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General Secretary  
Undergraduate Students' Union  
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We are well aware of the proud history of our institution and its contribution in the development and production of world class engineers and scientists who have contributed in the development of India and many other countries over the last 150 years. I am certain that this rich legacy can only continue if the present proposal of converting our BESU to an INI is fulfilled. To be really competitive and harness the support of public at large and the industries, our institution must have the educational resources - both human as well as physical - so that we are able to provide the best possible learning environment to our students. A fully supported INI will be great for our State and will even be more important for our Country. It will certainly pave the way to continued development of academic activities, including teaching and research collaboration, and development involving BESU and other national and international institutions - some of which are already in progress in anticipation of this conversion happening.

Please accept our heartfelt congratulations on the eve of the 150th Anniversary ceremony of the Bengal Engineering and Science University.

Under the able leadership of Dr. N.R. Banerjea, Vice Chancellor of the BESU, the staff, students and faculty members, the alumni and other well wishers, I can see our dream of having a world class institution coming to fruition.

Sincerely,

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