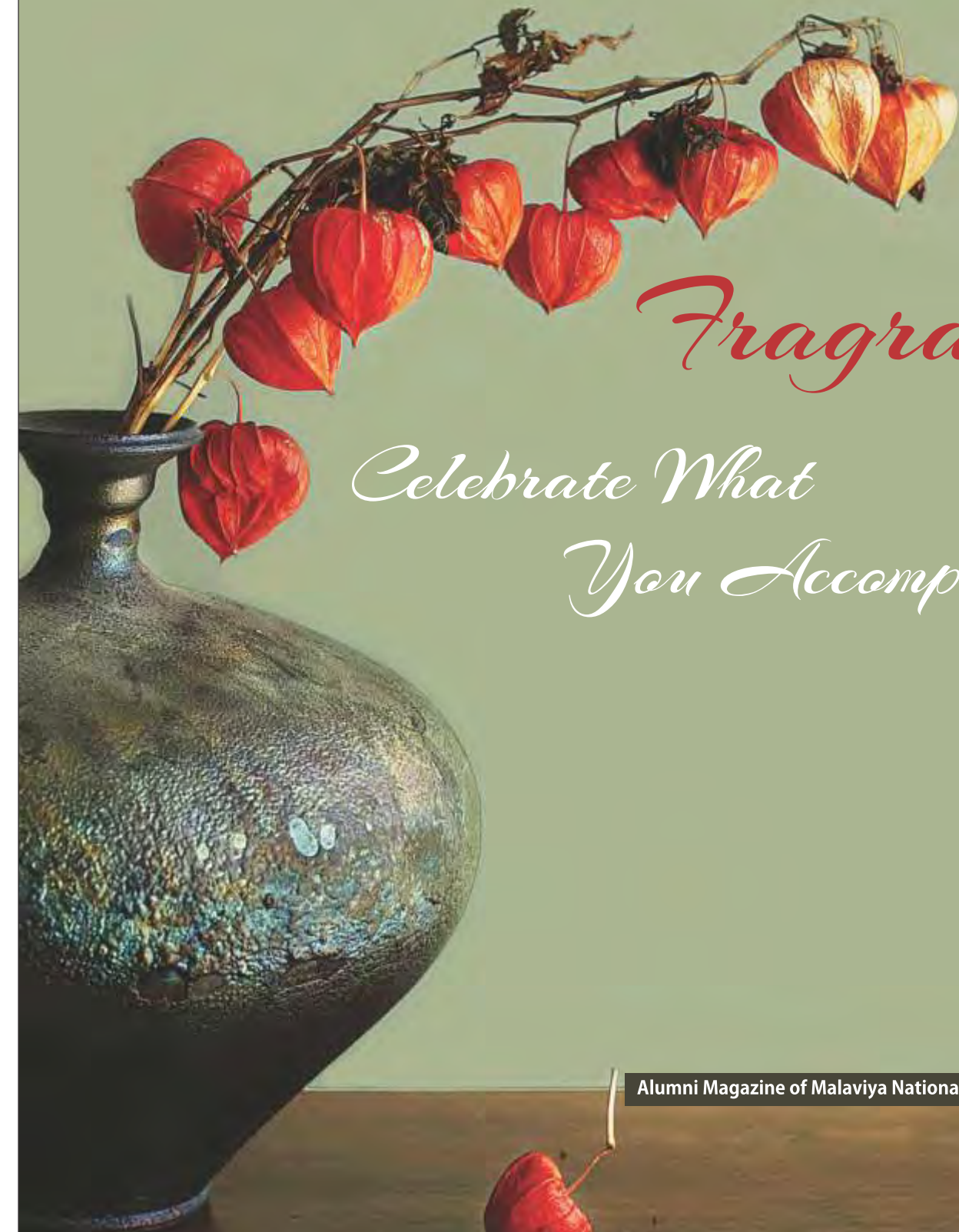




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*Fragrance*

*Celebrate What  
You Accomplish*

Alumni Magazine of Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur



# Fragrance

CELEBRATE WHAT YOU ACCOMPLISH

I am growing everyday  
I am raising everyday  
To a place unknown,  
I am heading every day.

Every end has a new beginning. Wait, take a pause and look back to see how far you have come, what you have achieved and what more you can accomplish.

"FRAGRANCE" is a humble endeavour which provides a window through which we can peep into the journey of excellence to bring forth our emotions and thoughts in the word form.

"Open the book; all pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. This book is called opportunity and its first chapter is 'every new day'." This edition of AluMNITimes speaks of a time to live, a time for having fun and henceforth, the serenity and amusement in the life of an MNIT'ian.

Education is a gateway to future and the future belongs to those who prepare for it today. Our

institution is set on its path of providing quality and value to the students of which our Alumni are the brand ambassadors. Having breathed the same air and faced the similar challenges then, our alumni have all through believed in themselves to conquer and spread their fragrance all over the world. They have always proved to be emblematical. Enlightenment and edification provided by them enhances the young minds. Their ability to focus and accomplish what they are today fills the students with enthusiasm and inspires them to inculcate valuable culture in the line the institution wants to convey.

Greater the obstacle, more is the glory in overcoming it. The purpose of life is to live, to taste, to experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear, hence "LET EVERYTHING HAPPEN". This marks the success of a budding aspirant and hence, with this statement in our mind we, the students of MNIT, assure to spread our fragrance of glory throughout.

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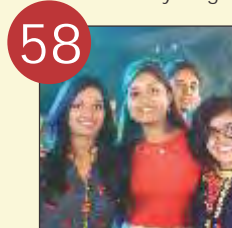
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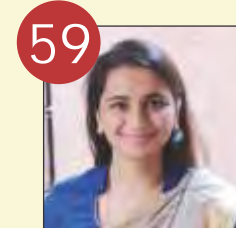
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Ms. Chitra Ramkrishna  
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## FROM THE **CHAIRPERSON**

It gives me immense pleasure as part of the MNIT family to welcome the batches of 1963 Entrance, 1968 Entrance and 1993 Pass-Out as the Golden and Silver Jubilee batches for the year 2018. The Alumni net is a web of friends and family, all coming together to reconnect and celebrate their years of youth on the Alumni Day, making it nothing less than a grand festival.

Renowned as one of the greenest campuses in a desert strength like Rajasthan, MNIT Jaipur is an example of endurance and quality. Over the years, it has not only grown Alumni have reached milestones all across the globe, making MNIT's indelible presence on every soil.

The Alumni are vital to an educational institute-giving opportunities to the students and helping them pave their way to success. MNIT is grateful for the support from its Alumni and may their support increase manifold in the years to come. Their continued involvement and participation will make MNIT a globally renowned institute.

I congratulate the Editorial Team in successfully putting together another year's issue of the AluMNITimes and making the Alumni network proud.



Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti  
Director  
MNIT Jaipur

## FROM THE **DIRECTOR'S DESK**

Greetings and warm wishes from MNIT(My NIT) family to all our alumni, readers and well-wishers. I know that you all are eagerly waiting for the latest edition of AluMNITimes. It is indeed a great joy for me to pen down a few lines from the director's desk.

MNIT welcomes its 1963 and 1989 entrance batches to celebrate the Golden and Silver Jubilee, respectively. I feel deeply honoured as well as nostalgic at getting the privilege of welcoming the alumni all the way from across the world. I would like to praise the multiple roles played by our alumni in the society. Many hold key positions of major influence in the society. I would like to appreciate their efforts done for the development of our society, justifying the years spent by them at this esteemed institution.

Our institution is nurturing young minds for past so many years with the belief that "The heart of education is the education of the heart". Another cherished year has passed and as we go down the memory lane, we realise that we have discovered much of ourselves than we had ever known. As we keep progressing and have a flair for whatever we do, our genuine creativity satisfies the demanding challenges in the modern world.

I congratulate the Alumni Association for their repetitive progress and success in organizing the reunion of the former batches, which provides the alumni with an opportunity to relive their glory days.

Quoting "Together we grow, together we flourish", I would like to commend the work of the editorial team for putting up their combined efforts as unity dignifies strength. I believe, when there is teamwork and cooperation, wonderful things are achieved.

Wish you a wonderful and memorable time ahead.



Rakesh Verma, IAS  
President, MNITJ  
Alumni Association

## A WORD FROM PRESIDENT, MNITJAA

It is my pleasure to communicate with you at this juncture when our great family constituting of Institute, faculty, students and the alumni is moving ahead as a solid body to take care of and support each other. The gaps are diminishing, communication amongst each other building up with smooth consistency.

The Alumni everywhere are creating records of sorts by proving their excellence both in entrepreneurship and the technical achievements. It gives all of us a feeling of deep pride when names of our alumni brothers and sisters are referred in great esteem in every corner of the world. The administrative services that used to be a smaller domain for us, are now increasing day by day and providing motivations to the younger colleagues who are entering into the world that is full of fierce competition.

The Alumni Association is working for providing a widespread platform for the great MNIT family and is creating a changing spectrum for everyone to feel pleasure in being with each other under all circumstances. The present executive body is thankful to everyone and expresses its gratitude for the overwhelming support. The present Director, Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti, who is the Chairman of the Association is an extraordinary human being and is always with us as the guiding and supporting force on the shining path of progress and congeniality.

The Alumni Association welcomes the Golden and Silver Jubilee batches with open hands and warm hearts. All of us wish them a very happy and healthy future.



Prof. Tarush Chandra  
Dean  
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## A NOTE FROM DEAN (SW & AA)

I am pleased to place on record the publication of the sixth edition of Alumni Times entitled "FRAGRANCE" to establish and celebrate the glory of our very own institute. The magazine showcases the various cultural, technical, sports and entrepreneurship activities as a collage of achievements of young MNITians.

This institute has done a commendable job in the past and has built a brand name for itself. We need to remember that hard work alone does not guarantee success; but without it, we do not have a chance at all. It is all of us to work in direction with passion and make it a better-known institution globally. The journey of academic, technical and social excellence of MNIT is a continuous and combined effort of all the members of this esteemed institution, which I heartily appreciate and encourage. All opportunities in the world are waiting to be grasped by people who are in love with what they are doing with a clear conscience. It is hard work which transforms desires into achievements.

I am happy to share that MNIT, Jaipur has been organizing a number of events for curricular and co-curricular development of young technocrats through expert lectures, workshops, community participation, activities etc. Further more out reach for the benefit of the youth living in the villages adopted by MNIT, Jaipur under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) are also conducted all round the year. We are doing our best with the help of students and alumni in taking a foot ahead in order to contribute towards the budding prosperity of the villages officially adopted. We want this piece to be shared by one and all and hence, offer you to have a part in creating happiness on the faces of the needy. Your servings or offerings made to Alumnus Corpus Fund for Malaviya Akshay Nidhi (MAN) and to Unnat Bharat Scheme will be of great value in taking the mission ahead.

Concludingly, I would say that "Ability is what you are capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude decides how well you do it".





Prof. Lava Bhargava  
Associate Dean, Student's Welfare  
MNIT Jaipur

## A WORD FROM **ASSOCIATE DEAN CACs & AA (SW)**

**T**his year's annual homecoming for the MNIT alumni serves as a celebration of the times spent and the memories built on this campus. The alumni play a significant role in the functioning and success of an institution by supporting developmental activities and being role models for the promising students of the upcoming batches of the institute. The MNIT family encourages them to generously share their resources and talents as well as actively participate in programmes and projects aimed at strengthening the institute.

The last year witnessed the launching of various programmes and conducting of several activities like Blitzschlag, Sphinx, Alumni Day, MSF, Orientation program of Freshers, UBA, Dandiya Night, Ring Ceremony etc.

These accomplishments are exemplary of not only the development of the institute facilities, but also of students, faculty and the alumni themselves. This is a grand opportunity for the alumni to reconnect, share resources and opportunities and deepen the unity and fellowship they share.



Dr. Namita Mittal  
Editor-in-Chief  
Alumni Magazine

## A MESSAGE FROM **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

**G**reetings to all the members of the MNIT family!! It gives us immense joy and satisfaction to finally re-introduce our very own college magazine "The AluMNITimes-Alumni Magazine". A weak link is better than a strong memory. Nothing exemplifies it better than the nostalgic feeling one gets when going through the dusty old pages of the college magazine. It can make a reader travel down the lanes of memory, giving rise to a surge of emotions of many hues and colours. This publication reflects and encompasses the diversity inherent to the academic and extra-curricular spaces in the Academy.

Our primary focus has been geared at covering events and notable issues as well as writing articles and conducting interviews aimed at navigating current events, popular culture, academics, and so on.

The Edition encompasses the journey of two batches – the 'Golden Jubilee Batch' (1963-1968) and the 'Silver Jubilee Batch' (1989-1993). We have dedicated our sincere efforts to embrace the hearts of our Alumni with a sense of reminiscence by providing them a chance to cherish the memories of their college life. The Alumni have always enlightened the path with a candle for their Alma mater - MNIT and taught them how to make the fire.

The Editorial committee wishes to express sincere gratitude to Professor Udaykumar R Yaragatti, Director, MNIT for his constant encouragement and incredible inputs. I am happy to see the amount of enthusiasm of eminent Alumni of the college to contribute to the magazine. Thanks to the faculty for putting in their efforts in successful completion of the sixth edition of "The AluMNITimes". Not to be outdone, our students have devoted time and plunged into creating powerful stories and informative articles.

I invite you to read and immerse yourself in the unfolding art and be exulted. Wishing you all a very happy & Prosperous 2019.

Happy Leafing !!

"The roots of education  
are like seeds of flowers  
which always bloom  
and spread its  
FRAGRANCE"



**Dr. Pawan Kalla**  
Coordinator  
ALCOM

## A WORD FROM THE COORDINATOR (Alumni Committee)

साथियों सादर वंदे !

आप सभी का हार्दिक स्वागत। समय अपना चक्र पूरा करने की दौड़ में अनवरत संलग्न है। इस वर्तुल के आरंभ और अंत के बीच अनेकों लोग मिलते हैं और विदा हो जाते हैं परंतु विद्यालय और महाविद्यालयों में मिले मित्र जीवने में सदा के लिए विशिष्ट रूप से अंकित हो जाते हैं। इस दौर के मित्रों के बीच व्यक्ति सदा सहज रहता है और सर्वाधिक सुकून का अनुभव करता है। मुझे विश्वास है कि आप भी इस समय में अपने सभी मित्रों से मिलकर पुनः नई ऊर्जा से भर जायेंगे।

AlumniTime के माध्यम से संस्थान का यह प्रयास रहा है कि पिछले एक साल की Alumni से संबंधित सभी गतिविधियों, आलेख, साक्षात्कार की जानकारी आप सभी को उपलब्ध करवाई जा सकें।

साथियों आपके संस्थान की अब एक विशिष्ट पहचान है। उत्तरोत्तर प्रगति की राह पर है। मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है कि संस्थान के प्रत्येक छात्र की यह आकांक्षा नैसर्गिक होगी कि उनका संस्थान विश्व को अग्रणी संस्थान रहे। हम सभी मिलकर इसे संभव बना सकते हैं। यह हमारी नैतिक जिम्मेदारी भी है कि हमें जीवन में उन सबका पोषण एवं संरक्षण करना है जो भावी मानवीय जीवन के लिए आवश्यक है। एक छोटी सी कहानी मैं आपके साथ बांटना चाहता हूँ। एक धनी व्यक्ति के घर में एक बार आग लग गई। वह धनी व्यक्ति घबरा गया। उसके सारे नौकर एवं परिवार के लोग सभी कीमती सामानों को बाहर निकालने लगे। लगभग सारा कीमती सामान बाहर निकल आया। धनी व्यक्ति के चेहरे पर संतोष था तभी एक व्यक्ति ने पूछा आपका पुत्र कहां है? तब वह व्यक्ति बहुत रोया क्योंकि उस पर किसी का ध्यान ही नहीं रहा और वह पालने में सोया हुआ आग में जल चुका था। जीवन की आपाधापी, भागदौड़ और संघर्ष में अक्सर हम उन चीजों को खो देते हैं जिन पर हमारी आने वाली पीढ़ियों का भविष्य टिका होता है। यह संस्थान हमारी आने वाली पीढ़ियों के लिए अत्यधिक महत्वपूर्ण है। यह जितना समृद्ध होगा उतनी ही समृद्ध पीढ़ी हम तैयार कर पायेंगे।

संस्थान को उन्नत, और आत्मनिर्भर बनाने के लिए Alumni के सुझाव पर वर्ष 2015 में संस्थान के PAN Number पर SBI बैंक में “MNIT Alumni Corpus Fund” नाम से एक खाता खोला गया। Alumni के सुझावों के अनुसरण में संस्थान के Infrastructure Development के साथ-साथ निर्धन योग्य छात्रों को छात्रवृत्ति एवं स्वास्थ्य सेवाएं प्रदान करने के लिए भी उक्त खाता की राशि का उपयोग किया जाता है। उक्त खाते की Audit CAG द्वारा की जाती है। उक्त खातों का नंबर 37488665138 IFSC Code SBIN0015921 है। हम सभी का समग्र प्रयास, सुझाव और सहयोग निश्चित रूप से हमारे संस्थान को विश्व के अग्रणी संस्थानों की श्रेणी में खड़ा कर सकता है। आओ हम सब संस्थान के साथ यथासंभव बांट ले।

आपके बारंबार आगमन का यह सिलसिला चलता रहें, साथियों के पुनर्मिलन का यह उत्सव होता रहे। आप सभी सपरिवार स्वस्थ एवं सुखी रहें। इस सफल आयोजन के लिए एवं मुझे अपने विचार सांझा करने का अवसर प्रदान करने के लिए आदरणीय निदेशक महोदय प्रो. उदय कुमार जी, डीन साहब प्रो. तरुण चन्द्रा जी, Alumni, Alcom (Student Team) और Team MNIT का हृदय से आभार। आप सभी को किसमिस एवं नववर्ष 2019 की हार्दिक शुभकामनाएं।



**Er. Shreekant Gupta**  
General Secretary  
MNIT-JAA

## A WORD FROM GENERAL SECRETARY MNIT-JAA

It's my pleasure to say my words about MNIT Alumni Association and its activities through AlumniTimes. I congratulate and thank you to the editorial team.

MNITJAA organized following programs for Alumni, faculty and students.

Engineers day Celebration on 15 Oct. 2017

Felicitation of Directors of NIT Uttarakhand and Sikkim

1995 Batch Reunion

Felicitation of Silver and Golden Jubilee

Cancer Awareness camp (First & Second)

MNIT Run for Clean India and Green India.

Fire Safety Workshop

Blood Donation Camps

Delhi (NC R) Alumni Meet

Sikkim Alumni Chapter Meet

Felicitation of Alumni and faculty, Kids for highest Ranks in IAS Exams

Felicitation of Alumni highest Ranks in IAS Exams

Annual picnic and Annual General Meeting

Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony of MNIT Alumni house.

In the journey of last one year of MNITJAA, the great leadership of our president Er. Rakesh Verma bestowed us the energy to work. Chairman of MNITJAA and director of MNIT Prof. Uday Kumar supports at every step and makes a strong bond between MNITJAA and Institution.

I am thankful to Director sir for allowing us to construct the Alumni house in the Institution campus which is the dream of Alumni.



# Events organised by MNIT JAA



Cancer Camp



Cancer Awareness Camp



Oath Taking Ceremony of New Executive Committee



Picnic



Picnic



Election of New Executive Committee



Orientation Program of New Batch



MNIT Gurgaon Chapter



Felicitation of Esteem Alumni



Lecture Series



Students Felicitation



Youtube Channel



1995 Batch Felicitation in MNITJAA office



Blood Donation



Diwali Meet



Engineers Day



Felicitation 2017



Fire Safety Workshop



IAS Exams Top Rankers



MNIT Run for Green and Clean India



NCR Chapter Meet



Sikkim Chapter Inauguration



## Prof. D. Boolchandani (1984-1988 Batch)

Head

Department Electronics and Communication Engg., MNIT JAIPUR



“I always feel proud to be an alumnus of MNITJaipur”

**Q1:-When did you join MREC/MNIT as a student and How has your journey been after graduating? Also share your experiences during graduation and after that...if you have gone for further education?**

I joined MREC in 1984 and graduated in 1988. At that time it was a regional college but today it is an institute of national importance and is known as MNIT. It has been a great journey for me so far filled with lots of experiences and learning as well. I joined MNIT as a faculty in department of ECE in the year 1990. After joining, I did my M.Tech. from IISc, Bangalore and then Ph.D. from MNIT itself. It's been a beautiful journey for me in MNIT. Where I stand today, is because of MNIT. I had never thought of joining the same institute as a faculty member where I once was a student.

**Q2.-How crucial was MREC for you in terms of who you are today? What role has the college played?**

College played a very important role in my life. I secured my first professional degree from MNIT. Graduating from a prominent Institute

added to my confidence. I always feel proud to be an alumnus of MNITJaipur. MNIT has not only supported me professionally but it has also provided me with some lifetime friends. I have enjoyed each and every moment in MNIT as a student as well as a teacher.

**Q3. Name a few teachers who shaped you academically and personally. Any particulars you can remember?**

There were some excellent and motivating teachers at my time. I can recall their names, Prof. B. Ravindranath, Prof. S. C. Agrawal, Prof. C.L.Arora, Prof. Y.N. Gaur, Prof. M. Raisighani and Prof V. Srinivasan, who was the then Principal of the college and a strict disciplinarian. I distinctly remember that Prof V. Srinivasan was still holding the same position, when I got selected as a faculty member. I am privileged and grateful to have such wonderful teachers who shaped me the way I am.

**Q4. Please throw some light on your journey as a teacher in MNIT.**

I joined as a faculty of the MNIT in the year 1990, just 2 years after passing out of

college. I still remember that I used to take a class where the age difference between me and the students was not much. We enjoyed a senior junior relationship rather than a teacher student and had developed a bond of friendship. As the years passed away, my seniority as a teacher increased and presently I am heading the same Department where once I was a student. I go by the phrase once a teacher always a student. I still learn a lot of things from my students. One should always keep learning and keep himself updated with the latest developments in technology.

**Q5. How was your experience as EDITOR-IN-CHIEF of AluMNITimes magazines from last 5 years?**

My experience as an Editor in Chief for the Alumni Magazine was great. I owe my thanks to Prof. I.K. Bhat, former Director, MNIT, who conceived the idea of an Alumni magazine and initiated it. There were five magazines published under my supervision and they were so beautifully done that I feel proud to hold them in my hand. I would cherish them always and would love to put them on my desk. These magazines involved the hard work and thoughtfulness of the team. I would like to congratulate the entire team

for their great and untiring effort. I thank all the alumni and faculty members who have extended their support in making the magazines successful. Due to this, I was able to build the alumni network tremendously and connect them again to the Institute.

**Q6.Can you call some fond memories of MREC?**

Though there were many fond memories but one which I can remember vividly is that we went for an educational tour to Bangalore, Mysore and Ooty. The day we reached Ooty an unfortunate event took place. The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had passed

away. Following this event every restaurant in Ooty was closed and we could not find even one outlet where we could eat. Somehow after a long search, we managed to find a hotel there. What is important is that we could overcome this temporary hardship because all friends were together and this was our strength.

**Q7. Any suggestion for students on placement sector?**

The field has been more demanding than ever. Students must focus on learning subjects in trend apart from their core subjects. They should focus on their soft skills and communication, it actually is one of the most important things apart from technical knowledge which a company looks for in a student.

**Q8. Any messages for your juniors and students?**

You are admitted to one of the best NITs. So take the opportunity and enhance your knowledge and keep on learning each day. Being sincere and motivated can help you achieve your goals. When you will pass out from this college you will have some very fond memories of the institute. Wherever and whatever you do, I know you will make the college proud.

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and Confidence. Good, better, Best....."



# Golden Times

## Gopal Lal Somani (1963-1968 Batch)

Batch Co-ordinator (Golden Jubilee)



gained experience in all fields but switched over to “Kota Thermal Power Station” in 1978 where I attained the status of Chief Engineer.

After serving there for 20 years, I preferred to enter in the area of Renewable Energy Development as the Director in Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corporation where I served till my supervision in 2005.

Following that, I switched over to the corporate world and extended my services in renewable energy development including Global Corporates of Japan.

Because of my experience in the sector of solar energy and bringing the “Mathaniya Project” to the level of financial closure, I was awarded with “Solar Champion” by international agencies in California.

Presently, I am working in Jaipur with Maheswari Mining & Energy Pvt. Ltd. which is based in Hyderabad.

### On his life challenges

The first challenge in life was to establish generation of power to such a level so as to extend the electrification in

rural areas and remote areas and allow the rural people to access the electricity services by implementing the policies of State and Central governments.

Second challenge was to bring investment in Rajasthan having enormous potential of biomass, wind, solar energies including lignite coal.

I supported the organisation and authorities involved in drafting the policies. Plans and project reports were finalized with a result that Rajasthan is one of the best states in India, having maximum wind and solar energy for electrification.

### On message for students

At present scenario, products from market are not directly employable to industry, so an

industrial environment should be created in engineering colleges to make the students familiar with the things they are intending to do in their professional life, which will subsequently facilitate industries.

Secondly, as it is the developing stage of our country, lots of opportunities are there in entrepreneurship, research and development. Explore the possibilities of making the society aware of innovation and technology. So, instead of only looking for the jobs, students can apply their skills in other fields as well.

### On his college memories

We used to have a lot of fun in our student life, classes, workshops and hostels. From bunking the classes to giving

nicknames to students, there are quite a lot unforgettable parts of my college life.

Along with this, our entry and exit timings were strictly regulated. This discipline had an influence on our professional life.

### On his social life

As I appeared for state services after graduation, my father told me, “Now you are public servant, not a commercial entity. So, your prime goal is to serve the deprived and not to make money”. I have always worked upon this principle. Presently, I have adopted 3 schools where children from poor backgrounds are taught. Spending time with them gives me inner peace and deep satisfaction.

“College life inspired me to think differently. It's like no other time in your life.”

### On his career journey after Graduation

After graduation, I was directly selected in Rajasthan State Electricity Board and assigned the job of design and engineering for the transmission lines and substations.

Serving entire life to the Rajasthan Electricity Board, I





# Golden Times

## Dr. Surinder Paul (1963-1968 Batch)



### How was your experience at MREC like?

Life at MREC was wonderful. Perhaps, best part of my life. I participated in various activities. I was the captain of Cricket-11 in the year 1965-1966 and the President of The Engineering Student Association. Every year, we used to have drama competition.

I actively participated in it for three years and was awarded with the 'Best Actor' award of that time. Some of the plays were "Bujhe Sholay", "Baharka Aadmi" and were performed at Ravindra Manch.

In the year 1967-1968, I was selected for the Indian Air Force as a Pilot officer under the University Entry Scheme. I was offered a place for training at the Air Force College. Simultaneously, I was also offered one scholarship to go abroad to pursue my further studies in Electrical Engineering.

After graduating from MREC, how would you like to describe your journey?

“My message for juniors is- Work hard and enjoy as well.”

Dr. Surinder Paul completed his pre-university from Maharaja College, Jaipur and graduated as an electrical engineer in the first batch of MREC in 1968. He is an enthusiastic entrepreneur and his success in the same is noteworthy. Here is an excerpt from his interview:

As I was offered scholarship for higher studies in abroad, I went to UK. I did my masters first, then PhD in rotating electrical machines. The subject of my PhD was axial magnetic forces.

After PhD, I was offered a job in the industry. I worked for major companies like Tuscan Engineering Company, GEC Machines Limited, Locus Electrical Limited and as a scientific advisor to Wilkinson swords in the electrical section. Following that, I set up my own business "Swift Pack Automation" as I had a hidden ambition to start my own business. In this, we used to manufacture 'tablet counting machines' and I started another business for baby wear. Then I moved into IT sector and continue to work here till date.

### How has MREC been crucial in your journey?

MREC helped me in developing my personality, character and ambitions to achieve something bigger and go for higher studies. It offered me a platform to do

extracurricular activities like cricket and drama.

### Name a few teachers who shaped you academically and personally, any particulars you can remember?

Most impressive personality was our Principal V. G. Garde. Professors R.M. Advani and Mr. Charan Singh also inspired me. Mr. R.S Verma guided me for extracurricular activities including drama and speech.

### Can you recall some fond memories of MREC?

Every day was a memory. I still enjoy every minute of my life spent in MREC. I wish I could come back and spend another five years in the same campus and same hostel. When we were in 4th and 5th year, we were allotted hostel-1's last wing and our wing was called LORDS. We used to go to Ganga Talkies, Ram Prakash Hall and Prem Prakash Talkies for movies.

Sometimes, students encounter challenges and struggles. As a result, they start feeling low. Any specific message which you would

### like to mention to cope up with such situations?

Every day cannot be a successful day. Sometimes you have to face failure too. But one has to ignore those failures and look forward towards the next challenge and work hard. For me, getting into a university abroad and doing PhD wasn't easy. In industries, I had competition at every step. For local inhabitants, it becomes difficult to accept somebody from abroad. But I kept on working and focused only on my goals.

Sometimes, students are puzzled between getting an industrial job and going for higher studies. What will you recommend to students?

You should care about your interests and ambitions. If you do not like academics, higher studies could be boring. Industries also have their own challenges to join and lead people. Ultimate aim of life is happiness. In whatever field you find yourself happy, go for it. My message for juniors is- Work hard and enjoy as well.



# Golden Times

## Naval Chaudhary (1963-1968 Batch)



**What were the challenges of a newly established college?**

College began working temporarily in Rajendra Nagar. There were around 15 rooms, PT Ground, Principal's office and our hostels. However, lab facilities were not so good. There was a batch of 60 students in total with 30 from electrical and 30 from mechanical. Then, after 3 years we shifted to the current Malviya Nagar campus. But there was a homely vibe even in Rajendra Nagar. We still remember those good days.

**You were the Gold medalist of the first pass out batch. What do you have to say about that?**

Too much hard work is not

important but you have to remain consistent. Complete your homework daily, be in touch with professors and discuss your doubts with them. Through this, you will definitely do your best. I was the gold medalist in high school and pre-university too.

**Please share some of your memories of MREC including ragging and bunks.**

Yes, we used to bunk classes, but not too much. During the rainy days, we used to bunk classes and the whole batch went for picnic. In those days, there was a lot of ragging going on in the campus. I was also active in these activities. Ragging was a fun activity for us. The good thing was that there was no senior batch to us. Now it is all banned.

We had a good library where we often used to go and sit. Our stay in MREC was the most wonderful time of our lives. We had supportive Principals like V.G. Garde, R.M Advani and professors like Prof. Ravindranath, Prof. Hardas and Prof. Mathur etc. They were very friendly with us and were like our family. Also, we occasionally used to

go to our professor's house to have lunch.

**Point out the role played by MREC in your life.**

I think MREC really played a big role in my life. From here only, I filled up a form for IIM Ahmedabad, appeared for the competitive exams and got into it immediately after 1968. In 1970, I got an impressive job at Asian Paints. Following that, I have been CEO and MD of many MNCs in and outside India. Hence, my strong foundation of MREC has helped me a lot during the course of my life.

**What has your journey been like after graduating from MREC?**

Just after graduating from MREC, I did my MBA from IIM Ahmedabad in 1970 and worked with Asian Paints in Bombay for three years. Then I went to Sawai Madhopur for five and a half years and one year with Mangalam Cements in Kota. Later, I worked in Middle East with Kalptaru Group of Companies, followed by one year with Kalptaru Power in

Ahmedabad. After that, I worked with Caprihans India Ltd. as the Deputy CEO in Mumbai for 11 years. Then, for 11 years, I was the MD of a French company called Rhodia France. After retirement, I am the independent director of many companies

**According to you, what efforts are to be made in order to achieve success?**

You have to be concentrated and have a single minded focus on things. It is very difficult to set a single goal in life. So, goal post must keep on changing with time. You have to upgrade yourself with technologies. It's all I ever did. Hence, I became the Deputy CEO of a very large cement plant in Sawai Madhopur at a young age of 27.

**What was the turning point of your life?**

I was in Sawai Madhopur cement plant for 5 years and then, there was a new Mangalam Cement Plant coming up in Modak. I got an opportunity to work there. But I could not get well along with

MD of that plant. So, I left the job. Without a job in hand, I went to Middle East. That was the turning point of my life. I worked abroad in Yemen, UAE and Iraq for 9 years.

**Tell us about your failures in life.**

Fortunately I did not have any failure. I was very hardworking and lucky. So, I did not feel that I was going in a wrong direction.

**What about your personal life?**

I have been married for 43 years to Mrs. Madhu. I have three children, two daughter and one son. Both daughters are well settled in USA. One of them is a doctor and the other is an MBA. My son completed his studies from USA and is now helping me in business in Mumbai.

**At the age of 71, what is your routine like?**

Morning walk on the famous Juhu Beach for one hour. After that, I go to my office and work for 3 hours. Then, I go for lunch and come back to office

to work for 3-4 hours. Finally, I relax with my family, watch movies, go for outings, etc.

**Highlight your contribution to the society.**

In the company that I made here, we create and give jobs to people. We do the same in my home town Bhilwara as well. Basically, it is our contribution to the society to give jobs to the needy and skilled people.

**What is your advice to the present MNITians?**

My advice always will be to my fellow MNITians to acquire one more degree in life like Masters from USA or MBA, etc. Because two degrees are always better than one. It increases your knowledge. You will have wider field to choose a career from. You can also become an entrepreneur or you can start your own business. You shouldn't relax after doing engineering. It is the beginning of your education and not the end. So, go for one more degree, preferably M.S. in USA.



# Golden Times

**J. P. Sharma** (1963-1968 Batch)

Electrical Engineering



Year onward, we came to Jaipur. Our Vice Principal, Dr R. M. Advani was a world class teacher of Hydraulics and his daughter, Ms. Chandra Kochhar was the former MD and Chief Executive officer of ICICI Bank. Dr Bhargav, Dr Mathur and Dr S. C. Agarwal are some of our teachers. They were very sincere, dedicated and very thorough with their subject. When I was in my final year, INDIAN AIR FORCE had come for selection. Dr Surendra Paul and I got selected in the preliminary test and were qualified for SSB. But Surendra Paul went for M. tech, Ph.D. and migrated to UK and I could not join Air Force due to colour vision disqualification. But I was extremely enthusiastic about serving the country. Hence, I joined IMA through the same procedure in 1969 as defective colour vision was not a bar in Army.

We went for 1971 war in Samba sector. Lieutenant Arun Khetrapal MVC and Major Hoshiyar Singh (Paramveer Chakra) were in our sector. The famous battle of Basanta was fought in our sector. In that, we destroyed

42 tanks of Pakistan. It was a thrilling experience. On the night of 2nd Dec, we moved from our temporary location to our war location. On 3rd Dec, there was an air attack, and the war began. It was a tough time. We used our resources to blunt their offensive attacks. The situation came under control on 6th Dec. The political condition was good. Indira Gandhi was a strong, capable and intelligent leader. As America dispatched their seven fleet in Bay of Bengal to support Pakistan, so Russia also sent their fleet to counter that. The power was balanced and we continued our operation. We reached Dhaka and our air force bombarded them during their meeting. 90,000 Pakistani people surrendered. It was one of the biggest surrender in history. But due to international pressure, we had to release them.

I have been posted to many places during the course of my service like Kolkata, Mizoram, Ahmedabad, Udampur, Srinagar, Ladakh, Kota and Jaipur. I have had to live in harsh environmental conditions. Due to high



altitudes, our sleep got disturbed which led to health issues. In 1971, 17 friends from my army batch died. But 1300 Chinese were killed by our team of 120 alone. Post this, I was posted as a Colonel in 1980.

I got married in June 1970, my son is a Merchant Navy Chief Engineer and daughter-in-law is a Bank Manager. My daughter is a housewife and son-in-law is a Civil Engineer. I have two grand children from my daughter.

I retired in 2004 and started a Reliance petrol pump for 4 years. After it closed down, I joined automobiles engineering. Heading the workshop for two years, I am now the director of Nissan. I have crossed 72 years of my life.

**Your message for the MNIT students.**

As I have been a part of the selection board many times, I have found that our MNIT students are excellent in technical and experimental knowledge, more than other engineering college students. But there is scope to improve the soft skills. You might be having the best of things in your mind but if you do not express it well, the other person will not understand.

Always try to learn new languages. In our good old times, a person having knowledge of languages was supposed to be a brilliant person like our famous Prime Minister Narasimha Rao ji who had the knowledge of 18 languages. He was a great scholar.

“PRACTICE MAKE  
A MAN PERFECT.  
What about WOMAN?  
THEY ARE BORN  
PERFECT.”

**Tell us about your journey so far.**

I was interested in both Engineering and Army. That is why, I have joined ACC (Auxiliary Cadet Core) in class 9th and 10th. In class 11th, NCC was compulsory due to the national war of 1962. Our 1st year of B. tech was conducted in BITS Pilani and from 2nd



# Golden Times

S. K. Kalra (1963-1968 Batch)



“Learning  
has no  
Limits”

Describe your experience of this college during these five years.

The infrastructure was not that developed at that time. There were only tin shade classes, two hostels, library and a Principal office. But the founder V. G. Garde was a highly respected and disciplined person. He was an

ideal citizen, a good administrator, very simple and graceful. Despite the lack of facilities and resources, our workshop assistant Sardar Saran Singh used to teach us carpentry, welding and machining. He was a very learned person. The discipline and confidence we got from this college helped us in our life and saved us from any problem. In our days, the mess food used to be very hygienic and tasty. There was no compromise in the quality of food. Apart from Principal and Vice Principal, there were about 21 faculty members including Electrical, Mechanical, Physics, Chemistry, Maths, English. I remember some of them are M.K Prem Ji, R.S. Verma Ji, G.S Pandit Ji and Registrar Mr B. L. Panghadhiya.

Tell us about your journey after MREC.

I joined PHED as an Assistant Engineer. I was the topper in RPSC in 1971. I retired as an Additional Chief Engineer. On 26th Jan 1983, I was awarded by the Governor of Rajasthan for my meritorious services. I was also a member of the committee which published

the manual of CPHO (Central Public Health Environment Engineering Organization) and Urban Water Supply Management. It is a prestigious book.

Tell us about the Alumni Association.

In 1999, I started the Alumni Association from my home with Vishwas Jain, R. K. Agrawal and Ashok Purohit. We had named this association as MEGA (MREC ENGINEERING GRADUATE ALUMNI). The first felicitation was done in 1999 with the felicitation of the 1968 and 1974 batches. In 2000, we shifted MEGA to the Birla Auditorium and continued the felicitation. We used to publish a regular magazine named MEGA. There used to be a weekly meeting in a restaurant. In the same period, we bought a property of alumni in Bapu Nagar of 1100 square feet. We got attached with the college in 2008 when Prof. Ashok Jain was the Director. The current director also supports this whole heartedly. This is the best alumni association of India. Hopefully, we are going to build an Alumni House.

Tell us about your personal life.

I have three children, two daughters and one son. They are successful in their lives and are independent.

What would you like to tell the current MNIT students?

My message to my juniors is to do hard work so that they can make our country feel proud. Learning has no limits. One should keep on learning. Whenever you face any

interview, face it with confidence. I would like to share my example: During my RPSC interview, the interviewer asked a question related to oil specification for engine depending on summer and winter condition. He wanted to confuse me. But I didn't change my answer. His colleague supported my answer. I was afraid. But the result was that I topped the exam.





# Golden Memories



Memory...is the diary  
that we all carry  
about with us.





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## Malaviya Sports Tournament

The History of MST (Malaviya Sports Tournament) dates back to the year 2007, when the event made a kick start with 300 Participants and 12 teams from well reputed and prestigious institutions of India like IITs, NITs, BITS Pilani and DCE. The tournament has bread a sports culture in the institute and the essence of fest lies in sharpening the sports talent and creating the sports culture in a technical institution. The Sports activity since then has gathered full support from faculty and administration. With a participation of over 900

students and more than 22 institute/ universities and colleges. The MST-18 is a dream of the team that wants it to make it true. It stands for one of the best sports tournament of Rajasthan hosted by MNIT Jaipur and its 12th edition was scheduled from 23rd – 25th February, 2018.

It was a three day sports extravaganza. Opening day consisted of Inauguration Ceremony. The Inauguration Ceremony was graced by the Chief Guest, Mr. Bardia who is an alumnus. Presiding Guest, Prof. Uday Kumar who is Our Honorable Director Sir who was thoroughly encouraging the whole event. The event concluded on the third day where all the dignitaries graced the prize distribution ceremony, including the invited guest of Honor Mr. Yogeshwar Dutt (Olympion). He is an Indian wrestler who played for India many times.



The following institutes participated in MST 2018:-1.NIT Delhi, 2. NIT Uttrakhand, 3. Government Engineering College Jhalawar (Rajasthan), 4. Government Engineering College Bikaner (Rajasthan), 5. Government CET Bikaner (Rajasthan), 6. MBM Engineering College Jodhpur (Rajasthan), 7 Government Women Engineering College Ajmer (Rajasthan), 8. PIET Panipat (Haryana), 9. GITS Udaipur (Rajasthan). 10. Bhagwant University Ajmer (Rajasthan), 11. MANAV Rachna International University Faridabad (HARYANA), 12. BKBIET Pilani (Rajasthan), 13. SPA Delhi, 14. BRCM Bahal Haryana, 15. Career Point Rajsamand (Rajasthan), 16 SPA Delhi, 17. Lachhoo Memorial College, Jodhpur, 18. JIET, Jodhpur, 19. IIT Kota, 20. J K Laxmipat Jaipur 21. SKIT Jaipur 22. MNIT Jaipur.





# Youth Fest

## Vyaktitva Srijan Society



The Vyaktitva Srijan Society organised a 3-day Youth Fest from 12 January to 14 January 2018 on account of the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. Many sports, cultural and literary events were organised in this 3-day event. The inauguration ceremony was held in the Mini Auditorium, Prabha Bhawan on 12 January.

The great point of attraction was the 'Kavyanjali' organised at the time of inauguration ceremony where the skilled poets named "Poonam

Verma", "Vineet Chauhan" and "Pawan Agri" showed their talent by presenting their thoughts in the form of poetries.

Many mind games were organised on the first day and great enthusiasm was shown by the participants.

Around 1100 students from different colleges and MNIT participated in all events during these 3 days and contributed to making this event a great success.



# Silver Times

## Mr. Rajeev Singhal (1989-1993 Batch)

Batch Co-ordinator (Silver Jubilee)



**Name a few teachers who shaped you academically and personally, any particulars you can remember?**

Ashok Agarwal sir used to teach us circuit analysis. He even took classes on holidays for 6 hours. He used to make a learning atmosphere in class that anyone can understand. I used to attend all of his classes.

**Who has inspired you the most?**

My elder brother is also an electrical engineer, so from him I got desire to pursue electrical engineering. Though at that time students use to prefer mechanical branch over electrical branch but as I wanted to do engineering from electrical branch so I took this branch.

**Can you recall some fond memories of MREC?**

I still remember an incident from my second year when we were taking ragging and a professor caught us and asked to present in proctor's office. Professor asked our name then we told him other students' name and ran away. When we were in first year seniors used to take our ragging and when we came in second year we used to take ragging of juniors. But we always kept one thing

in mind that whether junior is co-operating or not. If we felt that he is being suffered by ragging then we used to stop there. But at that time everyone used to enjoy ragging.

**What are your hobbies? What things you did in free time during graduation from MREC?**

My interest was in sports. Mainly I used to play cricket and badminton. I was elected as Class co-ordinator in first year. When we didn't have classes I used to come for playing badminton from home as I was day-scholar. We used to come college for gym also because there was no gym in Jaipur.

You should never feel low in your life. Sometimes it seems that we are unable to achieve which is good for us but you can achieve better than that. We don't like that because somewhere we make a perception that we should get the thing for what we are willing, because in such circumstances our vision becomes shorter. We have infinite options in life. Never be sad by thinking that we can't achieve this, work hard, you will definitely achieve it.

And follow your inner voice and interests.



# Silver Times

## Gaurav Mantri (1989-1993 Batch)



When did you join MREC as a student and how has been your journey throughout?

I joined in 1989 and graduated in 1993. We were supposed to graduate in 1992 but got delayed by 1 year due to some unavoidable reasons. It has been a wonderful journey. Our one year was lost but literally no regrets about that. Life in college is the most wonderful time we ever got.

Experiences during those wonderful years

We had a lot of good experiences but they are the ones which we cannot even share. I was an honour student till 3 year but in final year I did a lot of things out of the blue but they are things which we still remember. According to me the way one should look at

college life is exploring the world but on the expenses of your parents. Till 12 class all of us live at home amongst our family in a kind of protected custody. But as soon as you enrol in college you are kind of on your own. You are independent and have to bear all the out comings by yourself but still all of your necessities are fulfilled by your parents. You will make some really good friends and at the same time find out the faces of the people behind the mask. All I want to say is that you will learn a lot about people. It's a platform which provides you a great learning experience. Stuff which is taught in college is a foundation or you can say the building block to reach higher milestones but diverging from it I would say that such stuffs doesn't really help to gain practical knowledge to an aspirant so that he could work out on the field and interact with the real world. It's very different outside from what you have studied in the college.

How crucial is the role of studying in MREC on your life

College has played an important role in making me

what I am today. I wasn't an exceptional student but experiences which I got throughout have hardened me a little bit. It helped me become more practical. I would rather say that the things that were taught in college built my base but never helped me survive out there in the world but the experience is of life time. The practical side of things has kind of helped me a lot not even in those days but till date.

Any teachers or motivators that saved you academically

To be honest I never found any one in the college which I thought to be my father. There was no professor about whom I thought that I should never skip class of this man. Let me tell you something you all must know Ashok Agarwal sir. He is an exceptional and inspirational teacher. He took my computer science class during my final year. In the first class he told us two things that he never wears a watch and never ever takes the attendance. Being the same student as you all are I rarely went to his class because the priority of us students used to be the attendance. But this is something which I regret

today but what can I do young minds we were. Once professors told us that I don't want physical presence in class and mentally were not strong to stay uptight for the whole lecture so never did we go. Period! Actually when you are in college you are a lot brash. You are on your own and never really listen to anyone.

Any one person who inspired you a lot

There are a lot of people I admire in different ways. Some people with whom I am still in touch have helped me in becoming what I am today. There are a lot of mentors and I have learned so much from them and still learning. You know in bits and pieces I get inspiration. There are my colleagues, my subordinates and many more, everyone has certain traits which are worth learning and that's what I do. Even today when we guys are preparing for the reunion, I am working with students I have never met personally but we are working together every day. So there is always something or the other to learn from someone.

Any major challenges and how did you accomplish them

Coming back from U.S. was a major challenge for me. I was in U.S. for 10 years and then I decided to come back to India. But i learnt not to look behind by comparing things. It was even difficult for my family but we decided to deal with it as it comes and never planes to run back to U.S. in case of any discomfort. Setting up a business was a challenge but I learnt every time I made mistake.

After graduation students are confuse whether to choose higher studies or grasp a job. Any kind of recommendation for them.

Whatever rocks your boat! If you want to learn more then you should definitely go for higher studies. Now a third option has emerged of being an entrepreneur. I personally believe that after college one should work for some time because in college you don't actually get to know how to run a business. By working for some time you will get to know how to deal with people professionally. Emotionally you know how to deal with people by interacting with your batch

mates but by working for some time you will learn to interact



# Silver Times

Mr. Madhukar Mittal & Mrs. Shilpi Mittal  
(1989-1993 Batch)



## When MNIT was MREC

Whenever anyone says "Hi! I am from MREC", brings a smile on our face and we time travel to the Alma Mater. Reminisces of madness of bunking classes, girls giggling just on anything, boys do all antics to impress the rare species, professors trying to discipline the rowdy crowd which ultimately gets tamed as Profs had the power of attorney on sessional marks, flood memory gates.

The first year was filled with hype around ragging, following dress code prescribed by "BOSSSES", mandatory participating of "Fuchhas" –in all events etc. I

still remember presenting a group song "Haule, Haule Sajna" which took a hilarious turn as each girl started to sing on a different note. Luckily guys were short of "sade tamatar and eggs" that day;). I sang my first song in bangla with my bong friends Nupur, Piyali & Ranjana.

'CHEMRECS' as we were famously called took pride in the newly set up department by our very stylish HOD Raj Sharma, who always arrived first in the department in his blue "toy" car – Maruti 800. He was our inspiration and many of my classmates would agree that he did turnaround quite a few lives.

MREC was a place where you come out from cocooned school days to be a master of your thoughts, living and sailing on funda of "Love you zindagi". Each day becomes a learning experience be it educational or emotional. One gets naturally prepared for challenges of life that are thrown at you unexpectedly after the college hangover is gone.

Those days companies to the campus were rare and students were torn between the feelings of what is right for

future-finding a job or doing further studies. UPSC as always held a special place in the hearts but few people opted for it. Majority juggled between – Job or higher studies. Madhukar chose former and me later.

Madhukar, a thorough Mech guy fondly remembers putting up only stall with Vivek, Pankaj, Devender, Manish, Madhu, Kamini, on College's Silver jubilee function in first year and later spending all the money in partying.

Our mantra of life is giving room to each other to grow. Holding head high and looking through success and failures. Realising family is important and so is career- both are hand in glove. Doing your best and not bogged down by others opinion or expectation. Yes, everyone makes mistakes but important is to learn from them and move on.

It's been 25 years since we left the college but it looks only yesterday that we were loitering around the college with friends laughing, teasing & making plans for the next getaway. Pardon me calling MNIT still MREC "Kyonki MREC hee apna sa lagta hai"

# Silver Times

Rajat Lodha (1989-1993 Batch)



## How was your journey after graduation? What kind of jobs you were engaged in?

I always wanted do business, I did job till 2005 then I launched my company and now I am still into this. Firstly I served for a manufacturing company, then I managed a transformer company, after that I worked in a handicraft export sector.

## What are you doing now and what MREC had contributed in your career?

Currently, I run a customer support company for foreign company in hi-tech electronic. Not only the lectures in class room and practical in laboratories but our hostel life nurtured us in a way to deal properly with practical world.

## Any teacher you remember?

Yes, I was very close to Late Dr Sudhesh Gupta, he passed away few year back, he was a leader in mechanical, he was one of the youngest PhD holder from IIT at that time, and one of the most qualified person we ever seen in our faculty.

## What were the biggest achievements in your life?

I am able to give happiness to people around me. Me as a family are quite contended. The happiness and contentment which I had is the biggest achievement in my life.

Any friend you are in contact with.

It is unfair to name any one because I am in contact with 40-50 college friends on day to day basis.

## What were the big challenges in your life and how you faced them?

Overall life has been fine and I don't think that there were big challenges in my life. I would say that when my father passed away, I was just 25 and this made me mature overnight.

## Any suggestion you want to give to current students.

Enjoy every moment of your

college life, these days will never come back in your life. Don't just run for grade. Wholesome development is more important than grades.

## Is it necessary to go for MBA to start a business?

Not at all, in business practical experience is required and one should start early so that he can face initial problems of business at young age only.

## What were your hobbies during college time?

I was very active participant in quiz and cultural activities. I was in organizing committee of various cultural program.

## Do you love singing and dancing? Which sports do you like?

I love to listen music but I was not blessed with such qualities. I love badminton and cricket but nowadays I just play badminton and swimming.

## Any fond memories of college life.

There were many tragedies, comedies and many happy and exhilarating moments. I think, everyday was a moment and we use to leave late in the vacation and come back soon so that we can spend time with friends.



# Silver Times

## Dr. Vijay Janyani (1989-1993 Batch)

Professor, ECE Department, MNIT Jaipur



I graduated from MREC Jaipur in 1994. It was a B.E. degree programme, affiliated to the University of Rajasthan. Although it was a four-year programme and we (myself and batchmates) entered in the year 1989, usually in those days it took anything between 4.5 to 5 years to complete the programme, due to often derailed academic sessions, frequently postponed University examinations, and delayed declaration of results. It was a yearly system (unlike the semester system we follow today). I joined MREC Jaipur in year 1996 as a Lecturer, moving up as Lecturer-Senior Scale, Reader, Associate Professor, and now, Professor at the Department of ECE.

Being a student at MREC, I never imagined I would be standing on the other side of the table in the classroom. I feel great privilege in serving the Institute I graduated from, which gave me an opportunity to flip the coin and see what's on the other side. Looking at my students sitting in front of me (particularly in classrooms L-1, L-2, L-3 and L-4 where most of our classes used to be held), sometimes I experience déjà vu.

I look back on my education at MREC (now MNIT) in the ECE Department as one of the most valuable experiences of my life. The faculty members in the college were truly great and iconic, who cared about their students professionally and personally. The atmosphere was great and conducive. I will always be in debt to the department and my 'Gurus' for the learning and skills they have inculcated in me. It is a unique and honorable experience for one to be a colleague of the faculty members who taught you earlier.

The journey has a lot more to it than just learning and accomplishments. It entails

memories of humour (and sometimes fear) in the classroom. For instance, as students, whenever a teacher scolded us, we used to laugh it off amongst ourselves saying "jaroorbiwi se ladkaraayahoga". Now, being a teacher myself, I realise that it may be sometimes true (but not always.... haha!)

The best trait of learning is that it never leaves your side. Earlier, as a student, we felt on passing out that our learning is complete. However, today, we realize that learning is a never ending process, and there is so much to learn around us.

As a concluding remark, I would like to greet my fellow batchmates who are spread throughout the globe holding important professional positions. The involvement of alumni in supporting and providing voluntary contributions to their alma mater is important for its development. Every alumni has experienced being a student to becoming a unique and different graduate, and there is potential for all alumni to contribute to the university in different ways and scale.



## Dr. Nand Kumar (1989-1993 Batch)

Associate Prof. Deptt. of Architecture and Planning



We enjoyed greater bonding with classmates, seniors, juniors and teachers due to higher interpersonal interactions and it has contributed significantly in my overall development.

I wish my juniors today to devote time to develop interpersonal skills and improve emotional quotient which will enable them to lead life successfully in future.



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# Tech Fest "SPHINX"

19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018



The Inauguration ceremony began at 5:30 PM in the august

presence of Director of MNIT, Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti, the Chief Guest of the event, Mr. Vaibhav Galriya, Commissioner of JDA and Guest of Honour, Mr. Ajeet Saxena, Superintendent Engineer, Jaipur Circle, JVVNL.

A detailed account of the events was given to the audience by Faculty Advisor (Technical Society) Dr. Meenakshi Tripathi. The Director of MNIT Jaipur - Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti addressed the students wherein he pressed on the



connectivity between the students and the alumni of an institute. He also recounted India's several technological marvels and scientific wonders that we have to the world citing examples of The World's first university at Nalanda, The father of Medicine - Charak

and the accurate estimation of the number of days in an year by Bhaskaracharya long before any technical equipments were available. The festival marked a 3-day long convergence of technical events, cutting edge workshops and National-Level Hackathons. Tech Talks were held during SPHINX helming who were Dr. A.K. Naik - Senior Scientist at BARC, Shri Madhusudan - Co Founder at Crazy Bee and Mr. Rahm Shastry - Co Founder and CEO of Drive U, and Mr. Raghunandan, founder of Taxi For Sure.



SPHINX registered a footfall of people over 3000 students from different colleges all over India. Workshops on Machine Learning, Sixth Sense, Real Time Automation, Internet of Things and RC Airplane were scheduled which provided hands on learning experience. Tech Talks were also planned for the benefit of students.

Under CORE LOVE there were many branch specific events for the assessment of the

participants who come from different arena of expertise. The evening witnessed KAVYANJALI by the Youtube Sensation Unerase Poetry starring Simar Singh, Rakesh Tiwari, Gaurav Tripathi and Aranya Johar who left the 1500+ audience spellbound and gasping for more.

The Valedictory function of SPHINX was held on 22nd January, 2018 in the august presence of Shri A.K. Jain, Chief Guest, Special Guest - Director of NIT Surathkal, Guest of Honour Director of MNIT Jaipur, Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti, Shri B.K. Singh and Prof. Dilip Sharma, Dean Student Welfare. Yahya Bootwala began the ceremony with an electrifying

performance. The dignitaries awarded the winners of various events of CORE LOVE, Robotsav and Hackathons.

The Inaugural Edition of the Technical Festival received an overwhelming response from the participants and was a Grand success. It was a testament to the institute's technical prowess and solidarity.





# REMINISCENCE OF SPHINX 2.0



## Gems of MNIT

Prakash Tiwari (2014-2018 Batch)

Electrical Engineering

GATE RANK- 8<sup>th</sup>  
IES RANK-13<sup>th</sup>



I had joined MNIT in 2014. My goal was to get a job in a good PSU in order to enhance my way and standard of living. Through the guiding light of my professors, I am currently working in IOCL. Moreover, I got selected in ESE, I will work as an IES officer in the coming future.

Our institution has a very relaxed environment such that one can freely work towards the goals and aspirations. Primarily, I would give credit to my teachers and friends who have contributed in shaping my career. A special mention for my father who has inspired me immensely by his never-ending hope towards the

struggles of life. During my B.Tech., I developed good bonding with Arun Kumar Verma Sir and Satyanarayan Neeli Sir who kept me guiding and motivating me. They reassured me about my ability to crack these examinations through their friendly behaviour. They provided such personal space to discuss matters relating to career and academics. Adding to these influencers, I would like to thank my friends, Ravi and Santosh who always supported and motivated me emotionally.

Concludingly, I would like to add two things to guide the future aspirants:

- 1) Prepare basic subjects first, followed by other subjects. Test series is extremely important. Regularly appear for tests as it will assist you in analysing your errors and speed better.
- 2) Do not rush towards your preparation till 4th semester. You have to judge your interests in core subjects and participate in other activities to focus on a holistic development.

Self belief and hard work will always earn you success. If you can't figure out your purpose, figure out your passion. For your passion will lead you right into your purpose.



## इ. अशोक कुमार अग्रवाल

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**आपने शिक्षण के करियर में शामिल होने का फैसला क्यों किया ?**

मैं इस संस्थान का पुराना छात्र था और पूरे पांच वर्षों के अध्ययन में, मैं एक मेधावी छात्र था। मैं हर वर्ष पहली या दूसरी स्थान प्राप्त करता था। अपने समय के दौरान बहुत कम प्लेसमेंट होता था लेकिन किस्मत से मुझे दो अन्य छात्रों के साथ इंजीनियर्स इंडिया लिमिटेड में अच्छी नियुक्त पाने का सौभाग्य मिला। उन दो छात्रों में से एक शाखा से था। दूसरा मैकेनिकल शाखा से स्वर्ण पदक विजेता था। इसके अलावा मुझे भारतीय नौसेना के लिए भी चुना गया था। लेकिन वहां पर परिस्थितियां कठिन थी और साथी ही एक दूरस्थ स्थान पर काम करना नहीं चाहता था।

मुझे शिक्षण की झुकाव भी था। इसलिए

मैं वर्ष 1972 में एक अस्थायी व्याख्याता के तौर पर एम.आर.ई.सी. में शामिल हो गया। वर्ष 1973 में, मैं यू.पी.एस.सी. परीक्षा के लिए उपस्थित हुआ और अखिल भारतीय रैंक 3 सुरक्षित कर लिया था। मैं आसानी से भारतीय रेलवे जो कि उस समय एक सम्मानित नौकरी मानी जाती थी, प्राप्त कर सकता था। लेकिन मैंने वर्ष 1973 में स्थायी व्याख्याता बन गया जो साढ़े तीन दशकों तक विद्यार्थियों को पढ़ाया और आज भी मैं एक शिक्षक के रूप में कार्य करता हूँ।

**आपकी प्रेरक शक्तियां क्या हैं ? आपको किसने प्रेरित किया ?**

मैंने जयपुर के एक प्रमुख विद्यालय से शिक्षा प्राप्त किया था, जहां वरिष्ठ वर्गों के शिक्षकों ने मुझे भौतिकी, रसायन शास्त्र पढ़ाया था, वे बहुत मेहनती और समर्पित थे। मैं दो शिक्षकों के बारे में भी उल्लेख करना चाहूँगा पहले माननीय तेजकरण जी दंडिया जिन्होंने मुझे 8 वें और 9 वीं कक्षा में गणित पढ़ाया और माननीय श्री गोवर्धनलाल खलानी जिन्होंने मुझे 10 वीं और 11 कक्षा में गणित

पढ़ाया। वह बहुत अच्छे शिक्षक थे और उनके छात्रों को सम्मानजनक संस्थानों से स्नातक किया गया था। मुझे शिक्षक बनने के लिए अपने स्कूल के शिक्षकों से ही प्रेरणा मिली है। मैं प्रोफेसर टी. रविंद्रनाथ से भी पढ़ाई में करियर में शामिल होने के लिए प्रेरित हुए।

**आपके जीवन में बुनियादी ध्यान केंद्रित क्षेत्र क्या थे जिन पर आपने ऊर्जा समर्पित की थी?**

मैंने अपना अधिकतम समय और ऊर्जा विद्यार्थियों के ओर समर्पित की और जिसका परिणाम यह है कि छात्र अच्छे तकनीकी ज्ञान के साथ स्नातक हैं। मैंने अपना 60.70 प्रतिशत समय और ऊर्जा शिक्षण के लिए समर्पित किया। मैं स्नातक के छात्रों को प्रस्तुति के लिए परियोजना और स्नातकोत्तर छात्रों को स्नातक के मार्गदर्शन में 10 प्रतिशत समय व्यतीत करता था। मैंने अपने छात्रों को अतिरिक्त पाठ्यचर्या गतिविधियों स्वास्थ्य गतिविधियों और विभिन्न सांस्कृतिक गतिविधियों के लिए प्रेरित करने में अपना 20.25 प्रतिशत समय और ऊर्जा भी खर्च की।



**आपके जीवन में किस तरह की असफलताओं का सामना आपको करना पड़ा था ?**

मैं कह सकता हूँ कि मैं एक ऐसा व्यक्ति हूँ जिसने अधिक सफलता का सामना नहीं किया है और न ही अधिक असफलता का सामना किया है। जिन 10,000 छात्रों को मैंने पढ़ाया है वे सही ढंग से कह सकते हैं कि मैंने अपना शिक्षण कर्तव्यों को पूरा किया है या नहीं। खुद इसपे टिप्पणी करना उचित नहीं होगा।

**आपने अपने जीवन में कितने देशों का सफर किया है ? और यह सफर आपके करियर को किस तरह से प्रभावित किया है ?**

मैंने काफी देशों में सफर नहीं किया था केवल दो बार विदेश यात्राओं में गया हूँ और अंतिम बार विदेश यात्रा में मैं 22 वर्ष पहले गया था। मैंने इंग्लैंड और फ्रांस की यात्रा थी। फ्रांस बस घूमने के उद्देश्य से गया था। परंतु इंग्लैंड में मैं भारत सरकार के तरफ से

गया था। एक परियोजना के तहत। वहां पर 6 महीने रहा था और वहां के 8.10 विश्वविद्यालयों का दौरा किया और वहां के पढ़ाई के तौर तरीके देखे और समझा, वहां शोध अनुसंधान को देखा और हमने यह प्रयास किया कि उनका तरीका हम हमारे स्थान में लागू करें और विद्यार्थी उनका उचित रूप से पालन करें। हमने यह भी देखा कि हमारे प्रणाली में हम और क्या बदलाव ला सकते हैं। इन विदेश के दौरों मेरी व्यक्तिगत और पेशेवर जीवन में ज्यादा खास असर नहीं पड़ा था।

**सफल होने में आपकी मदद करने वाला सबसे बड़ा कारक क्या है?**

मेरी जीवन के प्राथमिक दौर की सफलता के पीछे मेरी माताजी का हाथ है जिन्होंने मुझे पाला पोषा और बहुत प्यार किया और यह सुनिश्चित किया कि मैं और मेरा छोटा भाई पढ़ाई लिखाई करें अच्छी शिक्षा ग्रहण करें अच्छे संस्कार ग्रहण करें। मेरे विद्यार्थी जीवन में मेरी सफलता के पीछे मेरे विद्यालय के अध्यापकों का हाथ है।

मुझे आज भी उन सबका नाम, मस्तिष्क और व्यवहार याद है और मेरे मन में बसा हुआ है। और मेरे आज के दौर में सफलता का सबसे बड़ा कारण है वह है स्वयं का मेरा शौक समर्पित भाव से काम करने की आदत, समय का अनुशासन, अच्छा व्यवहार और सहयोग का नतीजा।



## Prof. Dilip Sharma (1984-1988 Batch)

Head of Department Mechanical Engineering



### On his process of Admission

I took the U.P. state engineering entrance exams and I was admitted through the U.P. quota, at that time this institution was still named MREC. My father guided me to take up the U.P. state engineering entrance exam conducted by – Motilal Nehru Regional Engineering College. Counselling post the exam was in Allahabad, and I opted for Rajasthan as I am from here. I was one of the 20 students enrolled in MREC, under the U.P. quota. My enrolment happened in 1984, ours was the 2nd batch of the 4-year course.

### On his decision to join MREC as a professor

My father was the Head of the Physics Department at

C.C.S. University Meerut he being a professor caused my propensity for teaching. Moreover, my grandparents and uncles were all in jobs related to the engineering discipline, so I elected to do something involving both engineering and teaching. Due to filial influences and my love for teaching, I chose it as a profession. As MNIT is my Alma Mater, it was the only engineering college to which I applied here and have stayed since my joining in 1992. I regret nothing, I love my job.

### Tell us more about your college days

Our batch comprised of 270 students, of which only 60 students were in my branch, mechanical. While I was here, teacher student bonding was great – all students were known to their teachers by name. Rathore Sir was one of the most favoured teachers, however I feel that all our teachers were helpful by nature. Apart from academics, I used to love driving, as I've travelled a lot via car. I also enjoyed playing badminton.

### Advice for students

Take an initiative in life – nothing is more satisfying than when an initiative takes off, and something good comes out of it. For example, As a Dean students welfare, I was part of the formation of the alumni network, starting the publication of the magazines, and it has grown to become a big asset of our institute. Another example is the foundation of Blitzschlag as our college fest. It started out as the Mechanical Department's fest back in 2005, and Director Sir asked us to help it become a bigger event. It was started as our college fest by myself, Prof. Jyotirmay Mathur and Prof. M.L. Mittal, and is today one of the most awaited events in Rajasthan.

“The single most crucial thing is – respect time. Once time has passed without action being taken, only regret is left behind.”

## Prof. G.D. Agarwal (1984-1988 Batch)

Department of Mechanical Engineering



I believe that the achievement of an organization is a result of combined efforts of each individual. This is something I learnt here as a student of MREC as well as the faculty member at MNIT

The place that helped me build not only my career but an ambition that was fulfilled by support of my family members, teachers and friends.

## Prof. Ashok Sharma (1993 Ph.D. Scholar)

Department of Metallurgical & Material Engineering



I graduated in 1978 and completed my M.E. in 1980. After that, I joined MNIT.

From the very first day to today, this institute has not only provided me teaching experience but also learning experience.

All this started with the successful organization of first 3 convocations. Besides that, I have conducted various research programs. 11 students have completed PhD under my mentorship.

While one side the opportunities to organize various technical and academic programs in institute enlarged my service experience on the otherwise interaction with students made this journey unforgettable.

While observing the creativity and passion in students, I myself encouraged them to work on research papers. Due to this influence third year students showed their successful work on research papers.

Through CPDA, I got opportunity to visit many countries including Japan, America, Italy, Norway, Germany, Slovenia, etc.

In Norway, NTNU University invited me and I signed an MOU also. These all experiences encouraged me to work on project of Central Power Research Institute on improving the capacity of hydro power plates, which was successfully done.

The institute has acquired heights in educational and technical heights because of the academic atmosphere.

There are numerous opportunities in this institute, and everyone need to understand his strength, his potential which may lead him to the heights of success.





# Cultural Fest Blitzschlag'18

the most awaited fest in Rajasthan



MNIT Jaipur organized the annual cultural fest Blitzschlag, "Trove of Mystique" from 2nd – 4th February 2018. The event was executed by Creative Arts and Cultural Society (CACS). Adorned by celebrities like KK (celebrity singer), Malini Awasthi (folk

artist), Deepak Sharma (flutist) and Teri Miko (DJ), Blitzschlag hosted more than 75 cultural events and a food festival "Jaipur-e-Khaas" with participation from colleges all over the country.

Various Societies of MNIT organised competitive events:

Vyaktitva Srijan Society organised General-Quiz, Movie Quiz and Sports Quiz in the annual Cultural festival Blitzschlag'18.

The quiz was organised in two

rounds. Prelims and Finals.

Around 400 students from MNIT and other colleges participated in quizzes. After the quiz some fun games were organized at informal street.

The Film & Photography Club organized MNIT Film Festival during Blitzschlag.

There were multiple competitions: Cut shots, Limitless, Vine-o-Mania and Scribble. The Festival aimed at encompassing all the aspects of cinema and was a big success. Two industry professionals were also called to deliver a talk on the current nature of cinema and the way it has evolved.

BLITZSCHLAG'18organised an evening with a living legend, flautist Shri Deepak Sharma from the state of Assam under

"Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat" scheme launched by MHRD. He is more than an artist- a performer and a composer, music director and an extraordinary human being. For his distinguished work and outstanding contribution, he was conferred the Sangeet Prabha award in 2007 and Jams of Assam in 2008. The audience was thoroughly enthralled by his mesmerizing performance by Pt. Deepak Sharma at Mini Auditorium in Prabha Bhawan on 4th Feb.2018, from 6.30 pm onwards. He was accompanied on the Tabla by Shri Kaushi Konwar, who was also from Assam. It was an enjoyable musical evening with such exemplary musicians.







Fine arts society organised very entertaining events during Blitzschlag annual college fest.

## STROKE:

A three day live painting competition was held. materials were provided to students. All the participants added up life to the dead canvas.

## ART CARNIVAL:

Three day exhibition was set up for the very first time during conceiveir. A platform which served as a base for students to show up their creativity and hidden talents.

The students were awarded for their best works.

## CONCEVOIR:

It is the annual architecture fest organized by fine arts society and Department of architecture and planning MNIT during blitzschlag. Under which no. of events, lectures, seminars, competitions and workshops were conducted.



# Orientation Programme for Freshers 2018-19

Malaviya National Institute of Technology organised its Orientation Programme for the students of batch 2018. The event spanned across the duration of three days with a variety of lectures, performances and presentations conducted along its way. This programme was comprised of a plethora of activities like Plantation Drive, Yoga, Cleanliness Drive and Campus Visits to enliven the students and shake them out of their tired selves.





# Golden Times

## Pankaj Bajaj (1968-1973 Batch)



### Memories of time spent at MNIT

It been 50 years since I took admission in the college. I cherish the fond memories of those 5 years spent in the college from 1968 to 1973. Every day brought something new learning, experience and joy of togetherness. That was really unforgettable period. At MREC, apart from rich curriculum and excellent teachers, the relationship between students and teachers was very cordial. The college had imparted us the knowledge about the vast fields of technology and shaped our minds as well as the thought process to be able to work out solutions to the problems through analytical approach with reasoning. The learnings and

experiences during the college days have perhaps guided our journey throughout the life.

The industrial visit to southern India covering Madras, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Mysore, Pune, and Bombay was most memorable outstation trip, covering visit to large industries. This was very educative and gave us the idea of how manufacturing is done. At the fag-end of trip, during our visit to IIT Bombay, we could first time watch shooting of a film which was 'Jawani Diwani'. In the fourth year, our batch was taken to a trip to Delhi for visit to Expo'72 at Pragati Maidan, which was very thrilling and helped in opening up our minds to the vast world.

At the college, everyone got opportunity to participate in various extra-curricular activities like Sports, competitions like debate and essay writing. Annual Day Celebrations also provided a stage for those interested in drama, acting, music and singing. I remember having received first prize in Essay Competition. As a part of entertainment, there was

screening of old films in the Workshop Quadrangle on Saturday evenings. Despite being Day scholar, I had been to these shows and enjoyed community watching of films. We also enjoyed going to see newly released movies in cinema halls after 'mass-cuts'. I had also to defend it later with the teachers, being the 'Class Senior'.

### Journey after graduation

At the time when we came out of college, the job opportunities were scarce. Those days not many large private companies advertised the jobs. We applied against vacancies advertised by PSUs for 'Graduate Engineers' such as BHEL, BALCO, HZL, HSL etc and had written exams, group discussions and interviews. The first appointment letter received by me was from Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), perhaps it was first to any Metallurgical graduate from MREC. Although initially I thought of joining, but after consulting my parents about low salary and execution of a 'bond' I did not go. Later, I had joined BHEL, Hyderabad but left after a month when they

insisted on submission of Bond. Finally, I joined Hindustan Steel Limited at Rourkela Steel Plant, with three other batchmates.

Initially after joining HSL (later known as SAIL), we found the work conditions very difficult and thought of leaving, either get another job or go for pursuing MBA. But as the circumstances developed, I could not move out and continued with SAIL. After 17 years at RSP, I moved to Corporate Office in Delhi. The new assignment, which lasted for about 4 years was challenging but gave a very good opportunity to understand the functioning of the company and had exposure to the other steel plants, Mines, and other units. I joined Bhilai Steel Plant in 1997, and after serving in Works, also moved to Marketing and Strategic Planning, before taking over as Executive Director (Projects). Later, I took charge as In-charge of Operations & Special Steel plants, at corporate Office.

In 2009, I took over as Managing Director of Durgapur Steel Plant, after selection through PESB. This elevation provided me opportunity to show my capability in managing a steel plant which had traditionally suffered from lower performance due to unionism,

industrial unrests, low executive morale and work culture issues. Despite initial problems, several initiatives and strategic measures were taken, through involvement of executives and workmen, which helped the plant to make steady all round improvement year after year. DSP achieved several awards & accolades which enhanced the morale of the collective. Today DSP stands out with a pride amongst the SAIL plants.

After superannuation from SAIL, I was Advisor to SAIL for an year. But then my wife expired after sudden illness. This was most tragic incident of my life and it took me months to cope-up with the loss of the dearest one. Thereafter, I was on a full time job in private sector-as Jt MD & CEO of VISA Steel Ltd in Kolkata, having its steel plant in Odisha for 1 ½ years. Since then I am taking up only part time assignments, including serving on the Board of some companies as Independent Director.

### Challenges faced

During a career in industrial organisation, one comes across challenges all throughout. But my tenure as MD of Durgapur Steel Plant was most challenging. On the day I took over from my predecessor, a strike was

continuing by regular workers and all officers were inside the plant on emergency duty for 3 days. Even the approach road to the plant was blocked by striking workers and I could reach MD's office with difficulty. I was shocked to see the situation. I was told that such strikes take place on some demands of workers which affects operations adversely and after 3-4 days of sufferings, the management is forced to agree to some of the demands, even if unjustified, in order to bring back normalcy. Apart from this, processions, gatherings and gheraos were also regular features. I told myself that, come what may, I will have to change all this in the interest of the company and the plant.

Within a few months of my joining, there was a strike, this time by contract labour for increase in wages which were already the highest at DSP amongst SAIL plants. This was examined and the demand was found to be unacceptable. I had decided to be firm on this. We worked out our strategy for deployment of executives from other non-essential units and non-works departments to manage critical areas for sustaining uninterrupted operations. With the support of all, the normal operations were sustained in hot zone. Despite pressure from State



Government, we remained firm on our stand that strike should be withdrawn unconditionally. Gradually, the contract workers started losing patience and the leaders could not sustain their resentment due to failure of the strike. Finally after 12 days, the strike was called off. This

was a historic case when the Management did not succumb to the demands of striking personnel. With this a new era started and workers believed that now management would not bow down on resorting to strike. Since then, there has been no more strikes in my tenure and

even thereafter. The work culture started showing improvement and there was all round improvement. The plant wiped out all accumulated losses in 2011 and achieved a record profit in FY 2012. At the time of superannuation, I had great feeling of satisfaction.

## Golden Times

Vinod Suri (1968-1973 Batch)



giving them projects. So, I provided all facilities to these IITs available at BARC, give them money, funds and gadgets. Through that we get 5-6 patents. Then I started helping private colleges along with IITs. I have been working with Principal Scientific Advisor to Prime Minister of India. Then for 10 years I was giving consultancy services in field of biomedical device development and nano technology. For last 4 years after my retirement I have been working with a medical college to develop low cost biomedical devices. I am also working in the field of censor development, ultra procedure machining, quick detection of TB, quick detection of speaking using nano technology etc.

### Current working areas?

These days I am working with

a Medical College and I inspire young doctors and Prof. to research in their fields. Along with that I am working on a project of car air bags to save lives in accidents. I am also working on a belt for old persons that can prevent them from falling and being hit from the ground or injury due to falling. It is called Fall Safety Belt. Other devices are also in work like low cost TB detection devices etc. Also working on the reducing time of healing of wood of dressing upto 15 to 20%.

### How did you enter the medical field?

I developed ultra-procedure machines using high speed bearings. It used 3-D resolve technique and nano scale michelle. These techniques can be used very efficiently in biomedical field. These techniques aren't available in private institutions so we interacted with biomedical researchers and gave them the concepts of engineering. So I used my knowledge of engineering and developed these devices.

### What efforts are required to achieve success?

You should have only one objective in life. If you want to earn money or hold some prestigious position then go for it. I tried to excel in my field and hence I tried to give my best. You can't earn money and Excellency in your field at the same time, so have one goal in life and work single-mindedly with dedication to

achieve that goal.

### What challenges you faced in your life?

After working for 10 years at BARC, I realised that nobody could mentor me. I have to mentor myself. Sometimes this led to arrogance and humility was hard to come. I was the head of marketing at BARC and wanted to achieve my goals, so I grew arrogant at that time. But in reality you have be polite to others, the theory of 'Ekla Chhore' doesn't work. I kept a few projects secret from my colleagues so my personality grew in this way which might seem arrogant to common people.

### Turning point of life?

One of the turning point of my life was doing Ph.D from IIT Bombay. Because of my hardwork and talent, I got into MREC but after 12 yrs. when I went IIT Bombay, teachers were asking me questions. This helped me a lot to improve my knowledge and thinking. Because of that I started working in the field of handicraft. I started mentoring people. Then I got into Biomedical field having my concepts of engineering.

### What are your contributions to the society?

I have been working as the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Prime Minister. I have also educated people inspiring them to undertake research in their fields. I have trained 900 professors from our country. I

have also helped people to convert traditional arts into handicraft. Around 80% of my life was dedicated to a secret project. Currently I am working in the biomedical field.

### Any teacher which you remember from your college days?

A lot of teachers, I still remember our HOD Prof. JP Shah, Verma sir, Rao sir and Bhandari sir. Teachers are our role models of life. Not only they taught us engineering but also etiquettes and manners.

### Any advice for the current MNITians

I realised that education you get at MNIT is sufficient for your respective fields. Firstly, be focused, take part in sports activities, make one goal and work very hard for it. Build a strong character and put all your efforts to achieve your goals. Become a student, a learner forever.

### Finally, How could we strengthen the Alumni of the institute?

I have been working in the Biomedical field and have been mentoring many institutes. I would like to mentor MNIT. Besides I have also been working on handicrafts and would like to bring these techniques to MNIT. I have plans for it but it would take a few years. Hopefully we would be ready within 2 years.



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# Raas-N-Roll



Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT) celebrated the season of Dandiya Night "Raas-N-Roll" with pomp. The event was organized and executed by Creative Arts & Cultural Society (CACS). The college became a kaleidoscope of mirth and joy, as everyone swayed to traditional music



## Daughter of MNIT Alumni Ms Ashima Mittal

**12<sup>th</sup>** Rank in  
UPSC Civil Service 2017



Daughter of MNIT Alumni, Ms Ashima Mittal has secured 12th rank in UPSC Civil Service Examination 2017 and selected for IAS.

Ashima has done B.Tech from IIT Mumbai. She is a NTSE, KVPY Scholar. She is also the recipient of Dr. Shankar Dayal Sharma Gold medal for her outstanding overall performance in IIT Bombay 2014.

Her father Sh. Manish Mittal, MREC alumnus, of B.Tech (1984-88) batch, Electronics Engg. is doing Computer Software business and her mother Dr. Namita Mittal is also MNIT Alumnus (Ph.D.-2011) and Associate Professor in Department of Computer Science and Engineering MNIT, JAIPUR.

She owes credits to MNIT campus where she spent her childhood & adolescence and dreamt about her career.

She likes sports specially basketball, table tennis. She had represented IIT Mumbai Girls' team during her studies. She loves swimming and playing chess too.

Ashima is passionate about education of all children, particularly those are under privileged. During the early days of her education, She was associated with a girl's orphanage & worked for the welfare of the children which was located near to her home. In addition, she also used to teach students of school located in MNIT premises. This practice experience gave her a thought that there is no better platform than UPSC if at all she had wanted to do something for the children of her society. This platform, where she can access every one of the resources, which would help the children to reach their goals and achieve their dreams.

To understand the field

realities in education and village development she has worked with government of Rajasthan in elementary education and government of Gujarat in rural development. The most important thing which she has learnt in this journey is the spirit of not giving up. Her message to the Civil Services Examination aspirants is that One should put 100% of their heart and mind in this preparation. Do make sure that every action leads to the goal, one has dreamt of. Keep an open mind in accepting new perspective and ideas. As they say, success lies not in never failing but rising every time you fail. So keep your spirit high, stay confident and give your best. Further, Success has no short cut, one should be interested, committed and repetitive to get sure success.

Ashima has worked with Ernst and young, an MNC after graduation for a few months. She got 328 Rank in UPSC Civil Service Examination 2016 & Got IRS (IT).



# Gems of MNIT

Abhishek Khanna (Rank-428)

IAS 2017 BATCH



**What made you decide to join civil services?**

I decided to become a civil servant very early in my life, even before entering the college. At that point of time my definition of civil servant was limited to IAS officer. However, purpose for which I became one came during my preparation phase as I realized that as an IAS officer you can bring a positive change to life of many people and this service provide you a wider platform to serve the society. This, purpose constantly motivated me during tough phase of preparation.

**What have been your motivational forces? Who inspired you the most?**

.As I already mentioned, fact that I'll be able to work in diverse field for diverse set of

people especially people at the bottom of strata is itself a motivating factor. Apart from this constant support from family and my dedication to live the dream of becoming an IAS officer which I saw with my father always kept my spirit high. And most importantly motivation comes from within, once we believe that we can do it, surely, it's possible to do that with all our energy directed towards that goal.

**As you progressed in your area of work, what were your basic forces areas on which you devoted your energy?**

Since I'm a under training I can only elaborate about area in which I would like to focus while posted in field. I have been allocated Rajasthan Cadre, so major focus area for me would be women empowerment with special attention on girl child education, avoidance of incidence of child marriage, improvement of condition of government schools and empowerment of differently abled people.

**We know, you have achieved a lot in your life, please tell us how did you take success and setback times in your life?**

After setback, sit back :)and think what went wrong, once you figure out the reason for setback then work upon that and remove all those weaknesses. Once you do so next time success will wait for you with open hands. At the same time every success should make you more humble and polite. Because it's easy to get success but it's very difficult to carry on that success. This is my basic mantra to tackle setbacks and manage success.

**How have you handled setbacks/small failures in your life?**

Small failures provide you chance to introspect and they are very easy to tackle with support of family and friends. Always keep a circle of positive thinking people around you and you will be able to manage all sort of setbacks.

**What aspects do you consider while taking crucial decisions?**

After carefully weighing the pros and cons of a decision I make a call. While doing so I always look on larger picture i.e. long term gains.

**What are your success habits? (personal parameter/routines you follow in your life)**

The basic success habit for me is that I do a work as long as I find it interesting. The moment it starts boring me I take a break. Same strategy I applied in my study during preparation. I never focus on quantity, like number of chapters completed in a day or number of hours put in study; focus should always be on quality which means tangible output.

**What has been the biggest factor that helped you, being successful?**

Support of family, friends and college seniors.

**What special memories do you have, of the time spent in MNIT/ MREC?**

Bournvita milk, late night maggie at Mai Ki Thadi. Parties of room no. 108,Aurobindo hostel. Goa trip with my MNIT gang in final year. Late night bakar.;

18. Right now during my IAS training I'm having best time of my life. Trek, village visit, Bharat Darshan are some of the best part of IAS officers' training. Apart from this getting trained at LBSNAA, Mussoorie is itself a learning as well as fun filled experience.

**What message do you want to give to your younger MNITIANS?**

Set one career goal in your college life and put your entire energy behind that goal. Always try to find out a mentor among your seniors in college whose success inspire you. For me it was Yogesh Choudhary boss (2013 Batch MNIT, IAS 2016 Batch). These two things will definitely help you achieve your dreams. And one important thing don't cut down your fun time in college because these are the days which you will miss in future. Also start working meticulously for your dreams since 3rd year of college. One request to MNIT Alumni team is that they should invite civil servants and entrepreneurs from MNIT family so that new members of family can take inspiration and guidance from them.

## Gems of MNIT AIR RANK-130 IN ESE 2018

Nitesh Nitin (2012-2016 Batch)



I joined MNIT in 2012 and I was very impetuous in beginning of my college. I used to spend plenty of time in gaming.

The first step towards IES examinations was taken in third year, I started to prepare but due to projects and placement issues in final year I couldn't concentrate uninterruptedly.

Despite of getting placement in KEC International I preferred to go to Delhi for getting myself prepared for the exam which was now the only dream of mine.

The guidance and support of college professors not only enlightened me on academic level but also indoctrinated me life lessons.

In journey till today my brother had a great influence on me. He energized me and blister up my confidence level.



# Gems of MNIT

## Mayank Khandelwal (2012-2016 Batch)

Mechanical Engineering

AIR 32 ESE 2018



I joined MNIT in 2012 in Mechanical Engineering. I am from Alwar, Rajasthan. Those 4 years probably were one of the best years of my life. I got a chance to meet people from different parts of the country and made some good friends. It provided me with wonderful opportunity to learn new things both in subject matters and life. Most importantly I learned to respect other's ideas which added qualities such as team work and inclusiveness in my personality.

After graduation I joined GAIL (INDIA) LTD. I worked there for 2 years. Currently I am awaiting joining for Indian Engineering Services as I qualified the exam with AIR 32.

I have different role models for different spheres of my life but my mother inspires me the most.

MNIT provided me a platform to acquire technical as well as soft skills. Programs like SAE BAJA help an individual to appreciate team work which is crucial in individual's professional life. Apart from that, Mechanical department has courses related to Management which are useful in job.

All teachers were very kind

**"Everyone should respect the decision of an individual"**

and supportive to each and every student.

Both my mother and father work in State Government. I have one sister who is a software engineer and currently working in Cadence Design System, Noida.

I worked as a maintenance

engineer in GAIL INDIA LTD. It was a wonderful experience as I got a chance to manage resources i.e. man, material, machinery and I also got familiarize with corporate work culture. It will help me in my future career progression.

In my opinion, It is the decision of the individual and everyone should respect that one should sit in placement or go for preparation to achieve the goal of ESE, IAS etc.

It was a good journey to become an IES officer which inculcated many qualities like patience, self belief, time management etc in me.

Whatever you do, just work hard and enjoy life.

I would like to give one suggestion. If our mechanical department can have collaboration with industries then it will give student chance to work with them and correlate their theoretical knowledge with real industrial scenerio which will improve their understanding of subject and employability.

# A tribute to Late Prof. Awadhesh Bhardwaj

He has contributed, in a very profound way, to the development of the Incubation Centre, in MNIT Jaipur, that is MIIC. Through his invaluable contributions, his name has become synonymous with the field towards which he worked endlessly throughout his working life in order to establish it in this Institute.

He served in MNIT from 1996-2018 and is remembered with great respect and gratitude by all of us in the Institute.

He had more than 30 years of experience in teaching and research. Through this article, we want to extend our gratitude for him and briefly highlight some of his outstanding achievements.



His story is practically inseparable from the history of entrepreneurship development in the state of Rajasthan. He had been the member of expert committee of NSTEDB for six years. He was the Chairman or member of various governing bodies and expert committees of Govt. of India

related to research, innovation, and entrepreneurship development. He had been the member of Advisory committees of various ED Cells. He had been successfully running Entrepreneurship Development cell (ED-Cell) since 2002, initially supported by NSTEDB till 2007. Furthermore, he was the founder member of the team which established MNIT Innovation and Incubation Centre (MIIC) at MNIT Jaipur. Under his guidance as the Head, MIIC has done great work wherein, more than 25 start-ups have been registered, within less than two years of its inception.





## CORPUS FUND

To raise funds technical support and moral encouragement from our distinguished alumni so as to facilitate various infrastructural, institutional, technical and academic development and activities of the Institute and to organize and establish scholarship funds to help the needy and deserving students of Malviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur.

The money can be transferred directly to the account with following details:

MNIT-Alumni Corpus Fund

SBI Bank, MNIT Branch

Acc No. 37488665138

IFSC Code: SBIN0015921

Head: Alumni corpus fund

Further details about the working of the committee and its agenda are available on the institute's website [www.mnit.ac.in](http://www.mnit.ac.in)



Sumit Kumar  
Student Co-ordinator



Deepanshu Kumar



Saurya Raj



Shubham Arya

## ALUMNI ID CARD

ALCOM team has initiated the provision of unique identity cards of all alumni. Alumni ID card was launched on Alumni Day on 27 Dec 2014. Since then almost 3500 ID Cards have been provided to our alumni. It helps them in entering the college, accessing college facilities like Computer Center, Library, Hostels/Mess/Canteen, Departments & Lab Visit. It also provides them an identification on Alumni Day and at other college events.



Shivam Dubey



Shivani Khandelwal



Prabhakar Tripathi

## WEB PORTAL

It is the global and authentic database of MNIT alumni. It provides a network for alumni to reminisce the golden era of their life and connect with fellow alumnus. The portal provides a platform for alumni to remain in touch with their alma mater through updates on the latest news from the campus. It also helps in finding contacts in companies through the alumni network and applying for jobs. Several new features like an online payment gateway for corpus fund and online booking facility for guest house have been introduced in the web portal. Distinguished Alumni Award and Alumni Speak are also in the pipeline.



Abhay Singh



Jahnavi Agrawal



Anjali Jaiswal



Shreyanshu Garg



Jayesh Garg



Sumit Kumar

## SOUVENIR SHOP

The aim of the Souvenir Shop is to connect the honorable alumni with the Institute via souvenirs. Souvenirs are special and significant as they remind the alumni about their alma mater. The memorabilia available for the alumni here at the souvenir shop includes t-shirts, diaries, penholders, hoodies, cups, umbrellas, badges and many other useful items.



Ankit Goyal



Mahmood Alam



Swapnesh Meena

## ALUMNI MAGAZINE

The purpose of alumni magazine is to provide a centralised institute magazine that integrates and disseminates points of pride to all alumni

AluMNITimes aims to inspire, promote and facilitate alumni connection, participation and support to the institute.

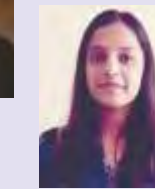
ALCOM took shape in 2013 and successfully launched the 6th edition of Alumni magazine on alumni day which was held on 25th December 2018.



Sabbir



Akanksha Vyas



Urvashi Kirad

## ALUMNI AWARD

This is an initiative by the Institution to acknowledge the achievements of the distinguished alumni in their respective careers who have brought glory to the name of this Institute.



Naval Sharma



Smrity Prakash

## GUEST LECTURES

Guest lecture of our distinguished Alumni organized by Alumni Committee is a step forward to enlighten the young engineers of the institute by providing interactive sessions with the alumni and students.

With the effort hard work and determination of the student committee and faculty coordinator, various lectures and workshops are periodically arranged sharing their(Alumni) experience on field like civil services, abroad study, entrepreneurship and many others. It aims at bridging gaps between student and alumni, providing guidance and support to the student.



Anmola Kumari



Kamal Rawat



Saransh Soni

## ALUMNI CHAPTER

Alumni chapter helps in maintaining a link among the alumni and provides a base for enhanced alumni activity, interaction and periodic get together to ensure better affiliation and connection with their alma mater while being in their home towns. Some successful chapters are: Delhi Chapter, Mumbai Chapter, Dubai Chapter, USA chapter, Calcutta Chapter.



Akash Kumar



Ankur Garg



Sakshi Agrawal



# Felicitation of Golden (1967 Entry) and Silver (1992 Pass out) Jubilee batch

The event aimed at bringing together Alumni and Institute on the same platform. The celebrations began around 9:30 am with drum beats and welcome of the Alumni with, Tilak, Safa-Chunnari and garlands at MNITJ Alumni Association (MNITJAA) office, followed by registration and high tea at Central Lawn. The function started around 11 am by lighting the lamp and floral welcome of the dignitaries on the dais.



Er. Rakesh Verma (President, MNIT- JAA) in his welcome address praised the alumni activities of the previous year and deliberated on the future plans to make the bond between alumni and institute stronger. Prof. Dilip Sharma (Dean Student Welfare and Alumni Affairs) in his welcome address appreciated alumni for their cooperation and support in

different Institute activities. Prof. Uday Kumar R Yaragatti (Director MNIT Jaipur) in his address shared information regarding World class universities growing and becoming self reliant with strong Institute alumni relationships. Efforts put in by Institute, Team ALCOM for organizing this event were appreciated by alumni.





# Tarun Kumar (1984-1988 Batch)



When did you join MREC? Share your experiences of graduation.

I joined MREC in 1984 and graduated in 1988.

4 Years in MREC were the most formative years of my life. I enjoyed both my academic and non-academic lives at the campus with its well-stocked library, well-equipped laboratories and nicely laid out campus in the beautiful Pink city.

What was your plan after graduation? Tell us something about Your Journey and career after graduation.

I wanted to complete my education before embarking upon my professional

journey. So, I joined Masters of Technology at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

Post completion of my M Tech, I joined Elite India Railway Service for Signal Engineers and served the Government of India for 10 Years.

When the Telecom Sector was providing opportunities in the private sector, I moved to join Huges Telecom and then to Reliance Infocomm (Now Reliance Communications). I was fortunate to work on many successful deployments of technology-intensive projects including enterprise and retail broadband BSS, cutting edge Interactive IPTV over metro Ethernet

"Every single day throws an opportunity to be creative"

network, service delivery platforms for new-age products and broadband radio access networks.

I served in Reliance communications as Senior Vice President and was responsible for IT and Technology for Broadband and Home (DTH & IPTV) businesses.

My entrepreneurial journey started in 2008 as a founding member, Director & Chief Technology Officer of Tikona Digital Network (www.tikona.in), an Internet Service Provider, committed to making a significant contribution towards a powerful Broadband enabled India.

Currently, I serve as Chief Technology Officer, responsible for technology strategy, Design, Development, Deployment & Operation of Tikona's Network and IT Infrastructure.

How has business side appealed to you? What keeps you motivated?

Every single day throws an

opportunity to be creative and innovative & to make an impact, however small, on the life and time of mankind. Celebrating small success every day keeps me motivated.

What were the big challenges in your life and how did you face them?

I have always believed that bigger the challenge, bigger the opportunity. I am fortunate to get such opportunities every day.

Biggest achievement in your life.

To be able to start an entrepreneurial journey.

Tell us your personal motto for Happy Life.

Try. Experiment. Innovate. Repeat.

Please share something about your family members.

I am married and have two wonderful daughters. My wife continues to serve in Indian Railways as a Senior Officer of IRSSE. My elder daughter has completed Master of Architecture from North Carolina State University while my younger

daughter is a Computer Science graduate & AI enthusiast.

Your fond memories of college.

Being with my classmates after the class and sharing a "cutting chai" is etched in my memory forever.

Sir, do you have any advice for the students to travel lengths in their career?

Do not stop learning. Learn a new technology concept or idea every day.

## Proud moment for all MNITians.

Priya Sharma  
a computer engineer  
from IIIT Kota  
2013-2017 (MNIT Campus)  
became 7<sup>th</sup> female  
fighter pilot  
in Indian Air Force.





# 12<sup>th</sup> Convocation

The Twelfth Convocation of MNIT Jaipur was held on Saturday, January 6, 2018. The occasion was graced by the presence of Honourable Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naiduji, Members of BoG, Chairperson MNIT Ms. Chitra Ramkrishna and Director MNIT Jaipur Prof. Uday Kumar R. Yaragatti.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Ring Ceremony

The auspicious event of the second ring ceremony for UG, PG and PhD passing out batch (2018) was held at MNIT on May 4th, 2018. It was a unique and wonderful initiative undertaken by honorable Director, Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti.

The program started with the floral welcome of the dignitaries and lighting of the lamp by the Director, Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti, Guest of Honor Ms. Seema Agarwal (Additional Director General of Police, Chennai), Chief Guest Mr. A.K. Bahl (Vice Admiral, Indian Navy), accompanied by Prof. Dilip Sharma Dean (SW) and Er. Rakesh Verma, President MNITJAA, Mrs. Kalpana Pandit, AD (CACS & AA) and Dr. Madhu Agarwal, Coordinator CACS. It was followed by an address by Prof. Dilip Sharma, Dean (SW). The audience was then addressed by Er. Rakesh Verma (President, MNITJAA). Dr. Udaykumar R Yaragatti, Director, MNIT Jaipur motivated the students with his words. He inspired the students to lead a joyful life and wished them well for their career and lives.





S. No.	Project Name	PI Name	Department	Funding Agency
1	Distribution Network Expansion Planning Mechanisms for State Utilities under large Integration of EVs and Distributed Energy Resources in Smart Grid Framework	Dr. Prema Jain	Electrical Engineering	DST, Rajasthan
2	Investigation on ion track diameter in fullerene and fullerene derivatives for solar cell applications using SANS measurements.	Dr. Rahul Singhal	Physics	UGC-
3	Timestamp aware Aberrant Detection and Analysis in Big Visual Data using Dep Learning Architecture	Dr. Santosh Kumar Vipparthi	Computer Science	SERB-EQUITY, New Delhi
4	Development of novel sorbent materials for removal of radionuclides from water	Dr. Ragini Gupta	Chemistry	DRDO, Jodhpur
5	Nanostructured Bismuth Chalcogenides for Energy Storage	Dr. Manoj Kumar	Physics	UGC-DAE , New Delhi
6	Development of High Pressure cells for magneto-transport studies at UGC-DAE CSR, Indore	Dr. Manoj Kumar	Physics	UGC DAE CSR, Indore
7	Financing Preferences And Determinants Of Capital Structure- A Study Of Small And Medium Enterprises (Smes) In Maharashtra	Dr. Satish Kumar	Management Studies	ICSSR New Delhi
8	Studies & Application of Unprecedented Sulfonium Iodate(II) Reagent in Selective Functionalization of C-C Multiple Bond	Dr. Sudhir Kashyap	Chemistry	SERB,DST- New Delhi
9	Optical and structural properties of defects in rare earth ion implanted ZnO nanostructures	Dr. Kamendra Awasthi	Physics	IUAC-New Delhi
10	Testing particle physics models from cosmic microwave background and large scale structure observations	Dr. Akhilesh	Physics	ISRO
11	Fullerene based Nanostructures by Low Energy Ion Bombardment	Dr. Rahul Singhal	Physics	IUAC New Delhi
12	Development of Experimental Watershed and Hydrological Modelling for Improvements in Performance of Watershed Intervention Works	Dr. M. K. Jat	Civil Engineering	DWDSC, Govt. of Rajasthan
13	Self-assembled nanoporous block copolymer membranes for gas separation	Dr. Kamendra Awasthi	Physics	SERB-DST, New Delhi
14	Cooperative isolated PV systems for Enhancing Reliability of power in rural areas	Prof. Udaykumar R Yaragatti	Electrical Engineering	DST- New Delhi

Report of Training & Placement

1st July - 12th December (2018-19)

UG Placements Till December (2018-19)

Branch	Total Placement	Min of PACKAGE	Average of PACKAGE	Max of PACKAGE	Company Name	Total Offer
B.Arch	12	6	6.5	7	ByJu's	12
CHEM	46	3.6	6.74	11	AXXELA	48
CIVIL	41	4.75	5.94	7.95	Vedanta	41
CSE	81	3.6	13.60	37	De Shaw	83
ECE	59	3.6	9.66	27	Amazon	59
EE	42	3.6	6.71	14	Publicis Sapient	46
MECH	55	4.75	6.78	10.2	Addverb	55
META	35	3.6	6.69	12.93	Fidelity	36
Grand Total	371	3.6	8.60	37		380

PG Placements Till December (2018-19)

Degree	Total Placement	Min of PACKAGE	Average of PACKAGE	Max of PACKAGE	Company	Total Offer
M.Tech	30	3.6	6.29	10.2	AddVerb	30
MBA	5	4.4	4.88	5.5	Evosys	5
Grand Total	35	3.6	6.09	10.2		35

Total (UG+PG)

Degree	Total Package	Min of PACKAGE	Average of PACKAGE	Max of PACKAGE	Company	Total Offer
PG	35	3.6	6.09	10.2	AddVerb	35
UG	371	3.6	8.60	37	De Shaw	380
Grand Total	406	3.6	8.39	37		415



## Prof. A. B. Gupta (1978-1983 Batch)

Department of Civil Engineering  
Acting Director of MNIT from 1 July 2016 to 13 October 2016



Here is something magical in this institute, which will make you fall in love with it. Educational and academic environment, guidance of world class faculty, introduction of numerous congregations are unforgettable parts of my memory.

Our teachers used to say, "Every fundamental principle should be applied for social welfare", and I think this is what engineering is all about. The applications of principles, facts and observations should be helpful in the well-being of the society.

Knowledge has no end, although there is no substitute of hard-work. When you keep on learning, the more you would know which you earlier didn't know. Nothing can beat inner determination of a person.

## Prof. S. L. Soni (1974-1979 Batch)

Director of NIT Uttarakhand



It was MREC that made me what I am today. It was the college that helped me in beginning my career. Seeing the institute grow seems like I have achieved so much. The purpose of life lies in working. you will be respected only if you continue to work. It will fetch you respect. We care only for those, who work. We need to keep the spark to work ignited forever. It's a lesson for people of all age groups. When you stop working, people will no longer respect you.

## Prof. M. C. Govil (1980-1985 Batch)

Director of NIT Sikkim since 1 May 2017



It would be difficult to sum up four years of MNIT in few lines, I must say that the learning & exposure which MREC bestowed is just commendable.

The traditions has changed along with the time, but the environment is same as before. I will always cherish the feeling of studying as well as teaching at an institute which focuses on career enhancement along with multi dimensional learning.

## Prof. Rakesh Jain (1981-1986 Batch)

Mechanical Engineering & Coordinator of IIIT Kota



My journey in MNIT not only contains a bunch of numerous unforgettable memories, Life changing lessons, learning experience but also bestowed a better version of me.

College life is an extremely enjoyable time of one's life. I have had my share of great times. Even today, all of us meet in Jaipur and recall those golden old days. We have a lot of parties and interactive sessions.

It is important to have a positive mindset. I am grateful for this life and have been enjoying it immensely. I have not faced any challenges as such.

My message to everyone will be to simply enjoy every day of their college life. This is the best opportunity to learn and they should utilize it completely. Learning is something which is not only useful during the study life but also at every step of life. Hence, one must keep on learning. Explore this new world and make a lot of friends.

## Prof. Upender Pandel (1978-1983 Batch)

Department of Metallurgy Engineering



From a student of MREC to a faculty Member of MNIT, the journey has been very memorable, enthusiastic and pleasant.

During this entire period, the institute has shown two dimensional growth. It is not only achieved the technical and educational heights but also acquired the number strength.

In these years communication skills, technical skills and creativity level of students have grown up to an immense level, but on the other hand I also feel lack of proximity among students, that needs to be improved.

I feel content among students, their surrounding gives me the genuine pleasure. I strongly recommend students to spend some of their time in sports which not only keep us physically fit but also provides us mental strength.



# Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)

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*Meet up with Chhavi Rajawat, the sarpanch of Soda village*

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is a flagship programme of MHRD for well-being of rural areas of India with the help of institutes of higher education. Suppressing developmental challenges and making the village people familiar to advance technology are the attributes of this movement.

MNIT has adopted five villages under this scheme, namely Jirrota (Tehsil Sanganer), Pahariya (Tehsil Phagi),

Tamariya (Tehsil Chaksu), Dhab ka Nalla (Tehsil Amer) and Burthal (Tehsil Bassi) with two faculty coordinators and some students assigned to each village.

For National Science Day (2018), as a part of helping the children of the five adopted villages getting exposure towards science and technology, UBA brought the students studying in the schools of the villages for a 3-day affair from 26th February 2018 to 28th February

2018, in which they got the opportunity to stay in MNIT premises and explore the MNIT labs, workshops and campus. Using science and engineering models, MNIT students explained various useful techniques, e.g., sewage treatment, wind mill, etc. In addition to this, quizzes and various competitions like drawing and dance were conducted and they were shown movies.

A plantation drive was also carried out in all five villages so as to make the villagers aware of the environmental problems and provide a befitting solution. Various medical health, hygiene camps and dental camps were conducted in all the villages to fast forward the eradication of health problems prevalent among them. Along with this, solar panels have been installed in few villages.

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan ensures that people are aware of the developments made around the world. Numerous sessions



were conducted regarding cashless transactions, digital mobile banking, e-shopping, etc. in the villages in order to increase their awareness and make them well-equipped with these advances. It also provides a platform for skill development of unprivileged youth.

This is an ongoing process which is growing with every passing day. The future holds immense possibilities for the development of villages as envisioned by our government and we are the intermediaries in this process with our function being technical intervention and monetary assistance. Through the same, we aspire to enhance skill development and work in the fields of renewable energy resources, waste management, water conservation and harvesting

and increased employment opportunities for the villagers. We request you to come forward and help us in this endeavor. Your monetary inputs and technical expertise will thrust this scheme needed for

the advancement and betterment of these villages. You can contribute through a cheque in favor of Registrar, Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur.





## Malaviya Akshaya Nidhi (MAN)



Coordinator  
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The Nidhi is named after the visionary and educationist BHARAT RATNA MAHAMANA PANDIT MADANMOHAN MALAVIYA. Driven by the guiding principles of Mahamana, MALAVIYA AKSHAYA NIDHI (MAN) will be working for the cause of education, employment, entrepreneurship and development of the institute.

MAN fund will be operated by an executive committee chaired by Prof. Udaykumar R. Yaragatti, Director, MNIT and Vice-Chairman Er. B. K. Sharma. We seek your cooperation in raising Rs 2000 cr. for Malaviya Akshaya Nidhi.

Some initiatives by MAN:

- Providing financial support and guidance to young minds with new startup ideas
- CSR Fund (fund from Indians and foreigners)
- Free food to girls (new experiment)

## Alumni Faculty Speaks

### Prof. V. Sahula (1983-1987 Batch)

Electronics & Communication Engineering



I joined IIT Delhi for post graduation in integrated circuits and passed out in 1989 from IIT Delhi. I was physically challenged. Due to help of teachers and friends, I was able to achieve success in my life. We enjoyed academics to the depth as we had very good faculty, we also enjoyed extra-curricular activities. The two faculty members I still remember are C.S. Upadhyay sir and A. K. Agarwal sir. I would advise students to work hard and keep right attitude, these are widespread words but they mean to a great extent. I wish good luck to all students.

## Student's Desk

### Drupad Umesh



What kind of education does India need?

In May 2018, I graduated from MNIT having learnt a specific set of things. I knew how various transistors worked, how to work with data structures, and how antennae functioned, amongst 203 credits and four years of academics. I also left MNIT not knowing how to pay my taxes, not knowing about laws and my constitution, about my rights as a citizen of the country, about caste and gender issues in the country, about literature and about philosophy. I understood that I know absolutely nothing in the larger sense of the world.

Be neither confused nor offended – this article seeks not to criticize MNIT, but rather the entire institution of higher education in the country. You have critics all around the world writing about India's rising

unemployment rate. You also have education in India that is delivered primarily through a utilitarian perspective – i.e. education tailor-made for jobs. A relative once advised my brother to pick a college over an area of study. When I heard it, I was shocked! The institutions created for the distribution of knowledge have now started distributing jobs – and yet news reports have emerged calling Indian graduates unemployable. In MNIT itself, graduates have struggled to secure placements despite receiving instruction from the top engineering institute of the state. So, what's missing?

As someone who worked for the Alumni magazine for four years, I've had the wonderful opportunity to interview and speak with many of you. One thing I was always able to take away from our interviews were the memories associated with fantastic educators and their teaching. Names such as Prof. Ramanujam, Prof. Dandekar or Prof. Talekar bring delight and often tears to the eyes of Alumni. Perhaps we require more of this - teaching for teaching's sake, with an emphasis on understanding the matter and their applications in real-world situations. And let us

not forget about the personal investments and the connections forged by these educators with their students. Our Alumni have found themselves solving various real-world problems with private and public enterprises – and there is no doubt that this is a product of the quality education they received back then. Quality education delivered at a personal level can change lives and cement learning. This is the need of the hour.

By the time you have completed the magazine, you would have come across a page asking you to contribute financially to the Institute. I will go one step further and ask you to bestow upon MNIT your ideas of schemes, policies and calls to action. These are harder and more difficult to do, but infinitely more actionable and impactful in the long run. MNIT Jaipur quietly turned fifty-five this year, and on this note, I urge all the Alumni to contribute handsomely to the larger entity of learning, both to our alma-mater as well as our nation. I implore you to recall your personal expectations of education as budding students and juxtapose them with your present ideas to bring about effective change.



# Our Editorial Team



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Prabhakar Tripathi

Hola! It gives me immense joy and pleasure to finally introduce you to the sixth edition of AluMNITimes “Fragrance”. After days of hard work but most importantly teamwork we came up with this edition and we sincerely hope that all of you will enjoy reading it which would henceforth mark our success.

We express our heartiest gratitude towards the unflinching support and motivation provided by the management of the institution for letting us assume the responsibility of bringing out yet another exciting edition of the AluMNITimes. This magazine is a combined effort of the Editorial board and the institute staff with everyone doing their bit sincerely.

First of all we would like to thank our Alumni for having such a down to earth nature talk and letting us take their inter view about their experiences and memories that we could share with all our readers. Thank you for inspiring us with your life deeds. We are truly honoured to have such a blissful conversation with you.

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our gratitude to the ex-editor in chief Prof. Dharmendar Boolchandani in helping us through his esteem 5 year experience. We would also like to appreciate Ms. Simi Choudhary for providing us with all the essentials required and at the same time helping us to clear all the technical and not-so-technical obstacles that came our way. Our thanks go to our seniors Kawal Deep Kaur, Vaibhav Srivastava, Manasvni and Chandana Singh.

Finally, thanks to all those who contributed in one way or another in making this magazine a spectacular success. For all the things you did, both small and big, we cannot express our gratitude fully but hopefully these words are a start.

I hope you will have as much fun in reading it as we had putting it together. In the end we wish you all a very happy reading, keep those memories safe forever and please do not forget to give your valuable feedback to the Editorial board, because we hold your opinions and views in the highest esteem.

May success be with you in everything you do, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

REGARDS,

Editorial team



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The newly constructed buildings in the campus of MNIT Jaipur viz. Material Research Centre, Energy and Environment Centre, Earthquake and Disaster Mitigation Centre, Tribology Laboratory, Prabha Bhawan (Admn. Block, Data Center), Incubation Center, Ganga Hostel, Vivekananda Lecture Hall and Tennis Court, bear witness to the steps that the institution has taken towards its goal of becoming a world-class institution.

The Alumni of my NIT MNIT have from time to time, generously contributed to make it a globally leading institution in a bid to ensure a bright future for the students. The Alumni have given a commendable contribution by way of imparting training to the students and by providing job opportunities to them. The institute acknowledges their contribution with profound gratefulness.

In changing times, the role of educational institutes is changing from mere centres of imparting knowledge to making students self-reliant and establishing them in a competitive corporate world as entrepreneurs and leaders. We envision a corpus fund of more than Rs. 5 crores for scholarships, grants and start-up grants, as well as for infrastructure developments.

Additionally, we want to bring your attention to the missions, Malaviya Akshaya Nidhi (MAN) created as a pride force for developing MNIT Jaipur and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) which enables processes connecting institutes of higher education with local communities to address the development challenges of rural India.

I appeal to our esteemed Alumni spread across the world to come forward and be a part of this endeavor by contributing generously. A committee of five contributing alumni shall be constituted to look into its utilization.

You may send your gracious contribution through the link available on our official website [www.mnit.ac.in](http://www.mnit.ac.in), your contribution may range from INR 1000/- and above (in crores) to the following account:

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- Looking forward to your initiatives and contribution towards alma mater.





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To foster and enhance the relationship between Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur and its alumni and also share details of mutual growth, achievements and advancements through meaningful programmes, benefits, services and communication.

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