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## NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**JULY 31, 2016, 11 A.M.**  
**Institute Hall, IEST, Shibpur**



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## ANNUAL REPORT

July 31, 2016

Dear Members,

It is my pleasure to place the Annual Report on the activities of Global Alumni Association of Bengal Engineering and Science University, Shibpur (GAABESU), for the period July 2015 to June 2016, before you at this Annual General Meeting.

At the outset we mention with heavy heart that we lost some of our alumni during the last year.

They are Biplab Nath (ARCH 1975), Asim Kumar Mitra (CE 1962), Gautam Kr. Chatterjee (ETC 1974), Subrata Ray (ME 1963), Anupam Banerjee (ARCH 1960), Satyangshu Chatterjee (CE 1960), Dilip Batabyal, Amit Datta (EE 1970), Bijoy Prasad Mazumder (CE 1956), Bholanath Ghosh (CE 1957), Gouranga Ganguli (CE1957), Sarit Chatterjee (CE 63), Keshab Ganguly (CE 1953), Sibdas Chakraborty (CE1963), Arobindo Dutt (CE 1962), Ashok Mukherjee (1963 CE), Sokamal Basu (CE 1963), Bidyut Dasgupta (CE1963), Dulal Chandra Datta, Rajendra Kumar Banerjee (CE 1955), Debaprasad Ghosh, Paritosh Dasgupta, Pradip Kumar Ghosh (CE 1967), Asim Sett (CE 1974), Soumitra Sankar Pal, Satya Narayan Mukhopadhyay (ME 1953), Tapan Kumar Majumdar, Swapan Kumar Das (CE 1970), Col Dilip Das, (CE 1968), Anil Chandra Debnath (CE 1966), Prabir Kumar Bhattacharya (CE 1967), Kalyan Kumar Dasgupta (ARCH 1962), Sajal Paul (ME 2014), Kishlay Mondal (MET 2006).

On behalf of GAABESU we offer our deep condolences to the friends and families of the departed alumni. May their souls rest in eternal peace!

### Executive Committee (2015-17)

Executive Committee for the period 2015-17 was formed in the 8<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2015. Office Bearers were elected through online election conducted by the Protem President within three weeks after the AGM. Along with the Office Bearers, several sub-committees were formed to carry forward the activities within the stated aims and objectives of GAABESU.

These Sub-Committees include Admission Grant and Scholarship, Research Award, Fellowship for Excellence, Student Award (Extracurricular), Travel Grant, Counselling and Mentoring, Membership, Member Service, Member Recognition, Legal, Finance and Administration. Institute & GAABESU Collaboration, Emergency Fund, Publicity, and Special Projects.

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## Activities of the Association

Besides our regular activities some of our significant achievements this year include:

- GAABESU office now remains open for Six Days of a Week including the Saturdays
- New GAABESU Logo is designed
- 369 Alumni joined this year as Life Members
- Increased interactions with Students and Students' Senate for GAABESU works
- Technical Seminar with IEST took place in 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2015
- Sponsored Quiz Show to Promote Feature Film Dwitio Ripu on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2015
- Successful 2<sup>nd</sup> Alumni Day with more than 1500 footprints on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2015
- Organised a Cultural programme based on classical Rabindra Sangeet on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2016
- Work shop on Road Safety with B E College Ex-students Club took place in 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2016
- GAABESU is active in Facebook ([facebook.com/gaabesu](https://www.facebook.com/gaabesu)) & Twitter ([twitter.com/gaabesu](https://twitter.com/gaabesu))
- Dedicated Website is being re-launched with new interface ([www.gaabesu.org](http://www.gaabesu.org))
- New Group Medical and Accidental Insurance for GAABESU Life Members
- Preliminary Approval for New GAABESU office
- Implementation of Professional Tax and TAN for GAABESU

## Annual Accounts and Audit Report

The Receipts and Payments Account and Audit Report for the financial year 2015-16 had already been circulated to all members in the last year. The Receipts and Payments Account and Audit Report for the financial year 2015-16 are being placed now.

## Scholarship, Admission Grant, Research Award and Students' Reward Programme

This year following scholarships have been awarded are:

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| • 89 scholarships @ 12000/-                      | = ₹ 10,68,000/- |
| • 14 Half Scholarships @ 6000/-                  | = ₹ 84,000/-    |
| • 7 book grants @ 2000/-                         | = ₹ 14,000/-    |
| • 19 awards for Alumni Fellowship for Excellence | = ₹ 3,08,500/-  |
| • 7 UG & PG Research Awards @ 18000/-            | = ₹ 1,26,000/-  |

The total award amount was ₹ 16,00,500/-. The names of the scholars and donors are posted in our web site. GAABESU thanks all donors for their generosity.

- ❖ Nripendra Prasanna Acharya, 1960 Civil has donated ₹ 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh) to be utilised for educational benefit of the students.

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- ❖ Smt. Archana Mukhopadhyay, wife of late Satya Narayan Mukhopadhyay, 1953 ME donated ₹ **10 lakhs** to start an endowment in her husband's name to help needy IEST Shibpur students.

GAABESU made a Fixed Deposits for both the above funds and the interest will be utilized for the benefit of IEST students.

## Travel Grant Programme

This year we received two applications and after verifying details GAABESU approved both:

- Travelling cost was disbursed to 3 students of 5<sup>th</sup> Semester Information Technology who qualified for ASIA REGIONALS Chennai onsite round of ACM ICPC.
- Financial assistance for 20 days internship at IIT Roorkee (Saharanpur Campus) is approved and will reimbursed to one 3<sup>rd</sup> and another 2<sup>nd</sup> year UG students from Department of Civil Engineering, IEST, Shibpur. Their manuscript was awarded as the best paper in an IEEE certified event at IIT, Kharagpur.

## Emergency Funds

The Emergency Fund Sub-Committee maintains a corpus fund that can be utilized in the time of need and replenish with individual campaign as and when alumni or their family members seek help through their local Alumni Chapter, friends or relatives. All contributions are acknowledged and posted in our web site.

Since the last AGM of August July 2015, fund drives undertaken are as follows:

- To help partially for the Kidney treatment of Sri Joydeep Roy, (1985 ME) Gaziabad, India. GAABESU launched a global fund drive and raised ₹ 88,104.00/- which was handed over to his daughter for his treatment.
- To help the surviving family of Late Sajal Paul (2014 ME). Due to an unfortunate road accident near Vijaywada, Andra Pradesh, we lost him. GAABESU launched a global fund drive to help his bereaved family and was able to raise ₹ 4,08,080.08/-. As agreed with his family members (both parents and elder brother), Rupees 3.5 Lakhs is deposited in the State Bank of India as Fixed Deposit for 2 years. The quarterly interest will be credited to his parents account directly. The rest amount will be handed over to them for their house repairing.
- To help Late Kishlay Mondal (2006 MET) who was fighting with Cancer for 4 years. GAABESU launched a global fund drive but unfortunately he lost his battle on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016. He is

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survived by his 4 year old daughter and wife. GAABESU has raised ₹ 7,63,550.58/- and handed over to his wife.

- One current IEST (MSc, Chemistry) student Ms Upasona Jash is suffering from advanced Breast Cancer. So far she has completed 2 cycles of Chemotherapy. She is due for another 4 cycles followed by Breast Surgery and radiotherapy. The treatment cost is estimated as around ₹ 5 Lakh. **We request all of you to donate generously in this fund (open till 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2016).**

## Other Funds

- Prof. Amiya Basu pledged for an endowment fund of \$100,000. In October 2015, GAABESU handed over a cheque amounting ₹ 31,72,874.63/- to the Finance Officer, IEST, Shibpur as first part of Prof. Amiya Basu Endowment Fund. Remaining part will be received soon which will be handed over in due course.
- In December 2016, Class of 1961, donated their entire collection of ₹ 2,87,904.62/- to GAABESU Corpus Fund. Interest from this fund will be utilised to take care of GAABESU operational expenses.
- In February 2016, GAABESU handed over a cheque amounting ₹ 2,81,881.15/- to SOCCE. This is equivalent to the Fixed Deposit and Interest earned for the fund created by Alumni of Civil Engineering Department for Society of Civil Engineers (SOCCE). This fund will be used by SOCCE for Freshers' Welcome, Arranging Sports, Model Building Completion, Educational Tours and to publish the Annual Magazine "The Civil Engineers".
- After the sad demise of Prof. P. K. Roy, GAABESU launched a global appeal as desired by his friends, juniors and students. In April 2016, GAABESU made a fixed deposit of ₹ 5,12,147.00/-. Interest earned from this fund will be utilised for "P. K. Roy Memorial Lecture" series.
- Though GAABESU raised a fund for Medical Treatment for Mojurul Islam Ahamed Mondal (a 3<sup>rd</sup> year CE student in 2014), with the excess fund we continued supporting all medical expenditure for more than 16 months. GAABESU also took initiative to arrange special arrangements and permissions so that he could resume his study. However, by November 2015, he and his family decided not to pursue his engineering career. Thus GAABESU suspended further family support and parked remaining fund in Emergency Fund and with a wish that Monjurul may come back and continue his career at IEST, Shibpur.
- GAABESU implemented a monthly review system to transfer excess funds from all current and normal saving accounts to privileged saving accounts to earn additional interest to meet operational expenditures, without disturbing the intended objective and amount of each funds.

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## GAABESU Group Insurance Policy

GAABESU is pleased to announce the launch of "GAABESU Group Medical Policy". After thorough evaluation and scrutiny with multiple agencies we have selected our Health Insurance partner. We intend to start the tenure from 1st August 2016. This tailor-made policy is designed only for GAABESU Life Members. **All interested members may please join now.**

## Publicity

The objective was to publish newsletters in regular interval and this continued for the initial few years. However, due to lack of volunteers the publications had to be discontinued in the past. However, I am happy to inform you that we have once again started quarterly publication of GAABESU newsletter (**ALUMNI LINK**), which carries news of the institute community. This has been possible due to the diligent and professional approach of the newly formed Publicity Sub-Committee last year. This Sub-Committee also updates the web site and maintains a Social Networking (**Facebook**) account, **Twitter** with news and other institute related information regularly. Dedicated Website of GAABESU is being re-launched with new interface ([www.gaabesu.org](http://www.gaabesu.org)) which will be fully operational shortly.

## Administrative Charge

GAABESU operational expenses are solely met from the membership fund as funds received for other purposes are fully spent for the purpose. To run the operational expenses GAABESU imposed Administrative charges as 2.5% for all fund drive from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2016. Sluggish Growth of membership has been a point of concern for the organization and all of us need to work together to ensure that we enrol as many new life members as possible.

## Membership Growth

GAABESU has current membership strength of 2992, out of which 1649 are life members and the others are annual members. 369 alumni Joined as Life Members in this year. Membership fees of GAABESU have not increased for many years. Previous Executive Committee of GAABESU conducted a survey to review membership fee structure and amount for our global alumni.

Based on alumni feedback the increased membership fees effective from 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015 are given below:

India and sub-continents	₹ 4,000/-
Present Pass out (5yrs) students or Senior Citizen	₹ 2,500/-
Middle East	₹ 10,000/-
Developed Countries (USA, Australia, New Zealand, Europe and Japan)	\$ 400

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## GAABESU SEMINARS

### Energy and Environmental Challenges: Indian Perspective 2015

A Seminar on Energy and Environmental Challenges: Indian Perspective (EECIP 2015) has been organised by GAABESU (Global Alumni Association of BESU, now IEST, Shibpur) in association with Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IEST), Shibpur on 21st August, 2015 at Dr M N Dastur School of Material Science, IEST Shibpur Campus from 10am to 6pm.

The Seminar provided a unique opportunity for all the stake-holders to evolve a suitable road map - to meet the energy and environment issues associated with a developing economy of the country. The participating organizations includes the leading corporates associated with the minerals & metals processing sector, thermal power stations, various engineering & process industries, building & urban infrastructure development along with the technology, equipment & service providers of repute. There was research paper contributions from the various R & D centres and educational institutions.

A press conference held on Tea break of the Seminar. The news of the Seminar got a huge publicity by various leading Newspapers, News Channels, Door Darshan News and All India Radio also.

### Workshop on Road Safety Management 2016

GAABESU and B. E. College Ex-Students' Club, Bidhannagar in association with IIT, Kharagpur and IEST, Shibpur organized a Workshop on Road Safety Management. More than 100 delegates from government and private sectors, academic institutions, individual experts and other stake holders participated in the deliberations which were a huge success.

### **New GAABESU office at Prosantir Nir (Meditation Centre)**

On the occasion of Alumni Day 2015 Business meet the Director Prof. Ajoy K Ray announced that the existing "Prosintir Nir" (Meditation Centre) area as a future space for GAAABESU office expansion and meet space constraints when activities demand the same. He suggested that utilization of the open structure should be carried out under the guidance of an expert committee. After his confirmation Honorary Secretary sent a letter to him for such approval.

GAABESU has received the approval from the Director, IEST on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016. It was decided in the 58<sup>th</sup> EC meeting of GAABESU that a three-member team will lead the initiative to talk to the Administration about required steps and procedural actions. At the same time a two-member team volunteered to prepare the layout plan with minimal or no extension. GAABESU will submit a proposal to the Executive Council of IEST through the Director for final approval.

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## Alumni Day 2015

The Global Alumni Day was conceptualized to be a family event with social touch within the Campus by the Alumni, of the Alumni, and for the Alumni to rekindle the nostalgia of the bygone days with old friends and to make new acquaintances. The event was scheduled in such a way [last Sunday of each year] so that our ex-Students across different continents and at pan-Indian locations could plan well in advance to attend. After the success of its maiden edition [on 28th Dec 2014], GAABESU organized the 2nd Alumni Day-2015 at the majestic 'Lords' on December 27th 2015.

The day-long programme witnessed a huge participation from Alumni across different batches. The event was inaugurated by Prof. Tathagata Roy [66CE], currently Honorable Governor of Tripura and Prof. Ajoy K. Ray [74ETC], Director-IIEST Shibpur. The notable events were Invitational Debate, Business Meet, Chhou Nritya" - Folk Dance from Manbhum, Mime show by Srikanta Bose - a Jogesh Dutta disciple and a captivating cultural evening by Deborshee Bhattacharya, a classical vocalist and disciple of Pundit Ajoy Chakraborty.

Five senior mess employees were honoured by Sri Gour Gobinda Chowdhury (1979 ME, Brisbane, Australia) who sponsored the memorabilia in honour of his departed friend Sri Abhijit Dutta (1979 CE and General Secretary of B. E. College Students Union, 1978-79).

With the sunset on the day filled with Fun, Fraternity, and Food, all promised to come back again on 3rd Alumni Day. The Steering Committee, on behalf of GAABESU, extends heartfelt thanks to the entire Alumni Community for ensuring a stupendous success in exceeding the objectives of the 2nd Global Alumni Day.

## Other events

### The Classical Tagore

"THE CLASSICAL TAGORE" will feature Rabindra sangeets influenced by Indian Classical Ragas. This programme organised by the Global Alumni Association of IEST (the former erstwhile Bengal Engineering College) on its sprawling campus on 30th January 2016. Music connoisseurs in Kolkata crossed the Hooghly to get immersed in the musical waves of classical Tagore.

### Ditiyo Ripu promotional quiz

GAABESU organized a Quiz Competition as a part of our promotional events for Bengali Feature Film DWITIYO RIPU (দ্বিতীয় রিপু) - a psychological drama around an inspiring new age writer. Both the Director and Assistant Director are our Alumni. This Quiz Competition was "Open to All" and successfully held on 7th September, 2015 at Alumni Seminar Hall. Students' Quiz Club of IEST, Shibpur *Quizmaniac BEings* was co-organizer of this event.

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## Alumni News

### Distinguished Alumnus Award Announcement

This year's Convocation at our Alma Mater held on March 4th. In response to a request from Prof Ajoy K Ray, Director, IEST Shibpur, we sought nominations for this award from our global alumni community. GAABESU office collected all nominations which were handed over to the institute by Honorary Secretary with full confidentiality. The final award selection has been made by the committee chosen by the Director. At the Convocation IEST conferred Distinguished Alumnus award to four distinguished alumni:

- Prof. Tathagata Roy
- Dr. Dhrubojyoti Ghosh
- Prof. Sriman Kumar Bhattacharya, and
- Prof. Ajit Chakrabarty.

### Shri Tathagata Roy, 1966 CE - New Governor of Tripura

We are pleased to inform that Shri Tathagata Roy ('66CE) and a GAABESU Life Member has been appointed as the Governor of the State of Tripura. RailNews website <http://goo.gl/DbB9oo> rightly mentioned him as the 'elite intellectual', from Railway Engineer to GM to Prof. to Politician to Governor. On behalf of all alumni/alumnae, GAABESU congratulates Shri Roy for being the first alumnus to be appointed as a Governor of an Indian State.

## Updated List of Statutory Information

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**Income Tax Exemptions - Approval u/s 80G(5)(VI) of the Income Tax Act, 1961:** DIT(E)/8E/71/2012-13/G-212/2252-54 dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

**Income Tax Exemptions - Order u/s 12AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961:** DIT(E)/8E/71/2012-13/S-121/2249-51 dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**FCRA - Registration u/s 11(1) of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010:** Registration Number - 147000232, Nature - Educational dated 01<sup>st</sup> September, 2011

**PAN - Permanent Account Number:** AABTG2062K

**TAN - Tax Deduction Account Number:** CALG08743A dated 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016

**Enrolment No. under rule 4/6A of the West Bengal State Tax of Professions, Trades, Callings and Employments Act, 1979 (West Ben. Act VI of 1979):** 192041437887 dated 04<sup>th</sup> November, 2011

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## GAABESU Logo Design Competition

The Global Alumni Association of Bengal Engineering and Science University, Shibpur (GAABESU) conducted a competition for the design of our logo. Creative minds across the alumni and student communities of our Institution were invited to take part in this effort. Panel of judges consisted of nationally distinguished people and the result was declared.

The winner of the competition is Soham Karmakar, a student of Architecture Department. GAABESU Logo announcement will be formally announced in this AGM. A cheque of prize money (₹ 10,000/-) along with a citation will be handed over.

## Upcoming Events

### Lecture by Air Vice Marshal

GAABESU in association with IEST, Shibpur is organising a motivational speech by Air Vice Marshal Archan Kumar Bhattacharya who is recipient of Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (AVSM), Vishisht Seva Medal (VSM).

AVM Archan Kumar Bhattacharya is an alumnus from 1979 Mechanical Engineering and a Life Member of GAABESU.

### Seminar: Advances in Welding Science and Technology and Related Career Opportunities

Welding Science and Technology has made rapid strides over the past 50 years and with the rapid industrialization of the country more & more challenges are being faced by the scientists, engineers and technicians to produce quality weld joint involving newly developed steels and alloys.

GAABESU in collaboration with IIW and IEST will go to organize the seminar on Advances in Welding Science and Technology and related career opportunities. GAABESU is aimed to focus on the recent advancement of welding science and technology. This Seminar will be rescheduled and expected to be held on next month.

### Alumni Day 2016

Alumni Day 2016 will be held on **25<sup>th</sup> December, 2016** (last Sunday of the year) in the IEST campus. At GAABESU we are committed to offer best of our attention to all our members and non-member alumni. Hence to manage the registration process efficiently from this year Early Bird registration is offered. Any alumni can confirm his/her registration along-with accompanying friends or family members latest by 15th December, 2016 to avail Early Bird offer.

We are also planning to add a 1 km Walk / Run as requested by many alumni. Entire fund collected from this Walk / Run will be used for betterment of workers in IEST, Shibpur.

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## Looking Forward

In continuation to our declaration in last AGM, GAABESU did not invest in infrastructure development projects in the campus though in the past it had done so on numerous occasions. The current focus is on helping the students, faculty members, alumni and other stakeholders in the campus in their quest for academic and intellectual excellence.

In coming days GAABESU will strive to improve the systems and processes in conjugation with its aims and objectives. GAABESU intends to increase the collaboration with IEST authorities to create a better and more meaningful ecosystem. For this, there is a need to augment the coordination amongst all Alumni Chapters and Groups worldwide.

As we scale up further, we will need more funds and more volunteers for a sustainable Alumni network association. At this point of time our top priority is increase our Life Members so that we can tap the collective power of the alumni of the second oldest engineering college in India .I humbly request all our existing life members to facilitate at least ONE member this year.

I, on behalf of the Executive Committee, appreciate the selfless work put up by the members to uphold the spirit of the organization, without which GAABESU could never function effectively. I also take this opportunity to thank the Office Assistants of GAABESU who have put in a lot of effort to ensure that all operations of the Executive Committee function smoothly.

I, appreciate all help extended by IEST authorities, faculty members and others in the administration who have run the extra mile to help GAABESU. My sincere thanks to the students and newly formed Students' Senate who have always responded promptly to our requests whenever we needed them.

I, on behalf of the Executive Committee, thank all previous executive committee members for their commitment and selfless work in establishing the association. They had laid the foundation of what we are today.

At the end, I thank all Alumni, irrespective of their affiliations to GAABESU, for their help and guidance in making GAABESU a global phenomenon and giving it the priority which it deserves.

With warm regards to all the members of GAABESU.

(Partha Pratim Roy)  
Honorary Secretary, GAABESU

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