





10th December, 2020

September - December 2020

It is indeed a privilege for me to be communicating with you through The Chamber's Newsletter.

You would be pleased to know that with the commencement of the New Chamber Year, I have initiated interactions with the Chairpersons of the Expert Committees to take forward the Chamber's Vision and the Agenda for the year ahead. The Vision for the Chamber Year, articulated by me at our AGM last month, is to "help build the Business of Tomorrow with a supportive ecosystem that is inclusive and equitable, resilient and sustainable and good for all". It would be our endeavour to translate this Vision into an action oriented operational plan to be delivered through projects and programmes in course of the year.

In these challenging times, your Chamber has set a new standard of engagement by delivering events and programmes by blending the physical with the virtual and this approach was successfully adopted in our recently concluded AGM.

Going forward, I would count on your advice and support to deliver on our shared vision.

Wish you and your families good health and happiness in the New Year!

Sd/-**Deb A Mukherjee**President

MEMBER'S NEWS CORNER



Welcome to the Bengal Chamber family! That's what we would like to convey to Indofil Industries Limited, Mazars Business Advisors Pvt Ltd., Navitus Controls & Equipment Pvt Ltd., Fabricast Equipment, Mitshuoshi Corporation, Datre Corporation Limited whose applications for membership were tabled and approved by the Managing Committee at its meeting on 7th September and 7th November 2020 respectively.







Honey Extraction from the Bee Corridor developed by Schoppen Solutions

On Saturday, 28th November 2020, Schoppen Solutions, a Full-fledged Incubatee of Webel-BCC&I Tech Incubation Centre successfully extracted honey out of their "Smart" Honeybee Boxesinstalled at Banglar Gram, Eco Park for the first time since December 2019. They have developed a Bee Corridor which is an initiative involving emerging technologies like IoT, Artificial Intelligence to monitor the behaviour of the bees which will facilitate colonization. The project has been awarded to them by HIDCO which manages Eco Park and is also under the supervision of NKGSCCL. The activity took place under the guidance and august presence of Shri Debashis Sen, Chairman & Managing Director, HIDCO and Additional Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal. It was also attended by other HIDCO, NKGSCCL and NKDA Officials as well. Raw and unrefined honey was being tasted by all the attendees

during the event. The honey that has been collected in the process will now be further refined, pasteurized and processed for commercialization.

The project involves honey being produced in an artificial, man-made bee colony which has been constructed in an urban setting. Urban beekeeping is the practice of keeping bee colonies in urban areas. It may also be referred to as hobby beekeeping or backyard beekeeping. Bees from city apiaries are said to be "healthier and more productive than their country cousins". Their presence also provides cities with environmental and economic benefits. Apart from this, apiculture can also become a sustainable means of livelihood generation for the neighbourhood villagers who reside in the proximity of this project.



Mr. Arijit Das, Founder, Schoppen Solutions, Incubatee of Webel-BCC&I Tech Incubation Centre is seen explaining the honey extraction process to Shri Debashis Sen, Chairman & Managing Director, HIDCO and Additional Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal



honey frame with bees is being displayed



Honey is being extracted from the honey frame

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized an 'Online Session on E-Invoicing' on 1st September, 2020 on Zoom.

Welcome and Introductory Address on E-Invoicing under GST was given by Mr. T. B. Chatterjee, Chairperson - Indirect Taxes Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Partner, Tax Connect Advisory Services (North) LLP.

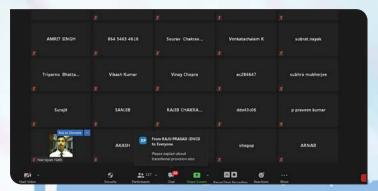
Technical Session I covered E-Invoicing provisions as per GST, Various notifications on E-invoicing, Necessity for E-Invoicing & benefits of E-invoicing and Penal consequences of non-compliance. The Session was conducted by Mr. Shrenik



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Address by Mr. Subhasish Sarkar, Partner – North, Tax Connect Advisory Services (North) LLP



Online Session on E-Invoicing in progress

Mehata, Indirect Tax Manager, Price Waterhouse & Co. LLP.

Mr. Subhasish Sarkar, Partner – North, Tax Connect Advisory Services (North) LLP addressed the Technical Session II along with Velocis Team. The Session covered E-invoicing schemes, Essential features of E-invoicing, Digitization under E-invoicing, Data transfer protocols & checks, GST portal features and short demo of process of E-invoicing.

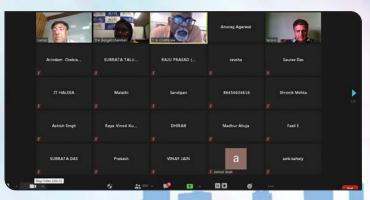
The Technical Sessions were followed by an interactive session with the participants. The Online Session on E-Invoicing was attended by more than 120 delegates.



Presentation by Mr. Shrenik Mehata, Indirect Tax Manager, Price Waterhouse & Co. LLP



Presentation by Velocis Team



Online Session on E-Invoicing in progress

"ONLINE PARENTING SUMMIT" "EFFECTIVE PARENT – SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP"

As the pandemic prompts teachers to innovate and adapt to online formats, from one day to the next, teachers around the world found themselves managing virtual classrooms, communicating with their students over social media platforms and learning by doing as they provide education from a distance to students affected by school closures due to the Covid-19 pandemic, in this context on the eve of Teachers' Day, Women Entrepreneurship Cell of The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry organizedthe first phase of "Online Parenting Summit" which addressed various aspects of "Effective Parent — School Partnership".

The inaugural session commenced with an introductory address by Mr. Kumar Shivam, Associate Director - Strategy and Business Development, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Mr. Meghdut Roy Chowdhury, Vice Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry delivered his welcome address and invited Mr. Deepak Daftari, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry for his key note address. In his speech, Mr. Daftari explained the relevance and necessity of the session. Then Mr. Roy Chowdhury invited Guest of Honor of the session, Mr. Shyamal Karmakar, Managing Director, S&IB Services Pvt Ltd. Mr. Karmakar is very closely associated with various educational organizations. He also emphasized the uniqueness of the session and its necessity and relevance in the present context. Chief Guest Prof. Manoshi Roy Chowdhury, Co-Chairman, Techno India Group discussed on the synchronization of the parent- teacher relationship and opportunity which has emerged during pandemic situation. The session was concluded by a vote of thanks from Mr. Binod Homagai, Co-Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Inaugural Session moderated by Mr. Meghdut Roy Chowdhury, Vice Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Director Global Operations-Technologie Group

Ms. Pooja Dugar, Chairperson, Women Entrepreneurship Cell, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry was the moderator for the next two sessions.

Ms. Rupkatha Sarkar, Principal, LA MARTINIERE FOR GIRLS, Ms. Bratati Bhattacharyya, Secretary General and CEO, Shri Shikshayatan Foundation and ShriShikshayatan School and Mr. John Bagul, Principal, South City International School werethe eminent speakers of the Panel Discussion on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Academic Stakeholders". The speakers very effectively portrayed the digital evolution which has occurred due to pandemic and kept the session well engaged with the audience. In that session different new aspects of challenges and opportunities around digitalization of education and teacher-student - parent relationship were discussed.

The next Panel Discussion was on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Parents" and the panellists were Ms. Shaleni S Sarkar, Managing Director, Easy Note Stationery Pvt. Ltd, Ms. Priyadarshini Hakim, Head - Digital Initiatives, CESC Limited, Ms. SrabaneeChakrabarty, Managing Director, Supportact Enterprises Pvt. Ltd. In this session new challenges and opportunities of learning through digital mode and participation of parents in the technical handholding and coordination were discussed.

The session was well attended and appreciated by relevant stakeholders from Academia, Industry and Parent's circle. The second and third phase of the summit will be organized on 15th October 2020 to celebrate the birthday of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam and on 12th November 2020 to celebrate Children's Day.

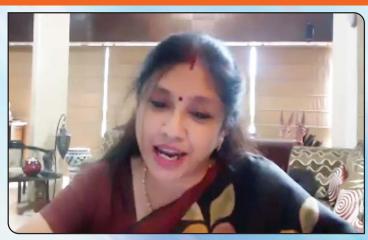


Key Note Address by Mr. Deepak Daftari, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Director & CEO, DD Web Vision Pvt. Ltd.

"ONLINE PARENTING SUMMIT" "EFFECTIVE PARENT – SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP"



Address by Guest of Honor Mr. Shyamal Karmakar, Managing Director, S&IB Services Pvt. Ltd



Address by the Chief Guest Prof. Manoshi Roy Chowdhury, Co-Chairman, Techno India Group



Vote of Thanks by Mr. Binod Homagai, Co-Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Co-Founder & COO, Wow Momo Foods Pvt. Ltd.



Panels moderated & chaired by Ms. Pooja Dugar, Chairperson, Women Entrepreneurship Cell, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Founder Director – Leap Years Preschool



Ms. Rupkatha Sarkar, Principal, LA MARTINIERE FOR GIRLS addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Academic Stakeholders"



Ms. Bratati Bhattacharyya, Secretary General and CEO, Shri Shikshayatan Foundation and Shri Shikshayatan School, addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Academic Stakeholders"

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Mr. John Bagul, Principal, South City International School, also the panelist of the first session, addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Academic Stakeholders"



Ms. Priyadarshini Hakim, Head: Digital Initiatives, CESC Limited, addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Parents"



Ms. Shaleni S Sarkar, Managing Director, Easy Note Stationery Pvt. Ltd, addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Parents"



Ms. Srabanee Chakrabarty, Managing Director, Supportact Enterprises Pvt. Ltd, addressing the audience in the panel on "Sharing Opportunities & Challenges by Parents"

SAFEGUARDING MSMES THROUGH GENERAL INSURANCE POLICIES IN THE WAKE OF COVID 19 PANDEMIC

5th & 12th September 2020 Zoom Pro

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce jointly with SBI General Insurance Company Limited organised two seasons of Webinar on 'Safeguarding MSMEs through General Insurance Policies in the Wake of Covid 19 Pandemic' on 5th September & 12th September, 2020 on ZOOM from 4pm-5pm.

The two sessions unfolded strategies to address various risks associated with MSME businesses ranging from Civil Liabilities, Privacy Damage, System Damage, Business Interruption, Computer Virus Transmission and Hackings, Multimedia Liability among others and will emphasize on issues like Mandatory Public Liability Policy, Fire Insurance Policy, All

Risk Insurance Policy, Impact of Under Insurance in Policy, Claim Settlements and other pertaining issues. **Speakers of Season 1 were Mr. Siladitya Chaudhuri,** NSM – SME, SBI General Insurance Company Limited and **Ms. Pragnya Acharya**, (Underwriting Head – Liability & Casualty), SBI General Insurance Company Limited.

Focus of Season 1 was "Importance of New Age Liability Policies to safeguard small and medium enterprises in the wake of digital and work from home scenarios. Speakers of Season 2 were Mr. Siladitya Chaudhuri, NSM – SME, SBI General Insurance Company Limited, Mr. Pankaj Verma,

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National Head-Market Underwriting, SBI General Insurance Company Limited and Dr. Mou Sen, Joint Director, Department of MSME, Govt. of West Bengal.

Focus of Season 2 was: Important covers of Property Commercial Insurance & Group Health Policies for workers and employees to ensure SME units run uninterruptedly in the midst of the Covid pandemic.

Participation received for this webinar was from the MSMEs who belonged to Manufacturing as well as Service sectors for example, metals, mining engineering, electrical equipment, leather, garments, ITeS, hospitality and other sectors.

Speakers at the second session were Dr. Mou Sen, Jt. Director, Department of MSME, Government of West Bengal and Mr. Pankaj Verma, National Head, Market Underwriting, SBI General Insurance Company Ltd.





(Speakers from Left to right) Mr. Siladitya Chaudhuri, NSM-SME, SBI General Insurance Co Ltd. Ms. Pragnya Acharya, Underwriting Head- Liability & Casualty, SBI General Insurance and Mr. Abhishek Choudhury ACM-SME (East), SBI General Insurance Co Ltd.

8th September 2020, WEBEX VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSION ON MSME SCHEMES AND POLICIES: 'YOUR ROADMAP TO BECOME SELF-RELIANT – AN ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT IN THE MAKING'

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in association with the MSME Development Institute, Government of India, organized a 'Virtual Training Session on MSME Schemes and Policies: Your Roadmap to become Self-Reliant — an Atmanirbhar Bharat in the making' on 8th September, 2020 from 3 PM on WEBEX platform.

Mr. K. D. Bhattacharya, Director I/C, MSME-DI, Mr. Debabrata Mitra, Deputy Director, G&C, MSME-DI and Mr. T. B. Chatterjee, Chairperson, Indirect Taxes Committee, The Bengal Chamber deliberated on and discussed the existing MSME schemes and policies, the declarations made under Atmanirbhar Bharat and export policies and opportunities for MSMEs.

The Opening Remarks and Welcome Address were provided by Mr. Debkumar Basu, Chairperson, Manufacturing & MSME Committee, The BCC&I and the session was moderated by Mr. Bimal Sarkar, Senior Member, Manufacturing & MSME Committee, The BCC&I.

More than 150 MSMEs of West Bengal participated in the training session. Other participants included entrepreneurs who wish to register as MSMEs, Startups and large corporate houses looking forward to add new MSMEs as vendors.

The programme helped participants get an overview of all relevant schemes, identify how they could benefit from these and procedures to access the same. The participants were

VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSION ON MSME SCHEMES AND POLICIES: 'YOUR ROADMAP TO BECOME SELF-RELIANT – AN ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT IN THE MAKING'

made aware of the various Central Government schemes for MSMEs on:

- Credit and Financial Assistance to MSMEs
- Skill Development and Training
- Infrastructure Development
- Marketing Assistance
- Technology upgradation & Competitiveness and
- Export

The session also provided a platform to MSMEs to share their experience towards accessing the schemes and policies, shared their feedback on the same and discussed & deliberated on issues faced by the MSMEs.

The Programme was supported by Fabricast Equipment, Datre Corporation Limited, Suncraft Energy Private Limited, Lintas Packaging and RAMAESIS Realty Private Limited.



Mr. D. Mitra, Deputy Director, MSME –DI, Kolkata, speaking at the Training Session



Mr. D. Mitra making a presentation at the Training Session



Mr. K.D. Bhattacharya, Director, MSME- DI, Kolkata, speaking with the participants at the Training Session



Mr. Bimal Sarkar, Senior Member, Manufacturing & MSME Committee, The Bengal Chamber moderating the session



Mr. D. Banerjee, Proprietor, Fabricast Equipment sharing his views at the Session



Mr. Rabin Roy, CEO, Suncraft Energy sharing his experience at the Session



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Mr. Indranil Dutta, CEO, Datre Corporation making a point at the Session



Dr. Arijit Banerjee, Director, Ramaesis deliberating at the Session



VIRTUAL B2B MEETINGS WITH EXPORTERS OF PRINTING INDUSTRY IN SRI LANKA

High Commission of Sri Lanka, New Delhi, in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized virtual B2B meetings with the prospective suppliers of Printing Industry in Sri Lanka on 16th, 17th, 18th, 21st and 22nd September 2020 respectively.

The objective of the B2B meetings was to facilitate joint venture collaboration with the Printing Industry in Sri Lanka for expansion of production for the export market.

The Companies, representing Sri Lanka, were:

- M/s Sharp Print Expo
- M/s Austriya Printing Pvt Ltd
- M/s M.G Printers Pvt Ltd
- M/s Sanmik Printing & Packaging Pvt Ltd
- M/s Graphic Systems Pvt Ltd

Goodricke Group Ltd and Saraswati Print Factory Pvt. Ltd., the distinguished stakeholders of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry took part in the said B2B Sessions.



B2B Meetings – Mr. Ranjith Fernando, M/s Sharp Print Expo with Mr. K Krishnan Nair, Head Purchase Department, Goodricke Group Limited



B2B Meetings - Mr. Thamira Rupasinghe, M/s Sanmik Printing & Packaging Pvt Ltd with Mr. Pratin Kumar Khanra, Managing Director, Saraswati Print Factory Pvt. Ltd



B2B meetings- Mr. Merwyn Gunawardene, M/s M.G Printers Pvt Ltd with Mr. Pratin Kumar Khanra, Managing Director, Saraswati Print Factory Pvt. Ltd



B2B meetings- Ms Venthini Sivajeevan, M/s Austriya Printing Pvt Ltd with Mr. K Krishnan Nair, Head Purchase Department, Goodricke Group Limited.

The Shipping Committee of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) has organized an Interactive Webinar on "Digitization – The New Normal in End to End Maritime Logistics" on Saturday, 19th & 26th September 2020 on Cisco Webex platform.

The objective of the webinar was to address and resolve the various issues of the stakeholders in areas like Shipping Lines, CHAs, CFSs/ICDs, Export Import, Port Operations, Customs Compliance, etc which arises mainly due to the digital transformation of shipping activities in the New Normal.

Capt S B Mazumder, Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I welcomed the Key speakers of the webinar which comprised of Shri P K Agrawal, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Kolkata and Shri A K Mehera, Dy Chairman, Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Trust (SPMPT) {Erstwhile Kolkata Port Trust (KOPT)}, Haldia.

Apart from the above, there were important speakers present in the programme which comprised of Mr. Adhendru Jain, Head of Delivery, India, Srilanka and Bangladesh, Maersk Line, Mr. S Ramakrishnan, Past Chairman, Federation of Freight Forwarders Association of India (FFFAI), Mr. Pramod Kumar Srivastava, Chief Executive Officer & Director, The PDP Group, Allied ICD Services Ltd, ICD Durgapur, West Bengal, Mr. Mahesh Chandra Keyal, Partner, Mortex (India), Kolkata, Mr. Vineet Malhotra, Co-Founder & Director, M/s Kale Logistics Solutions Pvt Ltd, Mumbai and Mr. Debashis Dutta, Member, Shipping Committee, BCC&I who was the Moderator of the webinar.



Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) addressing the second session of the Webinar on "Digitization – The New Normal in End to End Logistics" held on 26th September 2020. The first session was held on 19th September 2020 and both sessions were held on Cisco Webex event

The webinar was quite meaningful and the discussion held was very constructive as it highlighted various issues like Electronic Bill of Ladding (EBL), E-Forms; E-Certificate of Origins, E-Shipping Bills, Sea Cargo Manifesto and Trade Regulations (SCMTR), Tariff issues, Integration of Digital Infrastructure, Port Communication System (PCS), Digital Conversion of Billing Systems, Single Window Clearance, Cross Border Digitization, Clearing and Forwarding, Customs Procedure, etc. in areas like Shipping Lines, CHAs, CFSs/ICDs, Export Import, Port Operations, Customs Compliance, etc. Apart, the Webinar focussed on areas like Paperless, Contactless and Faceless working environment, National Assesment Centre, Digitization of documents - TurantSeva Kendra of Customs, Swift - single face window interface for trade, ICES Advisory, Use of ICETAB for paperless examination which is mainly helpful for the port, Faceless Assessment, etc.

The two-day programme was an eye-opener for the delegates as it brought forward the undisclosed issues which was categorically addressed and resolved to the extent possible during the webinar for the benefit of the maritime fraternity. Besides, the issues which could be addressed but could not be resolved, as a follow up of this webinar, those would be resolved to the extent possible with the help of the competent authority and the stakeholders.

The webinar was attended by over 300 delegates which comprised of port and customs officials, clearing and forwarding agents, shipping companies, cargo handling agents, port users, representatives from the trade, customs and freight brokers, logistics companies, transporters, etc.



Capt S B Mazumder, Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I addressing the Webinar



Shri P K Agrawal, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Kolkata addressing the Webinar



Shri A K Mehera, Dy Chairman, Haldia Dock Complex, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Trust (SPMPT) {Erstwhile Kolkata Port Trust (KoPT)}, Haldia addressing the Webinar



Mr. S Hajara, Co- Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I addressing the Webinar



Mr. Tapas Banerjee, Co- Chairperson, Shipping Committee, BCC&I addressing the Webinar

SHORT-TERM CERTIFICATE COURSES ON BUSINESS ANALYTICS AND DATA SCIENCE CURATED BY THE BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (BCC&I), IN ASSOCIATION WITH PRAXIS BUSINESS SCHOOL





SHORT-TERM DATA SCIENCE COURSES FOR PROFESSIONALS

Designed for Business Associates, Business Managers, Team Leaders, CXOs and Entrepreneurs with in-depth consultation and feedback of senior technology leaders from the industry.



Online Classes



Certification

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I) in association with Praxis Business School has launched Short-term Certificate courses on Business Analytics and Data Science of 20 and 50 hrs respectively for Managers starting from Saturday, 19th September 2020. The courses have been conducted on-line using VC platforms and will continue till 13th December 2020.

The objective of these courses is to upskill corporate professionals and business owners so that they can navigate the digital world and make sound, data-driven decisions without having to go through the rigor of coding. Participants

will learn to use Orange, a powerful tool, user-friendly for data science. The courses have been designed with in-depth consultation and feedback of senior technology leaders from the industry.

These courses are designed and delivered by a faculty team of high academic pedigree and rich industry experience in online, synchronous mode, and will involve a mix of interactive lecture, use-case discussions and lab sessions.

The Certification will be jointly provided by The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Praxis Business School.

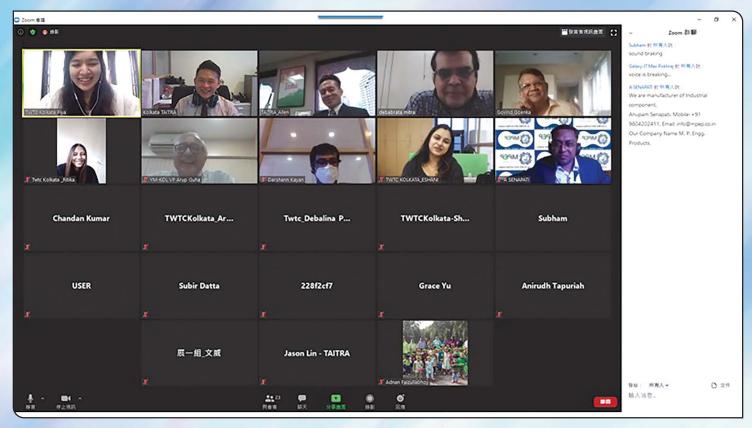




Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata (TAITRA), in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, organized an Online Seminar on Taiwan's Steel and Machinery Industry on 22nd September 2020, Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry shares a deep connect with TAITRA. In this context, The Chamber was partnering with TAITRA in the aforementioned programme. **Mr. Allen Hsu**, Manager, TAITRA South Asia Section graced the forum along with **Ms. Shazia Kazmi**, Trade Promotion Specialist, TAITRA and **Ms. Eshani Ghosh**, Trade Promotion Specialist, TAITRA.

A special announcement had been made on TAITRA's forthcoming online event on Taiwan Expo, scheduled to be held in the month of December 2020.



Mr. Steven Liu, Director, Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata (TAITRA) (first row, second left) with the distinguished participants.

INDIA ECONOMIC CONCLAVE 2020 WEBINAR SERIES-I ON UNLOCKING THE "NEW NORMAL" INDIAN ECONOMY: SPOTLIGHT ON INDIAN ECONOMY AND FINANCE

29th September 2020, Virtual Platform



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized India Economic Conclave 2020 Webinar Series-I on Unlocking the "New Normal" Indian Economy: Spotlight on Indian Economy and Finance.

The Session was moderated by **Shri Sumit Bose**, Former Finance & Revenue Secretary, Government of India and Chairperson, Economic Affairs Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The Speakers in the Session were as follows:

- Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
- Dr. Sajjid Z. Chinoy, Chief Indian Economist, J P Morgan and Member of the Advisory Council to the 15th Finance Commission, India
- Dr. Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Group Chief Economic Adviser,
 State Bank of India
- Mr. Ajay Thakur, Head- BSE SME and Start Up, BSE Limited

In the Session, **Dr. Sajjid Z. Chinoy**, Chief Indian Economist, J P Morgan and Member of the Advisory Council to the 15th Finance Commission, India mentioned that Union Government must do the heavy lifting in terms of fiscal spending. He mentioned that the approach he would prefer is to have a large infrastructure stimulus over the next 12-18 months which will boost aggregate demand, crowd in private investment, create jobs and help medium term growth. He added that the stimulus could be financed through aggressive

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Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry gracing the session

asset sale over the next two to three years so that it is fiscally neutral. He also said the challenge for the government would be to maintain fiscal sustainability after the Covid-19 pandemic.

Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Former President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry expressed eagerness over the opening of the economy which was under a lockdown for almost five months. In his opinion the faster the economy opens the better are the chances for the Government turning it around. He said that rural is doing better than urban and therefore steps should be immediately taken leaving enterprises to the hands of entrepreneurs.

Dr. Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Group Chief Economic Adviser, State Bank of India said the Government should adopt an innovative approach to policy making which will bring back financial stability to the market through a coordinated approach between the Government and RBI using discretionary measures about future monetary policies.

Mr. Ajay Thakur, Head-BSE SME and Start Up, BSE Limited pointed out the impacting of the banking and auto sectors at the bourses. However, he was optimistic about the bourses turning around with easy liquidity and high foreign and domestic inflows gradually going up and a rise in the pharma sector.

The Session ended with questions from the participants which were addressed by the esteemed panellists.



Dr. Sajjid Z. Chinoy, Chief Indian Economist, J P Morgan and Member of the Advisory Council to the 15th Finance Commission, India addressing the audience

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Dr. Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Group Chief Economic Adviser, State Bank of India addressing the audience



Shri Sumit Bose, Former Finance & Revenue Secretary, Government of India and Chairperson, Economic Affairs Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry moderating the session

ONLINE SESSION ON "INDIA'S NEW AGRICULTURAL REFORM – THE WAY FORWARD"

6th October 2020

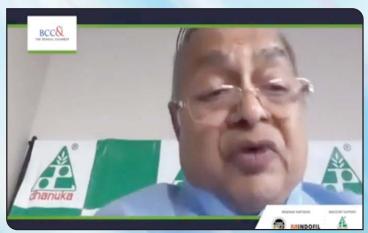
The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry organized the Online Agriculture Colloquium through the Chamber virtual platform. The objective of the conclave was to promote Government Vision, analyze policy changes, and provide effective solutions for industry stakeholders and farming community. Through this initiative, the Chamber would create an awareness on new bills -"Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020", "Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020", "Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill 2020".

The programme was graced by Mr. V R Kaundinya, Director General, Federation of Seed Industry of India (FSII) and Mr. Ram Gopal Agarwal, Group Chairman, Dhanuka Agritech Limited. The colloquium was moderated by Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Co-Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of The Bengal Chamber and Senior General Manager, Indofil Industries Limited.

The Programme was attended by more than 200 relevant stakeholders including policy makers, industry players from agriculture & allied sectors, progressive farmer's producers' organizations, Agri-tech start-up.



Presentation by Mr. V R Kaundinya, Director General, Federation of Seed Industry of India (FSII)



Presentation by Shri Ram Gopal Agarwal, Group Chairman, Dhanuka Agritech Limited



Session Moderated by Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Co-Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee and Senior General Manager, Indofil Industries Limited

8th October 2020

The High Commission of Sri Lanka, New Delhi , in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized virtual B2B meetings with M/S Hayleys Free Zone Ltd , the transportation arm of the Hayleys Group, one of Sri Lanka's largest blue chips multinationals companies on 8th October 2020.

The objective of the aforesaid meeting with M/S Hayleys Free Zone Ltd, Sri Lanka was to establish business collaboration with potential Indian companies to provide integrated logistics solutions including shipping, freight forwarding, agency representation, transportation, project logistics, logistic services for the oil and gas industry, free zone operations, 3PL services and warehousing of goods locally and internationally.

Philips Carbon Black Limited, one of the esteemed members of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry took part in the meeting.

VIRTUAL B2B MEETINGS WITH M/S HAYLEYS FREE ZONE LTD, SRI LANKA



Mr. Subir Roychoudhury, Divisional Head- International Market , Philips Carbon Black Limited joining the meeting.



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized the 2nd Edition of the Annual Power Conference on 'New Power Dynamics: Greening the Grid and RTM' on 8th October 2020. Like previous year, TERI is the Knowledge Partner in this edition as well.

The Chamber believes that it is an opportune time to discuss, share information and engage in dialogues on RTM in the backdrop of the energy mix of the country.

RTM or Real Time Market introducing power exchange functions on the lines of a commodity trading platform, allowing the purchase and sales of electricity, is the latest milestone in the power dynamics of India being introduced on 1st June 2020.

The aim is to have a regional power grid that includes Myanmar, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka. The plan has gained traction with India moving ahead for an ambitious global electricity grid and calling for bids to roll-out the "One Sun One World One Grid" (OSOWOG) plan.

The Conference was commenced with the formal Welcome Address by Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Director, Cenergist Energy Private Limited.

The Opening Session was graced by **Shri Sutirtha Bhattacharya**, Chairperson, West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission; **Shri S. Suresh Kumar**, **IAS**, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Power, Government of West Bengal and **Mr. KVS Baba**, Chairman and Managing Director, Power System Operation Corporation. **Mr. Gautam Ray**, Chairperson, Energy and Environment Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Executive Director (HR & Admin.) - CESC Limited & President (HR) – Power Group, RPSG moderated the Opening Session. The eminent Speakers during this session shared their vision for **Energy in India**.

Mr. S. R. Narasimhan, Director (System Operation), POSOCO chaired the Session on Greening the Grid (with Energy Mix). The Session was graced by Mr. Ravindra Kadam, Advisor (Renewable Energy), Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC); Mr. A K Saxena, Senior Fellow and Director, Electricity and Fuel Division, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI); Shri S K Soonee, Advisor and Former CEO, POSOCO; Mr. Bibhu Prasad Mahapatra, Director Finance, UP GENCO & TRANSCO and Mr. Sanjoy Mukherjee, Vice President (DT), CESC Limited. Mr. S. R. Narasimhan, Director (System Operation), POSOCO chaired the Session.

The Session on Power Trading - RTM (Real Time Market)-was chaired by Mr. Vinod Kumar Agarwal, Technical Director (SARI/EI) / IRADE & Former Executive Director, POSOCO. Mr. Hans-Arild Bredesen, CEO, Nord Pool Consulting; Mr. Rajesh Mediratta, Director, Indian Energy Exchange Limited; Mr. Sameer Ch. Saxena, Senior General Manager, NLDC, POSOCO; Mr. Sanket Srivastava, Head Power Purchase, Noida Power Company Limited and Mr. Devanand Pallikuth, Head - PSCC, Tata Power were the eminent speakers of the session.

Mr. Arun Kumar Mukherjee, Mentor, Energy and Environment Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry delivered the session by his concluding remarks.



Shri Sutirtha Bhattacharya, Chairperson, West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission addressing in the opening session



Shri S. Suresh Kumar, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Power, Government of West Bengal addressing in the opening session



Mr. KVS Baba, Chairman and Managing Director, Power System Operation Corporation



Mr. Hans-Arild Bredesen, CEO, Nord Pool Consulting addressing in the Power Trading - RTM (Real Time Market)



Mr. Rajesh Mediratta, Director, Indian Energy Exchange Limited



Mr. A K Saxena, Senior Fellow and Director, Electricity and Fuel Division, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)

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The Education Committee of the Bengal Chamber organized the 3rd Edition of The Annual Education Conclave 2020 on the 9th & 10th of October 2020. The theme of the conclave was N.E.P. - Indian Education's New World Order. The conclave was a huge success and had various National and international stalwarts who spoke in the conclave over two days.

The Vision of the National Education Policy:

"The National Education Policy 2019 envisions an Indiacentered education system that contributes directly to transforming our nation sustainably into an equitable and vibrant knowledge society, by providing high quality education to all".

This Policy envisages creation, transmission, and dissemination of knowledge as a part of the continuum. The NEP is ambitious and futuristic but much of its success will depend on how it is executed.

Keeping these in mind the Chairperson of the Drafting Panel, National Education Policy, Padma Vibhushan Dr. Krishnaswamy Kasturirangan, was invited in the conclave as the Iconic Keynote Speaker. He was also presented with the "Hall of Fame" Award in the conclave.

The conclave though online, was a huge success. The various Segments in the conclave were Vice Chancellors' Round Table, N.E.P. 2020 Decoded, School Administrators' Perspective on N.E.P, Foreign University Education Fraternity's views on N.E.P., Effect of N.E.P on Preschool Education.

The speakers who graced the occasion are as follows:

- Padma Shri Professor (Dr.) Ajoy Kumar Ray, Director,
 JIS Institute of Advanced Studies and Research, Kolkata
- Padma Vibhushan Dr. K. Kasturirangan
- Prof. Malabika Sarkar, VC Ashoka University
- Prof. Dr. Dhrubajyoti Chattapadhyay, VC Sister Nivedita University
- Dr. Suranjan Das, VC Jadavpur University
- Prof. Saikat Maitra, VC MAKAUT
- Mr. Narayanan Ramaswamy, National Leader Education
 & Skill Development, KPMG India
- Shri Pramath Raj Sinha, Founder & Chairman, Harappa Education
- Prof. Ved Prakash, Former Chairman, University Grants Commission, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India
- Professor (Dr.) lanthiTsimpli, Chair of English and Applied Linguistics, University of Cambridge
- Ms. Rupkatha Sarkar, Principal, La Martiniere for Girls, Kolkata
- Ms. Bratati Bhattacharyya, Secretary General & CEO, Shikshayatan Foundation and Shri Shikshayatan School, Kolkata
- Ms. Nandini Dasgupta, Principal, Techno India Group Public School, Jalpaiguri
- Professor David Foskett (United Kingdom) MBE CMA FIH BED (Hons) FRACA HMCCC
- Peter Jones, Director, E Hotelier
- Professor Debasish Chakraborty, Dean, Michigan University, United States

- Ms. Pooja Dugar, Founder & Director, Leap Years Preschool
- Ms. Suman Sood, Director, BD Memorial & ECA National Core Committee Member
- Dr. Partha Ghosh, Chairman, The Boston Pledge, USA
- Shri Sanjeev Sanyal, Principal Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance, Government of India



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Ms. Barbara Wickham OBE, Director, British Council India and Minister Education and Cultural Affairs, British High Commission, New Delhi in the inaugural session



Shri Pramath Raj Sinha Founder & Chairman, Harappa Education, was the Iconic Speaker



Dr. Suborno Bose, Chairman, Education Committee BCC&I, delivering the Welcome Address



Vice Chancellors' Round Table – Moderated by Prof. Saikat Maitra (VC - MAKAUT), Prof. Malabika Sarkar (VC - Ashoka University), Dr. Suranjan Das (VC-JU) and Prof. Dr. Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay (VC-SNU)



Prof. Ved Prakash Former Chairman, University Grant Commission was the Expert Speaker

THE 3RD ANNUAL EDUCATION CONCLAVE 2020, "N.E.P. - INDIAN EDUCATION'S NEW WORLD ORDER"



Professor (Dr.) lanthi Tsimpli, Chair of English and Applied Linguistics University of Cambridge Moderated By: Dr. Debanjan Chakrabarti Director, East and North East India, British Council was the Iconic Speaker

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Martiniere for Girls, Kolkata, Ms.
Bratati Bhattacharyya, Secretary
General & CEO Shikshayatan
Foundation and Shri Shikshayatan
School, Kolkata and Ms. Nandini
Dasgupta Principal, Techno India
Group Public School, Jalpaiguri,
Moderated by Mr. Sumit Das Gupta
Managing Director Allcap
Communications Pvt. Ltd. for the
session School Administrators'
Perspective on N.E.P





Dr. Partha Ghosh, Chairman, The Boston Pledge, USA was the Keynote Speaker and the session was moderated By: Mr. Sumit Das Gupta, Managing Director, Allcap Communications Pvt. Ltd

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Padma Vibhushan Dr. K. Kasturirangan, Chairperson, Drafting Panel, National Education Policy (N.E.P.), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India & Chancellor, Central University of Rajasthan

13th October 2020, Zoom

WEBINAR ON EXPORT REFUND - INVERTED DUTY REFUND & FOREIGN TRADE POLICY WITH REGARD TO EXPORT INCLUDING RODTEP

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized a Webinar on 'Export Refund - Inverted Duty Refund & Foreign Trade Policy with regard to Export including RoDTEP' on 13th October, 2020 on Zoom.

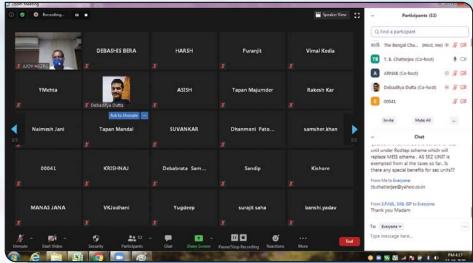
Welcome and Introductory Address was given by Mr. T. B. Chatterjee, Chairperson - Indirect Taxes Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Partner, TCN Global and Economic Advisory Services LLP.

Technical Session I covered GST with regard to Export Refund, How Refund amount is computed, What process is to be followed to compute the Export Refund - Refund formalities, What is Inverted Duty, How Inverted Duty Refund is calculated and What are the ITC not considered for the purpose of computing Refund in terms of Notification No. 21 and 26.

The Session was conducted by Mr. Shrenik Mehata, Indirect Tax Manager, Price Waterhouse & Co. LLP.

Mr. T. B. Chatterjee, Chairperson - Indirect Taxes Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Partner, TCN Global and Economic Advisory Services LLP and Mr. Subhasish Sarkar, Partner – TCN Global and Economic Advisory Services LLP addressed the Technical Session II. The Session covered Foreign Trade Policy with regard to Export, India's Export position, Duty Exemption Benefits, Export Incentives, RoDTEP benefits- how to compute the rate and RoDTEP on certain specific sectors.

The Technical Sessions were followed by an interactive session with the participants. The Webinar was attended by more than 50 delegates.

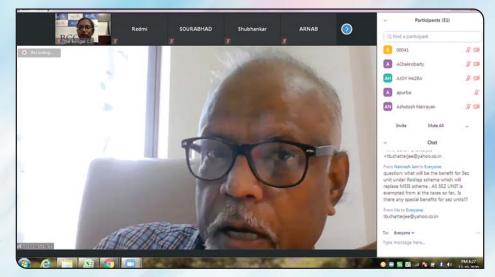


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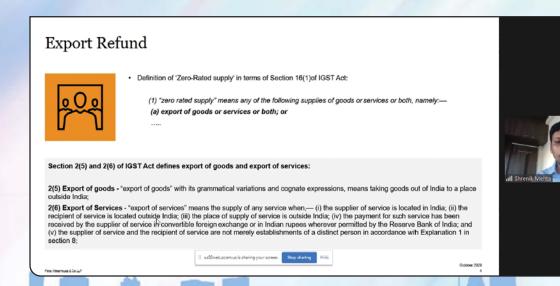
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14th October 2020, Virtual Platform INDIA ECONOMIC CONCLAVE WEBINAR SERIES II ON UNLOCKING THE "NEW NORMAL" INDIAN ECONOMY : SPOTLIGHT ON AGRICULTURE, MANUFACTURING, TRADE & INFRASTRUCTURE



The Bengal Chamber organized India Economic Conclave Webinar series II on Unlocking the "New Normal" Indian Economy: Spotlight on Agriculture, Manufacturing, Trade & Infrastructure.

The Session was moderated by Dr. Bibek Ray Chaudhuri, Member, BCC&I Economic Affairs Committee and Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade.

The Speakers in the Session were as follows:

- Mr. Madhab Adhikari, Associate Vice president, Coromandel International Limited
- Smt. Anindita Sengupta, Additional Director General Foreign Trade, Directorate General of Foreign Trade
- Mr. Sanjay Choudhary, Head- Haldia Fertiliser Plant, Indorama India Pvt Ltd.
- Mr. Vineet Vijayavargia, Partner and Senior Member of the Infrastructure Practice at Boston Consulting Group (BCG) India

In the Session, the Speakers discussed on the various attributes resulted due to the on-going pandemic and how this situation

has significantly impacted the areas of Agriculture, Manufacturing, Trade & Infrastructure at large. The Subject Matter Experts through their commentary has laid the foundation to explore feasible ways to regain and improve the overall economic situation which might bring in changes in the crucial sectors of the Indian economy.

The Session ended with questions from the participants which were addressed by the esteemed panellists.



Mr. Madhab Adhikari, Associate Vice president, Coromandel International Limited

INDIA ECONOMIC CONCLAVE WEBINAR SERIES II ON UNLOCKING THE "NEW NORMAL" INDIAN ECONOMY : SPOTLIGHT ON AGRICULTURE, MANUFACTURING, TRADE & INFRASTRUCTURE



Smt. Anindita Sengupta, Additional Director General Foreign Trade, Directorate General of Foreign Trade during her speech



Mr. Sanjay Choudhary, Head-Haldia Fertiliser Plant, Indorama India Pvt Ltd.



Mr. Vineet Vijayavargia, Partner and Senior Member of the Infrastructure Practice at Boston Consulting Group (BCG) India



Dr. Bibek Ray Chaudhuri, Member, BCC&I Economic Affairs Committee and Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade moderating the session





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After the overwhelming response and success of the first session of "Online Parenting Summit", and to continue with the objective of providing a forum for discussing of holistic approach to online mode of learning, we have organized the second session titiled "Technology for Next Gen Education" on the occasion of 'World Students' Day' scheduled on 15th of October 2020, 4:00P.M. onwards through online platform.

In the beginning of the 2nd phase of "Online Parenting Summit", Mr. Kumar Shivam, Associate Director – Strategy and Business Development, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry requested Mr. Deepak Daftari, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry to delivered his Welcome Address. Mr. Daftari welcomed the

guests for this very interesting session. Mr. Meghdut Roy Chowdhury, Vice Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry was the moderator of the session. He introduced audience about the necessity and relevance regarding "Technology for Next Gen Education". Mr. Mrityunjoy Chatterjee, Professor & Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Culture Studies, Adamas University, Mr. Souvik Biswas, Founder & Chief Facilitator, ZEST INDIA and Ms. Trina Das, Founder & Chief of growth, Ultimasive Learning Solutions Pvt Ltd were the eminent speakers of the session. Speakers provided their deep analysis and introspection on the topic of discussion. The session was well attended and appreciated by relevant stakeholders from Academia, Industry and Parent's circle.



The inaugural session commenced with an introductory address by Mr. Kumar Shivam, Associate Director – Strategy and Business Development, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Welcome Address delivered by Mr. Deepak Daftari, Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Opening Remarks for Panel Discussion titled "Technology for Next Gen Education" conveyed by the Moderator of the session Mr. Meghdut Roy Chowdhury, Vice Chairperson, The Entrepreneurs' Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Mr. Mrityunjoy Chatterjee, Professor & Dean, School Of Liberal Arts & Culture Studies, Adamas University was the first speaker of the Panel Discussion on "Technology for Next Gen Education"

ONLINE PARENTING SUMMIT "TECHNOLOGY FOR NEXT GEN EDUCATION"



Mr. Souvik Biswas, Founder & Chief Facilitator, ZEST INDIA provided his views on Panel Discussion on "Technology for Next Gen Education"



Ms Trina Das, Founder & Chief of growth, Ultimasive Learning Solutions Pvt Ltd was sharing her fresh and important views on "Technology for Next Gen Education".

16th October 2020

Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata (TAITRA), in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized an Online Seminar on Taiwan's Electric Vehicle and Chemical Industry on 16th October 2020.

The Session focused on:

- > TAITRA's Online Trade service
- > Service of Eternal Materials Co Ltd in India

ONLINE SEMINAR ON TAIWAN'S ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

Q&A session

Mr. Steven Liu, Director, Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata delivered the formal Welcome Address. Mr. Willis Wu, Director, Eternal Materials Co. Ltd graced the session along with Mr. Mukesh N. Karachandani, Eternal Materials Co. Ltd and Ms. Ritika Nandy, Trade Promotion Specialist, Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata.



Mr. Steven Liu, Director, Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata and Mr. Willis Wu, Director, Eternal Materials Co.
Ltd along with distinguished audience

SOUTH ASIA BUSINESS DAY

Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata, in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized Online South Asia Business Meeting with the leading Taiwanese suppliers, representing the industries, such as Medical; ICT; Machinery & Hand Tools; Bicycles; Green Energy and Biotechnology on 28th October 2020.

The Session focused on:

- Taitra's Online Trade service
- One on One business meeting with Taiwanese suppliers

Around 15 Indian companies from various industrial sectors took part in the one-on-one B2B meetings with the Taiwanese suppliers.



Virtual Meeting in progress

AGM 2020

7th November 2020, Phygital Platform

As India emerges from its nationwide lockdown, it finds itself in uncharted territory, with the pandemic fundamentally altering the way people work, communicate, and lead their daily lives. In this unprecedented time, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the first time in its history of 187 years, has organized its 167th Annual General Meeting in PHYGITAL Platform. Viewers and Stakeholders attended the AGM from both physical and Digital Medium. Janab Firhad Hakim, Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal and Chairman, Board of Administrators, Kolkata Municipal Corporation graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and delivered the Keynote Address.

Janab Firhad Hakim, while addressing the audience highlighted the various measures taken by the State Government in the wake of the pandemic to support trade and business in the state. He emphasized that inclusive growth and employment generation in both the rural and urban sector have been the foremost priority and the Government has given special focus on the development of MSME sector in the State through

incentive schemes like 'Bangashree' and 'Karmasathi Prakalpa'. Government has set up 100 industrial parks in the State to boost employment generation, and also launched the 'Matir Katha' app for farmers. He said that 2.5-3 million sq.ft of warehousing space coming up in West Bengal in 3 years, and that Rs 5,000 crore has been sanctioned to Self-Help Groups (SHG) across the State under 'Jago' scheme. He also lauded the performance of the IT sector in West Bengal and recalled how enthused by the response from the IT sector, the West Bengal Government decided to add at least 200 acres to its Silicon Valley Hub. The Hon'ble Minister applauded the initiative of the Bengal Chamber and observed that in future also the State Govt and Bengal Chamber will work in tandem for the development of the State.

Mr. Deb A Mukherjee became the new President of this 187 year old institution.

The 166th Bengal Chamber AGM Started with a Panel Discussion on Indian Economy – Leveraging the 'Next Normal'. The panelists were Mr. Dinesh Khara, Chairman, State Bank

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of India, Mr. Abheek Barua, Chief Economist, and Executive Vice President, HDFC Bank, Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Past President, The Bengal Chamber and Mr. Sumit Bose, Former Revenue and Finance Secretary, Government of India and Chairperson, Economic Affairs, Committee, The Bengal Chamber. Mr. Dinesh Khara made his first public appearance in Kolkata to deliver his views on the way forward for the Indian Economy. Hesaidin the current fiscal, players in the Indian economy are imposing mechanisms to come out of a very difficult situation. All Urban sectors were severely affected after the outbreak of COVID 19. As the Government started unlock phase from the 2nd quarter, Indian economy commenced its economic operations. Service sectors had performed well, and so did Cement, e commerce and FMCG Sectors. For example, traffic between Mumbai, Delhi, and Kolkata has gone down by more than 50%. However, the agri sector has received orders across the globe. The health Insurance sector looks positive. PSUs are expected to create lot of demand and leverage from the corporate. He expected Indian to revive by April 2021.

Mr. Abheek Barua Chief Economist, and Executive Vice President, HDFC Bank, spoke about supply side measures to revive the economy. Situation demanded to take measures against some of the conventional wisdom, and the economy seems to have turned the corner. While the pandemic has opened up a new challenge, indicators are looking well now. The pre pandemic economic levels are expected to be reached in another few months to one year time. However, this will not be a seamless movement to new paradigm.

The Bengal Chamber - Sardar Jodh Singh Award for Igniting Minds

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry commenced this new year 2020-21 by instituting the inaugural edition of the award, which shall henceforth be conferred upon a personality who has inspired teeming masses by igniting the flame within us all. The awardee played a role as a true visionary and leader, cutting across any Business, Cultural, Philanthropic or Social spheres, and stand for values and ethics that have helped in "Igniting Minds" of Indians true to the traditions of The Chamber. This award, was instituted in the memory of Late Sardar Jodh Singh, an unparalleled personality and an entrepreneur, when entrepreneurship was not the norm. A visionary and far-sighted personality, Sardar Jodh Singh always aspired to bring about a positive transformation in the society by educating minds. To stay true to this motto, he worked tirelessly to build a hub of quality education where students will be encouraged to be innovative and also, quality education will be imparted to them. Apart from education, Sardar Jodh Singh also developed industries in various sectors like diary, cargo, telecom, infrastructure, and others. Sardar Jodh Singh's hard work and progressive activities have led to the global eminence of JIS Group, which has generated employment to about 22000 people in the recent years. In the presence of Mr. Taranjit Singh, son of Late Sardar Jodh Singh, Managing Director of the JIS Group and Chief Patron of The Chamber the inaugural Bengal Chamber Sardar Jodh Singh Award for Igniting Minds was conferred to Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Past President, The Bengal Chamber and Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited.

Felicitation to the Heroes of COVID-19

This year, the world has been one in its suffering. COVID-19 has taken our loved ones away from us, displaced millions globally and created a chasm so deep that we have all had to redefined our lives and livelihood. However, amongst us lie people who have gone the extra mile and beyond to help people out. State healthcare professionals, KMC and the journalists were awarded for their exemplary services that they all provided during the times of pandemic and their selfless services to their professions.

The Chamber felicitated Janab Firhad Hakim, on behalf of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Shri Narayan Swaroop Nigam, IAS, Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal and Mr. Snehasis Sur, on behalf of the Kolkata Media for their selfless devotion to fight this epic pandemic.



Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Janab Firhad Hakim, Chairman, Board of Administrators, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal delivering the Keynote Address in the 167th Annual General Meeting

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Mr. Dinesh Khara, Chairman, State Bank of India



Mr. Sumit Bose, Former Revenue and Finance Secretary, Government of India and Chairperson, Economic Affairs Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



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Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

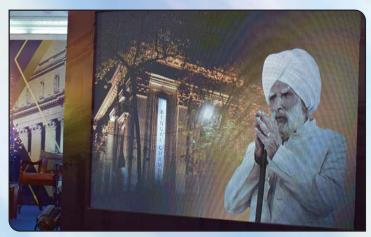


Mr. Abheek Barua, Chief Economist, and Executive Vice President, HDFC Bank



Mr. Tamal Bandyopadhyay, Consulting Editor, Business Standard and Mentor, Finance and Banking Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry





AV of Late Mr. Sardar Jodh Singh before the presentation of The Bengal Chamber - Sardar Jodh Singh Award for Igniting Minds



The Chamber felicitating Mr. Snehasis Sur, President of Press Club, Kolkata on behalf of the Kolkata Media for their selfless devotion to fight this epic pandemic in presence of Janab Firhad Hakim, Chairman, Board of Administrators, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal



(L-R) Janab Firhad Hakim, Chairman, Board of Administrators, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal with Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Presentation of The Bengal Chamber - Sardar Jodh Singh Award for Igniting Minds to Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. (L-R) Mr. B B Chatterjee, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Indrajit Sen, Immediate Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Managing Director and CEO, Bandhan Bank Limited and Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Mr. Taranjit Singh, son of Late Sardar Jodh Singh, Managing Director, JIS Group and Chief Patron of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Mr. B B Chatterjee, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

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(L-R) Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry with Mr. A Lahiri, Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



Past Presidents and Managing Committee members at The Chamber during Annual General Meeting



(L-R) Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Sandipan Chakravortty, Managing Committee Member; Dr. Rupali Basu, Director and CEO, Woodlands Multispeciality Hospital Limited; Mr. S. Radhakrishnan, Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



(M) Janab Firhad Hakim, Chairman, Board of Administrators, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Department of Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal seated between (L) Mr. B B Chatterjee, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and (R) Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



(L-R) Mr. Rupak Barua, Managing Committee Member; Mr. Indrajit Sen, Immediate Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President Designate, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Mr. Subhodip Ghosh, Director General, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry



(L-R) Mr. Indrajit Sen, Immediate Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry with Mr. B B Chatterjee, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry

ONLINE SEMINAR ONTAIWAN'S ICT AND SMART MEDICAL INDUSTRY

Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata (TAITRA), in association with The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, organized an Online Seminar on Taiwan's ICT and Smart Medical Industry on 19th November 2020, Thursday.

The session focused on:

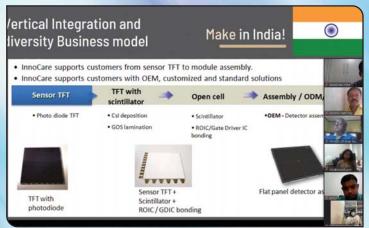
> Taitra's Online Trade service and introduction



Meeting in progress.

Taiwan ICT and Smart Medical Products & Industry insight

Mr. Steven Liu, Director, Taipei World Trade Centre, Kolkata delivered the formal Welcome Address. Mr. Abhijit Das, Manager - Brand & Marketing, Karma Healthcare Limited; Mr. Steven Tseng, Sales Manager, Delta Corp. and Mr. Raunak Joshi, Sales Manager, Innolux Corp graced the Session.



Meeting in progress.

20th & 21st November 2020, Virtual Platform

SUNFEAST FARMLITE 11TH HEALTH & LIFESTYLE QUIZ

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry had organized the SunfeastFarmlite 11th Health & Lifestyle Quiz, on 20th & 21st November, 2020 on a specially designed online platform.

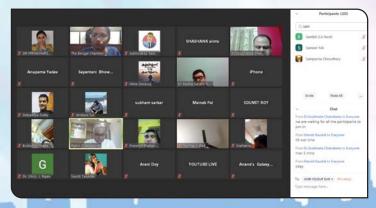
Preliminary Round: 20th November, 2020 & Final Round: 21st November, 2020

Encouraged by the great response from quizzers from the medical fraternity, the Health Quiz has become an annual event of the Chamber and now has reached the 11th year in age and branding. 200 + participants from the medical fraternity from all over India and also from Doha, UK had participated in the Quiz. This year the Quiz was organized with Doctors, Nurses, Paramedic Professionals, Medical students as a tribute for their unparallel contribution and sacrifice due to pandemic. Quiz Masters were Dr. Soubhadra Chakrabarty and Dr. Partha Sarathi Ghatak. The Winners were Dr. Debaditya Das, Dr. Akash Roy and Dr. Souryadeep Chowdhury. The contents were excellent and relevant.

Title-sponsored by Sunfeast Farmlite, the Quiz has become a signature event of The Chamber. Audience prizes are sponsored by GKB Opticals. The event was supported by AMRI, Narayan Memorial Hospital, Rabindranath Tagore International Institute of Cardiac Sciences, CESC and Zuventus.



Sunfeast Farmlite 11th Health & Lifestyle Quiz: The Schedule

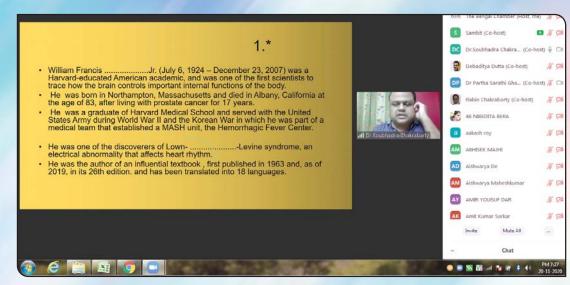


Introduction to the participants

SUNFEAST FARMLITE 11TH HEALTH & LIFESTYLE QUIZ



Welcome address by Dr. Rabin Chakraborty, Chairperson – Health Committee, The Bengal Chamber & Senior Vice Chairman, Cardiology Services, Medica Group of Hospitals



Preliminary round of the Quiz in progress. (Quiz Master : Dr. Soubhadra Chakrabarty)

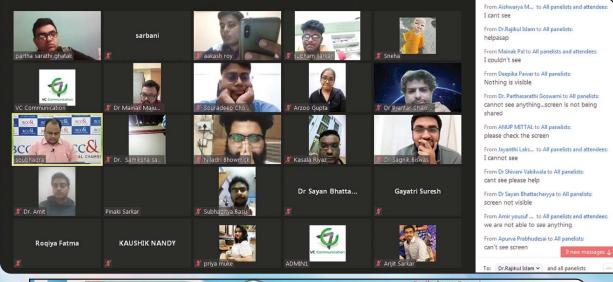
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- The reason this woman was named so is because she was born during the biggest festival of Bengal in October, 1978.
- A few years later, her 'father' hanged himself in his Southern Avenue apartment.
- Who is she? Who was this 'figurative' father?
- (half points per part)



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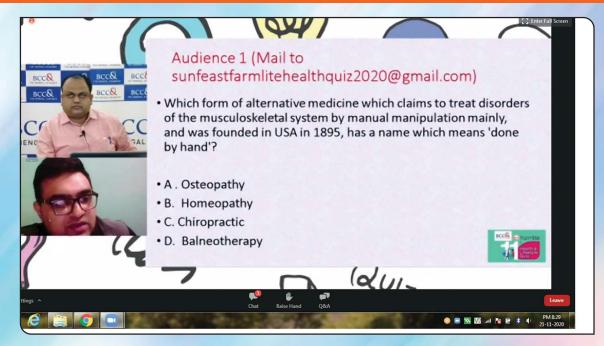
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Audience question during the Final Round



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Announcement of Winners by Dr. Rabin Chakraborty, Chairperson – Health Committee, The Bengal Chamber & Senior Vice Chairman, Cardiology Services, Medica Group of Hospitals



The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry organized the 11th edition of Annual Business IT Conclave on 27th November and 4th December 2020. The theme this year was "Technology for Humans".

The endeavour was to expand our horizons to reach out to experts and leaders globally for understanding the technology landscape worldwide and also to connect with them showcasing the potential of Bengal in emerging technologies with availability of intellectual resources and promising start ups.

Professors, technocrats, business leaders, startups, investors joined from six countries (Bahrain, France, Israel, Switzerland, UK and USA) besides India. The Chamber is taking an initiative of connecting with some of them to engage more closely. A start-up from Bengal on Health Tech was promoted. This start-up is also an incubatee at Webel-BCC&I Tech Incubation Centre.

Success story of an Indian start-up in ed-tech was also promoted. The Chamber is exploring to connect them as well with Bengal.

Feedback from a global investor on investment opportunities in Bengal was part of the discourse.

Focus included the significant areas of human needs which may be addressed by technology-food security, education and learning, health, energy besides dynamics of digital economy including security and emerging technologies like block chain.

Employment opportunities for IT professionals through Karma Bhumi portal developed by Department of Information Technology and Electronics, Government of West Bengal came to light during the Conclave.

Indian American International Chamber of Commerce based out of DC was our Outreach Partner. Their Members participated in the Conclave as audience besides their President and another member joining as Speakers. IAICC, being an MoU Partner of The Bengal Chamber, it was also an initiative to strengthen the connect.

Day 1: 27th November 2020, featured:

- The Opening
- Business Leaders' Forum Tech For Good
- Insights on Karmo Bhumi- a Government of West Bengal initiative to collaborate between Job Seekers and Employers in IT/ITeS sector
- Technology in the realm of Food Security

The Opening Session included formal Welcome Address by Mr. Deb A Mukherjee, President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the agenda was set by Mr. Arnab Basu, Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Partner - East; Technology Consulting Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd. Mr. Sudhir Kothari, Founder and CEO, Director, Embee Software Pvt. Ltd. addressed "Technology for human: Entrepreneur's Perspectives". Mr. KV Kumar, President and CEO, Indian American International Chamber of Commerce, Inc and Chairman, KMF Investment Group, LLC. spoke on "Partner's Speech and Investors' Perspectives". Mr. Ravindra Chamaria, Group Chairman, Infinity Infotech Parks Limited shared his insights on "Promoting Start Ups and Accelerators".

A presentation on Karmo Bhumi- a Government of West Bengal initiative to collaborate between Job Seekers and Employers in IT/ITeS sector, was made by Mr. Sanjay Das, Joint Secretary, IT&E Department, Government of West Bengal. The Session - Business Leaders' Forum - Tech For Good highlighted the perspectives of the leading entrepreneurs and intrapreneurs on Tech For Good. The Session was moderated by Mr. Chiranjib Bhattacharya, Co-Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Chief Executive Officer, Wizertech Informatics Pvt. Ltd. The Panelists included: Mr. Kinesh Doshi, Founding CEO, Accion Labs, USA; Mr. Nicolas Quairel, Partner, Head Technology and Digital Solution, Mazars Group, France; Mr. Sudhir Kothari, Founder and CEO, Director, Embee Software Pvt. Ltd.; Mr. Sujit Baksi, Sales and Solutions - Bangalore, NxtGen Infinite Datacentre.

The Session on Technology in the realm of Food Security was moderated by Mr. Jayanta Chakraborty, Chairperson, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Senior General Manager, Indofil Industries Limited. The Panelists included:

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Mr. Hemendra Mathur, Venture Partner, Bharat Innovation Fund; Ms. Vedika Kapoor, Head, Government & Industry Affairs- India, Corteva Agriscience; Mr. Subrata Rana, Managing Director and CEO, EcoDev Solutions; Mr. Avner Barazani, Vice President- Business Development & Strategy, Grace Breeding Ltd., and Mr. Amit Avidov, CTO, Head-R&D, Grace Breeding Ltd., Israel

Day 2: 4th December 2020 featured:

- Technologies for Future Capacity Building
- Digital Economy and its dynamics
- Health Tech
- Technologies for Power to make it more abundant, efficient, and eco-friendly

The Session - Technologies for Future Capacity Building highlighted emerging technologies in learning including newer opportunities for students in the new age by Mr. Akshay Chaturvedi, Founder & CEO, Leverage Edu; How technology has transformed research by Dr. Emmanuelle Savarit, User Research & Digital, Strategy Director Analyse-Concept Ltd, UK and ed-tech in future capacity building by Mr. Simarpreet Singh, Co Chairperson, Education Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Director, JIS Group. The Session was moderated by Mr. Sanjoy Sen, Co-Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Senior Vice President, ITC Infotech India Limited.

The Session on **Digital Economy and its dynamics** was moderated by **Mr. Arnab Basu,** Chairperson, IT Committee, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Managing Partner - East; Technology Consulting Leader, PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd. It was an International Session including **Dr. Anindya Ghose**, Heinz Riehl Professor of Business, Professor-Information, Operations and Management Sciences and Professor of Marketing; Academic

Director, MS in Business Analytics Programme, Co-Director, MS in Business Analytics Capstone Program, NYU Stern, USA addressing Leveraging Mobile Apps, Wearable Devices, and Digital Technologies for Consumer Health; Security for the Consumers in the age of Data Explosion by Mr. Charly Graf, Managing Partner, Defendeer – Data Centric Security and Mr. Konstantin Stassinakis, Senior Partner, Defendeer – Data Centric Security, Switzerland; Blockchain in Digital Economy by Mr. Fawaz Shakralla, Head of IT, BIPD and Founder, Btech Blockchain Group, Bahrain. Mr. Sanjay Puri, Chairman and Founder, US-India Political Action Committee (USINPAC), USA shared his views as investor in digital innovations. The **Health Tech** session was chaired by **Dr. Alok Roy**, Past President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Chairman, Medica Group of Hospitals. The Session brought in different perspectives on Health Tech. The Speakers included Mr. Mukesh Rathi, Chief Digital and Information Officer, Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Limited sharing insights on PharmaTech Disruptions and Future; Ms. Anita Tripathy, Head of Data Sciences, Safety & Regulatory, Asia, IQVIA addressing Technologies in Clinical Research – Next Opportunities; Dr. Jamie Unwin, Vice President and Head, Global Business Intelligence and Analytics, Biocon Biologics, UK sharing perspectives on Strategies for patient-centric innovation in the biosimilar industry and Mr. Partha Pratim Das Mahapatra, Founder & CEO, EzeRx Health Tech Pvt. Ltd. addressing startup Story in Non Invasive Diagnosis.

The concluding session was **Technologies for Power to make** it more abundant, efficient, and eco-friendly, moderated by **Mr. Gautam Ray**, Executive Director (HR & Admin.) - CESC Limited & President (HR) – Power Group, RPSG; Chairperson, Energy and Environment Committee and Vice President, The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The Speakers were: **Mr. Robert Baldwin**, PwC US Energy, Utilities, and Mining Leader and Mr. **Nubeel Ansari**, Director and Industry Value Advisor, SAP India Pvt Ltd.



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Minerals, Mining and Metals e-Conclave Indian Minerals, Mining and Metals sectors: Preparedness for Post COVID Revival & Global Play, 9th & 10th December 2020, Virtual Platform

Online Seminar on Taiwan's Gym and Fitness Products, 11th December, 2020, Virtual Platform

Online Taiwan Expo 2020, 16th and 17th December, 2020, Virtual Platform

Online Session on 'Ease of Doing Business - Theme : Colloquium on Easing Departmental Audit, Assessments and Compliances & Vivaad Se Vishwas Scheme', 18th December, 2020, Zoom

BCC&I Infrastructure e-Conclave Re-Strategize Indian Infrastructure Growth & Preparedness for Global Play: Post COVID Era, 8th January 2021, e-Platform

International Trade e-Conclave Globalization and Trade in a Post-Pandemic World: India's Atma-Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan, 9th January 2021, e-Platform

Annual Shipping & Logistics Conclave 2020-21, 4th, 5th, 6th February 2021, Zoom

BCC&I Tech Quiz in association with JIS University, 20th and 27th February, Virtual and physical

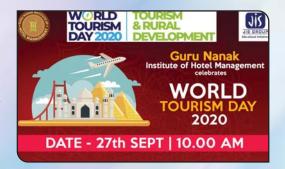


GURU NANAK INSTITUTE OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT

WORLD TOURISM DAY

World Tourism Day is commemorated each year on 27th September. Its **purpose** is to foster awareness among the **international** community of the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value. **Tourism** is vital for the success of many economies around the world.

This year the theme is "Tourism and **Rural Development** "The sustainability of tourism in rural areas will only be successful if a comprehensive, inclusive planning strategy is adopted and implemented based on a multi-action and multi-stakeholder participatory approach.



CULINARY WORKSHOP OF CHEF RONGON NEOGI

Culinary Workshop by Celebrity Chef Rongon Neogi presenting delicious recipe Chapor Ghonto, a traditional Bengali dish from East Bengal (DATE - 27th September 2020)



POSTER MAKING COMPETITION

Poster Making Competition based on World Tourism Day. DATE - 27th September 2020)



INTERNATIONAL CHEFS DAY

GNIHM celebrated International Chef's Day 2020 with immense enthusiasm, by partnering with Nestle in organizing a Virtual Cooking Contest for its students, where the participating budding chefs had to prepare an innovative savoury dish using a Nestle product, with the underlying focus on it being a Healthy Dish. Keeping into consideration that the state is on the threshold of celebrating Durga Puja,



the contest theme was: Healthy Food In Festive Mood. 36 students participated and they were judged virtually by the chef judges on the basis of presentation, theme adaptability, healthy food and knowledge NESTLE gave away five gift hampers to the Winners and e-Certificates to all participants. The contest was judged by a panel of eminent chefs from the hospitality industry:

- 1. Chef Prodip Rozario Celebrity Chef, Owner of Mia Amore and KKs fusion restaurant
- 2. Chef Shiv Biswal Executive Chef Taj Sats Kolkata
- 3. Chef Shubha Adhikary: Chef de Cuisine, JW Marriott, Aerocity, New Delhi

The Chef Faculties of GNIHM also prepared an assortment of International Breads, Salads & Continental Snack items, based on the concept of Healthy Food, which was displayed in an attractive manner. The curtain was brought down on the day's events with the cutting of a special cake prepared to mark the occasion and declaration of the results of the Virtual Cooking Contest, which was won by Suparna Dutta. Following are the positions achieved by the students in the contest

Winner : Suparna Dutta
First Runners-Up : Sujato Bhattacharya

Second Runners-Up : Avneet Kaur 4th Position : Tejashree Deka

5th Position : Ranit Saha

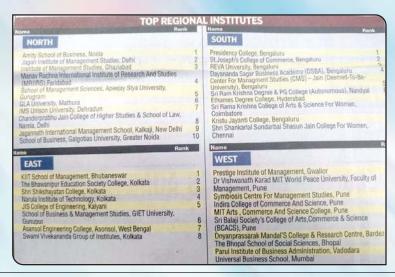


NARULA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



Narula Institute of Technology secured Rank 2nd in West Bengal in the CSR-GHRDC Engineering Colleges Survey 2020. NiT emerged as one of the Top Engineering Colleges in the State level.

Narula Institute of Technology emerged as one of the Top private Institutes in the Times B-School Ranking, 2020.NiT has secured Rank 31ST IN PAN INDIA & 4TH IN THE EASTERN REGION.





The Department of Computer Application has organized a webinar on "Data Science" on 2nd September, 2020. The session was felicitated by an eminent academician, Dr. Loshma Gunisetti, Associate Professor, CSE Department, Sri Vasavi Engineering College, Andhra Pradesh. The webinar continued for almost 2 hours with different aspects on learning Data Science where 60 students and all the departmental faculty members participated in the session.









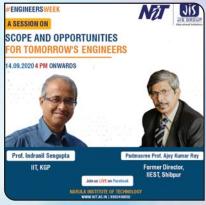
A "Webinar on Law-Labour-Lockdown" was conducted by the Department of Business Administration of Narula Institute of Technology on 8th September, 2020 at 4PM on Zoom platform. The Key speaker of this webinar was Mr. Kallol Dutta, Joint Labour Commissioner, Govt. of West Bengal.



Narula Institute of Technology observed Engineer's Week (14-18 September, 2020) to pay tribute to the greatest Indian Engineer, Prof. Vishvesvara on the occasion of his birth anniversary on 15th September. This week-long initiative comprised of a series of lecture sessions, debate, technical quiz

& project display.







The Department of Electrical Engineering of Narula Institute of Technology organized a webinar titled "INDUSTRIAL AUTOMATION-The Engineering of Modern Industries" under Engineering College Student Chapter- Institute of Engineers (India) on 26th September, 2020. The speaker was Mr. Satadru Banerjee, Founder and Lead Trainer of "Learn It All Academy"- An ISO 9001:2015 Organization, MSME Registered & Accredited by UASL, UK and it was attended by 96 participants.





Electrical Engineering Department of Narula Institute of Technology

26 Sept. | 11am

Mr. Satadru Banerjee







Narula Institute of Technology organised its much awaited Annual Award Program on digital platform "Nit Jewels" on 20th October, 2020 where students and teachers were honoured for their excellent performance and contribution. This year also, NiT has looked beyond the four boundaries of the college wall and felicitated the "Frontline warriors"- the unsung heroes who are silently contributing for the betterment of the society during the pandemic.



DR SUDHIR CHANDRA SUR DEGREE ENGINEERING COLLEGE

Dr. Sudhir Chandra Sur Institute of Technology & Sports Complex owing the social responsibility of imparting quality of Professional education amongst the students has actively conducted various activities such as release of Wall Magazine of the departments, webinars from Industrial experts from Institution of Repute like IIT & NIT, competition to provoke the Innovation & Change of mind set like Innovative Idea Competition, poster making competition, debate competition, quiz, Digital Industrial Visit, Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti & Guru Nanak Jayanti, Annual Tech fest – Manthan 2020 etc.





Some of the key events in order to promote practical exposure of rare earth project were carried out on virtual platform for students of Civil Engineering, as per AICTE directives celebration of Constitutional Values & fundamental principles of Indian Constitution on 26th November 2020, celebration of 551st Birth Anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev Ji on 30th November 2020.

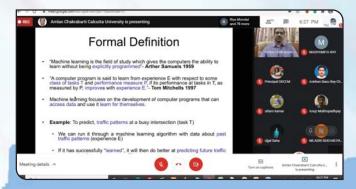
The Institution has recently received 4 star rating in Institution Innovation Council (IIC) initiative of MHRD Govt. of India for successful conduction of Multi facet domain activities for promoting professional education during lockdown period.



GREATER KOLKATA COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT, BARUIPUR

Department of Computer Science and Engineering of Greater Kolkata College of Engineering and Management (GKCEM) organized a webinar on "Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning" was organized on 3rd October' 2020. The resource person for the webinar was Prof. (Dr.) Amlan Chakrabarti, Professor and Director of A. K. Chowdhury School of Information Technology, CU, former Dean, Faculty of

Engineering and Technology of University of Calcutta (2016-2019). He is a senior member of IEEE and ACM and was awarded the Shiksha Ratna Award by the Dept. of Higher Education Govt. of West Bengal in the year 2018. Around 91 participants including students, faculty and staff members, research scholars attended this webinar, from different states, different universities and different colleges.





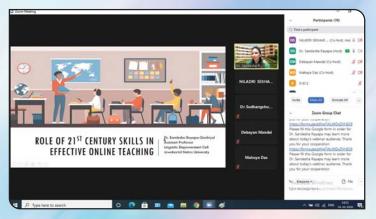


Internal Quallity Assurance Cell, GKCEM has successfully organized a webinar "Role of 21st Century Skill in Effective Online Teaching" on 10th October, 2020. The resource person was Dr. Sandesha Rayapa, Linguistic Empowerment Cell, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Dr. Rayapa has been a regular resource person for English language training to the ASO (Assistant Section Officers) in the various Ministries of the Indian Government and has now also been appointed as

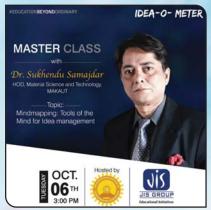
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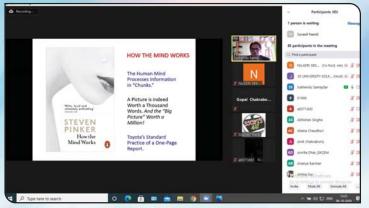
Authority of India's Northern region. The Session was very much enjoyable and interactive. Faculty and staff not only from the JIS group but from other institutes also attended the webinar. Around 79 participants including faculty members and staff members attended this webinar.





The signature event of JIS Group, Idea-O-Meter master class was successfully organized by GKCEM on 6th October, 2020 with Prof. Sukhendu Samajdar, HOD, Material Science and Technology, MAKAUT.





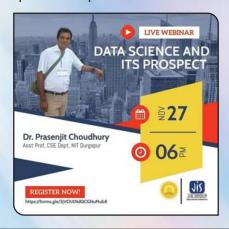
Greater Kolkata College of **Engineering** and Management organized an "Online Meditation Workshop" on 26th November, 2020 at 2.30 PM in association with Mrs. Jyoti Thakur, Program Coordinator, Sahaja Yoga Meditation Center for B. Tech and Diploma students.







Another webinar on "Data Science and It's prospect" was held at GKCEM with Dr. Prasenjit Choudhury, Asst. Prof., CSE Department, NIT Durgapur on 27th November, 2020. In both the events more than 100 participants were present.





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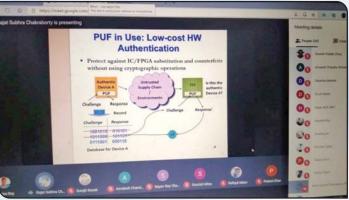
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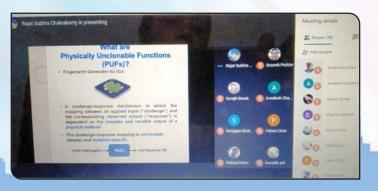
In the present Covid-19 pandemic situation, Electronics and Communication Engineering department of GNIT had organized a Faculty Development Programme titled "Electronic Devices, Image Processing and Machine Learning" during 11th August – 15th August, 2020 where the Resource Persons (Speakers) were from various corners of the World i.e.: Industry, Academia and Research Organizations.













A Webinar titled Sonomyography: Restoring Human **Movement Through Sound**

A Webinar titled Sonomyography: Restoring Human Movement Through Sound was organized by IE Students Chapter of Department of Applied Electronics and Instrumentation

Engineering department of GNIT at 4:00 p.m. 12th September, 2020. The Webinar was facilitated by Dr. Biswarup Mukherjee,

Assistant Professor, and Centre for Biomedical Engineering, IIT Delhi, Department of Biomedical Engineering, and AIIMS Delhi & also esteemed Alumni of AEIE Department.







with Aspire vision Tech Education Pvt. Ltd.

Computer Science & Engineering department of GNIT under IE Chapter had organized a Webinar on "Full Stack Web Development" in collaboration with Aspire vision Tech

Webinar on "Full Stack Web Development" in collaboration Education Pvt. Ltd. on 19th September 2020, from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm.

> The session was conducted by Mr. Kanishk, Senior Technical Trainer, Aspirevision Tech Education Pvt. Ltd.









The Department of Computer Application organized the Orientation Ceremony of the Class of 2020

The Department of Computer Application organized the Orientation Ceremony of the Class of 2020 to welcome the new students on 21st September' 20 from 11 am onwards.









Workshop on Mental Health Awareness

Workshop on Mental Health Awareness was organized by the Electronics and Communication Engineering department in association with Techfest IIT Bombay on 26th September 2020



The Virtual Awareness Programme: Cancer Eradication & Healthy Lifestyle!

In line with the vision of Ruby Ahluwalia, Senior Bureaucrat, Life Coach, Author, Painter, TEDx Speaker, Cancer Victor and the Founder of the Non-Profit Organization Sanjeevani - Life Beyond Cancer a pioneer in Comprehensive Cancer Care, Guru Nanak Institute of Technology under the aegis of JIS Group, GNIT organized The Virtual Awareness Programme: Cancer Eradication & Healthy Lifestyle!

The Patron of the programme was Prof. (Dr.) Santanu Kumar Sen, Principal, GNIT and the Session Facilitator was be Mrs. Jasmine Khatoon, Senior Counselor, Sanjeevani - Life Beyond Cancer.

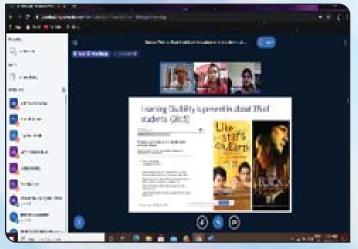


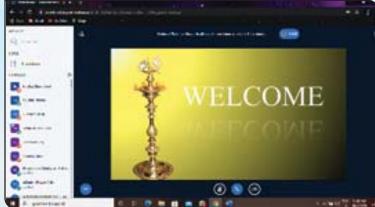
This exclusive session and engagement was streamed live on 26th September 2020, 11:00 a.m. onwards on the GNIT DigiConclave Platform and Facebook.

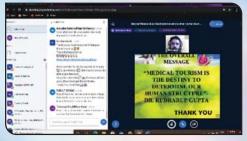
Healthcare Innovations When It Is the Robust Medium for Both Societal Advancements & Educational Accelerations Hospital Management department of GNIT organized a national webinar entitled "Healthcare Innovations When it is the Robust Medium for Both Societal Advancements & Educational Accelerations" on 4th October 2020. The webinar was facilitated by eminent speakers Dr. Anjan Bhattacharya, HOD, Child Development (Apollo Gleneagles Hospital) along with Ms. Shaireen Ali, Junior Psychologist, Child Development

(Apollo Gleneagles Hospital) & Ms. Shreyashee Dutta, Psychology Intern (Calcutta University), Dr. Rudrarup Gupta, CEO, Multifarious Project's Group & Dr. Rumki Gupta, Former Scientist, Psychology, Indian Statistical Institute. They discussed different topics like the versatile roles of health in education and untold facts, medical tourism, healthcare management & differences in self-concept, academic achievements and motivation of the school going adolescents.













International Webinar: Numerical Modelling of Flow-Mechanics Problem in Fractured Reservoir

The Applied Science & Humanities Department had organized an International Webinar on "Numerical Modelling of Flow-Mechanics Problem in Fractured Reservoir", on 10th October 2020 from 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm. Dr. Rajdeep Deb, Senior Research Scientist, ETH Zurich, Switzerland was the facilitator of the webinar. Dr. Deb had emphasized the importance of fractured reservoir simulation in oil and gas fields, geothermal systems and fracking operations. Also, he explained about a potential risk assessment in this regard to estimate micro seismic activities due to reservoir operations, which requires numerical modeling of fractured reservoirs for both flow and mechanics problems. He showed how the numerical finite

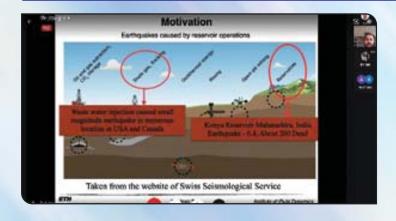
volume method is applied to solve flow-mechanics problems of fractured reservoirs.

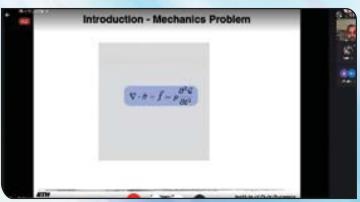












Shakti Rupena Sansthita: Workshop on Women Self Defense

Food Technology department of GNIT organized an online Workshop on Women Self Defense entitled "Shakti Rupena Sansthita". The Workshop was facilitated by Mr. Shrijit Paul (International Kumite Gold Medalist), a student of 3rd yr FT along with one of his friends. They discussed different moves that can help a woman in adverse situations and unwanted threats on the street.



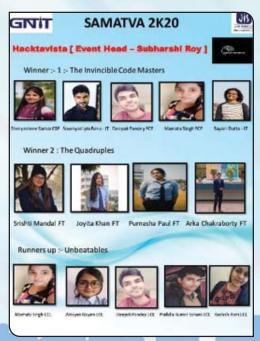




SAMATVA 2020

SAMATVA 2020, the Online Tech Fest was organized by Electrical Engineering department of GNIT during 16th - 18th OCTOBER, 2020 to imply the state of psycho-stability and composure, which enabled the students to unwind their mind beyond the textbook theory resulting into brainstorming, designing, building and testing their performance, hence, enabling students from a variety of disciplines by challenging them in combat with hands-on experience.

HACKTAVISTA Innovation Hackathon, is a Model presentation event of SAMATVA 2020. The project concepts involved







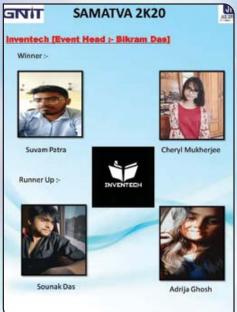
concepts from various verticals, such as renewable, health, agri-tech, deep learning, monitoring and inspection systems, web development etc.

TECH OLYMPIAD, a Tech-Quiz tournament between teams was a unique and enjoyable event in SAMATVA 2020.

INVENTECH 2020 was a paper presentation event of SAMATVA 2020. It provided an opportunity for student researchers to disseminate their latest research results in various fields of engineering.

QUANTUM LENS is a combination event of Poster presentation & Photography in SAMATVA 2020.





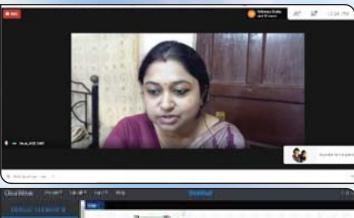


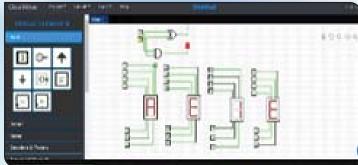
Hands on Experiments in Automation, IoT and Sensor Applications through Virtual lab Experiments

Applied Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering department of GNIT organized "Hands on experiments in Automation, IoT and Sensor Applications through Virtual lab Experiments" on 16th October, 2020 from 11 am for 10+2 Science Students in collaboration with the Admission Cell. Students from different schools participated in this program. To continue education in this pandemic situation all the laboratories of AEIE department have been converted to virtual mode. Here in this program the members of AEIE, presented these laboratories to external students through virtual mode. Some of the senior students of the department also demonstrated their project to motivate the participants. All the links were shared with the participants through which they could do experiments sitting at home. Also, a Google classroom link was shared with the participants where they could access the materials of the experiments. Participants were also oriented with virtual lab visits. Participants interacted with the faculty members and cleared their queries. All were felicitated with participation certificates.





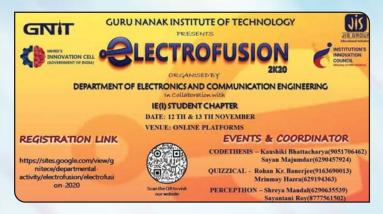






Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering of GNIT, Kolkata organized Electrofusion Fusion 2K20 during 12th and 13th November.

Electronics and Communication Engineering department of GNIT, Kolkata organized Electrofusion Fusion 2K20 during 12th and 13th November, from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm in collaboration



with the IE (I) Student Chapter and at the Institute Innovation Council of GNIT. Diploma, UG and PG students of Engineering background were encouraged to participate. All the event winners were given E-Certificates.



Guru Nanak Institute of Technology of JIS Group, organized the Induction program for the 1st year B.Tech and diploma students

Guru Nanak Institute of Technology of JIS Group, rolled out the Induction Programme for the Class of 2020 (1st Year B.Tech. and Diploma Students) to establish positive acquaintance and create bonding with their peers, mentors and the institution; providing a platform for the transition of the students from school to college. The incumbents were acquainted with the institutional policies, processes; practices, culture and values, and their mentor groups were formed. Induction on Day 1 (18 November, 2020), had renowned social worker and GNIT alumnus Mr. Suman Kar as the facilitator. He elaborated GNIT's ISR Activities and instilled empathy for the ones in dire need. He also inspired the students by showing the social works of "Pragati", a social organization established by our students of 2nd year under his leadership.







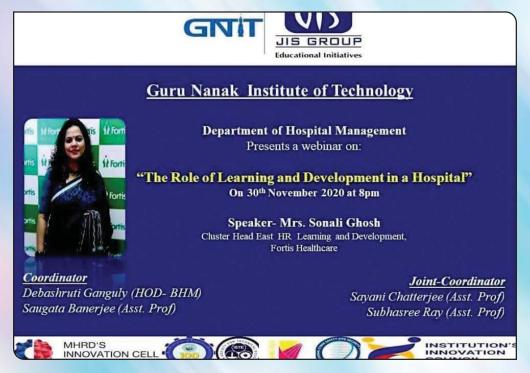






Hospital Management department of GNIT organized a Webinar entitled "The Role of Learning and Development in a Hospital"

Hospital Management department of GNIT organized a webinar titled "The Role of Learning and Development in a Hospital" on 30th November 2020 from 8:00 p.m. onwards. The webinar was facilitated by Mrs. Sonali Ghosh, Cluster Head East HR Learning and Development, Fortis Healthcare.



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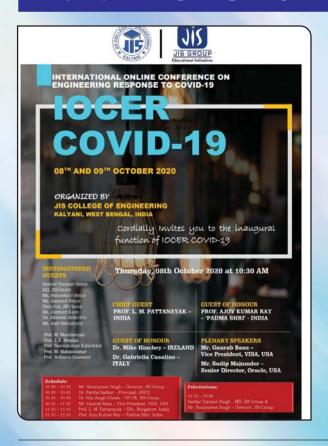
20th Foundation Day

JIS College of Engineering celebrated its 20th Foundation Day on 1st Sept'20. All the stakeholders actively participated in program.

The daylong celebration started with College Flag Hoisting at the campus followed by planting trees. Students participated in the virtual cultural program. Toppers of the institution & sum alumni were felicitated. At the evening, Rupankar – the guest artist performed live on the college facebook page.







International Conference

JIS College of Engineering organized an International Conference on Engineering Response to COVID-19 (IOCER COVID-19 2020) on 8th & 9th October, 2020. The Conference proceedings were published through Scopus indexed Journal of Physics Conference Series, IoP, UK.

The conference was an interdisciplinary initiative of JIS College of Engineering (An Autonomous Institute) where Scientists, Technocrats from the field of Academia, Research and Industry exchanged their experiences, novel ideas and state of the art innovations even under these difficult situations across the globe.

Alumni Celebrated Diwali with Housekeeping Team of JISCE

Alumni Association of JISCE organized "Lighting Life" - A Pre Diwali Celebration with the Housekeeping Team of JISCE on 13th Nov' 20.

The motto of the program was to light the lives of those who have given their efforts in keeping the campus green & clean.





Signing of MoU

National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) and JIS College of Engineering, Kalyani signed a MoU on 25.11.2020. JIS College of Engineering adopted a stretch of 78 kms between

Krishnagar and Berhampur of NHs as a voluntary initiative under ambit of Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR).



Guru Nanak Jayanti

To mark the 551st birth anniversary of Guru Nanak ji, the Founder of Sikhism, the members of JISCE organized the 551st birth of Guru Nanak Saheb ji with great zeal. The programme started with reciting of Japji Sahib followed by "Ardass" and distribution of traditional "Kadah Prasad".





