



Alumni Meet Report under Industry Institute Interaction
Under TEQIP III
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Alumni Meet 2018 was organized by Mechanical Engineering Department, Sardar Patel College of Engineering under Industry-Institute Interaction, TEQIP III on **27.11.2018** from (6 pm till 10 pm) in the seminar hall room no 119. The meet was attended by more than 42 Alumni delegates from various batches and the faculties of Mechanical Engg. Dept. The objective being to reinforce a sense of belongingness towards their alumni association, fostering the spirit of fellowship and providing a common platform for social and intellectual interaction.



The Inaugural Ceremony of Alumni meet was conducted by lighting of lamp and Sarsawati Vandan. Dr. M. M. MURUDI, Vice-Principal, addressed the audience with his inaugural speech and enlightened the audience about TEQIP activities.

Dr. Rajesh Butkar, Dean of Academics, presented the changes made in the curriculum as per emerging Industry 4.0 requirements and how the IOT and VR technologies can be implemented for the training of students. He further emphasized on the merger of industry relevant online courses available such as IOT, Machine learning, VR with the academic syllabus to give students more insights about the industry in order to fill the gap existing between industry and academics.

Dr. Nilesh Raykar, HOD (Mechanical Engineering Department) offered the insight on the department progress, highlighted the department achievements, Faculty achievements, students' achievements, laboratory facilities, student forums, placement activities, mentoring system, MOUs and consultancy services provided to industry.

Dr Santosh Rane, Alumni Meet Coordinator, discussed about the activities going to be conducted in association with Alumni and how the Alumni can help in shaping the career of the future technocrats. He also proposed special changes based on flexible curriculum to suit industry requirements and increase employability of students through industry institute interactions.



Some of SPCE distinguished alumni were invited to share their unique experiences and views on the topics such as improvement of education / infrastructure quality, the growth of the department & institution.

Mr. Tarnindar Singh, former General Manager expressed his deep gratitude for all for being a part of Alumni meet and appreciated that Alumni meet is a good step taken to improve the relationships. He suggested inclusion of industry-oriented, finance and management related courses at appropriately early years of UG program.

Dr. Jitendra Shah, Proprietor of Gear Manufacturing Company (an alumnus of 1971-75 batch) shared his experience and conveyed that Alumni meet is like a control system loop for taking suggestions and keep on improving these. He added that students should be made aware of various job openings in government sectors.

Mr. Gajanan Sadekar, Ex. Vice-President at Larsen & Toubro, and an alumnus of 1975 batch shared his experience and emphasized that the need of making the entire academic approach more practical with case studies, arrangement of expert talks from industry for recent trends in technological innovation. He suggested every alumnus to spend at least 3 hours per year towards development of SPCE students.



Mr. Nivrutti Wadode, Assistant Director at Board of Apprenticeship Training (BOAT, Western region) discussed his views regarding importance of apprenticeship training. He added that the Mini project and practical training is more practical and dynamic approach to gain industry exposure to the students. Mr. Nihil Morajkar, Deputy General Manager at Mahindra and Mahindra and Ms. Namrata Patel, Sr Design Engineer at Godrej Agrovet Ltd also expressed some constructive suggestions for progress of Industry institute interactions and development of current students.

Dr Nilesh Raykar, HOD, Mechanical Engineering Department accepted the suggestions of the all alumni and given assurance for implementing the same for growth of the department. Furthermore, he discussed about the need for interaction and involvement of the Alumni in departmental strategic plans and overall development of the college. Considering the need of the hour and the requirements of the students he enlightened and encouraged the Alumni to extend their support and assistance to students and institute.

- Participate as subject expert to update curriculum
- Facilitate industrial visits
- Deliver guest lecture in your specialization
- Provide internship trainings for students
- Offer industry projects for UG/PG students
- Offer consultancy projects for faculty
- Participate as faculty in training programs
- Design training programs for engineers
- Support development of new laboratory
- Utilize laboratories/resources available at SPCE
- Involve SPCE in product development process
- Support online/classroom certificate programs
- Development of Certificate Programme in area of specialization in collaboration with industry
- Mentoring of students for a particular type of industry by Alumni

- Support for Building the strong Alumni Network and further expanding it.
- Provide necessary support to mobilize Funds under Corporate Social
- Responsibility in respective organization for establishing Research Park, Centre of Excellence, State of art laboratory facility in specialized area like ROBOCON sponsorship, SAE car Racing competition etc.

Dr. Santosh Rane, Alumni-Meet Coordinator proposed the vote of thanks. He thanked the Alumni for taking the time to come for the Alumni Meet who have made it a very special and memorable one. He thanked the various organizers of the event (teaching, non-teaching staff and the enthusiastic student volunteers) whose hard work and dedication made the event possible. He also thanked the management of SPCE for the support and guidance which has made Alumni Meet 2018 a grand success.

