

**Bengal Engineering College Alumni Association
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Dear Students,

On behalf of alumni of B.E. College (presently BESUS) in Oman, I must congratulate the BESUS Students' Union members for arranging this unique convention called "Fifth Dimension". This institution has contributed a lot in our formative years. We are very proud of our college and it is very close to our hearts. We have unanimously agreed that the IEST status of BESUS is essential and we strongly recommend and support this proposal.

It will open up an avenue for the students to look forward to the global field of Engineering & Architecture according to their aptitudes and abilities. We, the BESU alumni in Oman, know the amount of respect an Indian engineer or architect is able to earn through his/her talent, professionalism and commitment towards the job. Basically we treat our job as a religious duty rather than a money spinning machine. This is what sets engineers of Indian origin apart from the others.

It will be appropriate to mention about the global talent shortage survey conducted by the reputed USA based human resources organization, Manpower Inc. A total of 33,000 employers across 23 countries were covered in the survey and the results pointed towards a great shortage of competent engineers in the demand list of Top 10 Professions. For example "Engineers" are at 3rd position of the demand list in Canada, 2nd in Australia, 3rd in Hong Kong, 2nd in Japan, 3rd in Singapore, 3rd in Germany, 1st in Norway, 4th in UK, 2nd in USA, 7th in Sweden and 8th in India. This places engineers at the 2nd most in demand position globally. This excludes IT professionals who were listed separately. The above results clearly indicate a great opportunity for BESUS graduates & post graduates in the global market in the years to come. Thus from the global point of view, converting BESU to IEST will definitely add on to its dimension in the global market.

Any resolution taken in this convention in favour of converting BESU to IEST, shall have our full support. As part of the Global Alumni community, we promise you all help and guidance in any form whatsoever in achieving this goal.

With best wishes & thanks,

On behalf of Executive Committee, BECAA – Oman


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