



from the desk of the
PRESIDENT

Dear Member,



28th February, 2024

The latest report by global analysts anticipates a steady annual growth rate of 6.7 percent for the Indian economy from 2024 to 2031. Notably, India is set to become a USD 10 trillion economy in the coming years and grab the third-largest slot soon; our country is an oasis of positivity and optimism in an otherwise polarized and fragmented world.

The recent Union Interim Budget, as per the Chamber's analysis, underscores the government's commitment to sustaining comprehensive development initiatives over the full five-year term. Notable budgetary allocations include the establishment of a Rs. 1 lakh crore loan corpus aimed at fostering innovation. Additionally, there's a concerted effort to catalyze growth in the Eastern Region of India, positioning it as a potent driver of economic expansion. The budget further emphasizes the imperative of transitioning towards clean energy sources, empowering rural communities, and prioritizing skill development among youth and women. Noteworthy initiatives also target multi-dimensional poverty alleviation, signifying a holistic approach to socio-economic advancement.

West Bengal State budget also emphasised towards a concerted effort for grassroots development and the introduction of new welfare schemes aimed at uplifting marginalized communities. Special attention has been directed towards the betterment of fishermen, artisans, handloom weavers, and migrant workers along with benefit for women and youth.

Over the past month, the Chamber has spearheaded various programmes and engagements aligning with key economic priorities. These initiatives

encompass diverse sectors such as agriculture value addition, infrastructure development, mining, IT services, sustainability and sports. Notable events include the Horti Food Festival, Crop Protection Conclave and the New Age Infrastructure Conclave along with a coveted CXO meet with Oracle. In addition, the Chamber has reached beyond borders by hosting an Entrepreneurs' Business Summit alongside the second meeting of newly formed AIPCC in Thailand, cultivating international alliances and avenues for expansion.

Looking ahead, the Chamber aims to broaden its international footprint through a business delegation scheduled for the UK. Endeavors such as this signify the Chamber's commitment to fostering global partnerships and exploring new avenues for economic collaboration centering around net zero initiatives. This commitment was further highlighted through the BCC&I Sustainability Forum's organization of an Experience Workshop for Members and Stakeholders on "Decarbonization and Carbon Credit". The workshop was complemented by a demonstration at the Chamber's Blue Carbon Project site in Gangasagar, Sundarbans.

In conclusion, the Chamber remains steadfast in its dedication to navigating the dynamic economic landscape, embracing challenges with resilience and innovation.

Sd/-
Gautam Ray
President

MEMBER'S NEWS CORNER



Welcome to the Bengal Chamber family! That's what we would like to convey to Braithwaite & Co Ltd and ITD Cementation India Limited – Transrail Lighting Limited Joint Venture whose applications for membership were tabled and approved on 16th January 2024.

PROGRAMME

SWAMI VIVEKANANDA : A HERALD FOR SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

9th January at Scottish Church College,
17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber premises

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry through its newly constituted National Tourism Committee commemorated the 161st Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda by arranging an Inter-College Meet and Debate on "Swami Vivekananda- A Herald for Sustainable Tourism" on 9th January 2024 at Scottish Church College with the focus of Sustainable Tourism and Youth Empowerment followed by a Discussion session on Swami Vivekananda : A Herald for Sustainable Tourism on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber. The discussion was followed by a cultural presentation titled "Amritasya Putra", a tribute to Swami Vivekananda.

The meet and debate session witnessed the esteemed presence of Swami Jnanalokananda Maharaj, Secretary, Swami Vivekananda Ancestral House, as the Chief Guest with other dignitaries like Dr. Madhumanjari Mandal, Principal, Scottish Church College; Mr. Adhip Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Co-Chairperson, National Tourism Committee, BCC&I.

Several students from Loreto College, Bethune College, St. Xavier's College, St Paul's Cathedral College, St. Xavier's University, Asutosh College, Scottish Church College participated in the Debate and Paper Presentation. The themes of the Debate were on three topics- Vivekananda, Sustainable Development and Tourism. The two topics of the debate were:

1. The House believes that retracing the Yatra of Vivekananda can explore the connection of spirituality and tourism in India
2. The house believes, Bahujana Sukhaya Bahujana Hitaya Cha ("for the happiness of the many, for the welfare of the many") of Swami Vivekananda can help achieve SDGs as far as tourism in India is concerned.

The entire initiative was judged by esteemed Jury members- Mr. Pinaki Bhattacharya, Tourism Researcher, Author, and Member of the BCC&I National Tourism Committee; Dr. Ratna Sinha, Fellow XLRI, ACC Mentor & Coach, HR Advisory, Mentor

– Wellness & Communities, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Ms. Dyuti Banerjee, Senior School Teacher at Modern High School for Girls and Lawyer at Hon'ble Calcutta High Court; and Ms. Mohar Mukhopadhyay, Head Corporate Communication, Balmer Lawrie Company limited.

The winners and runners up of debate were from St. Xavier's University, St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Loreto College, Asutosh College, Scottish Church College and for paper presentation were from Loreto College, St. Xavier's University.

The session on Swami Vivekananda : A herald for Sustainable tourism was addressed by Swami Mahaprajnananda, Principal, Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira; Mananeeya Shri Pravin Dabholkar, All India Treasurer, Vivekananda Kendra; and Mr. Arijit Dutta, Managing Director, Priya Entertainments Pvt. Ltd. The Session focused on to encourage responsible tourism, ocean tourism, niche tourism, border tourism, promoting destinations, promoting India as a responsible tourism country, and promoting Bengal as a responsible tourism state, fostering a better world.

The session was followed by a Cultural Presentation: "Amritasya Putra", a tribute to Swami Vivekananda presented by Sri. Satyam Roychowdhury, Founder and Managing Director, Techno India Group, & Chancellor, Sister Nivedita University; Sri Saheb Chattopadhyay, Actor and Singer, Bengal Film Industry; Smt Soumili Ghosh Biswas, Bengali Film and Television Actress, and Classical dancer; and Smt. Sudeshna Ganguly, Singer.

The initiative was partnered by Balmer Lawrie & Co Ltd and supported by Ascensive Educare Ltd., Eastern Institute for Intergrated Learning in Management (EIILM), VC Communication, Saviourites Hospitality Pvt. Ltd., Ruby Park Public School, Calcutta Tea Traders Association (CTTA), Tibet Tours and Travels, IRIS Reps India Pvt Ltd, The Rajbari Bawali. The entire initiative was well covered by leading media houses and attended by more than 250 participants.

9th January



(L-R) : Dr. Madhumanjari Mandal, Principal, Scottish Church College; Mr. Adhip Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Co-Chairperson, National Tourism Committee, BCC&I, Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber, Swami Jnanalokananda Maharaj, Secretary, Swami Vivekananda Ancestral House, Mr. Pinaki Bhattacharya, Tourism Researcher, Author, and Member of the BCC&I National Tourism Committee, Ms. Sukanya Bose, Director, The Bengal Chamber, Ms. Mohar Mukhopadhyay, Head Corporate Communication, Balmer Lawrie Company Limited were present at the lamp lighting session at the Inter-College Meet and Debate on "Swami Vivekananda- A Herald for Sustainable Tourism" on 9th January 2024 at Scottish Church College

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Swami Jnanalokananda Maharaj, Secretary, Swami Vivekananda Ancestral House delivering his speech at the Inter-College Meet and Debate on "Swami Vivekananda- A Herald for Sustainable Tourism" on 9th January 2024 at Scottish Church College



Mr. Adhip Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Co-Chairperson, National Tourism Committee, BCC&I delivering his speech at the Inter-College Meet and Debate on "Swami Vivekananda- A Herald for Sustainable Tourism" on 9th January 2024 at Scottish Church College



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Students representation from various colleges at the Inter-College Meet and Debate on "Swami Vivekananda- A Herald for Sustainable Tourism" on 9th January 2024 at Scottish Church College



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**SWAMI VIVEKANANDA : A HERALD FOR
SUSTAINABLE TOURISM**

17th January



Mr. Adhip Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Co-Chairperson, National Tourism Committee, BCC&I; and Mr. Arijit Dutta, Managing Director, Priya Entertainments Pvt. Ltd; Swami Mahaprajnananda, Principal, Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira; Mananeeya Shri Pravin Dabholkar, All India Treasurer, Vivekananda Kendra; Mr. Pinaki Bhattacharya, Tourism Researcher, Author, and Member of the BCC&I National Tourism Committee were present at the discussion session on Swami Vivekananda: A Herald for Sustainable Tourism on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber Premises



Student representatives present in the audience, at the discussion session on Swami Vivekananda: A Herald for Sustainable Tourism on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber Premises



Winners of the Inter College debate competition and paper presentation on 9th January 2024 were awarded on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber Premises at the Swami Vivekananda: A Herald for Sustainable Tourism programme



Ms. Sukanya Bose, Director, The Bengal Chamber, emceeding Swami Vivekananda: A Herald for Sustainable Tourism programme on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber and followed by a cultural presentation titled "Amritasya Putra", a tribute to Swami Vivekananda



A Cultural Presentation : "Amritasya Putra", a tribute to Swami Vivekananda was presented by Smt. Soumili Ghosh Biswas, Bengali Film and Television Actress, and Classical dancer; Sri. Satyam Roychowdhury, Founder and Managing Director, Techno India Group, & Chancellor, Sister Nivedita University; Sri Saheb Chattopadhyay, Actor and Singer, Bengal Film Industry; and Smt. Sudeshna Ganguly, Singer on 17th January 2024 at The Bengal Chamber Premises

PROGRAMME

NEW AGE INFRASTRUCTURE : KNOWLEDGE CONCLAVE : TRANSFORMING INDIA WITH INNOVATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS

18th January 2024,
Bhubaneswar

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I), organized 'New Age Infrastructure : Knowledge Conclave' on 18th January, 2024 at Bhubaneswar. The theme of the Conclave was "Transforming India with Innovative Infrastructure Solutions".

The 'New Age Infrastructure: Knowledge Conclave' brought together industry stakeholders from all over the country to have insightful discussions and collaborative explorations in transforming India through series of innovative solutions. The private sector, Government bodies, academia and every stakeholder play a pivotal role in shaping the shared vision. There is leverage of collective knowledge, experience and expertise to pave the way for a new age of infrastructure that not only meets the current needs but also anticipates and adapts to the challenges of the future.

Mr. Dip Kishore Sen, Ecom Member & Advisor to CMD for Development Projects, Minerals & Metals, LTSSH & L&T Aviation, Larsen & Toubro Limited & Chair, National Infrastructure Committee, BCC&I delivered the Opening Address.

The total capital expenditure in infrastructure sectors in India during fiscals 2020 to 2025 is projected at Rs.111 Lakh Crore. Also, the aim is to become a 5 Trillion Dollar economy by 2027 and to become a 30 Trillion Dollar economy by 2047. So today India stands at the cusp of a new era where the interplay of technology, sustainability and inclusivity will define the very fabric of the urban and rural landscape. Thus, the Conclave explored how the urban landscape is evolving and how we can map infrastructure solutions that align with the vision of future India. The Conclave focused on digital data and AI which will be instrumental in building the foundations of tomorrow making our infrastructure smarter, more efficient and responsive to the need of rapidly advancing society. The Conclave had discussions on multimodal transport, Gati Shakti and their impact on the supply chain which underscores the importance of connectivity and logistics in our developmental narrative. The discussions also delved into InvITs recognizing them as potential game changers in infrastructure financing paving way for sustainable and scalable projects that can meet the demands of a growing economy. The session on mobility explored how innovative solutions can enhance accessibility, connectivity and ultimately the quality of life of our citizens.

Mr. Sreekumar Chatra, Managing Director- Infrastructure Funds, Edelweiss Alternatives was the Guest of Honour. The other dignitaries who addressed the Conclave were Mr. Suresh Kumar Narang, CEO, Nabha Power Limited, Mr. R. Ganesan, Head- Corporate Centre, Larsen & Toubro Limited, Mr. Nagesh Veeturi, Executive Director – Civil, KEC International, Mr. P

Uday Kumar Reddy, General Manager, Metro Railway, Kolkata, Dr. Pradeep Panigrahi, Head- Corporate Sustainability, Larsen & Toubro Limited, Mr. Anand Sirohi, Director-Key Accounts & Large Projects, Trimble, Mr. Mahesh Chikodi, Chief Digital Officer, L&T, Mr. Vipul Panchal, Partner, EY Parthenon, Mr. Sachin Johri, Chief Executive, L&T Infrastructure Development Projects Ltd., Mr. B Sundaramoorthy, Head Execution- KEC CMRL Projects, Ms. Chanchal Raheja, AGM, IIFCL, Mr. Rahul Nilosey, CFO, L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad), Mr. M. Ravichandran, General Manager (Underground Construction), Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL), Mr. Rupak Sarkar, COO, ITD Cementation, Mr. S. Ramkumar, Executive Vice President, Head-Railway Business, L&T Construction (Transportation Infrastructure IC), Larsen & Toubro Limited and Mr. Manoj Tipnis, Executive Vice President & Head Engineering, Tata Projects.



Mr. Dip Kishore Sen, Member of ECom & Advisor to CMD for Development Projects, Minerals & Metals, L&T Spl Steel & Heavy Forgings, L&T Aviation, Larsen & Toubro Limited & Chair, National Infrastructure Committee, BCC&I delivering the Opening Address at the 'New Age Infrastructure: Knowledge Conclave'



Business Session I : "Changing the Urban Landscape : Mapping Infra Solutions with Future India"

(L-R) Mr. Suresh Kumar Narang, CEO, Nabha Power Limited; Mr. R. Ganesan, Head- Corporate Centre, Larsen & Toubro Limited; Mr. Nagesh Veeturi, Executive Director – Civil, KEC International; Mr. P Uday Kumar Reddy, General Manager, Metro Railway, Kolkata; Dr. Pradeep Panigrahi, Head- Corporate Sustainability, Larsen & Toubro Limited

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Special Address by Guest of Honour Mr. Sreekumar Chatra, Managing Director- Infrastructure Funds, Edelweiss Alternatives



Business Session II : "Building Infrastructure with Digital Data and AI"
(L-R) Mr. Anand Sirohi, Director-Key Accounts & Large Projects, Trimble; Mr. Mahesh Chikodi, Chief Digital Officer, L&T; Mr. Vipul Panchal, Partner, EY Parthenon



Business Session III : Discussion on "Multimodal Transport, Gati Shakti and its impact on Supply Chain"
(L-R) Mr. SachinJohri, Chief Executive, L&T Infrastructure Development Projects Ltd.; Mr. Dip Kishore Sen, Member of ECom & Advisor to CMD for Development Projects, Minerals & Metals, L&T Spl Steel & Heavy Forgings, L&T Aviation, Larsen & Toubro Limited & Chair, National Infrastructure Committee, BCC&; Mr. B Sundaramoorthy, Head Execution - KEC CMRL Projects



Business Session IV : Discussion on "InvIT : A Game Changer in Infra Financing"
(L-R) Ms. Chanchal Raheja, AGM, IIFCL; Mr. Sreekumar Chatra, Managing Director- Infrastructure Funds, Edelweiss Alternatives; Mr. Arnab Chakraborty, Director, BCC&; Mr. Rahul Nilosey, CFO, L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad)



Valedictory Session "Experts' Roundtable – "Mobility : Expanding India"
(L-R) Mr. M. Ravichandran, General Manager (Underground Construction), Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL); Mr. Rupak Sarkar, COO, ITD Cementation; Mr. S. Ramkumar, Executive Vice President, Head-Railway Business, L&T Construction (Transportation Infrastructure IC), Larsen & Toubro Limited; Mr. Manoj Tipnis, Executive Vice President & Head Engineering, Tata Projects



The participants at the Conclave

PROGRAMME

INTERACTIVE BUSINESS MEETING WITH A VISITING MYANMAR DELEGATION

18th January 2024,
The Bengal Chamber Premises

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized an Interactive Business meeting with a visiting Myanmar delegation in India on 18th January 2024, Thursday ; 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ITC Room, 1st Floor, The Bengal Chamber Premises.

Context of the business delegation meeting :

The Bengal Chamber shared a deep connect with Myanmar. The Chamber took a business delegation to Myanmar from 16th May to 20th May 2016, visiting Yangon; Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay. The focus of the Delegation was B2B and B2G. The delegation was led by the then President Mr. Ambarish Dasgupta. The Delegation comprised of industry representatives from West Bengal and Odisha. The delegation met His Excellency U Ohn Maung, the then Hon'ble Minister of Hotels and Tourism, The Republic of the Union of Myanmar, His Excellency Dr. Than Myint, Union Minister, Ministry of Commerce, His Excellency U Khin Maung Cho, Union Minister, Ministry of Industry and Professor Thet Khaing Win, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health notably among others.

The Chamber would be delighted to work more closely with Chambers of Commerce and Ministries in Myanmar to facilitate business between West Bengal and Myanmar. The Chamber, through its connections in the neighbouring States and Countries, may also facilitate enhanced bilateral and multilateral business.

The meeting was attended by delegation from Myanmar to India accompanied by representative from Ministry of External Affairs (Branch Secretariat, Kolkata) and relevant senior members, stakeholders and executives of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry in order to explore concrete avenues for strengthening business and trade relations with Myanmar on the represented sectors.

Attendees of the meeting :

❖ Members form Myanmar

- Dr. Charlie Than, Union Minister, Ministry of Industry, Government of Myanmar
- Dr. Aung Khine, Managing Director, Myanmar Pharmaceutical Industrial Enterprise, Ministry of Industry
- Mr. Tun Tun Kyaw, Superintendent, No. (1) Steel Mill (Myingyan), No. (1) Heavy Industrial Enterprise, Ministry of Industry
- Dr. Sai Myo Thurein, Lecturer, University of Pharmacy (Mandalay), Ministry of Health

- Mr. Kyaw Lin, Managing Director, Myanmar Economic Corporation
- Mr. Tint Aung, Senior Consultant from Myanmar Economic Corporation
- Mr. Ravi Ranjan Pandit, Administrative Officer, Ministry of External Affairs (Branch Secretariat, Kolkata)

❖ Relevant senior members, stakeholders and executives of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry:

- Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & President - Corporate, RPSG Group
- Mr. Abhijit Sen, Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Mr. Aniruddha Lahiri, Chairman, Trishul Engineering Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Ardhendu Mandal, Consultant, Techno Electric and Engineering Company Limited
- Mr. Arnab Ganguly, Associate Director, Head, CUTS Calcutta Resource Center, CUTS International
- Mr. Arup Bandhu Guha, Vice President, Samsara Group
- Mr. Debashis Dutta, Director, BG Somadder & Sons Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Debasish Dutta, Chief Executive Officer, Kolkata Biotech Park
- Mr. Dibya Sankar Das, Managing Partner, Dellstar Overseas
- Mr. Indrajit Sen, Managing Director, International Combustion (India) Limited
- Mr. Joydeep Mitra, CEO, KPC Medical College & Hospital
- Mr. K Sunil Kumar, GM- PR, JIS Group
- Mr. M C Banerjee, Director, Everett (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Mayank Jain, Senior Manager, International Business, NTPC Limited
- Mr. Nikhil Jaiswal, General Manager- East, Green Base Industrial & Logistics Park, Nidar Group of Companies
- Mr. Rajeev Gupta, Chief Executive, Inter Global Education Services
- Mr. Rajiv Mondal, CEO, Arogyam Medisoft Solution Pvt. Ltd.
- Ms. Sandhya Kaushik, Chief-Business Services, JIMSH
- Mr. Santanu Saha, Deputy Manager, International Business, Manipal Hospitals –Kolkata
- Mr. Saptarshi Chatterjee, Associate Director, Incubation, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, Chief-Coordinator & Principal Project Investigator, BIRAC E-YUVA CENTER, Adamas University

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- Mr. Saumik Dasgupta, HOD International Division, Narayana Health Howrah
- Mr. Seemanta Kumar Das, Asst. General Manager (Retail Marketing), Andrew Yule & Co. Ltd. (A Govt. of India Enterprise)
- Dr. Shiladitya Chatterjee, Former Member Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Adviser, Centre for Sustainable Development Goals, Government of Assam
- Mr. Shyam Sundar Dey, General Manager - Growth & Development, AMRI Hospital
- Mr. Siddhartha Sanyal, Chief Economist and Head-Research, Bandhan Bank Ltd
- Mr. Subhasish Datta, Chief General Manager Operations, Ruby General Hospital and Ruby Cancer Centre
- Ms. Tanusree Jasu, Branch Manager, Samsara Group
- Mr. Tapas Banerjee, Managing Director, Everett (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Tuhin Nag, Director, Everett (India) Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Udo Sekhar Ghosh, Managing Director, Marinecraft Engineers Pvt Ltd
- Ms. Angana Guha Roy Chowdhury, Assistant Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry

The tone of the meeting with delegation was set by Mr. Dutta, the brief notion of which is appended below :

According to Mr. Debashis Dutta, "In coming years, the overall relationship between India and Myanmar will continue to grow and has the potential to assume greater prominence. The prospects for bilateral relationship are recognized in both countries as strategically useful, economically productive and aligned with each other's new agenda. India is looking forward to better protection of borders, long-term involvement with key projects, diversity in investments and a non-condescending approach to its neighbor."

Mr. Ravi Ranjan Pandit, Administrative Officer, Ministry of External Affairs (Branch Secretariat, Kolkata) rightly identified some potential synergies between India and Myanmar which could be explored in the coming years as both nations are emerging strong in the following sectors:

- Tourism
- Trade and Industry
- P2P

Some important identification of probable areas of collaboration among India and Myanmar by Dr. Charlie Than,

Union Minister, Ministry of Industry, Government of Myanmar is given below :

There is a growth of investments in the MSME sectors of Myanmar over the years. Following which industrial training institutions and industrial parks are being opened in order to engage the large available workforce. Factories are being privatized to invite international investments in the nation.

The future prospects those are closer than it seems such as- technology transfer, knowledge sharing, trade facilitation, market linkage as necessary infrastructure and policy level support would be provided by the Government of Myanmar for ease of doing business.

According to Dr. Khine, pharmaceutical industry in Myanmar such as, HIV, Oncology etc., are experiencing maximum development compared to last decade both in terms of research and production. In order to scale up and make prominence in the international market Myanmar is welcoming investments in the Pharmaceutical industry.

Dr. Sai Myo Thurein, Lecturer, University of Pharmacy (Mandalay) apprised the representatives from academia that Ministry of Health, Government of Myanmar is open to collaborate with pharmaceutical research institutes in the neighboring countries.

Mr. Tuhin Nag, Director, Everett (India) Pvt. Ltd. rightly mentioned during the interactive session with the delegation that reinstallation of the steel plants in Myanmar and commissioning the factories in Myanmar may in turn increase the return on investment and cap the drainage of forex.

Mr. Mayank Jain, Senior Manager, International Business, NTPC Limited informed the hon'ble Union Minister and other dignitaries of the meeting that, NTPC shall be interested in conducting small scale programmes in order to contribute to development in the EV ecosystem in Myanmar. Subsequently, NTPC is also preparing solarization report for many ISA countries, hence, owing to that Myanmar could also experience the same and therefore planning the utility of solar power given the data procured from the report.

According to Mr. Jain, this if implemented properly could also accelerate innovation in the power generation sector, therefore making way for participation in Industry 5.0.

Mr. Saumik Dasgupta, HOD International Division, Narayana Health Howrah and Mr. Santanu Saha, Deputy Manager, International Business, Manipal Hospitals –Kolkata have

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pointed out that there is no production of Oncology, Pediatric and HIV medications in Myanmar. Hence both of esteemed attendees requested to facilitate a visit to Myanmar for exploring possible avenues of business in order to address the production issue of the said medicines and help to mitigate.

The interactive session was filled with queries and dialogues among the Indian and Myanmar stakeholders marking a very engaging and fruitful session for the delegation from Myanmar



Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & President - Corporate, RPSG Group addressing the delegates from Myanmar

accompanied by the Ministry of External Affairs (Branch Secretariat, Kolkata). Mr. Pandit suggested that further queries maybe addressed to Consulate General of Myanmar in Kolkata or Embassy of India in Yangon. This was a very well knitted interaction with foreign delegation with industry specific members from manufacturing, healthcare and pharmaceutical sectors. The Union Minister of Myanmar delightfully invited all attendees and respective organizations to do business in Myanmar as it is gradually taking shape of a favorable location for trading.



Dr. Charlie Than, Union Minister, Ministry of Industry, Government of Myanmar during his address to the esteemed Members and stakeholders of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry



Discussions on the way forward to grow trade relations with Myanmar in progress



Mr. Saumik Dasgupta, HOD International Division, Narayana Health Howrah proposing the Myanmar visit to hon'ble Union Minister



Mr. Debashis Dutta, Director, BG Somadder & Sons Pvt. Ltd. interacting with the Myanmar Delegation in order to understand the trade policies and incentive schemes if any

**19th January 2024,
Swosti Premium, Bhubaneswar**

**MINERALS, MINING AND METALS CONCLAVE :
“PREPAREDNESS TOWARDS THE FUTURE AS TEAM INDIA”**



Minerals, Mining and Metals Conclave is a flagship, annual event of the Bengal Chamber, which has addressed the burning issues of the industry and witnessed the participation of esteemed speakers from across the industry and the Ministry. The programme over the years has created a sensation in minerals, mining, metals and the allied industry throughout the country.

Odisha, situated on the eastern seaboard of India is one of the gifted parts of the world, where a gamut of mineral resources exists in bounty. Last year we had aptly chosen our theme to showcase the success story of Cooperative Federalism in these sectors focusing Odisha. We had discussed National issues alongside the issues of the States. Challenges and opportunities in these sectors were discussed and analyzed how both the Centre and the State together can address such issues and ensure the growth of the Nation amidst a dynamic geo political situation. This exercise is an introspect of any State that how the combined efforts of the Centre and the State can work miracle which our Hon’ble Prime Minister has quoted as “Role of Centre and State as Team India.”

This year too we continued with our thought laying stress on our Prime Minister’s vision of Team India and organising our Mega Conclave on 19th January. Eminent personae from

Industry participated which included Mr. Thomas M. Cherian, Managing Director, Essel Mining & Industries Limited; Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, Executive in-Charge, Ferro Alloys & Minerals Division, Tata Steel Ltd., Mr. Piyush Srivastava, Chief NRD, Tata Steel Ltd., Mr. Ravi Ranjan, Head- Mineral Auction and Strategies, JSPL- Angul, Mr. Manoj Kumar K, Regional Manager, Sambalpur, BEML Limited and others.

We are extremely thankful to Mr. Rana Som, Mentor, Minerals & Mining Committee, BCC&I and Former CMD, NMDC, Mr. Tuhin Kumar Mukherjee, Chairperson, Minerals and Mining Committee, BCC&I and Advisor- Mineral Resource & Mining, Aditya Birla Management Corporation Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Chairperson, Metals Committee and MD, TSDPL for guiding us in organizing a programme of this scale and repute.

The Minerals Mining and the Metals Committee of the Bengal Chamber aim for an overall development of Eastern India with Odisha, being the hub of Minerals and Mining, taking the lead. The sessions discussed global issues like sustainability and technology upgradation and also took a deep look into how the current Geo Political situation weighs on the Indian Mineral and Metal market especially on the Iron and Steel markets and thereby strengthening the growth as Team India.



Mr. Rana Som, Mentor, Minerals & Mining Committee, BCC&I and Former CMD, NMDC, delivering the Opening Remarks at the Opening Session

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*Speakers at the Opening Session - Minerals, Mining and Metals sectors: "Preparedness towards the Future as Team India"
Seat on the dias (from Left) are :*

Mr. Thomas M. Cherian, Managing Director, Essel Mining & Industries Limited
Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Chairperson, Metals Committee and MD, TSDPL

Mr. RanaSom, Mentor, Minerals & Mining Committee, BCC&I and Former CMD, NMDC
Mr. Tuhin Kumar Mukherjee, Chairperson, Minerals and Mining Committee, BCC&I and Advisor- Mineral Resource & Mining, Aditya Birla Management Corporation Pvt. Ltd.

Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, Executive in-Charge, Ferro Alloys & Minerals Division, Tata Steel Ltd



Mr. Tuhin Kumar Mukherjee, Chairperson, Minerals and Mining Committee, BCC&I and Advisor- Mineral Resource & Mining, Aditya Birla Management Corporation Pvt. Ltd. Addressing at the Opening Session



Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, Executive in-Charge, Ferro Alloys & Minerals Division, Tata Steel Ltd. delivering his address during the Opening Session

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Swosti Premium, Bhubaneswar**

**MINERALS, MINING AND METALS CONCLAVE :
“PREPAREDNESS TOWARDS THE FUTURE AS TEAM INDIA”**



Mr. Thomas M. Cherian, Managing Director, Essel Mining & Industries Limited delivering his address during the Opening Session



Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Chairperson, Metals Committee and MD, TSDPL giving his concluding Remarks at the end of the Opening Session



Address by Mr. Ravi Ranjan, Head- Mineral Auction and Strategies, JSPL- Angul during the Technical Discussion on Legal Intricacies of laws in Mining



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Technical Discussion on "From the Legal Desk: Intricacies of laws in Mining" in progress



Business Session III, Innovation, Industry 4.0 and application of AI in Minerals, Mining and Metals Sectors in progress
Speakers seated on the dias (from left) are :
Mr. Manoj Kumar K, Regional Manager, Sambalpur, BEML Limited
Mr. Aparajit Subramanian, Co-Founder, Repos
Moderator, Mr. Indrojeet Bhattacharya, Executive Director, PwC
Mr. Piyush Srivastava, Chief NRD, Tata Steel Ltd



Audience during the Conclave

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**23rd January 2024,
Kolkata**

**"HERITAGE TRAIL : EXPLORING BENGAL
CHAMBER TO MOHUN BAGAN"**

The Heritage Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry has organized the 4th edition of Heritage Walk, titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Bengal Chamber to Mohun Bagan" on Tuesday, 23rd January 2024, from 7:00 a.m. Walking Tours are the best way to learn about a city and understand its culture, tradition and philosophy. As such, the BCC&I Heritage Walk made one look back with wonder and reminded us of our rich culture and history as we explored the streets with a new perspective. This initiative also created an interest towards promoting care for the conservation and restoration of Heritage.

Walk started from The Bengal Chamber proceed southwards
→ Eastern Railway HQ - Fairlie Place → Calcutta Collectorate
→ GPO - turn westwards → Writers Building → Bankshall

Court - Hare Street to Church Lane - Kiran Sankar Roy Road - Old Post Office Street → High Court → Assembly House → Town Hall → Akashbani Bhavan → Eden Gardens → Mohun Bagan Club.

A total 40 participants joined the walk, which ended at the Mohun Bagan Club, one of the oldest football clubs in Asia, many Mohun Bagan Fans took part in the tour and they were extremely excited to visit the club.

Along with The Bengal Chamber, the fourth edition of the Heritage Walk Quiz was organized In association with Caring Minds; Powered by East India Pharmaceutical Works Ltd, Das Roto Print; Supported Girish Chandra Ghosh & GGS. The entire initiative was hugely appreciated by all who participated.



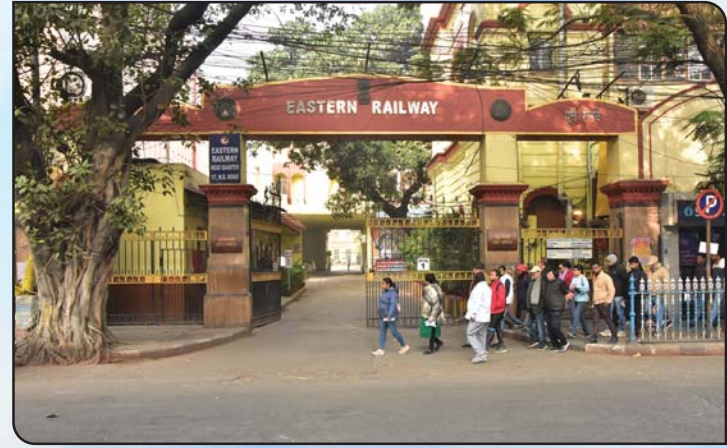
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Mr. G. M Kapur, Chairperson, Heritage Committee, BCC&I, Ms. Reshmi Chatterjee, Co-Chairperson, BCC&I, and other senior corporate representatives were present at the flag off session of the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday, at The Bengal Chamber Premises



All the participants visiting Eastern Railway Headquarters during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



All the participants visiting Fairly Place during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



All the participants visiting Writer's Building during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail: Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



All the participants visiting Calcutta GPO during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



All the participants visiting Bankshall Court during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday

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All the participants visiting St. Johns Church during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



All the participants visiting Aakashvani Bhawan during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail: Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 20 24, Tuesday



All the participants visiting the Eden Gardens during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail : Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday



Mr. Debashis Dutta, General Secretary of Mohun Bagan Athletic Club hosted the participants at The Mohun Bagan Club premises during the 4th edition of BCC&I Heritage Walk titled "Heritage Trail: Exploring Dalhousie and Mohun Bagan Club" on January 23, 2024, Tuesday

**25th January 2024,
Hotel Holiday Inn, Silom, Bangkok, Thailand**

'ENTREPRENEURS' BUSINESS SUMMIT – 6TH EDITION'

The Entrepreneurs & Startup National Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized 'Entrepreneurs' Business Summit – 6th Edition' held on Thursday, 25th January 2024 at Hotel Holiday Inn, Silom, Bangkok. The theme for this year's summit was 'Market Linkage (India-Thailand)'.

Over the years, The Entrepreneurs' Business Summit emerged as a dynamic platform that brings together visionaries, thought leaders, and entrepreneurs from across the globe. This year's edition, themed "Market Linkage (India – Thailand)" aimed to explore strategies, insights, and opportunities for entrepreneurs of India and Thailand to establish strong and sustainable market linkage of both the countries. The event focused on fostering collaboration and association between the entrepreneurial ecosystem of India and Thailand.

Key Highlights of the Summit were

- Opportunities for business networking

- Opportunities for collaborations and associations
- Investment opportunities
- Opportunities to showcase products and services
- Recognition

Speakers at this event were :

1. Mr. Tanmoy Banerjee, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs and Startup National Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Director, RT Network Solutions Pvt. Ltd.
2. Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry
3. Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry
4. Mr. Binod Kumar Homagai, Co-Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs and Startup National Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Co-Founder & COO, Wow Momo Foods Pvt. Ltd.

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5. Mr. Sanan Augubolkul, Chairman, Thai Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trade of Thailand
6. Ms. Prim Jitcharoongphorn, President of Thailand-India Business Council and Chairman of the Executive Board at Allied Metals (Thailand) Co. Ltd.
7. Mr. "Paul Narula" Pornthep Sri Narula, Motivational Speaker, Real Estate and Hospitality Entrepreneur and Founder / CEO / Mentor, SYNCATE Group, RE/MAX Synergy, Paul Narula Academy, Omni Tower Syncate Suites
8. Mr. Anirban Biswas, Vice – Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs and Startup National Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Founder & CEO, Adwitiya Enterprise
9. Mr. Subrata Dutta, Managing Director, The George Telegraph Group
10. Mr. Jaimal Thakral, Executive Director, India Thai Chamber of Commerce
11. Mr. Manab Paul, Founder, Sree Balaji
12. Mr. Thamma Varangoon, Chief Marketing Officer, Centro Vision Co. Ltd.
13. Dr. Chaovalit Pakpianthakolpol, CEO - Pornsri Co. Ltd. (Import, Export, Buying Office, and Consultation) The Federation of Thai SME Association - Chairman of the Board of MSMEs for Export and Investment Promotion
14. Ms. Lucksupha Prabhawat, President - Thai Cosmetic Cluster Trade Association, Co-Founder - Global Cosmetic Cluster Founder- NZ Professional Skincare and Amartos Co. Ltd. and Co-Founder, The Coswell Co. Ltd.
15. Dr. Partha Sarathi Ganguli, Chief Mentor, Saraswati Online. ComIndia Ltd. and President, Jyotirmoy Public School
16. Ms. Nicha Ratanachinda, CEO, Profreight Logistics Co. Ltd
17. Mr. Bromchit Khaniyomdee, Managing Director, Brom's Cosmetics Co. Ltd.
18. Dr. Chiranjib Bhattacharya, Chief Executive Officer & Director, Wizertech Informatics Pvt. Ltd.
19. Mr. Kalyan Kar, Co-Founder, Prediqt Business Solutions Private Limited
20. Mr. K. R. Sriram, Founder, K. R. Sriram & Co.
21. Ms. Kamalini Paul, Managing Director, Paulis Group of Companies
22. Dr. Kampon Sriwatanakul, M.D., Ph.D. Chairman, Thailand Charter of Health
23. Mr. Anupam Mukherjee, Founder and Chairman, DSMS Group of Institutions & Proprietor, Ananya's & Lemon Grass
24. Mr. AmitLal Singh, Group CEO & Managing Partner, Adi Resourcing
25. Mr. Chanin Vanijwongse, CEO, Habitat Group
26. Mr. Sandeep Sengupta, Managing Director, ISOAH Data Securities Pvt. Ltd.
27. Ms. Primpapat Ruttanapattanakul, Managing Director & Co-Founder, OHF Group Co. Ltd.
28. Ms. Simi Singhsachthep, Founder and Managing Director, Umpire Legal - Corporate Legal Services
29. Mr. Surajit Banerjee, Managing Director, People Pro Management Services Pvt. Ltd.
30. Dr. Amit Biswas, Director, Amit Biswas Circle Limited
31. Mr. Jaroen, Managing Director, RE/MAX Realty Solutions International
32. Mr. Partha Pratim Chattaraj, General Manager – HR, India Power Corporation Ltd.
33. Ms. 'Yim' Kalayanee Yimsiri, Founder, Veganerie
34. Mr. Arnab Saharoy, Founder, Spacejoy
35. Mr. Sutti Manokitjarunman, CEO and Moderator, Bingo Brain Center Co. Ltd.

Speaking of the summit, there were slots for speaking opportunity for the Entrepreneurs who introduced their business and shared their expectations with the entrepreneurs and business owners who graced the event from India, Thailand and other Indo-Pacific countries. This was followed by detailed business networking opportunities.

The intent of the summit was to strengthen the business exchange and provide opportunities in Indo-Thai business ecosystem. The Chamber will continue organizing similar summits to strengthen global business ecosystem.

Welcome Address by Mr. Tanmoy Banerjee, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs and Startup National Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Director, RT Network Solutions Pvt. Ltd



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Emceeing by Mr. Kumar Shivam, Director, BCC&I and Mr. Supachai Gulati (Raja), Founder President, BNI, Thailand



Business Introduction by Mr. Subrata Dutta, Managing Director, The George Telegraph Group



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Business Introduction by Mr. Thamma Varangoon, Chief Marketing Officer, Centro Vision Co. Ltd., Thailand



Panel on Compliance – Ms. Simi Singhsachthep, Founder and Managing Director, Umpire Legal - Corporate Legal Services, Thailand



Group Photo



A section of delegates

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INTERIM UNION BUDGET 2024-25 VIEWING SESSION

1st February 2024,
The Bengal Chamber Premises

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized the “Interim Union Budget 2024-25 Viewing Session” on 1st February at The Bengal Chamber Premises at 11.00 am in the esteemed presence of Mr. Arnab Basu, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber and Advisory Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd.; Prof. Dr. Ajitava Ray Chaudhuri, Chairperson - Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I & Emeritus Professor and HoD, Economics, Adamas University, Former Professor, Head and Coordinator, Centre for Advanced

Studies, Dept of Economics, Former Dean, Faculty of Arts, Jadavpur University; Mr. Vivek Jalan, Chairperson - Fiscal Affairs & Taxation Committee, BCC&I & Partner, Tax Connect Advisory Services LLP. Members from the Managing Committee, Fiscal Affairs & Taxation Committee also attended the Viewing Session on 1st February 2024. The Budget Viewing Session was followed by an analysis of the budget and media interactions. The Bengal Chamber’s reaction to the Budget was covered in print, online and electronic media.

Interim Union Budget 2024-25 Viewing Session in progress (L-R):
Mr. Vivek Jalan, Chairperson - Fiscal Affairs & Taxation Committee, BCC&I; Mr. Arnab Basu, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber;
Prof. Dr. Ajitava Ray Chaudhuri, Chairperson - Economic Affairs Committee, BCC&I



Interim Union Budget 2024-25 Viewing Session in progress

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INTERIM UNION BUDGET 2024-25 VIEWING SESSION



Media Interaction in progress



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CXO ROUNDTABLE ON ACCELERATING BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION WITH DIGITAL AND CLOUD

2nd February 2024,
JW Marriott Kolkata



In today's rapidly evolving business landscape driven by technologically advanced dynamics, digital transformation has become an integral part of every forward-thinking business strategy. To stay competitive, businesses of all sizes must adapt and evolve with the changing technological landscape. With constant change in business landscape, organizations are in the reality of choosing digital transformation to keep up with the pace or taking the risk of ceasing to exist. In today's world, digital transformation is the answer to overall business resilience and being future ready.

In this context, **The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry**, in association with Oracle, presented an exclusive **CXO Roundtable on Accelerating Business Transformation with Digital and Cloud**, on **2nd February 2024 at JW Marriott Kolkata**.

The Forum provided a platform to connect with product and solution experts at Oracle, network with industry practitioners and leaders in the eastern region and hear from the consulting partners- some case study discussions and best practices around transformation projects.

The **Opening Session** was graced by :

- **Mr. Kaushik Mitra**, Senior Director, SaaS Applications - East and South, Oracle
- **Mr. Gautam Ray**, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and President – Corporate, RPSG Group
- **Mr. Arnab Basu**, President Designate & Chairperson of IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Advisory Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd.

Mr. Kaushik Mitra delivered the Opening Remarks on **“Enterprise Transformation through Innovations in Cloud”**.

Mr. Gautam Ray delivered the Industry Keynote on **“Harnessing the Advantages of Cloud & Digital for Organization Growth”**. He mentioned that Technology in an organization should make it easier for teams to continually

develop and release digital innovations to users. Organizations need to build a distributed technology environment where every team can access the data, applications, and software development tools they need. Digital transformation is the new way of life. With right framework, the objective should be to create a equitable, inclusive and sustainable pathway.

The forum featured a **Panel discussion on Adoption of Digital Transformation - Our Experience and learnings**, moderated by **Dr. Chiranjib Bhattacharya**, Chairperson, IT Entrepreneurs & eCommerce (National Committee), Co-Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Chief Executive Officer & Director, Wizertech Informatics Pvt. Ltd.

The Panelists:

- **Mr. Ratan Kumar Kesh**, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Bandhan Bank
- **Mr. Partha Protim Mondal**, Chief Information Officer, Berger Paints India Ltd.
- **Mr. Atanu Pramanic**, COO & VP (IT), CESC Limited
- **Ms. Sonia Kudchadkar**, Partner, Deloitte
- **Mr. Kaushik Mitra**, Senior Director, SaaS Applications - East and South, Oracle
- **Mr. Sabyasachi Biswas**, Chief Digital Officer, Vikram Solar

A special session on **Next Gen Cloud applications for Connected Enterprise to execute strategies at Pace and Scale**, was presented by Oracle :

- **Mr. Rajesh Goel**, Director - Solution Engineering, Cloud Applications, India, Oracle
- **Ms. Devi Thulasiram**, HCM Sales Specialist (South & East), Bengaluru, Oracle India

Mr. Dnyanesh Nadkarni, Director, SaaS Applications – East & South, Oracle delivered the formal Vote of Thanks.

We had overwhelming participation of **40 CXOs** in this Roundtable Meet. The Session was very engaging, followed by networking cocktail and dinner.

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JW Marriott Kolkata

CXO ROUNDTABLE ON ACCELERATING BUSINESS
TRANSFORMATION WITH DIGITAL AND CLOUD



Mr. Kaushik Mitra, Senior Director, SaaS Applications - East and South, Oracle delivering the formal Opening Remarks on –“Enterprise Transformation through Innovations in Cloud”



Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and President – Corporate, RPSG Group delivering Industry Keynote address on “Harnessing the Advantages of Cloud & Digital for Organization Growth”



Mr. Arnab Basu, President Designate & Chairperson of IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Advisory Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd. delivering Keynote from Consulting Perspective- “Digital transformation from Envision to Execution”



Distinguished CXO Level participants



Panel discussion : Adoption of Digital Transformation - Our Experience and learnings: L-R : **Mr. Sabyasachi Biswas**, Chief Digital Officer, Vikram Solar; **Mr. Kaushik Mitra**, Senior Director, SaaS Applications - East and South, Oracle; **Ms. Sonia Kudchadkar**, Partner, Deloitte ; **Mr. Atanu Pramanic**, COO & VP (IT), CESC Limited; **Mr. Partha Protim Mondal**, Chief Information Officer, Berger Paints India Ltd.; **Mr. Ratan Kumar Kesh**, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Bandhan Bank; **Dr. Chiranjib Bhattacharya**, Chairperson, IT Entrepreneurs & eCommerce (National Committee), Co-Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Chief Executive Officer & Director, Wizertech Informatics Pvt. Ltd. (Session Moderator)

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Networking in progress



Networking in progress



Mr. Rajesh Goel, Director - Solution Engineering, Cloud Applications, India, Oracle gracing the Session



Networking in progress



Ms. Devi Thulasiram, HCM Sales Specialist (South & East), Bengaluru, Oracle India addressing the audience

**2nd to 4th February 2024,
Star Badminton Academy, Harinavi**

**1ST EDITION OF BCC&I CORPORATE
BADMINTON GOLD CUP 2024**

The Sports Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce organized the 1st Edition of BCC&I Corporate Badminton Gold Cup 2024 to promote good health, sportsmanship and positive relationships among colleagues under the guidance of Mr. Subrata Dutta, Sports Development Committee, BCC&I, Managing Director, The George Telegraph Group, Mr. Sekhar Biswas, Hony General Secretary, West Bengal Badminton Association, Vice President and Chairman-Tournament Committee, Badminton Association of India.

The 3-day long tournament was held at Star Badminton Academy, Harinavi where 12 teams participated. The

participating teams were Saviourites Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. (6 Ballygunge Place); CESC Limited; HSBC India; Woodlands Multispeciality Hospital Private Limited (WMHL); PwC India; Linde India; HDFC ERGO GIC LTD; The Bhawanipur College Education Society; The Telegraph (ABP Group); NICCO Engineering Services Ltd.; Om Dayal Group and Rotary Techno Netralaya. The Winner of the 1st edition of BCC&I Corporate Badminton Gold Cup 2024 was Saviourites Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. (6 Ballygunge Place). The 1st Runner-Up was NICCO Engineering Services Ltd. Linde India & PWC India were the 2nd Runner-Ups.



Mr. Subrata Dutta, Sports Development Committee, BCC&I, Managing Director, The George Telegraph Group inaugurating the BCC&I Corporate Badminton Gold Cup 2024



Mr. Sekhar Biswas, Hony General Secy, West Bengal Badminton Association, Vice President and Chairman-Tournament Committee, Badminton Association of India during the inaugural ceremony



Team Om Dayal Group



Team Woodlands Multispeciality Hospital Private Limited (WMHL)



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Team CESC Limited



Team The Bhawanipur Education Society College



Ms. Swarnali Dhar,
Deputy Director, BCC&I



Team PwC India



Team Nicco Engineering Services Limited



Match Officials of the tournament

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Team Rotary Techno Netralaya



From left to right Mr. Bikramjit Saha, Sr. Executive, BCC&I; Mr. Sekhar Biswas, Hony General Secy, West Bengal Badminton Association, Vice President and Chairman-Tournament Committee, Badminton Association of India; Mr. Subrata Dutta, Sports Development Committee, BCC&I; Managing Director, The George Telegraph Group; Ms. Swarnali Dhar, Deputy Director, BCC&I and Ms. Waindrilla Saha, Manager, BCC&I



Team The Telegraph



A match in progress



Team HDFC ERGO GIC LTD



Team Linde India



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Players from Savourites Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. (6 Ballygunge Place) in action



Team HSBC EDP (INDIA) PVT LTD



A match in progress



Members of The Sports Development Committee, BCC&I and Match Officials of the Tournament



2nd Runner-Up Team – Linde India



1st Runner-Up Team- Nicco Engineering Services Limited

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2nd Runner-Up Team – PwC India



Winning Team - Savourites Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. (6 Ballygunge Place)



The trophies of the Tournament

7TH EDITION OF DURGAPUR – ASANSOL INDUSTRIAL REGION
DISCUSSION FORUM ON ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY

3rd February 2024,
Asansol Engineering College



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organizes annual Discussion Forum on Ecological Sustainability in the Industrial Regions respectively in - Haldia, Siliguri and Durgapur-Asansol.

The Chamber has, over the last several years, been providing a relevant and sustainable forum towards promoting clean technology access and energy and environment management. A continuous endeavour has been to focus on sustainable development and to disseminate information and educate

business, industry and society about the need for balancing industrial growth with ecological stability.

The Chamber has created the forum for the industrial stakeholders of Durgapur-Asansol region to showcase their best practices and introduce to them latest technologies and business practices for industrial development in sync with ecological sustainability.

7th Edition of this forum, was organized, with a specially

3rd February 2024,
Asansol Engineering College

7TH EDITION OF DURGAPUR – ASANSOL INDUSTRIAL REGION
DISCUSSION FORUM ON ECOLOGICAL SUSTAINABILITY

curated workshop on "Case Studies towards Net Zero in Durgapur-Asansol Region", on 3rd February 2024 at Asansol Engineering College.

Durgapur-Asansol is an important Industrial Belt in West Bengal. Apart from GHG emissions, the industrial belt of Durgapur-Asansol is impacted with various hazardous chemicals, particulate matter, toxic substances, biological organisms and the extraction and burning of fossil fuels, which may severely affect the socio-economic growth. With the looming threats of climate change and environmental degradation, the industries in Durgapur-Asansol must proactively address their ecological footprint. One of the key milestones in this journey towards sustainability is approaching towards net-zero emissions with a sincere effort. To achieve the target, all Industries in Durgapur-Asansol need to adopt a combination of strategies, including reducing emissions through energy efficiency, transitioning to renewable energy, electrifying transportation and industrial sectors, improving land use and forest management, and implementing carbon capture and storage technologies along with planned afforestation and development of green belt.

Being a responsible Chamber of Commerce, our aim is to provide value added services to our members and stakeholders to up skill their knowledge about the importance of Net Zero in Industrial Sustainability. In this context, the Chamber organized this Ecological Sustainability Forum in Asansol on 3rd February 2024 emphasizing on "Case Studies towards Net Zero in Durgapur-Asansol Region."

This year, discussions featured on :

- **Industrial Development in ADDA**
- **Case Studies towards Net Zero in Durgapur-Asansol Region**
- **Renewable integrations**

The programme was commenced with the formal Welcome Address by **Mr. Gautam Ray**, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and President – Corporate, RPSG Group.

"We are greatly enthused by the generous support and participation we have received from this Region. To add to our active engagement in this Region, we have also created Durgapur Asansol Focus Committee. Paschim Bardhaman District is a predominantly urban-mining-industrial district in West Bengal. Durgapur-Asansol Region has the potential to emerge as the preferred destination for investment. Industrialization and urbanization need to navigate through the challenges of environmental degradation. The Bengal Chamber has also set up BCC&I Sustainability Forum this year. One the focus area of the Forum is to engage with

steel and metal sector of this Region of West Bengal for facilitating green practices in the sector.", as stated by the President of The Bengal Chamber - **Mr. Gautam Ray**, President – Corporate, RPSG Group.

Inaugural Session :

The Inaugural Session had witnessed the presence of the following Dignitaries:

- **Shri Moloy Ghatak**, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Law, Government of West Bengal
- **Shri S. Suresh Kumar**, IAS, Chairman, Damodar Valley Corporation
- **Mr. B P Singh**, Director-in-Charge (Burnpur and Durgapur Steel Plant), Steel Authority of India Limited and Chairperson, Durgapur Asansol Focus Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- **Dr. Sabyasachi Saha**, Associate Professor, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS)
- **Dr. G S Panda**, Vice Principal, Asansol Engineering College

As the Chief Guest during his inaugural address, **Shri Moloy Ghatak**, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Law, Government of West Bengal said, "I appreciate The Bengal Chamber for organizing this Discussion Forum on Ecological Sustainability in Industrial Region- Asansol-Durgapur yearly. All of us are aware that Asansol is one of the oldest Steel cities. At this forum I am glad to announce that Burnpur and Durgapur Steel Plant of SAIL is ready to invest Rs.33,000 crores for the modernisation, development of the Industrial area of this region. I would request The Bengal Chamber to work in this Industrial belt along with the Government to and solve the issues."

Shri S. Suresh Kumar, IAS, Chairman, Damodar Valley Corporation in his address mentioned, "We have a major role to play in Ecological Sustainability practices. Developed nations have issues on thermal power and concentrating more on renewable power. The only way to reach Eco Sustainability, in a country like India, is to reduce carbon emission from thermal power stations. We are trying to start EV stations. Most of the thermal generation happens at night and during the day, peak loads happen twice a day. We are doing one 1000MG pump storage project."

Mr. B P Singh, Director-in-Charge (Burnpur and Durgapur Steel Plant), Steel Authority of India Limited and Chairperson, Durgapur Asansol Focus Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry in his address said, "This is a burning topic in this industrial development and growth of industries. India is growing around 6 to 7 percentages in

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growing economy. All the industrial will grow simultaneously. Three things are important for any industry to sustain that is Ecological Sustainability, Environment Sustainability, and Social Sustainability.”

The Session was followed by the **Inaugural Panel Discussion on “Industrial Development in ADDA”**, moderated by **Mr. Kausik Biswas**, Whole Time Director - CPL, CEO - CPL & ICML and Co-Chairperson, Durgapur-Asansol Focus Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry. The esteemed Panelists were:

- **Mr. Sudip Bhattacharya**, Environmental Engineer & In-charge, Asansol Regional Office, WBPCB
- **Mr. Mritunjay Kumar**, General Manager (Environment & Forest), Eastern Coalfields Limited and **Mr. Soumabha Chakraborty**, Manager (Environment), Eastern Coalfields Limited
- **Mr. P P Sah**, Sr GM (O & M), Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC)

Workshop on “Case Studies towards Net Zero in Durgapur-Asansol Region”

The programme featured a specially curated workshop on “Case Studies towards Net Zero in Durgapur-Asansol Region”.



Inaugural Panel :

From L to R : **Mr. Partha P Chattaraj**, GM- HR, India Power Corporation Limited and Co-Chairperson, Durgapur-Asansol Focus Committee, BCC&I; **Mr. Mritunjay Kumar**, General Manager (Environment & Forest), Eastern Coalfields Limited; **Mr. Soumabha Chakraborty**, Manager (Environment), Eastern Coalfields Limited; **Mr. P P Sah**, Sr GM (O & M), Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC); **Mr. Sudip Bhattacharya**, Environmental Engineer & In-charge, Asansol Regional Office, WBPCB, **Dr. Debashis Sarkar**, Asso. Prof. & HOD, ME, Asansol Engineering College

This discussion was moderated by **Mr. Sankar Mukhopadhyay**, Head - Asia Institute Power Management, CESC Limited and Member, Environment, Energy & Water Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry. The following esteemed Panelists were present at the workshop:

- **Mr. Soumya Misra**, Co-Founder & Director, Sisir Radar Pvt Ltd
- **Mr. Mayank Tiwari**, Senior Manager – ESG, Shyam Sel & Power
- **Mr. Robin Kumar Agarwal**, Assistant Professor, Management Department, Asansol Engineering College
- **Mr. Abhinav Kumar**, AGM – Environment, Shyam Steel Industries Limited
- **Mr. Kinshuk Mukherjee**, Head ME and Sustainability, General Manager, PCBL Limited
- **Mr. Santanu Acharjee**, Deputy Manager – III, Integrated Coal Mining Limited and **Mr. Kaushik Banerjee**, Officer, Crescent Power Limited

From the feedback we have received, the programme was a great success. We are delighted to have had an enthusiastic participation of close to 100 participants. The content of the programme from the rich deliberations of the expert speakers added to the excellence of the programme. The programme was also well covered by the media.

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निजख संवादाता

आसानसोल: जेशेर 10ठि अपरिहार शहरेर मध्या आसानसोल अन्यातम— संप्रति केखेर एक रिपोर्टे मरि एम्नेई। तारई सुरु भरे शनिवार बेजल चेस्वार आरोग्यिक एक सञ्चार बाजेर आरिभमही मलय घटकेर बाट, आर्थिक उद्यमेर जना येमन शिखेर प्रसार ज्योजेन, तेमनेई समाजेर जना दरकर परिशेरेर आरसामा रफाओ।

ए दिन आसानसोल ओ सञ्चार मंत्री आसानसोल-दुर्गापुर शिखाङ्गलिके परिशेरे बाह्य उद्घाटनमे प्रक्रिया अनुसरणेर आरिभम जयान। कर्णपुर इन्डो कारेना एवं दुर्गापुर स्लि ग्राउण्टर डिस्ट्रिक्ट इन-कॉर्ड सिपि सिख जयान, इन्फाउ तैरिरे केखेर प्रोफेसरने सेके निरिपत कारनेनेर मारा कमानेगेर जना शङ्करणे आरिआरिटरि सके यौध उद्योगे मेख वसातो हायेछे। डिडिसि-र चेयारमयान एस सुरेश कुमार, परिशेरे सचेतक सवादाती साहा परिशेरे बाह्य पम्केपे जेठर नेन। बेजल चेस्वारेर सञ्चारपति यौधम राय जयान, आसानसोल-दुर्गापुर शिखाङ्गलिके दूषण निरो सचेतन करते तारा कर्मि गयेछेन।

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आसनसोल। मंत्री मलय घटक ने शनिवार को आसनसोल इन्डुस्ट्रियल रीजन में आसनसोल-दुर्गापुर इलाके के उद्योगपतियों को लेकर आयोजित एक सेमिनार में हिस्सा लिया। इस सेमिनार में इकोलाजिकल सस्टेनेबिलिटी को लेकर चर्चा हुई। मंत्री मलय घटक ने कहा कि एक समय था, जब आसनसोल को भारत का रूढ़ कहा जाता था। रूढ़ जर्मनी का औद्योगिक रूप से एक बेहद विकसित शहर है। आसनसोल में भी कई कारखाने थे लेकिन दुर्भाग्य से उनमें से बहुत से आज खंब हो चुके हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि अब वह समय भी मांग है कि यहाँ पर औद्योगिकरण हो लेकिन पर्यावरण को सुरक्षा को ध्यान में रखते हुए यह काम किया जाए। उन्होंने कहा कि अहुर जल्द पर्यावरण पर एक सेमिनार का आयोजन किया जाने वाला है। उन्होंने सभी से उसे सेमिनार में शिरकत करने की अपील की। उन्होंने कहा कि औद्योगिकरण बेहद जरूरी है लेकिन इसके साथ ही साथ लंबे समय तक इस प्रक्रिया को बनाए रखने के लिए पर्यावरण को लेकर भी हमें जागरूक होने की आवश्यकता है।



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Media Coverage

FPO OUTREACH CAMP WITH SBI

7th and 16th February 2024,
Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman and Paschim Bardhaman

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry concluded its District-based Farmer Producer Organization (FPO) Outreach Camps on February 7th in Bankura and Purulia, and on February 16th in Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman, and Paschim Bardhaman.

In collaboration with the State Bank of India (SBI) and IFFCO, the Chamber organized informative sessions aimed at enhancing the knowledge and capabilities of FPO members. SBI experts elucidated loan and funding policies tailored for farmers, while IFFCO conducted sessions on fertilizers and sustainable agricultural practices.

The camp held in Bishnupur, Bankura, witnessed participation from over 40 FPOs spanning Purulia and Bankura districts. Similarly, the Bardhaman camp on February 16th drew nearly 50 FPOs from Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman, and Paschim Bardhaman.

SBI continued its support by providing informative presentations, focusing on various funding options available to FPOs and emphasizing agro-infrastructure funding aligned with project requirements, simplifying the loan acquisition process for farmers.

IFFCO, renowned for its expertise in agricultural education, conducted interactive sessions on sustainable farming techniques and the appropriate utilization of fertilizers.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce remains dedicated to facilitating grassroots FPO outreach in the rural regions of West Bengal, aiming not only to provide access to essential services but also to foster a robust network of FPOs across every district in the state. The Chamber's efforts have yielded significant success, with over 400 FPOs and nearly a thousand farmers participating in the ten camps conducted.



FPO Camp at Bishnupur, Bankura

**7th and 16th February 2024,
Bankura, Purulia, Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman and Paschim Bardhaman FPO OUTREACH CAMP WITH SBI**



FPO Camp at Bishnupur, Bankura



FPO Camp at Bardhaman



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry orchestrated the highly successful 'Crop Protection Conclave' on February 9th, held at Williamson Magor Hall within The Bengal Chamber premises. This gathering convened crop protection experts, agro-chemical company executives, stakeholders, and policymakers from the agriculture sector to deliberate on strategies aimed at bolstering agricultural productivity while ensuring environmental sustainability and farmer welfare. The focal theme of the conclave, 'Regenerative and Resilient Agriculture,' delved into issues encompassing crop protection, the utilization of chemical and organic fertilizers, and the advocacy of sustainable farming practices in rural India.

The day unfolded with enlightening knowledge sessions attended by esteemed guests from government, academia, research, and industry leaders, who shared their insights on the myriad challenges faced by Indian farmers. Discussions ranged from optimizing crop management for enhanced yield through sustainable methodologies to the complexities of tracing agrochemical residues to mitigate the adverse impacts of chemical fertilizers on crops and biodiversity.

The Bengal Chamber was honoured to host distinguished figures such as Shri Pradip Kumar Mazumdar, Hon'ble Minister of Panchayats and Rural Development, Government of West Bengal, along with Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS, CEO of NRAA and Chairman of the Commission of Doubling Farmers' Income, Dr. K C Ravi, Chairman of Crop Life India and Chief Sustainability Officer at Syngenta India Pvt Ltd, and Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson of the Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber.

In his address, Shri Pradip Kumar Mazumdar emphasized the imperative of enhancing agricultural production capacity in West Bengal and advocated for the adoption of farmer-centric, science-based policies to ensure efficiency, productivity, and the preservation of nutritional value in produce. He underscored the significance of market-driven crop production

to mitigate over-reliance on fertilizers and prevent the squandering of financial resources.

Dr. Ashok Dalwai underscored the biological essence of agriculture and advocated for the implementation of integrated pest management (IPM) techniques to minimize crop losses and reduce dependence on chemical pesticides. He also stressed the promotion of biological control methods through crop rotation, seasonal plantation, and the integration of traditional practices to foster sustainable agricultural methodologies.

The conclave highlighted the criticality of embracing sustainable farming practices to address environmental concerns and safeguard the livelihoods of farmers. Speakers deliberated on the adoption of precision agriculture techniques, water conservation measures, and agroforestry systems to optimize resource utilization and mitigate ecological footprints. Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, in his discourse, expounded on the pivotal role of fertilizers, pesticides, and biocides in driving growth within the Indian agriculture sector. He explored avenues to leverage opportunities in the sector to propel the agrochemical industry in India toward greater impact.

The conclave also witnessed the active participation of students from Adamas University's Agriculture department, fostering an interactive exchange with experts across various panels. Additionally, over 50 farmer producer companies and agrotech firms from eastern India joined the event, facilitating invaluable networking opportunities and community-centric engagements aimed at bridging the gap between farmers and executives in the agrochemical industry.

The Agrochemical Conclave served as a pivotal platform for stakeholders to exchange insights, share best practices, and collaborate on charting a roadmap for promoting sustainable agriculture in rural India.



The inaugural session of the 'Crop Protection Conclave' -(Left to Right) Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber, Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS, CEO-NRAA, Chairman – Commission of Doubling Farmers' Income, Shri Pradip Kumar Mazumdar, Hon'ble Minister, Panchayats and Rural Development, Govt. of West Bengal and Dr. K C Ravi, Chairman, Crop Life India, Chief Sustainability Officer, Syngenta India Pvt Ltd on 9th February 2024, at Williamson Magor Hall, The Bengal Chamber Premises

9th February 2024,
The Bengal Chamber premises

CROP PROTECTION CONCLAVE



Shri Pradip Kumar Mazumdar, Hon'ble Minister, Panchayats and Rural Development, Govt. of West Bengal, addressing the audience during the inaugural session of the 'Crop Protection Conclave'



Distinguished audience comprised of industry leaders, executives, Farmer Producer Company (FPC) members and policy makers



(Left to Right) Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber, Dr. Ashok Dalwai, IAS, CEO – NRAA, Chairman – Commission of Doubling Farmers' Income facilitating Shri Pradip Kumar Mazumdar, Hon'ble Minister, Panchayats and Rural Development, Govt of West Bengal during the inaugural session of the 'Crop Protection Conclave' 9th February 2024



(Left to Right) Dr. Kaushik Banerjee, Director, ICAR – NRC for Grapes, Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber & Mr. Abhijit Bose, Chief Marketing Officer, Tagros Chemicals during an insightful knowledge session at the 'Crop Protection Conclave' engages with the audience



Dr. Kaushik Banerjee, Director, ICAR – NRC for Grapes, delivers speech during a knowledge session about Residue and Traceability of Agrochemicals.

PROGRAMME

HORTI FOOD FESTIVAL 2024

17th – 19th February 2024,
Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata

In a pioneering initiative, The Bengal Chamber organized The Horti Food Festival 2024 at the Netaji Indoor Stadium from 17th – 19th February, 2024, in collaboration with The Department of Food Processing Industries & Horticulture. The festival was inaugurated by Sri Arup Roy, Hon'ble Minister of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture, Government of West Bengal, accompanied by Dr. Subrata Gupta, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of FPI & H, Government of West Bengal, and other dignitaries. Mr. Gautam Ray, President of BCC&I and President-Corporate, RPSG Group, along with Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee, BCC&I, were also present at the inaugural session.

The primary objective of the Horti Food Festival 2024 was to attract entrepreneurs for investment in the sector and disseminate modern technology to farmers. Serving as a platform to bring together stakeholders including entrepreneurs, business groups, farmers, academic institutions, and government departments, this convergence aimed to facilitate the showcasing of products and services, boost the export of processed foods, and facilitate the dissemination of technology from industries and academic institutions to farmers and other users.



Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industries addressing the audience during the inaugural ceremony of the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024

Minister Arup Roy expressed his anticipation for the event, emphasizing its significance in promoting the agricultural industry and fostering collaboration among key stakeholders. The festival boasted 75 stalls from various districts, featuring exhibitors such as 'Sufal Bangla', Department of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture, Anandadhara, Directorate of Chincona and other medicinal plants, Department of Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Govt of West Bengal, and many more. This diverse array of participants underscored the comprehensive approach to promoting agro industries in the state.

Over a three-day period, participants benefitted from the exhibitions, insightful discussions, and valuable networking opportunities. The festival served as a melting pot of innovation, knowledge exchange, and business development within the agricultural sector. It garnered widespread media coverage as well as the attention of social media influencers who created vlogs of the festival, further amplifying its reach and impact.

The Horti Food Festival 2024 not only showcased the potential of West Bengal's agricultural sector but also laid the groundwork for future collaborations, investments, and technological advancements, contributing to the overall growth and prosperity of the region.



Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber & Mr. Gautam Ray, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industries being felicitated during the inaugural session of the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024, held from 17th-19th February 2024, at Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata



Audience at the inaugural session of the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024



Young artists performing during the cultural program held during the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024



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Distinguished dignitaries during the inaugural session of the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024



Farmer producer company (FPC) members and exhibitors from districts across West Bengal showcasing their products at the 'Horti Food Festival' 2024



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UPCOMING PROGRAMME

7th edition of Health Tech Summit, 1st March 2024, The Park, Kolkata

1st Edition of BCC&I's Biz Tech Startup Quiz 2024, 9th March 2024, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Bengaluru Campus.

8th Rural Connect and FPO, SHG and Agri Awards, 11th March 2024, Oberoi Grand, Kolkata

3rd Edition of PINK IT 2024, 14th March 2024, Five Mad Men Salt Lake Sector V Kolkata

13th Edition of Shipping and Logistics Conclave 2024, 15th March 2024, The Bengal Chamber premises

13th Edition of BCC&I- GNIT Technology Quiz-Inter-College Quiz Fest 2024, 16th March 2024, GNIT Campus

14th National Manufacturing Conclave and Manufacturing and MSME Excellence Award, 16th March 2024, Taj Vivanta, Kolkata

The People Management Conclave – 6th Edition : Nation Building – The Human Resource Perspective, 16th March 2024, SCOPE Convention Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

3rd Edition of the Prospects for North Bengal – Investments in Sustainability, 21st March 2024, Hotel Sinclairs, Siliguri



Over the course of last year we find that

- (a) India's better inflation management in comparison to the developed world;
- (b) Not only the depreciation rupee moderating, the volatility of the Indian currency has also been at decadal low.

In case both the above parameters are maintained, it can bring down the risk premium that foreign investors charge on Indian investments – It can reduce the cost of capital; The central bank has done its best to utilize its large amount of Foreign Exchange Reserve (\$ 617.23 billion on Feb 9, 2024)) to dampen the volatility . **RBI's mantra "not target a level but manage volatility"** yielded a positive result.

On July 1, 2023 Rupee closed at Rs. 82 to the dollar and on Feb 12, 2024 it traded at Rs. 83. World Economic Outlook forecasts for USD and INR in 2028 will be nearer to Rs. 83.90

Indian Economy in 2027- IMF Forecast

The economy would need to average nominal growth of 9.1% over the next few years to become the third largest economy by 2027, **when it will also reach the \$5 trillion mark, as per IMF estimates.** Indian economy has averaged a nominal growth



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of 10% between FY19 and FY23 and 11.8% between FY13 and FY18.

In the background of the above, let us review how Indian Economy is benefitted due to stable Rupee against USD. This may be a part of the Practical Economics for the benefit of common people including students, academicians, Corporate, Start Ups and GIG segment of the economy.

Lower Import Costs : A stable Indian Rupee implies reduced volatility in currency exchange rates. This stability can lead to

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lower import costs for essential commodities such as oil, machinery, and electronic goods. With a more predictable exchange rate, businesses can plan their imports more effectively, leading to cost savings in production and consumption. India imports approx Rs. 12 trillion amount of crude oil being 85% of its total crude requirements.

Controlled Inflation : Stable exchange rates contribute to controlled inflationary pressures in the economy. When the currency remains stable, it helps in curbing imported inflation, which arises due to the increased cost of imported goods when the domestic currency depreciates. Controlled inflation enhances the purchasing power of consumers and fosters economic stability. Trade deficit will reduce significantly along with the imbalances in BoP and CAD.

Enhanced Foreign Investment : A stable Indian Rupee reduces the risk associated with foreign investments in the country. Foreign investors are more likely to invest in Indian assets when they are confident about the stability of their returns in terms of currency conversion. Reduced currency risk encourages greater foreign direct investment (FDI) and portfolio investment, which contributes to capital formation and economic growth.

Boost to Export Competitiveness : While a stable rupee might make imports cheaper, it also helps in maintaining the competitiveness of Indian exports. Export-oriented industries benefit from a predictable exchange rate environment as they can plan their pricing strategies and production schedules more effectively. This stability aids in sustaining export growth and improving the trade balance over the long term.

Fiscal Stability : A stable currency facilitates fiscal stability by

reducing uncertainty in government revenue and expenditure. It enables policymakers to better manage budgetary allocations and debt servicing costs. A predictable exchange rate environment also fosters investor confidence in the government's economic policies and overall macroeconomic management.

Improved Business Environment : Businesses thrive in a stable currency environment as it provides them with a predictable operating environment. Stable exchange rates reduce currency-related risks for businesses engaged in international trade and finance. This stability fosters confidence among domestic entrepreneurs and encourages investment in productive activities, leading to economic expansion and job creation.

Mitigation of External Vulnerabilities : Stable exchange rates mitigate external vulnerabilities arising from global economic shocks and financial market turbulence. By dampening the volatility of the Indian Rupee, the economy becomes less susceptible to speculative attacks and sudden capital outflows. This resilience enhances the overall resilience of the Indian economy to external shocks, contributing to its long-term sustainability.

In conclusion, a stable Indian Rupee brings a multitude of benefits to the economy, ranging from controlled inflation and enhanced foreign investment to improved business environment and fiscal stability. These advantages not only promote economic growth but also contribute to the overall welfare and prosperity of the Indian population. Understanding the importance of exchange rate stability is crucial for students of economics at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels as it provides insights into the dynamics of international trade, finance, and macroeconomic policy.



ASANSOL ENGINEERING COLLEGE

Session on "Introduction to Arduino" by AEC Hardware Club on 9th January 2024

AEC HARDWARE CLUB organised "Introduction to Arduino", which was an online workshop, held on January 9th, 2024.

The Arduino workshop equips college students with hands-on skills in hardware and programming, fostering interdisciplinary applications in fields like IoT and robotics. It promotes project-based learning, building confidence and preparing students for industry demands. The collaborative environment encourages teamwork and innovation, making participants more attractive to employers. Overall, it's a valuable experience that enhances practical knowledge and prepares students for future academic and professional endeavours.



"Talk to Preneurs 2" organized by AEC ED Cell on 25th January, 2024

Asansol Engineering College ED Cell unit unleashed the Power of Entrepreneurial Wisdom! "Talk 2 Preneurs" was presented by the Entrepreneurship Development Cell and Institution's Innovation Council on 25th January from 4pm to 5pm, where visionaries Mr. Supriyo Mitra, Co-founder of Small Town Talks, and Mr. Subrata Midya, Founder of Think nXt Media, shared their success stories. Attendees empowered their journey with insights, inspiration, and innovation. This event was Powered by Idea-O-Meter and was an opportunity to fuel one's entrepreneurial spirit!



IDEA Pitching Competition by AEC ED Cell by 11th January 2024

A Technical IDEA Pitching competition was organized by AEC ED Cell on 11th January 2024.

Students pitch their best ideas and grabbed the opportunity to attend TIE Kolkata Event Teams).

IDEA PITCHING COMPETITION was powered by IDEA-O-METER



75th Republic Day Celebrated by Asansol Engineering College on 26th January 2024

The 75th Republic Day was celebrated by Asansol Engineering College on 26th January 2024. The national flag was hoisted by our respected Vice Principal Dr. G S Panda in presence of few Faculty and Staff members.

The program was coordinated by NCC unit of Asansol Engineering College and they showcased few acts relevant to the Republic Day.



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7th Edition of "Discussion Forum on Ecological Sustainability in the Industrial region of Asansol-Durgapur" at Asansol Engineering College on 3rd February 2024

The BCC&I organized 7th Edition of Discussion Forum on Ecological Sustainability in Industrial Region-Asansol-Durgapur at Asansol Engineering College on 3rd February 2024.

Mr. Gautam Roy, President, BCC&I delivered the welcome address followed by the opening remarks

Programme Details	
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Registration and Seating
08:30 AM - 09:00 AM	Inauguration by Mr. Gautam Roy, President, BCC&I
09:00 AM - 09:30 AM	Address by Mr. S. Suresh Kumar, Chairman, DVC
09:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Keynote Address by Mr. Sri M. Ghatak, MIC, Govt. of WB
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Panel Discussion moderated by Mr. P. Singh, Director in-Charge (Burnpur and Durgapur), SAIL-ISP
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Vote of Thanks by Mr. S. Suresh Kumar, Chairman, DVC
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Closing Remarks by Mr. Gautam Roy, President, BCC&I
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Refreshments

by Dr. G. S. Panda, Vice Principal, Asansol Engineering College.

The Chief Guest for the said program was Sri M. Ghatak, MIC, Govt. Of WB, Guest of Honour being Sri, S. Suresh Kumar, Chairman, DVC, Keynote address was delivered by Mr. B. P. Singh, Director in-Charge (Burnpur and Durgapur), SAIL-ISP.



Dignitaries from various different organizations delivered their valuable views in the panel discussion sessions.

Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights by NIPAM and AEC on 7th February 2024

The Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, in collaboration with IIC and Research and Development (R&D) Cell, hosted a webinar on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) on February 7, 2024, from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm. All the members of the AEC family were encouraged to participate. E-certificates were issued to all the attendees.



Saraswati Puja celebrated by Asansol Engineering College on 14th February 2024

Like every year, this year also Sri Sri Saraswati Puja was celebrated in Asansol Engineering College Amphitheatre arena on 14th February 2024 with pomp and grandeur.

Our students with utmost encouragement and enthusiasm executed all the necessary things smoothly starting from Rangoli, Pandal decoration, Prasad arrangements etc. Lunch arrangements in the form of Khichdi were there for about 1000 students and faculty and staff members.

Many students and faculty members thoroughly enjoyed the day along with their friends and relatives.

Immersion of the Idol was done on 16th February at 5pm inside the college premises water body.



"SERA SCHOOL er SARASWATI", outreach programme by JIS Group on 14th February 2024

AEC under JIS Group organized its largest outreach campaign, "Sera Schooler Saraswati 2024," on the occasion of Saraswati Puja in West Bengal. The event saw participation by Various Schools & Colleges. The inter-school competition featured two categories: "Best Idol" and "Best Aesthetic Presentation." Senior faculty members of AEC, served as judges for the Saraswati Pujas held in schools across Asansol. Souvenirs were distributed as tokens of appreciation to appreciate the efforts of every participating school.



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GURU NANAK INSTITUTE OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT

1. 14.01.2024: National Youth Day :

Guru Nanak Institute of Hotel Management is happy to have brought smiles in the lives of the little ones on the occasion of National Youth Day.



3. 17.01.2024 : Mayfair Management Training Program :

Guru Nanak Institute Of Hotel Management organized a Recruitment Program with the "Aspire - Mayfair Management Training Program" at the GNIHM campus. Here are some Glimpses of today's Recruitment Program.

Elevate your career in the hospitality industry with GNIHM. Join us for a transformative recruitment program featuring an industry-driven curriculum, hands-on training, expert mentorship, and global networking opportunities.



2. 15.01.2024 : GNIHM LAUNCHES ITS COFFEE SHOP-BREAD AND BEYOND :

GURU NANAK INSTITUTE OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT took the opportunity to launch its Coffee Shop "BREAD AND BEYOND" on 15th January 2024 at Guru Nanak Campus.

The Coffee shop was inaugurated by Shri Aashish Maurya, IPS DC Central, Barrackpore Police Commissionerate in the presence of Sardar Simarpreet Singh Director-JIS Group along with our beloved Uday Shankar Mukherjee Sir and other officials.

This initiative has been undertaken with the aim to hone the entrepreneurship skills of the students. This is a cafeteria in which students will take all the initiative to run the cafeteria on a regular basis with fresh and delectable products popular amongst the students.



4. 17.01.2024 : JIS SPIRIT :

Students of GNIHM & various institutes of JIS Group participate in the cultural program "JIS SPIRIT 2024" Here are some glimpses of the colorful event which was packed up with Singing, dancing, Drama, and many more activities of our talented students.



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5. 17.01.2024 : MOU with the Russian International Academy

GNIHM has Signed an MOU with the Russian International Academy for Tourism - Moscow Russia, Centre for International Educational Programs and Research - For student exchange program, Faculty Development and exchange Program, academic collaboration, Research Collaboration and Multi dimensional collaboration for better education of our students.



6. 19.01.2024 : Gerard Basset Foundation, Wine & Spirit Education Scholarship Workshop :

Today, GNIHM Students experienced Sunburst Vin's exclusive "Gerard Basset Foundation, Wine & Spirit Education Scholarship Workshop", where they elevated their passion for Wine & Spirits. This workshop was presented by GNIHM, JIS group & Sunburst Vin. The officials of Sunburst Vin Encouraged our students to know more about the wine & spirit industry and how to build a successful career in this industry.



7. 22.01.2024: Receiving award regarding voluntary blood donation camp :

GNIHM and its students involve themselves to support the society through various social activities, such as cloth donation, donating school books to slum children and blood donation. Thus Association of Voluntary Blood Donors (West Bengal) for the year 2022 chose GNIHM for conducting voluntary blood donation camp in their own college campus successfully. There were 182 voluntary blood donors / students who had voluntarily contributed towards their own success. A memento and a certificate of honour was awarded by AVBD on 20th January 2022 in their annual convocation, organized at the " Swami Vivekananda Auditorium ".



8. 24.01.2024 : Entrepreneurship Skill Development Program (ESPD):

GNIHM Students attend a wonderful seminar under the Entrepreneurship Skill Development Program(ESPD), ORGANISED

By the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Supported by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government Of India. The Seminar was held at the Guru Nanak Institute of Hotel Management Campus.



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9. 25.01.2024 : Kolkata Book Fair :

Students of GNIHM have participated and presented with some beautifully created fruit and vegetable carvings in the Kolkata Book Fair -2024.



10. 25.01.2024 : Art & Craft Workshop :

Indiatourism Kolkata, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India is celebrating National Tourism Week from 22nd to 25th January 2024. In this regard, Art & Craft Workshop will be organized where various

activities like "Old Waste Plastic Container for plant pots, Scrap Clothes making Bookmark, Newspaper or Old Magazine Artwork, Waste Jute Rope Art Work, Old Fabric or Waste Clothes Collage, Broken Tile Artwork etc., on the theme of "Sustainable Journeys, Timeless Memories" will be performed.



11. 29.01.2024 : Annual Picnic of GNIHM

Annual Picnic of GNIHM at a beautiful location at Mahispota, the Picnic is filled with enjoyment, food, games etc.

12. 01.02.2024 : JIS SAMMAN 2024

Celebrating Excellence and Innovation! Yesterday marked the remarkable Inauguration Ceremony of 'JIS SAMMAN 2024' - a testament to the power of recognition and achievement, as we honor brilliance and inspire greatness.

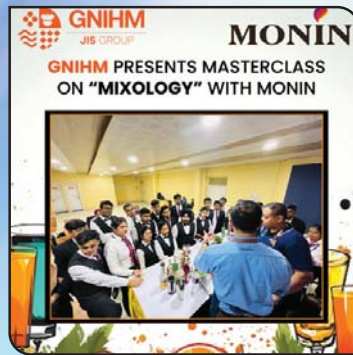
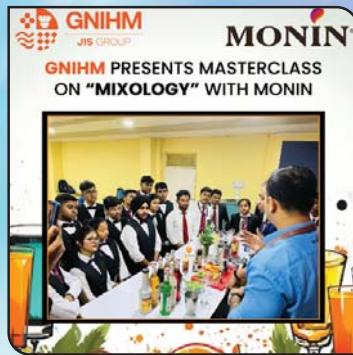


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13. 06.02.2024 : Master Class on Mixology in collaboration with MONIN :

We're thrilled to announce that GNHIM hosted an electrifying Master Class on Mixology in collaboration with MONIN, and it was an absolute blast! From crafting classic cocktails to exploring innovative recipes, GNHIM students indulged in an unforgettable journey of flavors and creativity.



14. 14.02.2024 : GNHIM celebrates saraswati puja and sera saraswati samman 2024 with different schools :

Saraswati Puja Celebration at GNHIM, The vibrant hues of spring begin to paint the world, as we usher in the joyous festival of Basant Panchami.

This auspicious day, dedicated to the goddess Saraswati, symbolizes the onset of spring and the celebration of wisdom, knowledge, and the arts. It is a time when nature adorns itself in various shades of yellow, mirroring the blossoming mustard fields.



GURU NANAK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

1. CONGRATULATIONS Ms. Shaoli Das and Ms. Sanjukta Banik @1st Position @National Symposium on Sustainable Technology and Management for Humanistic Growth @FT @GNIT

We are thrilled to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Shaoli Das and Ms. Sanjukta Banik, 3rd-year students of the Department of Food Technology @GNIT, for their outstanding achievement in securing the first position in the research work presentation at the "National Symposium on Sustainable Technology and Management for Humanistic Growth." The symposium took place on December 22-23, 2023, at Jadavpur University, where these talented individuals showcased their exceptional research on the topic, "Integration of Polyphenolic Riches from Orange and Mosambi Peel into a Refined Jelly Confection."

Under the guidance and mentorship of Dr. Souptik Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor in the Department of Food Technology at GNIT, Ms. Shaoli Das and Ms. Sanjukta Banik exhibited an exemplary blend of dedication, innovation, and expertise in their research work. Their

presentation not only demonstrated a profound understanding of the subject matter but also reflected a high level of creativity and ingenuity in approaching the integration of polyphenolic compounds from orange and mosambi peel into a refined jelly confection.

The competition at the National Symposium was undoubtedly fierce, with participants from various reputed institutions across the country. Ms. Shaoli Das and Ms. Sanjukta Banik's success in securing the top position is a testament to their hard work, commitment, and the quality of their research.

Their research project not only contributes to the field of food technology but also aligns with the symposium's theme of sustainable technology and management for humanistic growth. The integration of polyphenolic riches from citrus peels into a refined jelly confection not only showcases the potential for waste reduction but also highlights the innovative utilization of natural resources in the food industry.



2. Poster Making Competition @EE @GNIT

On January 8, 2024, the Department of Electrical Engineering @GNIT organized a Poster Making Competition in celebration of Energy Conservation Day. The event, held at the Circuit Theory Lab from 11:00 am, aimed to promote awareness about the crucial need to "Save Electricity and Save Water".

The competition garnered active support from Prof. (Dr.) Swarup Kr. Mitra, the Principal of GNIT. His encouragement played a vital role in the success of the event. The initiative was spearheaded by Dr. Barnali Kundu, Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, and efficiently coordinated by Mr. Shyamal Kumar Roy, Mr. Suman Ghosh, and Ms. Subhra Sen – all key contributors from the department.

Students from various B.Tech courses showcased their artistic talents, utilizing sketches and colors to express their thoughts on the conservation of electricity and water. The participation of students from different academic years added a diverse and vibrant touch to the competition.

The results of the Poster Making Competition are as follows :

- 1st position: Partha Das, EE, 3rd Year
- 2nd position: Arghadeep Dey, FT, 1st Year
- 3rd position: Srijita Roy Chowdhury, EE, 1st Year
- 4th position: Arpan Das, EE, 2nd Year
- 5th position: Anirudra Deb, EE, 1st Year
- 6th position: Pritam Mondal, EE, 1st Year



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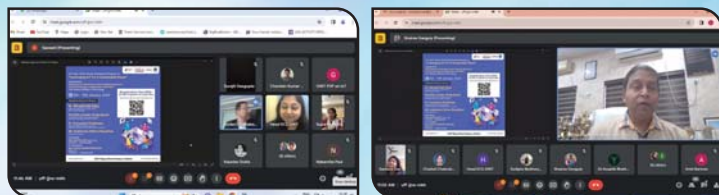
3. One Week Online FDP: "Leveraging IoT for a Sustainable Planet" @ECS @FT @IQAC @GNIT

The Department of Electronics and Computer Science and The Department of Food Technology, in collaboration with IQAC@ GNIT organized a One Week Online Faculty Development Program on "Leveraging IoT for a Sustainable Planet" from 8th to 12th January 2024. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) Swarup Kumar Mitra, Principal, GNIT; and the welcome address was delivered by Ms. Bapita Roy, HoD, ECS Dept.

Speakers of the FDP:

8th January, 2024 : Dr. Himadrinath Saha, Head of the Department, Computer Science, SNEC, Calcutta University. The topic of discussion was "A Journey Towards Social Aspects of IoT : Social IoT".

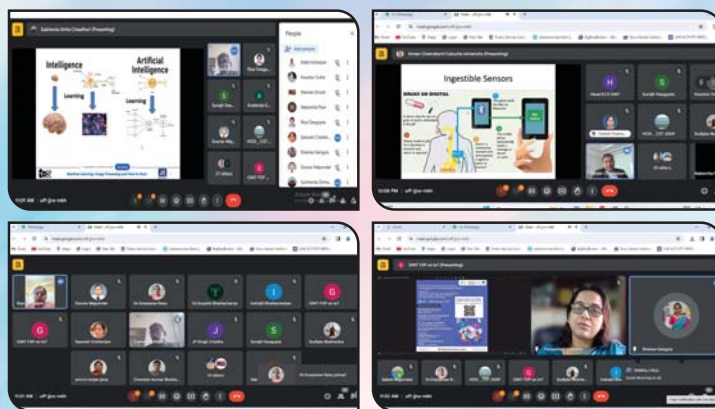
9th January, 2024 : Prof. (Dr.) Amlan Chakrabarti, (Professor and Director, A. K. Choudhury School of Information Technology, University of Calcutta). The topic of discussion was "IoT Technologies for Sustainable Society".



10th January, 2024 : Mr. Subhendu Sinha Chaudhuri, CEO, Cleantech Solution. The topic of discussion was "Machine Learning: Image Processing and How to Start".

11th January, 2024 : Dr. Punyasha Chatterjee, Associate Professor and Director, School of Mobile Computing and Communication, Jadavpur University. The topic of discussion was "IoT & Sustainability : A Few Applications".

More than 49 participants from different institutes of West Bengal participated in the interactive FDP, which concluded with an online examination; and with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Dr. Kakali Bandyopadhyay, HoD, FT Dept.



4. Management Development Programme @FT @GNIT

Management Development Programme (MDP) under Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme Scheme (ESDP) was organized by Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad, supported by MoMSME, Government of India in association with the Department of Food Technology @GNIT from 15th January 2024-19th January 2024. The programme was inaugurated by the welcome address of Dr Adhish Kr. Chakrabarty, Registrar, GNIT followed by felicitation ceremony. Dr Adhish Kr. Chakrabarty addressed the august gathering and welcomed the participants. Prof (Dr) Kakali Bandyopadhyay, HOD, FT welcomed and motivated the participants on the second day of the MDP.

The speakers were :

- Shri Subrata Kar, Former GM (Works) Eveready Industries Technologist, Lean Consultant, Management Consultant, TQM Consultant, Visiting Faculty EDII, GlobSyn, IFCAI, IBM Jadavpur
- Shri Deepankar Biswas, Former Associate VP, Sapoorji & Palanji, Technologist, Lean Consultant, Management Consultant, Six Sigma Certified (Cater Piler Inc), Visiting Faculty EDII
- Shri Amiya Kumar Kalidaha, Department of Science & Technology and Biotechnology, Govt. of West Bengal (DSTBT-GoWB)
- Shri Sitanath Mukhopadhyay, IEDS, Asstt. Director, Gr.-1
- Ms Sangita Sen, Proprietor, M/s Sunny Ray Solutions
- Ms Palak Chokhani, Entrepreneur, Poet, Writer, RJ, Voice Over Artist

- Shri Avijit Kumar Roy, Process Consultant, ILO Certified Trainer, Google Certificate in Digital Marketing
- Shri Subir Roy, Entrepreneurship Expert & Business Analyst, EDII
- Shri Ankan Bandyopadhyay, Former Chief Engineer, Central PowerGrid Authority, Guest Faculty Jadavpur University
- Shri Dipten Basu, Former Regional Director, Indian Trade Promotion Organization, Govt. of India

The Management Development Program addressed multifaceted aspects crucial for navigating India's evolving business landscape. Shri Subrata Kar delved into the imperative Need of Management Development, unraveling diverse tools and techniques vital for enterprises.

The seminar explored entrepreneurship, business, and management dynamics, emphasizing Total Quality Management and Lean Manufacturing. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) took center stage, elucidating trademarks, copyrights, patents, and Geographical Indications, showcasing their benefits for entrepreneurs. The session spotlighted the pivotal role of MSMEs in India's economy, dissecting startup concepts and government schemes supporting them.

Emotional Intelligence in business management, leadership insights, and Miss Palak Chokhani's inspirational entrepreneurial journey were spotlighted. Marketing strategies, the 6Ps of business, and EDII's enterprise activities in the eastern region added depth to the comprehensive program.

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5. Congratulations : GNIT Food Technology Students for Outstanding Achievements at Konnagar Science Fair

The Department of Food Technology@ GNIT proudly participated in the 19th Konnagar Science Fair held from January 26th to 28th, 2024, organized by Juktiman Kalo Bignankendra in Konnagar, Hooghly. The students showcased their exceptional talents and dedication, earning well-deserved accolades.

In the Audio-Visual Presentation (General) category, the students secured the 1st position for their impressive work on 'Restoration and rejuvenation of water bodies with Bio enzymes produced from Citrus Fruit peels.' Their innovative approach to addressing environmental concerns through the use of bio enzymes reflects a commitment to sustainable solutions.

The students also secured the 2nd position in the Model Display Competition (college level) with their project titled 'A dual attempt for eco-friendly bio-remediation and Food waste Management.' This project not only demonstrates their depth of understanding in eco-friendly practices but also their practical application in managing food waste.

The model was skillfully prepared and presented on behalf of the GNIT Eco Club, a testament to collaborative efforts. The guidance provided by the faculty members of the Chemistry Section (ASHU Dept.) and the Department of Food Technology played a pivotal role in the success of these projects.



6. Webinar : "Optimizing Hospital Operations with a Comprehensive Approach to Patient Care & streamlining TPA & Insurance" @BHM @GNIT

The Department of Hospital Management @ GNIT organized a webinar on "Optimising Hospital Operations with a Comprehensive Approach to Patient Care & streamlining TPA & Insurance" on 27th January, 2024, for the 1st and 2nd year students of the department. The facilitator, Mr. Anirban Chakraborty, Assistant Professor (Healthcare Management) of IHRM College, Kolkata, shared his knowledge regarding TPA & Insurance from his industrial experiences, and also discussed the importance of patient care.

Mr. Chakraborty also discussed the strategies for improving patient care through streamlined processes, efficient resource allocation, enhanced communication between healthcare

teams, ways to explore the challenges and complexities involved in TPA and insurance management within a hospital setting. He also highlighted the importance of presenting best practices for optimizing TPA and insurance processes to improve operational efficiency and financial outcomes.

By addressing these key areas in the webinar, participants gained valuable insights into how a comprehensive approach to patient care and TPA/insurance management can lead to improved hospital operations, better patient outcomes, and enhanced financial performance. More than 80 participants joined the interesting session.



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7. Euphoria GenX @ MoU Signing Ceremony @ Department of Computer Science and Engineering

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering, GNIT signed MOU with Euphoria GenX, Kolkata in the presence of Mr. Sourav Ghosh, Regional Manager, Euphoria Genx, Mr. Purnendu Pandit, Placement Executive, Euphoria Genx, Prof. (Dr.) Swarup Kumar Mitra, Principal, GNIT, Dr. Suman Bhattacharya, Associate Professor and H.O.D., CSE, GNIT; Mr. Moley Dhar, Dr. Srabani Biswas, Dr. Ipsita Saha, Ms. Sayani Chandra, Assistant Professors, CSE, GNIT.

Euphoria GenX is engaged in research, development and education in the field of Web 2.0, Industry 4.0, and Web 3.0 through internships,

workshops, hackathon, hands on training and internship, master classes, industrial visit, and lab to market idea lab setup, product development, Intellectual property rights, and projects.

The MOU was signed on 5th February 2024 as per the policy of the institute to collaborate with industry to enhance knowledge, research activities and professional skills towards the modern technologies and recent trends in the field of Computer Science and Engineering.

It will provide opportunities to students in research, development and education in the field of Web 2.0, Web 3.0 and Industry 4.0.

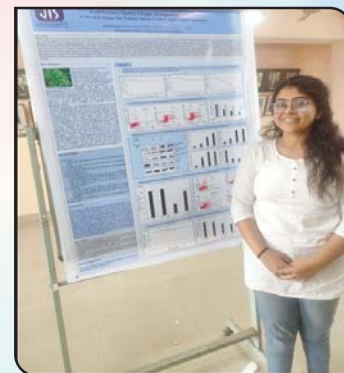


JIS UNIVERSITY

Department of Biosciences - JIS University, Kolkata showcased their Poster Presentation organized by Jadavpur University in celebration of the 62nd National Pharmacy Week

Sweta Kundu and Sampriti Sarkar, students from the Department of Biosciences - JIS University, Kolkata showcased their Poster Presentation under the guidance of Dr. Avik Acharya Chowdhury, HOD-Dept. of Biosciences and Dr. Suparna Ghosh at the National Seminar on 'Role of Pharmacists in Patient Safety', organized by Jadavpur University in celebration of the 62nd National Pharmacy Week on 25th November, 2023. The students' outstanding efforts earned them the First Position, and we extend our heartfelt

congratulations to the entire team for this impressive accomplishment.



ANNUAL PICNIC 2024

Snapshots of the ANNUAL PICNIC 2024 of TEAM JIS University of

faculty members and staff, organised at Duttapukur, North 24 Parganas on 6th January, 2024 (Saturday).



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Department of Education, JIS University has successfully conducted a 5 days "AICTE/UGC LEARNING OUTCOMES-BASED CREDIT FRAMEWORK (LOCF) EXAMINATION REFORMS WORKSHOP - 2024"

Department of Education, JIS University has successfully conducted a 5 days "AICTE/UGC LEARNING OUTCOMES-BASED CREDIT FRAMEWORK (LOCF) EXAMINATION REFORMS WORKSHOP - 2024" from 8th January to 12th January in JIS University campus. The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) Neeraj Saxena, Pro-Chancellor, JIS University, Prof. (Dr.), Bhabes Bhattacharya, Hon. Vice Chancellor, JIS University. Faculties from different institutions under JIS Group participated in this workshop. We were honoured to have Dr. Vinay Kulkarni, Dr. Prapulla S. B. and Dr. Shabina Sayyad Modi as the resource persons. The tone for the program was set to learn outcome based credit framework examination reform. It is a

framework that outlines how universities can integrate learning outcomes into the assessment process the workshop aimed to improve the assessment process to make it more meaningful, engaging, and relevant. Glimpses of the said event are shared.



International Conference on the theme "Socio-Economic Transformation and its Impact on Business" at JIS University Campus, Agarpara, Kolkata

On 9th January 2024, Department of Management, JIS University, Kolkata organized an International Conference on the theme "Socio-Economic Transformation and its Impact on Business" at JIS University

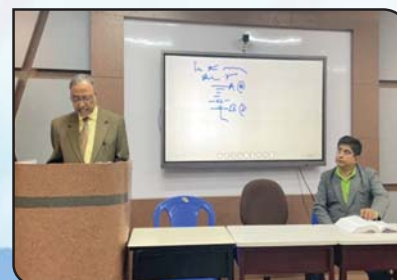
Campus, Agarpara, Kolkata. The conference was inaugurated in the august presence of Prof. (Dr.) Neeraj Saxena, Pro-Chancellor, JIS University, Prof. (Dr.) Bhabes Bhattacharya, Hon. Vice Chancellor, Dr. H.S. Maji, Dean Academics, Prof. (Dr.) Ranjit Goswami, Director, Department of Management, Prof. (Dr.) Rakesh Kumar Dhar Dubey, Dean, Department of Management and Dr. Atanu Kotal, Dy. Registrar, JIS University.



Dept. of Juridical Sciences, JIS University organized Expert Talk at JIS University campus

On 10th January, 2024 Dept. of Juridical Sciences, JIS University organized Expert Talk at JIS University campus. Hon'ble Justice Samaresh Prasad Chowdhury gave an Expert Talk on the "Institution of Suits". He covered all the provisions under Civil Procedure Code. Being the

Ombudsman of JIS University, he was felicitated by Prof. (Dr.) Bhabes Bhattacharya, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JIS University. Dr. Souvik Chatterji, Head of the Department of Juridical Sciences, JIS University was the Program coordinator and presided over the entire event. Students of BBA-LLB(H) and LLB course got immense benefit from the lecture and the interactive session by the eminent luminary.



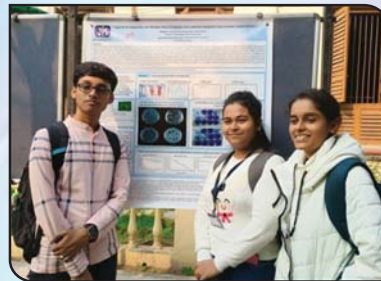
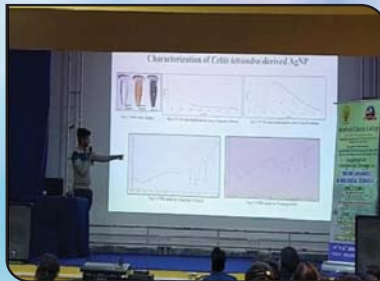
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Our student participated in the International Seminar on Recent Advances in Biological Sciences conducted by Scottish Church College, Department of Microbiology

Our UG students Agnik Mukherjee, Suvodeep Saha, Mrinmoy Dey, Prajna Banerjee, Rangan Mitra, Ankita Roy, Tania Aich, Adwitiya Saha from the Department of Biosciences under the supervision of Dr. Suparna Ghosh and Dr. Dibyarupa Pal participated in the

International Seminar on Recent Advances in Biological Sciences conducted by Scottish Church College, Department of Microbiology on January 10-11, 2024. The students participated wholeheartedly in both Poster and Oral presentations and we appreciate their indomitable spirit to carry these cocurricular scientific ventures along with academics successfully.



JIS GROUP conducted an inter-college (among JIS group institutions) debate competition on 11th January 2024 organized by "NEW INDIA DEBATES"

We are pleased to share that JIS GROUP conducted an Inter-college (among JIS Group institutions) Debate competition on 11th January, 2024 at the JIS University campus & NIT grounds organized by "NEW INDIA DEBATES". Two teams from our Colleges/ University under

the aegis of JIS GROUP of educational initiatives competed on the Dias. We invited all the students and faculty members to participate at the "New India Debate,". The topic of the debate was "Yahi Samay Hai, Vikshit Bharat Ka Anmol Samay Hai" (This is the time; it's the invaluable time of Developed India). We were honoured to host Shri Sanjeev Sanyal, a member of the Economic Advisory Council of the Prime Minister & Secretary to Government of India at the event.



National seminar was organized by the Research Development Cell and Xavier Law School of St. Xavier's University Kolkata

On 11th January 2024, a national seminar was organized by the Research Development Cell and Xavier Law School of St. Xavier's University Kolkata. Dr. Souvik Chatterji, HOD, Law, JIS University along with Samrat Samaddar (BBA LL.B student), JIS University presented Paper and spoke on the impact of Artificial Intelligence and Cyber Laws in the current scenario and challenges faced by women who are stalked. He added the scope of artificial intelligence in fighting cybercrime is vast. One of the many ways AI can fight cyber-crimes is by two factor authentication. AI can add additional

layers of information and authentication on top of two factor authentication. The academic resources which are available today clearly indicate that there are various applications of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in curbing the cyber-crimes.



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Department of Earth Sciences and Remote Sensing organized Freshers Welcome party

Department of Earth Sciences and Remote Sensing organized Freshers Welcome party for the new batch of students of 2023 session on

11th January, 2024 at the University auditorium. It was a gala cultural performance by the students of Postgraduate and Undergraduate courses at the event. There were loads of fun, excitement and music for the students to enjoy the session.



The Department of Education, JIS University, celebrated the 40th National Youth Day, on the auspicious occasion of Swami Vivekananda's 161st birthday

The Department of Education, JIS University, on 12th January, 2024, celebrated the 40th National Youth Day, on the auspicious occasion of Swami Vivekananda's 161st birthday. The illuminating program started with a Sanskrit Sloka, performed by Asst. Prof. Ayan Chakraborty, who is also the conveyor of the event. Asst. Prof. Ayan Chakraborty's chants sprinkled calmness into the atmosphere and therefore set the appropriate tempo for the event. The event became more auspicious with the august presence of the honorable Pro Chancellor

of JIS University, Dr. Neeraj Saxena, who enlightened everyone with his speech through which he explored Swami Vivekananda and his perspectives on education and its transformative power.



JIS UNIVERSITY at IIC REGIONAL MEET

The Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (Govt. of India) and AICTE hosted an IIC Regional Meet on 12th January 2024 at Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata. Institutions from the Eastern region were invited to be a part of this regional meet to network and witness the vibrancy of the innovation movement and startup culture developed in HEIs. The Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell & AICTE is organizing 20 IIC Regional Meets in different cities across the country during the period from 21st Nov. 2023 to 31st Jan. 2024. Regional



meets are designed to provide a networking platform for the IIC institutions and prospective IIC institutions in the region to celebrate their contribution towards institutionalizing and streamlining their campus innovation ecosystems and leading the innovation movement in HEIs. This program was attended by Ms. Debmitya Ghosh (Assistant Professor) as a faculty from the CSE dept. Students from the 2nd year of B.Tech-CSE course - Debmalya Sanyal (Team Lead), Avijit Pakhira and Gourab Saha attended this event.



JIS University participated at the Gopal Chandra Bhattacharjee Vigyan Mela 2024, organised by Paschim Banga Vigyan Mancha, Jadavpur

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at Jadavpur Bijoygarh Sikshaniketan Balika Vidyalaya grounds on the last day (14th January) of the ongoing fair from 12th -14th Jan. Leading schools from South Kolkata participated at the Vigyan Mela (Science Exhibition) with their innovative Models. JIS GROUP had their stall for 3 days in the fair along with other institutions. Glimpses of the event are shared.



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JIS Spirit 2024, the Inter College Cultural Competition for JIS Samman 2024

JIS Spirit 2024, the Inter College Cultural Competition for JIS Samman 2024, started at JIS University campus and NiT College grounds on 15th-16th Jan with the theme "Unity in Diversity". Renowned dancer Smt. Tanushree Shankar was the Chief Guest at the inauguration. She was felicitated by Sardar Simarpreet Singh on the occasion. Sardar Simarpreet Singh, Director – JIS Group lighted the traditional lamp at the inaugural session which centered around the theme "Unity in Diversity." Prof. Abhijit Sengupta, Director, GNIPST, Prof.

Soumen Banerjee, Principal, NiT, Prof. (Dr.) Swarup Kumar Mitra, Principal, GNIT, Shri. Pralay Ganguly, Principal, GNIHM & Shri Xavier Gomes, Advisor, GNIHM were present on the occasion. The two-day JIS Spirit 2024, embodies the spirit of unity, diversity, and talent within the JIS GROUP community. The students of JIS University along with other JIS Group colleges participated at the fashion show contest on the grounds and also in the Recitation and Anchoring competition at the JIS University Auditorium on 15th Jan and GNIPST campus on 16th Jan. Glimpses of the event are shared.



Online International Seminar on Disability Rights & Law and Law Relating To Women And Children Organized By Law Mantra Trust In collaboration With Centre For Studies Related To Persons With Disabilities, Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla

On 19th and 20th January, 2024, Two Days Online International Seminar on Disability Rights & Law and Law Relating To Women And Children Organized By Law Mantra Trust In collaboration With Centre For Studies Related To Persons With Disabilities, Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla. Dr. Souvik Chatterji (HOD, Law JISU) presented a paper titled Analysis of Efficacy of POCSO Law in India and Juvenile Justice Act along with Samrat Samaddar (BBA-LLB Honors Student). Dr. Souvik Chatterji mentioned that sexual offences in India have increased a lot over the last 20 years. The higher is the age of the offender and lower is the age of the victim, the more heinous the offence. Many cases in POCSO go unreported, and FIRs are not filed as some family members are involved in sexual abuses

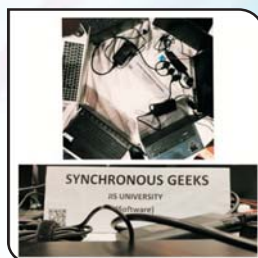
where parents try to hide the perpetrator of crime according to NCRB data. The event was inaugurated by the esteemed Vice Chancellor of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha, Director, The Indian Law Institute, New Delhi (Guest of Honor), Prof. (Dr.) Koen De Feyter, Faculty of Law, University of Antwerp, Belgium. (Guest of Honor) and Dr. S.K. Rungta, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi (Guest of Honor).



Hackathon HACK-O-NOVA 2.0 hosted by Adamas University

We are pleased to share that two teams from the Dept. of CSE, JIS University got selected in the software category to represent our UNIVERSITY in the prestigious Hackathon HACK-O-NOVA 2.0 hosted

by Adamas University on 19th & 20th January, 2024. The product and Innovation Cell and SOET, Adamas University organized "Hack-O-NOVA 2.0" for all the students from 19th to 20th January, 2024 in association with IIC, MOE Innovation Cell, Association for Computing Machinery, Google Developer Student Clubs.



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Educational Initiatives

JIS University Participated in the 5th International Students' Conference on "Current Advancements in Science & Technology" organized by Department of Basic Science & Humanities, IEM, Kolkata and UEM, Kolkata

Pratyasa Bandyopadhyay, M.Sc. 4th Semester Student from Department of Physics under the Supervision of Dr. Pranabi Maji (Asst. Prof., Dpt. of Physics) and Dr. Dibyarupa Pal (Asst. Prof., Dpt. of Biosciences) participated in the 5th International Students' Conference on "Current Advancements in Science & Technology" organized by Department of Basic Science & Humanities, IEM, Kolkata and UEM, Kolkata on 19th -21st January, 2024. She got Best Presentation Award in the oral presentation category thanks to her

outstanding efforts. We congratulate the entire team from the bottom of our hearts for this outstanding achievement.



JIS University students participated at the ACHARYA SATYENDRANATH BASU SMARAK BIJNAN O PRAJUKTI MELA organised by Paschimbanga Vigyan Mancha

JIS GROUP recently participated at the ACHARYA SATYENDRANATH BASU SMARAK BIJNAN O PRAJUKTI MELA organised by Paschimbanga Vigyan Mancha at Hedua Park, Kolkata from 19th January to 23rd January 2024. JIS University students attended the said event with their innovative Projects and models. The title of the project was Food waste management for street dogs, and the team was led by Ayushi while another Project Title was Blind person Assistance and the said team was led by Manish Gupta.



JIS GROUP along with JIS University is participated in the India Educational Fair 2024 organised by SAPE

JIS GROUP along with JIS University is participated in the India Educational Fair 2024 organised by SAPE on 22 & 23 January 2024 at KIB Convention Hall, Dhaka (Farmgate), Bangladesh. Visit the JIS Pavilion and seize this opportunity to gain insights to courses that will shape your professional journey. Don't miss the chance to make informed choices and embark on a path that aligns with your aspirations. Reach out to our Career Experts who will help you navigate the exciting possibilities that lie ahead in your academic and professional journey.



JIS UNIVERSITY STUDENT BANDS PERFORM AT Kolkata International Book Fair 2024

In a dazzling display of talent, the musical band consisting of the students of JIS University delivered electrifying performances on 23rd January, 2024 at the 47th Kolkata International Book Fair 2024.

The JIS Group Pavilion pulsated with vibrant beats and captivating melodies, immersing all attendees in an atmosphere of pure energy and entertainment. The performances gave the visitors an experience of the fusion of literature and dynamic musical prowess that made it truly an exceptional evening.



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Workshop on "Problem Formulation & Research Proposal Writing Workshop"

On 24th to 25th January, 2024 the Research Cell of JIS University organised an workshop on "Problem Formulation & Research Proposal Writing Workshop" at the Auditorium of JIS University campus. The workshop commenced with an inaugural address by Pro-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of JIS University highlighting the significance of the workshop's theme and its relevance in the current academic and professional landscape. Following the introduction, Dr. S. Shankar delivered a comprehensive keynote address, setting the tone for the rest of the workshop. The sessions included engaging presentations and discussions on 'Basics about Research, Literature Survey Compilation' and 'Problem Formulation Techniques for Research & Paper', led by expert speakers from academia and industry. Participants actively participated in Q &A

sessions, enriching the learning experience. This session also was on 'How to write a Proposal (Discussion session with Sanctioned Proposals) and that was a Brainstorming Session to Write Proposals. This session ended with 'Proposal Correction & Fine-tuning session'. The Valedictory session was about the writing of original articles/ review articles. This session was keyed by Dr. S. Shankar and Dr. H. B. Singh respectively. As per this session, Scholarly writing is not merely an academic exercise, it is the lifeblood of intellectual discourse.



Research Cell, JIS University is organizing a two-day "Problem Formulation & Research Proposal Writing Workshop"

Research Cell, JIS University is organized a two-day "Problem Formulation & Research Proposal Writing Workshop" on 24th & 25th January, 2024. The workshop is specifically designed for faculty members who are keenly interested in research and development. The primary objective of the workshop is to equip the participants with valuable insights, strategies, and practical tips essential for

formulating effective research proposals. The workshop was structured to be highly interactive, providing hands-on practice to ensure that participants can immediately apply the knowledge gained to their ongoing or future research projects.



Celebration of Republic day

The 75th Republic Day was celebrated with pride and reverence at JIS University, Kolkata on January 26th, 2024. The ceremony began with the hoisting of the tricolor flag by Honorable Director of JIS

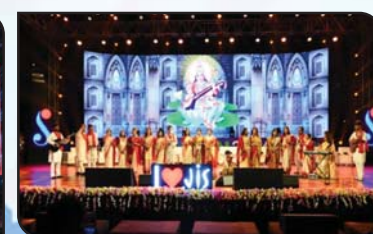
Group, Sardar Simarpreet Singh, Honorable Pro Chancellor, JIS University Prof. (Dr.) Neeraj Saxena and Honorable Vice Chancellor, JIS University Prof. Bhabes Bhattacharya. Flag hoisting was followed by the National Anthem to pay tribute to the motherland. The whole campus was alive with the spirit of patriotism.



The gala event of JIS Samman 2024

On Thursday 1st of February 2024, on the auspicious occasion of the 104th birth anniversary of our beloved Founder Late Sardar Jodh Singh, the JIS Samman 2024, took place at the Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, Kolkata. The initiative honours and celebrates individuals who have made significant contributions in their respective

fields. The event was graced by celebrities, scholars, prominent figures from the cultural and sports arenas and members of the JIS GROUP. The event commenced with the award presentation, followed by a performance by renowned Bengali Rock band, Fossils. This year, the JIS Maha Samman was conferred to Dr. Suman Chakraborty, Professor and Dean at IIT Kharagpur, and Dr. Partha Sarathi Bhattacharya, an eminent pulmonologist.



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JIS University students participated in the Meghnad Saha Smarak Vigyan Mela 2024

On 2nd February, 2024 students from the Department of Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) participated in the Meghnad Saha Smarak Vigyan Mela 2024 at Triangular Park, Kolkata to display best Science model at JIS GROUP Stall. Students from both B.Tech and BCA courses from the 2nd year participated in the fair. Ganapati Sharma, Tushar Kumar Pradhan, Avijit Bose and Aditya Gowala attended the event on behalf of CSE department along with the Coordinator / Mentor - Debmitra Ghosh.



Department of Biosciences, JIS University proudly announced that they are going to organize a National Seminar

Department of Biosciences, JIS University organized a National Seminar on 6th February, 2024. Eminent speakers like Dr. Punarbasu Chaudhuri, Associate Prof, Dept. of Environmental Sciences, C. U., Dr. Malay Das, Assistant Prof. Dept. of Life Sciences, Presidency University and Dr. Goutam Mukherjee, Innovation fellow, BIRAC, Adamas University will be delivering talks on current issues of Biological Sciences. Most importantly, we have arranged a poster competition where research scholars, M.Sc and B.Sc students can participate.



JIS University received 1st prize in the Poster presentation at the 'Scientific Symposium 23'

Our student Payel Guha, B.Pharm (3rd yr) from the Department of Pharmaceutical Technology, JIS University received 1st prize in the Poster presentation at the Scientific Symposium 23' held at the Institute of Pharmacy, Jalpaiguri. Mentor: Mr. Sounak Sarkhel and Team members of JIS University: Payel Guha, Supratim Paul and Mriganka Mandal.



NARULA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

JIS Spirit 2024

The grand inaugural session of JIS Spirit 2024, held at the NIT College Ground on January 15, 2024, marked the commencement of a vibrant and diverse extravaganza. With a theme centered on "Unity in Diversity," the event promised to project the essence of cultural inclusivity within and beyond the JIS Group. The event was graced by Tanushree Sankar.



TiE Kolkata-JIS Group Pitch competition, powered by Idea-o-meter

The TiE Kolkata-JIS Group Pitch competition, powered by Idea-o-meter, unfolded at Narula Institute of Technology on January 20th, 2024. The students from different institutes showcased their dynamic entrepreneurial prowess. Team Calorie Guard from CSBS Department won the competition and Team INDMEDICO from ECE Department became 1st Runner-up.

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Winter Camp by NCC Unit

The NCC Unit of Narula Institute of Technology organised A Winter Camp for Rock Climbing and Nature Study Course in collaboration with Kanchrapara Quest Adventures, a mountaineering club registered by West Bengal Youth Service Department (WBYSO) and approved by Indian Mountaineering Foundation (IMF) at Susunia Hills, Bankura from 20th to 23rd January 2024. Eighteen Students from different Departments participated along with their mentor Flying Officer Sabir Ali, ANO, NCC unit, NiT.



NiT students bagged the First Prize at the District Level Science Fair

A team from the ECE Department of Narula Institute of Technology clinched the First Prize for their outstanding Hardware Model Presentation titled "IOT BASED SMART CONTAINER" at the District Level Science Fair 2023-24 held on January 24, 2024, at Barasat Govt. High School. The winners are Md Mirja Galib and Soumyadip Pyne, 3rd year-ECE along with their Mentor Prof. Abhijit Ghosh, Assistant Professor, ECE Department.



Technical Project Exhibition "Design Fusion '2024"

The Department of Electronics & Computer Science, Narula Institute of Technology organised a National Level Technical Project Exhibition-Design Fusion' 2024 on 30th January, 2024 from 10:30 am onwards. A total of 40 groups consisting of 200 students from various technical institutions registered in this event.



Grand opening of the Blue Star "Centre of Excellence"- Industry Sponsored Lab

The grand opening of the Blue Star "Centre of Excellence"- Industry Sponsored Lab was inaugurated at Narula Institute of Technology on 9th February, 2024. This event highlighted a joint effort between academia and industry to enhance practical learning experiences in HVAC systems.

Seminar on "Data Science and Machine Learning for Smart Cities and Smart Healthcare."

On 13th February, 2024, Narula Institute of Technology hosted a technical seminar titled "Data Science and Machine Learning for Smart Cities and Smart Healthcare." Dr. Nitin Kumar Tripathi, Chairman-Academic Senate and Director-Special Degree Programs at the School of Engineering and Technology, Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok led the seminar.

