mazumder, '72MetE, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA spoke about "Laser Aided Intelligent Manufacturing: Atom to Application & Lasers in Health Science: Patient Specific Tissue Engineering and Artificial Lungs. Dr.

Debranjana Sarkar, VECC, Kolkata delivered a talk on Cyclotron in Healthcare.

Prof. Nihar Biswas, '70CE, University of Windsor, Ontario, Canada presented on Treatment of Stormwater and/or Industrial Waste Treatment. Dr. Arun K. Deb, '57CE, Vice President (Retd.), Weston Solutions, Inc., West Chester, Pennsylvania, USA discussed about Challenges of Water Supply System Management in the 21st Century.

CE DEPT. SEMINAR ON "EUROCODES"

Submitted by Gautam Bhattacharya, '77CE

A seminar by two eminent structural engineers from UK on "Eurocodes" was arranged by the CE Dept. on Friday, November 20, 2009 in the department's seminar hall on the 2nd Floor at the campus.

First speaker Dr. Graham Owens' (FREng, MSc, PhD, CEng, FStructE, FRSA, and President of the Institution of Structural Engineers) topic was "The Eurocodes: their potential value to global construction".

Second speaker Mr. Sibdas Chakrabarti's (OBE, FStructE, MICE) topic was "Introduction of Eurocodes for the Design of Structures". Mr. Chakrabarti is not only a renowned Structural Engineering Consultant but also a distinguished alumnus ('63CE) settled in U.K.

ME Dept. Organizes a Short-Term Course on "Fabronics"

Submitted by Santanu Karmakar, '83ME

Indo - US Centre for Research Excellence on Fabronics will present a short-term course: Mechanics Over Micro and Nano Scale (STCMMN 09) on Dec. 21-22 at BESU, Shibpur (Kolkata), jointly organized by BESU, Shibpur and IIT, Kharagpur [[Click here for details](#)].

Dr. Sudip Basak Receives Award

Dr. Sudip Basak, Assistant Professor of Applied Mechanics, has received the Australian Government Endeavour Post Doctoral Research Fellowship 2010 to work at department of Civil Engineering, University of Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia.

GAABESU ACTIVITIES

GAABESU EMERGENCY FUND

GAABESU handed over 100% of fund raised for each case in INR and USD to Mr. Dipak Mazumder and Mr. Arindam Saha. Final list of donors and money receipts are sent out to all alumni via e-mail and web site posting.



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GAABESU Scholarships, Admission Grants & Fellowships: FY 2009-10

GAABESU is very happy to continue "Alumni Fellowship for Excellence" under its Scholarship Programme.

Similar to previous years, under the "need cum merit" oriented Scholarship programme, GAABESU is hereby announcing 77 scholarships of Rs 12,000/- each. Additionally, GAABESU will provide 5 Book Grants of Rs. 2,000.00 each.

The total committed amount to the students of BESU for the academic year 2009-10 is Rs. 11,12,500.00 (Rupees Eleven Lakh Twelve Thousand and Five Hundred)[[Click here for details](#)].

USA Scholarship Sub-Committee thanks Mr. Biman Saha, '89ETC, California to initiating a new scholarship, Khagendra Bijay Saha Memorial Scholarship, donating additional USD 3200.00 in 2009.

GAABESU Fund for Documentary Film

GAABESU successfully raised nearly INR 12 lakhs from alums all over the world for a documentary film on our Alma Mater. This documentary includes past history of the institute from the days gone by, its contribution in imparting engineering education in India and a glimpse of the campus life in a typical academic year, seen through the eyes of an artist. V-C requested the eminent movie director, Mr. Buddhadeb Dasgupta, to make the documentary film [[Click here for details](#)].

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Ananda Ghosh Retd Faculty, BESU

Late Kiron Chandra Goswami 1912CE

Late Asit Baran Choudhuri 1939EE

Late M. Sunil K. Goswami 1940CE

Sunil Kumar Majumder 1948ME

Chiranjib Sarkar 1951CE

Kalyan Kumar Sanyal 1952CE

Jyoti R Sengupta 1954CE

Kalyan Kumar Basu 1954CE

Nihar Kumar Sen 1955CE

Sitanshu S Ganguly 1955CE

Dhiraj Mohan Chanda 1956CE

Kajal K. Gupta 1956CE

Kaustabh Mani Chatterjee 1956CE

Amitabha Ghosal 1957CE

Apurba Dasgupta 1957CE

Arun Deb 1957CE

Asoke Kumar Shee 1957CE

Shankha Banerji 1957CE

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Basudeb Mukherji 1959CE

Deepak Mitra 1960CE

Mukul Ray 1960CE

Subir Kumar Sarkar 1960CE

Kumud Roy 1961CE

Tapobrata Sanyal 1961CE

Pareshnath Coomer 1961EE

Subir Ghosh 1961EE

Achyut Ghosh 1961ME

Rupak Dutta 1961ME

Tarak Nath Mitra 1961ME

Amal Kumar Sen 1962CE

Prabir Kumar Som 1962CE

Prabir Niyogi 1962CE

Gan Mukhopadhyay 1963CE

Jayanta Majumder 1963CE

Santosh K. Saha 1963CE

Asit Palit 1963ME

Sukumar Jana 1963MET

Subir Sen 1964CE

Samir Basu 1964EE

Priyotosh Majumdar 1964ME

Amitabha Chatterje 1965CE

Asok Datta 1965CE

Bijan Behari Datta 1965CE

Pranab Kumar Gun 1965CE

Prasenjit Datta Roy 1965CE

Rathindra Guha Majumdar 1965CE

Santosh Sinha 1965CE

Saroj Bhol 1965CE

Baidya Roy 1965ME

Biman Kumar Sen 1966CE

Dipak Bhattacharya 1966CE

Manindra Nath Mukherjee 1966CE

Phani Bhusan Mandal 1966CE

Rajat Chakrabarti 1966CE

Sadhan Kr Biswas 1966CE

Saroj Kumar Kayal 1966CE

Satyaki Sen 1966CE

Tapan Kumar Saha 1966CE

Subhas Saha 1966EE

Arabinda Ganguly 1966MET

Arun Deb Mukherji 1966MET

Bimal Kanti Basu 1966MET

Subir K. Bhattacharya 1966MET

Subroto Mukherjee 1966MET

Arun Gupta 1967CE

Deba Prasad Datta 1967CE

Pradip Ranjan Dutt 1967CE

Shankar Bose 1967CE

Shyamal Kumar Mitra 1967CE

Syama Prasad Datta 1967CE

Tarun K. Basu 1967CE

Twishampati Dutta 1967CE

Asok Kumar Mallik 1967ME

Biswajit Chatterjee 1967ME

Jahar Lal Gangopadhyay 1967ME

Malay K. Kar 1967ME

Ranjit Kumar Mitra 1967ME

Santanu Chatterjee 1967ME

Syamalendu Chakrabarti 1967ME

Pradip Kumar Sengupta 1967MIN

Achintya Das 1968EE

Indra Kumar Basu 1968EE

Sham Ganguli 1968ME

Capt. Amar K. Pal 1969CE

Susobhan Ghosh 1969CE

Asok K. Chakrabarti 1970CE

Biplab Kumar Dey 1970CE

Nihar Biswas 1970CE

Ajay Kumar Debnath 1970EE

Aparesh Chandra Sen 1970EE

Ranesh K Ray 1970ME

Mrinmoy Ghosh Choudhury 1970ME

Subir Chowdhury 1971CE

Sujitendra Nath Chakraborty 1971CE

Probir C. Chatterjee 1971ME

Tapas Som 1971ME

Prabir Basu 1972CE

Swapan Roychoudhuri 1972CE



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Ashok Banerji 1972EE	Tapan Gautam 1977ETC	Bani Pr. Guhathakurta 1981ETC	Rajdeep Dutta 1988EE
T K Mandal 1972ME	Amit Palit 1977ME	Dhiraj Bhaumik 1981ETC	Swapan Saha 1988EE
Jyotirmoy Mazumder 1972MET	Ashis Banerjee 1977ME	Kabita Jha 1981ETC	Subhranta Kumar Shaw 1988ETC
Abhijit Dutta 1973CE	Saibal Nandy 1978ARCH	Nirmal Das 1981ETC	Sudipto Srimany 1989ARCH
Pradip Chattopadhyay 1973CE	Biswajit Munshi 1978CE	Bidyut Chakrabarty 1981MET	Suvo Ghosh 1989ARCH
Amal Kumar Adhikari 1973ME	Deb Kumar De 1978CE	Biman Ghosh 1981MET	Subhankar Nag 1989CE
Amitabha Datta 1974CE	Pranab K Basu 1978CE	Mrimoy Kr. Sinha Babu 1981MET	Mrinal Mandal 1989ETC
Satyesh Dattamajumder 1974CE	Tapas Das 1978CE	Susil Das 1981MET	Anupam Ghosal 1989ME
Arunava Mitra 1974EE	Aniruddha Sanyal 1978ME	Kalyanbrata Dasgupta 1982ARCH	Bhaskar Dutta 1989MET
Nagarajan Prabhakar 1974EE	Somnath Chakrabarti 1978ME	Soumitra Chatterjee 1982ARCH	Mayukh Datta 1990CE
Ajoy Kumar Ray 1974ETC	Partha Sarathi Mallik 1978MET	Prabir Kumar Kar 1982CE	Palash Guha Neogi 1990CE
Saibal Chatterjee 1974ETC	Aditya Bandyopadhyay 1979ARCH	Prabir Chattopadhyay 1982EE	Pranesh Biswas 1990CE
Dipak Bhattacharyya 1974ME	Rupak Bhattacharyya 1979CE	Sudip Majumder 1982EE	Pradip Saha 1990EE
Somnath Chatterjee 1975CE	Sumitra Sinha 1979ETC	Devkumum Dutta 1983ARCH	Binoy Shyam 1990ETC
Swapan Ray Chaudhury 1975CE	Swapan Basu 1979ETC	Sangita Goswami 1983ARCH	Arindam Mukhopadhyay 1990ME
Tarun Ganguli 1975CE	Ashish Kumar Das 1979ME	Debashis Roy 1983CE	Nimai Majumder 1990ME
Tarun K Pal 1975ETC	Subrata Ranjan Debnath 1979ME	Sankha Roy 1983CE	Pratik Dutta 1990MIN
Dipankar Chakraborty 1976EE	Amitava Pal 1980CE	Subhajit Saraswati 1983CE	Shuvendu Bakshi 1991ARCH
Anjan Kumar Ghosh 1976ETC	Gautam Mandal 1980CE	Amitabha Chatterjee 1983EE	Suman Deb Ray 1991ARCH
Anjana G Roy 1977ETC	Subhro Dutta 1980CE	Aniruddha Ray 1983EE	Nirjhar Chakraborty 1991CE
Asim Deb 1977ETC	Malay Niyogi 1980EE	Arunava Mukhopadhyay 1983EE	Tanusree Chakraborty 1991CE
Mrimmay K Gangopadhyay 1977ETC	Manjul Sengupta 1980EE	Kanai Banerjee 1983EE	Arindam Sen 1991ME
Sukanta K Roy 1977ETC	Ranjan Chakraborty 1980EE	Lipika Chatterjee 1983EE	Tanmoy Sabud 1991ME
	Rajat Gupta 1980ETC	Chinmoy Kumar Haldar 1983ME	Dhruba Dey 1992CE
	Anjan Bhattacharya 1980ME	Santanu Kumar Karmakar 1983ME	Udayan Bhattacharyya 1992EE
	Anuj Biswas 1980ME	Indranil Manna 1983MET	Avijit Chakraborty 1992ETC
	Santanu Ghosh Roy 1980ME	Karobi Mukherjee 1984CE	Rajarshi Chanda 1992ETC
	Agnimitra Bhattacharya 1981CE	Swapan Kumar Karmakar 1984MET	Sambit Das 1992ETC
	Goutom Bandyopadhyay 1981CE	Rita Chattopadhyay 1985EE	Sandip Bag 1992ETC
	Ranjan Palit 1981CE	Debjani Chatterjee 1985ETC	D.K. Jha 1993CE
	Subhasish Bhattacharyya 1981CE	Tirthankar Barari 1985ETC	Suprio Ganguli 1993CE
	Subrata Kar 1981CE	Pranab Chakraborty 1985ME	Prasenjit Kayal 1993ME
	Sujan Bhattacharya 1981CE	Surya Nandi 1986CE	Subrata Kumar Bera 1993MET
	Basab Ghosh 1981EE	Debjani Das 1986EE	Dipankar Ghosh 1994ARCH
	Bhaskar DasGupta 1981EE	Jayanta Lahiri 1986EE	Sandip Mukhopadhyay 1994ETC
	Biswajit Ray 1981EE	Nandini Mukhopadhyay 1987ARCH	Barnali Ghosh 1994MET
	Biswajit Sen Gupta 1981EE	Amlanjyoti Basu 1987CE	Sumanta Bhunia 1994MET
	Biswarup Saha 1981EE	Manojit De 1987CE	Krishnendu Pal 1996CE
	Dilip Basu 1981EE	Prithwis Das 1987CE	Swarup Pal 1996ME
	Jayanta Das 1981EE	Saumyen Guha 1987CE	Tapan Pradhan 1996ME
	Somnath Ray 1981EE	Prosenjit Chakraborty 1987EE	Kaustubh Dasgupta 1997CE
	Ajit Chandra Bordoloi 1981ETC	Saibal Ghosal 1988CST	Nilanjan Ray 1997CE



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Souvik Das 1997CE
Sudip Thakur 1998ARCH
Chandrani Pal 1998CST
Anamika Chakraborty 1998EE
Dipyaman Chakraborty 1998EE
Aninda Barat 1998MET
Bhaskar Ghosh 1998MET
Soumen Sarkar 1998MET
Abhijit Gupta 1999EE
Susmit Bagchi 1999ETC
Viking Bhattacharya 1999ME
Arindam Majumdar 2000CST
Chittaranjan Haty 2000CST
Subhasish Choudhury 2000CST

Sumit Goswami 2000ETC
D.K. Nanda 2000ME
Koustav Biswas 2000ME
Joy Banerjee 2001CST
Arkadeb Banerjee 2001ME
Partha Pratim Nath 2004ARCH
Amit Kumar Das 2004CE
Subhadrata Goswami 2004CE (PG)
Archita Das 2004CST
Sanjib Paul 2004ETC
Anindya Sankar Chattopadhyay 2004IT
Anagh Chakrabarti 2007ETC
Joydeep Biswas 2008ARCH
Abhijit Naskar 2008CE

Sunil K Majumder 1948ME
Asish Sengupta 1953CE
Promode Ranjan Dutt 1955CE
Nihar Kumar Sen 1955CE
Suhas Choudry 1957CE
Amitabha Dasgupta 1957CE
Apurba K Dasgupta 1957CE
Anandapran Gupta 1959CE
Sourindra M. Bose 1960EE
Ajit Mukherjee 1960EE
Sanjib Mukherji 1960ME
Kumud R Roy 1961CE
Samarjit Chatterjee 1962CE
Amitabha Ghosh 1962ME
Subir K Sen 1964CE
Chiranjib Chatterji 1964EE
Priyatosh Majumdar 1964ME
Pradip Kumar Ray 1965CE
Santosh K Pattanayak 1966MIN
Amal K De 1967CE
Syamalendu Chakrabarti 1967ME
Syamal B Ghosh Dastidar 1967ME
Premdas Ray 1969CE
Asok Mukherjee 1969EE
Biplab Kumar Dey 1970 CE
Mrinmoy Ghosh Choudhury 1970ME
Ranesh K Ray 1970ME
Dhruvajyoti Bhattacharya 1971CE
Sujitendra N Chakraborti 1971CE
Subir Chowdhury 1971CE
Amitabha Sen 1971ME
Tapan K Mandal 1972ME
Sanjib Chaki 1973CE
Pradip Chattopadhyay 1973CE
Ritwik Datta 1973CE
Amal K Adhikari 1973ME
Nirmal Basu 1974CE
Satyesh Datta Majumder 1974CE
Dipankar Mukherjee 1974CE
Nagarajan Prabhakar 1974EE
Ajoy Kumar Ray 1974ETC
Deepak Bhattacharya 1974ME
Dipak Kumar Mazumdar 1974ME
Somnath Chatterjee 1975CE

Barun Bhattacharya 1976EE
Chandan Chowdhury 1976ME
Debabrata Guha 1977 EE
Amit Palit 1977ME
Partha S Mallik 1978MET
Sriman K Bhattacharyya 1979CE
Ashish K Das 1979ME
Anjan Bhattacharya 1980ME
Anuj Biswas 1980ME
Agni Motra Bhattacharya 1981CE
Subhasish Bhattacharyya 1981CE
Subrata Kar 1981CE
Ranjan Palit 1981CE
Dilip Basu 1981EE
Basab Ghosh 1981EE
Somnath Ray 1981EE
Dhiraj Bhaumik 1981ETC
Ajit C Bordoloi 1981ETC
Gour M Bakshi 1981ME
Bidyut Chakrabarty 1981MET
Susil Das 1981MET
Gurprit Singh 1981MET
Saumitra Sinha 1981MET
Samir K Bhowmick 1982EE
Debkanti Bandyopadhyay 1982ME
Indranath Sinha 1982MIN
Arunava Mukhopadhyay 1983EE
Aniruddha Ray 1983EE
Biman Bandyopadhyay 1984CE
Gautam Maitra 1985MIN
Debjani Das 1986EE
Saumyen Guha 1987CE
Indrajit Sarkar 1987EE
Subhankar Nag 1989CE
Swapan Sasmal 1989CE
Biman Saha 1989ETC
Anupam Ghosal 1989ME
Arup K Datta 1989MET
Bhaskar Dutta 1989MET
Pradip Saha 1990EE
Binoy K Shyam 1990ETC
Nimai C Majumdar 1990ME
Tanmoy Sabud 1991ME
Udayan Bhattacharjee 1992EE

GAABESU Guest Chair Programme

GAABESU launched a new programme at alumni meet at NABC09, San Jose, California, USA on July 3, 2009. GAABESU thanks the following donors for their generous donation for this new initiative. Please stay tuned for additional information [[Click here for more information](#)].

We thank the following donors to GAABESU Guest Chair project till date, sorted by seniority.

BECAA Japan Chapter	Samir Basu 1964EE
Asish Sengupta 1953CE	Saroj Bhol 1965CE
Jyoti R Sengupta 1954 CE	Tarun Basu 1967CE
Kajal K. Gupta 1956CE	Manoj Bhattacharya 1978EE
Arun Deb 1957CE	Manu Das 1979ETC
Ajit Mukherjee 1960EE	Sudip Majumder 1982 EE
Pinaki Chakrabarti 1961CE	Sangita Goswami 1983ARCH
Gan Mukhopadhyay 1963EE	Sankha Roy 1983CE
Amit Ghosh 1964CE	Amtabha Chatterjee 1983EE
Subir K. Sen 1964CE	Lipika Chatterjee 1983EE
Chiranjib Chatterji 1964EE	Swapan Saha 1988EE
Kalyan Basu 1964 EE	Anita & Sanjay Banerjee 1991 CST

New GAABESU Members: Year - 2009

We sincerely appreciate the following alums that joined GAABESU in 2009. If you do not see your name but joined in 2009, please contact GAABESU office immediately.



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Prasenjit Kayal 1993ME	Dipyaman Chakraborty 1998EE
Dipankar Ghosh 1994ARCH	Susmit Bagchi 1999ETC
Rajib Dutta 1994EE	Sumit Goswami 2000ETC
Krishnendu Pal 1996CE	Niladri Sannigrahi 2001CE
Sharbaroop Mallik 1996EE	Banshi D Dutta 2005CE
Koushik Chakrabarty 1998CST	Amit Mahajan 2006ETC
Chandrani Pal 1998CST	Subir Mondal 2006MIN
Anamika Chakraborty 1998EE	

GAABESU also thanks 307 members of the class of '09 who agreed to join with BESU caution money. Once GAABESU receives fund from BESU, they will formally join as members.

GAABESU welcomed new students in a formal welcome ceremony held on November 20, 2009. This ceremony was attended by VC, Prof. Ajoy Ray, Syama Datta, Professors Indranil Manna, Aditya Bandyopadhyay, Indranath Sinha, Pradip Roy, Anjan Ghosh and Dr. Arun Deb. The students spoke their minds and mentioned some of their problems in the presence of Prof. Ajoy Ray.

GAABESU Workshop

GAABESU will organize a Workshop on "Entrepreneurship in Engineering Business" on January 6, 2010. All final year students and alums are invited to attend this daylong event at BESU campus [[Click here for details](#)].

- How to become an entrepreneur? - Mr. Hari Bala, '84EE, Managing Director, Ontrack Systems Limited
- Entrepreneurial spirit is a terrible thing to waste - Mr. Manu Das, '79ETC, Founder and President, Soffront
- Teaching Entrepreneurship to Engineering Students - Dr. Sourav Kundu, '90ARCH, President and Chief Architect, KSG Global
- Muchipara to Manhattan - Mr. Aparup Sengupta, '87EE, Managing Director and Global CEO, Aegis Global
- It's all about Business - Mr. Partha Sarathi Bag, '87ETC, Founder and Director, Endroit Technologies Pvt. Limited
- Most Valuable One rupee of my life - Mr. Sanjay Ghosh, '87ETC, Managing Director and CEO, Simoco.

- Strategy and Entrepreneurship - Prof. Sudipto Bhattacharya, Faculty, School of Management, BESU, Shibpur

ALUMNI NEWS

Prasad Ranjan Das ('69Arch)

Submitted by Arun Deb, '57CE

Prasad Ranjan Das known as Ranjan Prasad is our alumnus who got his B. Arch. degree in 1969. He has not only a versatile architect but also a pioneering exponent in the contemporary music movement. His music covers almost entire world from Meghna to Mississippi, from the cornfields of Cuba to the coalmines of India and from Banana boat of the West Indies to the tea gardens of Assam. He has recorded his songs. Now retired, he is part of a band "Gangchil". He has also composed "BEC Anthem" and sang before a packed up audience on Sunday 25 Oct '09 in presence of students, alums and senior teachers who joined in chorus so spontaneously.

Prof. Indranil Manna ('83 MetE) appointed Director CGCRI

Submitted by Amitabha Chatterjee, '83EE

One of our alumni Indranil Manna, Ph.D. who is also a member of the GAABESU EC has been appointed to the position of Director at Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute (CGCRI) in Kolkata (<http://www.cgcri.res.in>).

He will be on loan from IIT Kharagpur. GAABESU congratulates him for his selection to this prestigious position.

Prof. Somendra Kumar Mazumder ('59CE) receives HYDRO 2009 - Life Time Achievement Award

Submitted by Tarun Basu, '67CE

Prof. S.K. Mazumder, Ph.D. will be receiving HYDRO 2009 Award for his Life Long Contributions in Research and Teaching in Hydraulics. This is given by Indian Society for Hydraulics. He got BE degree in CE from B.E. College, Shibpur (now BESU) and his M.Tech. & Ph.D. degrees in CE from IIT, Kharagpur.

Prof. Mazumder has 50 years of teaching, research, design & consultancy experience in hydraulics & water resources engineering. He worked as Assistant Engineer in Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, G.W.B, and Lecturer at IIT-Kgp, Assistant Professor at R.E.College (now NIT), Durgapur and Professor at DCE during 1975-98. While at DCE, Prof. Mazumder guided 30 students at M.E. & Ph.D. levels, published 3 books and carried out several research projects sponsored by Govt. & private organizations.



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He has published about 120 technical papers in national/International journals and Conferences in India and abroad. He was an AICTE Emeritus Fellow at DCE during 1998-2000 and a visiting professor at EPFL, Switzerland during Feb. - Nov.,1991. He was Head of Civil Engg. & Dean, Faculty of Technology, University of Delhi. He got several awards from the Institution of Engineers (India). For the last 10 years, he is actively associated with several consultancy organizations in Civil Engineering in New Delhi including Consultant, Aquagreen Engg. Management Pvt. Ltd., ICT Pvt. Ltd. & SWI Pvt. Ltd.

CHAPTER/BATCH NEWS

Gift from the Class of '79

By Tarun Basu, '67CE, Editor, GAABESU (Based on a write-up by Gautam Biswas, '79ME, Vice President, GAABESU)

Class of 1979 (Oonoashi) will celebrate 30th anniversary of their graduation with a grand gift to our beloved institution. They have renovated one of the historic buildings, Slater Hall, in our campus that would house Students' Centre for Creative Excellence. This centre will provide an opportunity to the students to nurture their talents in extra-curricular activities. Previously, they raised enough funds, while celebrating 25th anniversary of graduation, to sponsor four (4) scholarships perpetually to the needy students via GAABESU Scholarship Programme.

We salute Class of 79 for setting such a wonderful example in giving back (in the form of Guru Dakshina after completing education) to the Alma Mater and hope all other classes will follow them.

Slater Hall, a two-storied building, consisting of 9 rooms with 11 carpet areas (in two rooms there are mezzanine floors) has been completely reconstructed and refurbished. There are two long corridors and one stair case which were also renovated. The renovation project involved completion of the followings tasks:



- 1) Covering the carpet areas with vitrified tiles,
- 2) Repairing & painting of the rooms,
- 3) New electrical wiring and re-installing the power supply,
- 4) Installing fans, lights etc. in the entire building,
- 5) Furniture in all the rooms and
- 6) Supply of few basic equipment/gadget to the students societies.

Everything else except Item no. 6 is completed. Five societies (Music, Drama, Debate & Quiz, Photography and Technical Innovation) have submitted their basic requirements and those will be in place by the second week of November. The complete budget for this project is INR 15 lakhs [[Click here for additional pictures](#)].





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Northern California Alumni Dinner

Submitted by Niladri Sannigrahi, '01CE

The Northern California Chapter of BEC Alumni Association (NORCAL BECAA) got together and celebrated the 2009 Holiday Dinner on October 24, 2009 at The Cabana in Foster City, California.



It was a great show with almost 100% attendance from confirmed alumni, fantastic food, great ambience and so much adda. It started around 7:00 PM. Alums ranging from the classes of '1959 to 2001 started social mixing and shared sweet memories of their beloved B E College. The biggest attraction of the night was the food that included Machher Chop/Veg Chop, Dhokar Dalnaa, Rui Machher Kaliyaa, Chicken Roast, Bengali Pulao, Naan, Papaad, Salad, Chamchaam and Chaa. Sudipda ('82EE) deserves very special thanks for ordering these dishes. After everybody got a bit settled down, cultural program started. The presence of all the alumni rekindled the spirit of fraternity we BECANs nurture amongst us.

We eagerly look forward to our next get together.

BECAA-Oman Annual Function & Maiden Visit of Vice Chancellor in Muscat

Submitted by Rajdeep Dutta, '88EE & Shubhendu Bakshi, '91Arch.

The alums of Bengal Engineering and Science University (BESU) in Kolkata, India, lived up to their promise of providing a memorable evening of showcasing excellence in performing arts of India, specific to Bengal, when they presented Mamata Shankar and her troupe at the Oman Auditorium on the evening of 5th November 2009. It was truly a superlative performance reflecting unison of moods, movement

and melody. The evening was made enchanting by a riot of colors and sound.





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The ambassador of India to Oman H.E. Anil Wadhwa, who was the Chief Guest on the occasion, congratulated the BESU alumni for hosting programme of such excellence every year with self motivation and commitment to culturally integrate Indian community in Oman. He personally met and greeted Mamata Shankar & her troupe members. He welcomed VC of BESU and indicated this maiden visit will open up doors to lot of untapped opportunities of collaboration between India and Oman in education, engineering, research & human resource development.

Class of 1983 Get Together

Submitted by Aditya Bandyopadhyay, '79Arch



Class of 1983 met on December 5, 2009 at BESU Guest House. Aditya Bandyopadhyay, '79 Arch, Prof. & Hony Secretary appealed alums who are not yet members, to join GAABESU as life member and participate in the activities, GAABESU and BESU are driving jointly.

30th Reunion of the Class of '79

Submitted by Ramnath Datta, '79EE

Class of '79 will celebrate 30th year of Graduation on 25th Dec at the campus; this will be followed by a family trip to Sunderban on 26th & 27th of Dec. On 25th Dec. members of Oonoashi will visit the Slater

Hall to review the project and then discuss the future plan for the Centre.

We have also arranged cultural functions and photography exhibition by the Students' Societies of BESU (Music, Drama, Photography, and Debate & Quiz). This arrangement was made to encourage the Students' Societies instead of spending money on the popular artists. Food will also be arranged.

Annual Reunion for Class of 64EE

Annual reunion for Class of 64EE will be held at Basu Villa, Andul Road, Andul on Jan 17, 2010 (Sun). Alumni/Alumnae who will be visiting Calcutta around that time are requested to come to the event.

OBITUARY

Ashok K. Kerr, '58Arch (1936-2009)

Submitted by Arun Deb, '57CE & Sripati Bhattacharyya, 63EE

Ashok K. Kerr ('58 Arch) passed away on 25th November, 2009 in his sleep and was cremated in Sunset View Mortuary, El Cerrito, California on 2nd November at the age of 73. He is survived by his wife Nomita and son Anoranya.

Ashok graduated in Architecture and was awarded Gold medal for being the top of his class. He also completed DTRP from BE College & later did M. Arch. degree from The University of California at Berkeley.

His professional challenges began in 1962 when he joined Joe Escherick, Architects in San Francisco. He competed for many architectural designs and received recognition.

In India he worked a year or so in Kolkata. After his short stint in USA, he returned to Kolkata in '73 and worked there with Architects Collaborated from 1973 to 1983.

He returned to USA in '83. Later, he established an Architectural consulting firm in Berkeley, CA.

Ashok was greatly popular among friends and community. In younger days he was known as Bobby, Bobby-da, Bobby-kaku etc. He used to play his masterpiece tunes on mouth organ to friends and in celebrations.

His multi-faceted talents were evident and well appreciated by his friends. His last rites were performed on 5th December, 2009. May his soul rest in peace!



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