

**Global Alumni Association - Bengal Engineering and Science University
East Coast chapter
United State of America**

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Soumya Souvik Hati
General Secretary, BECSU

Dear Soumya:

Thanks very much for taking the initiative to engage the students and alumni alike in the IEST issue, which is very dear to our hearts and something we have been taking active interest since last few years. It's extremely encouraging to see that the students are at the forefront of the movement to convert our alma mater to the Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IEST), Shibpur, as recommended by Ananda Krishnan committee.

You and the broader student community may already know that the Global Alumni Association (GAABESU) have been mobilizing support across the alumni, academic, student and media community over the last few years to bring this issue to fruition. After many years of tireless efforts, we are clearly at the vantage point where everything is in our favor and the opportunity is truly knocking at the door. BESU has been ranked at the top of the Ananda Krishnan committee report, there are renewed media interest (both in traditional press and internet) across the country on the issue of IEST, we have got significant positive media coverage and the state of West Bengal is revitalizing industrialization, where a new IIT clearly sends positive signal to the investor community.

We clearly can not let this opportunity go by, because we may never see this again!

We firmly believe that we are on the right track and the convention will bring everyone, who has the best interest of BESU at his/her heart, around our common cause of converting BESU to IEST, Shibpur. While we are unable to participate physically, we will like to assure the student community that GAABESU in general, and East Coast USA chapter in particular, will continue to do everything they can, to make this dream a reality.

We wish you god speed and every success!

Warm regards



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