



IIT KANPUR

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur

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INTERNAL ENGAGEMENT REPORT

JANUARY TO MARCH 2026





DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

As we conclude the financial year 2025–26, we reflect on a journey defined by momentum, collaboration, and purpose. The unwavering support of our alumni, corporate partners, faculty, and friends has enabled us to close the year at **₹189.08 Crore** in contributions, a testament to our collective commitment to advancing **IIT Kanpur's** vision of excellence.

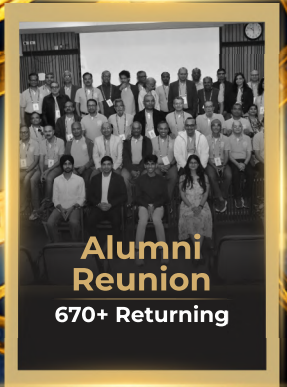
This year marked a significant strengthening of our engagement ecosystem, driven by initiatives such as **Cf '98, Faculty Connect, Makerspace, and the Computer Lab for Opportunity School**, each creating meaningful avenues for collaboration, innovation, and outreach. We also had the privilege of welcoming over 670 alumni back to campus, turning the Institute into a vibrant space of reconnection, nostalgia, and renewed commitment. These interactions have not only reinforced our bonds but are actively shaping the path forward.

The closing days of the financial year were particularly remarkable, marked by tireless effort and shared determination, culminating in a record-breaking finish that reflects the spirit of this community.

Looking back, the year stands as a powerful reminder of what we can achieve together. And as every great film reminds us, **this is not the end, but the beginning of what comes next.**

PICTURE ABHI BAAKI HAI...

Warm Regards,
Amey Karkare





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ADVANCED IMAGING

EVENTS & OUTREACH

FACULTY CONNECT

Strengthening Collaboration

The **Faculty Connect** event aimed to strengthen engagement with faculty members and highlight emerging opportunities that can support research, infrastructure, and academic initiatives at the institute. The session served as a platform to highlight ongoing efforts in alumni engagement, philanthropic partnerships, and institutional advancement.

The event introduced faculty to various avenues of support, including philanthropic contributions from alumni, corporate social responsibility (CSR) partnerships, and endowment-based funding. Discussions focused on how faculty-led ideas and projects can be aligned with donor interests to enable impactful initiatives across research, student support, and campus development.

The event fostered an open dialogue and reinforced the importance of faculty participation in outreach and development efforts. The event concluded with a shared commitment to work collectively toward strengthening the Institute's initiatives and expanding its long-term impact.



EVENTS & OUTREACH

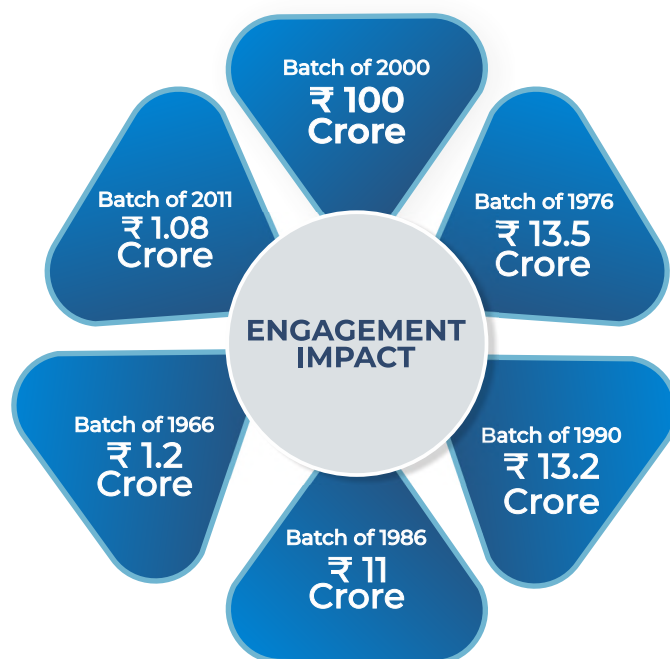
ALUMNI REUNIONS

Revisiting memories, reconnecting with mentors, and celebrating progress

As part of the Alumni Reunion celebrations, alumni had the opportunity to visit their respective departments, offering a meaningful chance to reconnect with the academic spaces that shaped their journeys. The visits brought back memories of student life as alumni walked through familiar corridors, classrooms, while reconnecting with faculty members.

Faculty members shared updates on recent academic achievements, research initiatives, and new infrastructure developments within the departments. Alumni were also introduced to emerging research areas and advancements that are shaping the future of their disciplines.

The interactions created a vibrant exchange of ideas, with alumni sharing professional experiences and exploring opportunities for mentorship, industry collaboration, and philanthropic support. These conversations highlighted the important role alumni continue to play in supporting the growth and aspirations of their departments.



EVENTS & OUTREACH

GCC INNOVATION SUMMIT 2026

GCC 4.0: CO-CREATING INDIA'S INNOVATION POWERHOUSE

The Alumni Association IIT Kanpur organized Startup Master Class **SMC 2026 – Hyderabad**, bringing together leaders from Global Capability Centres (GCCs), start-ups, investors, and key ecosystem stakeholders. The event served as a dynamic platform for discussions on innovation, collaboration, and emerging opportunities within the technology and start-up ecosystem.

Supported by partners including HCLTech, Invest UP, State Bank of India, and Amazon Web Services, the event encouraged meaningful dialogue and strengthened industry-academia engagement. The discussions also highlighted opportunities for investment and expansion into Uttar Pradesh, fostering connections that can drive innovation and regional growth.

Through such initiatives, the alumni community of IIT Kanpur continues to play an important role in building collaborative networks that support entrepreneurship, technological advancement, and strategic industry partnerships.



PARTNERSHIPS CREATING VALUE



NMTRONICS (INDIA) PVT. LTD.

NMTronics (India) Private Limited has further strengthened its ongoing collaboration with IIT Kanpur through a revised and extended CSR commitment. The enhanced funding will bolster the NMTronics Center of Excellence for Electronics Manufacturing and Skills Development.

PORTESCAP INDIA PVT. LTD.

Portescap India Private Limited has extended its collaboration with IIT Kanpur under its CSR initiatives, reinforcing a long-standing partnership. Building on earlier collaborations, this continued partnership will support advanced research in critical domains such as healthcare technologies and precision-driven robotic systems. The initiative focuses on developing indigenous solutions for medical devices and engineering applications, contributing to affordable and accessible healthcare.



KEWAL ENGINEERING PVT. LTD.

Driving impact at the grassroots, the Kewal Engineering Private Limited has agreed to implement the “Skilling Leather Stitchers” program aimed at empowering rural youth. The initiative focuses on delivering structured vocational training to enhance employability and foster sustainable livelihoods.

CRISIL LTD.

Strengthening industry-academia collaboration, IIT Kanpur has collaborated with CRISIL Limited to support academic enrichment and student recognition initiatives. Through an endowment contribution, the association establishes the CRISIL Lecture Series and the CRISIL Student Award, fostering knowledge exchange and academic excellence within the Department of Intelligent Systems.



PARTNERSHIPS CREATING VALUE

APTIV COMPONENTS INDIA PVT. LTD.

With a focused commitment to strengthening healthcare delivery at the Gangwal School of Medical Sciences and Technology (GSMST), Aptiv has supported the establishment of two dedicated 8-bed EWS bays, aimed at expanding access to affordable, high-quality healthcare for underserved populations. This initiative enhances patient care through efficient triaging, streamlined treatment, and improved management under schemes like Ayushman Bharat–PMJAY.

• **APTIV** •



realme



M/S. REALME MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INDIA) PVT. LTD.

In a significant step towards digital resilience, IIT Kanpur has joined hands with realme India for Realme Cyber Suraksha. This initiative focuses on strengthening cyber awareness and promoting safe digital practices among students and government professionals across Uttar Pradesh. The programme adopts a structured, practice-oriented approach, combining institutional capacity building with large-scale training delivered through blended learning formats.

HINDUSTAN COPPER LIMITED

Education remains a key focus area for IIT Kanpur's outreach and social impact initiatives, reflected in its collaboration with Hindustan Copper Limited to implement the SATHEE (Self-Assessment, Test, and Help for Entrance Exams) program under CSR. The initiative aims to provide free, high-quality coaching and mentorship for competitive exams such as JEE, NEET, and SSC to 150 underprivileged students from mining regions across Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, and Rajasthan.



HINDUSTAN COPPER LIMITED
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)
The Copper Miner to the Nation



PARTNERSHIPS CREATING VALUE

MR. RAVINDRA NATH AKHOURY

Mr. Ravindra Nath Akhouri (BT/EE/1968), recognizing the critical need for equitable healthcare access for economically weaker sections, has generously supported the establishment of an EWS bay at the Gangwal School of Medical Sciences and Technology (GSMST), IIT Kanpur. This generous support will enable the creation of an 8-bed facility within the general ward, dedicated to patients under government healthcare schemes. The ward will be named as “Raina Trevor Lawrence and Zehara Jewel Akhouri EWS Ward”.

MR. RAKESH BHARGAVA

Mr. Rakesh Bhargava (BT/CHE/1973), an alumnus of IIT Kanpur, has extended his support to the Institute for a research project on the design and synthesis of peptide-based surfactants. The initiative focuses on developing biodegradable, tunable surfactants with enhanced physicochemical properties and applications in biomolecule interaction, stabilization, and drug development.



THE CLASS OF 2000

The Class of 2000 has transformed reunion momentum into meaningful institutional impact at the Institute. United by a shared commitment to give back, the batch is supporting the upgradation of educational infrastructure and learning environments for Kislaya School-a nurturing early childhood centre for young children. Their contributions are enabling modern classrooms, improved facilities, and enriched early childhood education, fostering holistic development and inclusive learning.

TATA MOTORS PASSENGERS VEHICLES LTD.

In a strategic move to strengthen industry-academia collaboration, IIT Kanpur has partnered with Tata Motors Passengers Vehicles Ltd. through a formal Memorandum of Understanding. The initiative focuses on advancing research, innovation, and capacity building through sponsored academic programmes and collaborative projects. Adopting a structured and outcome-driven approach, the partnership facilitates employee upskilling, joint research, and knowledge exchange across key engineering and technology domains.

THE CLASS OF 1983

With togetherness, the Class of 1983 has come forward to support IIT Kanpur in advancing key infrastructure initiatives that strengthen both academic and student life on campus. Through an agreement, the batch is contributing to the establishment of the VRIEM Centre in the Department of Chemical Engineering and the development of a Multipurpose Hall at the New Students' Activity Centre (SAC).

PARTNERSHIPS CREATING VALUE

NEW STUDENT INITIATIVE

PURPOSE	DONOR	BENEFICIARY
Animesh & Jharna Bagchi Scholarship and Anup & Mitul Bagchi Scholarship	Mr. Anup Bagchi (BT/CHE/1990)	Department of Chemical Engineering
Geetha Dayal Family Scholarship	Mr. Abhay Gupta (BT/ME/1979)	All departments
Smt. Pushpa Singh Scholarship	Prof. Sidh Nath Singh (BT/AE/1978)	Department of Aerospace Engineering
Ayyagari Satyanarayana Rao Memorial Young Faculty Fellowship	Mr. Murthy Ayyagari (BT/EE/1975)	Department of Electrical Engineering
Ayyagari Satyanarayana Rao Memorial Student Travel Grant	Mr. Murthy Ayyagari (BT/EE/1975)	Department of Electrical Engineering
Ayyagari Satyanarayana Rao Memorial Scholarship	Mr. Murthy Ayyagari (BT/EE/1975)	Department of Electrical Engineering
Susham and Satish Palnitkar Scholarship	Mr. Samir S Palnitkar (BT/EE/1990)	Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science & Engineering
Prof. Tapan P. Bagchi Award for Excellence in Economic Science	Mr. Prakhar Bansal (BT/CHE/1994)	Department of Economic Sciences



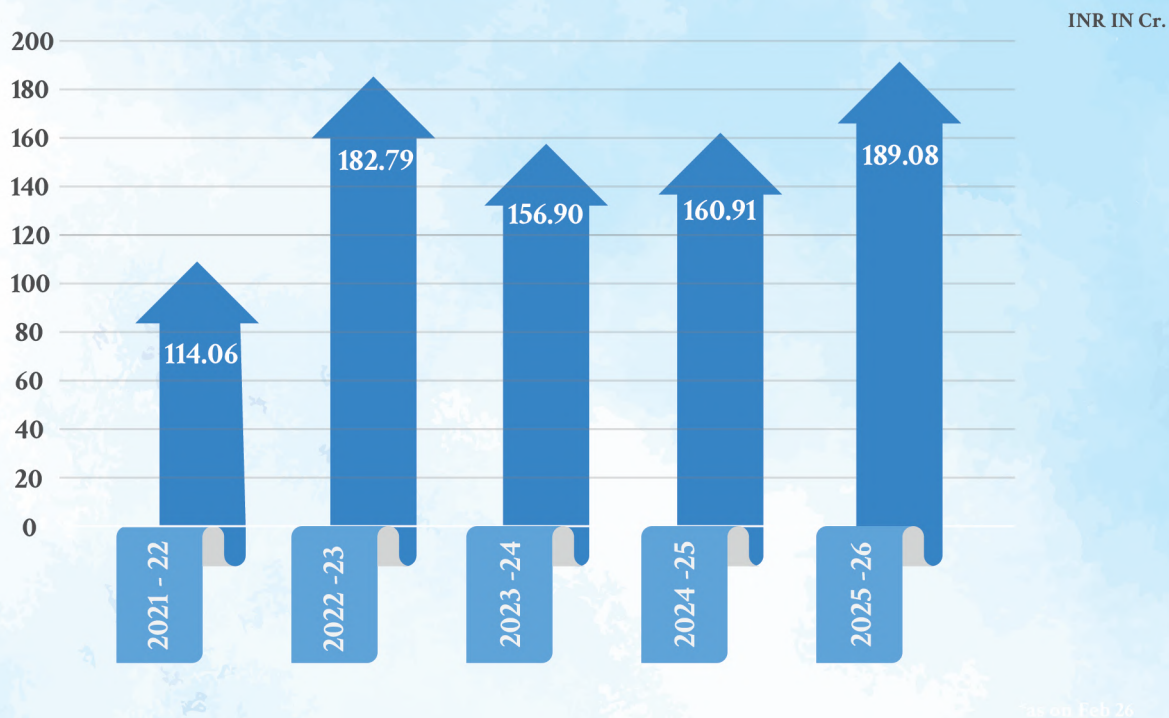
FY 2025 -26 HIGHLIGHTS

FUNDRAISING OVERVIEW- (5 YEAR GROWTH)

More hands joining the journey, more belief in IITK

The Giving Graph is Climbing

and the momentum keeps growing.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW



POWER FOUNDATION OF INDIA (PFI)

Helping brilliant students and faculty to do, what they do best.

GROWW SCHOLARSHIP



Where generosity meets talent- giving wings to
IITK'S BRIGHTEST MINDS.

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS, OUR PRIDE

20

Scholarship

4

Student Award

4

Faculty Chair

4

Faculty
Fellowship

2

Distinguished
Lecture Series

3

Special
Program

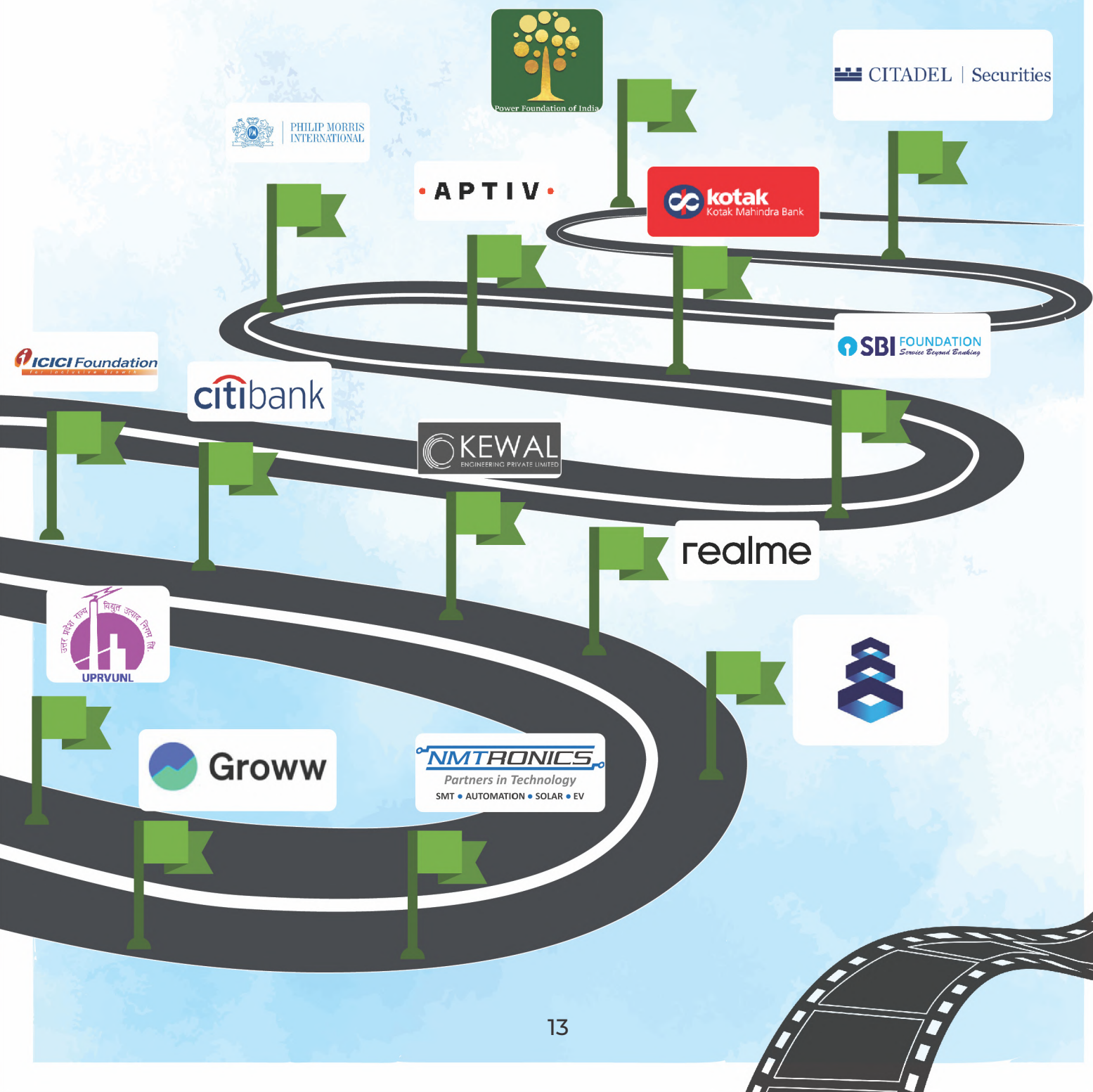
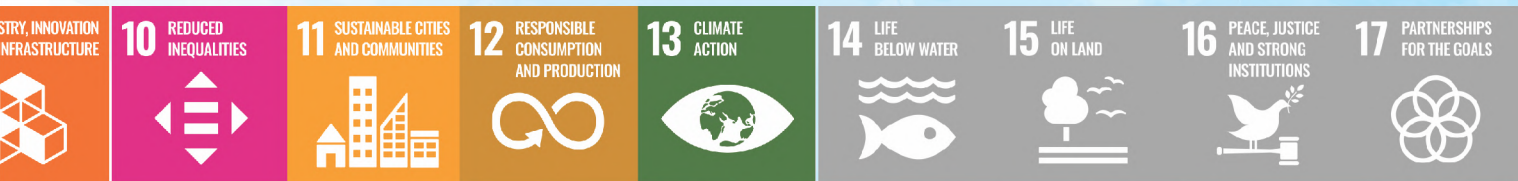
INNOVATE
INSPIRE
IMPACT

ESTEEMED COLLABORATORS

Alumni, foundations, and
industry leaders joined the journey.

Because when the
community comes together,
big things happen.





PROJECTS

Departments, Powered by DoRA Partnerships

Across campus, philanthropy is strengthening departments - with alumni and corporate partners leading the way.



PROJECTS

New Spaces Taking Shape

CF '98

Guess what?

Now we have a
Café On Campus.

CF '98

COFFEE
+
CONVERSATIONS
=
IDEAS BREWING



MAKERSPACE

Where
imagination
meets
innovation -
and ideas
become reality



OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL COMPUTER LAB



Opening digital
doors for students from
underserved communities.

Opening minds,
one computer at a time.

EVENTS

A Year of Memorable Moments

IITK SAMANVAY



Hon'ble Chief Minister
Shri Yogi Adityanath Ji
A proud moment for the
IITK community

Brought Industry and
Academia to the same table.



TALK ABOUT ALUMNI POWER!



Class of 2000
pledging
₹ 100 Cr.
to IIT Kanpur

PARWA



Made history
with the
**First-ever
PG Alumni
Reunion**

FACULTY CONNECT

Turning conversations into
New Possibilities.



66th FOUNDATION DAY

Double the 6,
Double the Pride!

Celebrating the legacy, cheering on our
distinguished alumni who are acing it
across fields.

यत्र संकल्पः तत्र सिद्धि

When intent meets action

CRACKING A DEAL WITHIN 24 HOURS

The Pivot from Routine to Purpose.

What began as a routine outreach suddenly turned office, late against time.



A leading company explores supporting the institute... but wants something with visible social impact.



GSMST - EWS Bay?

They're not keen on just scholarships. They want deeper impact.

Plans Disrupted, Team Steps In.

A last-minute accident and travel constraints force a rapid recalibration.



No problem—we'll host them on campus.

Let's make every minute count.



The Campus Visit That Clicked.

By 4 PM, the corporate delegation is on campus.

A quick but powerful visit to GSMST and the EWS Bay.



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This... this is exactly the kind of impact we want to support.

The Crucial Meeting and Small Acts of Care.

In a crucial meeting with the Dean, the discussion quickly moves from intent to alignment.



Let's see how we can structure this for maximum social impact.

Intent → Alignment → Commitment?

They haven't had lunch... and no rooms booked yet.

VH

Café 98



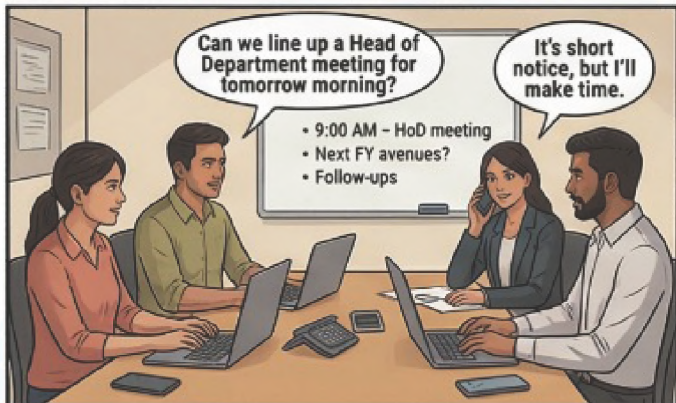
Within minutes, rooms arranged at VH and a quick bite at Café 98—comfort keeps the momentum alive.

Overnight Sprint on a Tight Clock.

8:00 PM

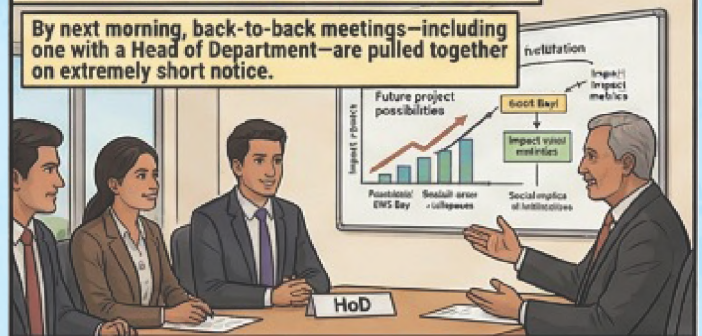
By 8 PM, the conversation expands—the delegation wants to explore additional avenues for the next year.

What usually takes days has to be done overnight.



Morning Meetings and a Timely Exit.

By next morning, back-to-back meetings—including one with a Head of Department—are pulled together on extremely short notice.



4 PM to 11:30 AM. Less than 24 hours. Multiple moving parts. One shared purpose.



From Sprint to Signed Commitment.

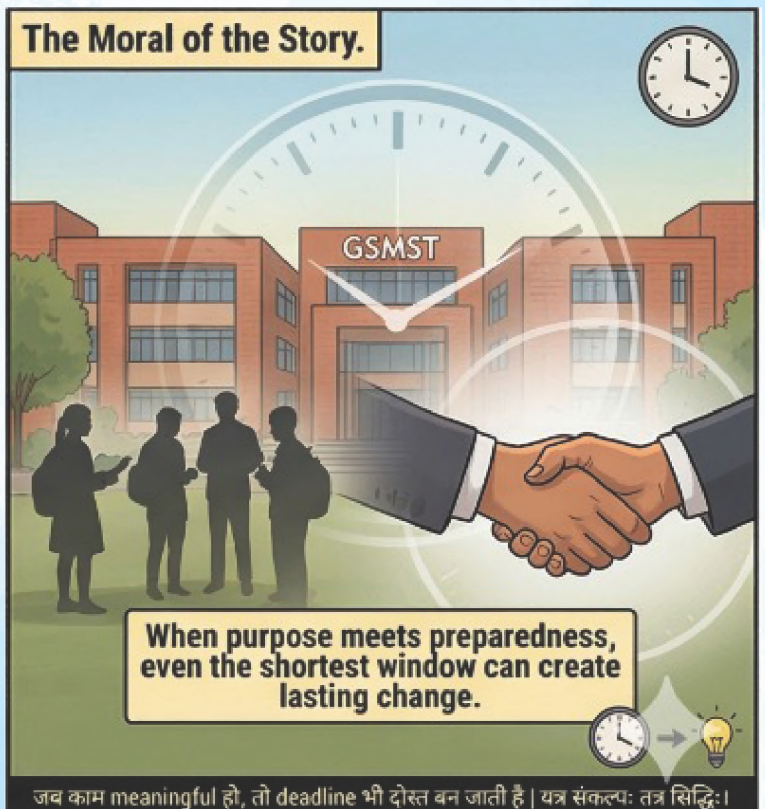
In another 24 hours, the sprint culminates in a signed MoU.



A ₹1 crore commitment towards the EWS Bay at GSMST.



The Moral of the Story.



When purpose meets preparedness, even the shortest window can create lasting change.

जब काम meaningful हो, तो deadline भी दोस्त बन जाती है। | यत्र संकल्पः तत्र सिद्धिः।

WHEN SUPPORT TURNS INTO IMPACT

Because every contribution eventually becomes a story.



GAURAV SWARNAKAR

A Little Support,
A Big Win.
Bringing home a national

WHEEL OF CHANGE

Donor Generosity
turning mobility into possibility.



IITK Flying High

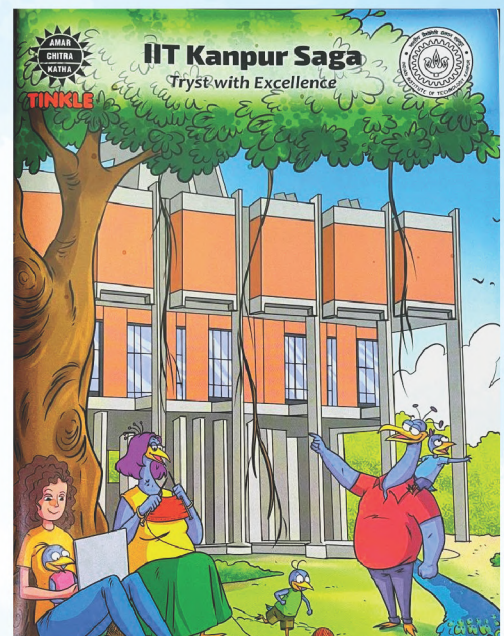


AERIAL ROBOTICS TEAM

after an international
competition

WIN

IIT KANPUR SAGA



IIT KANPUR SAGA

from first brick to big breakthroughs,
our journey sketched in one comic

TESTIMONIALS

PROF. NIRAJ SINHA

Professor,
Department of Mechanical Engineering

The Office of Resources and Alumni has been driving the campus growth by mobilizing critical support for the institute, including scholarships, research chairs, campus schools, and the Centre for Mental Health and Wellbeing, to name a few. Beyond fundraising, the office is strengthening student-alumni engagement through various programmes. Furthermore, the faculty-alumni collaboration is poised to foster high-impact research and academic partnerships. Their professional, approachable and proactive team deeply understands the requirements of the institute and has been raising corporate social responsibility (CSR) funds as well. In sum, they are a strategic partner in institute's development.



PROF. NILESH UMESH BADWE

Associate Professor,
Department of Materials Science and Engineering

The DoRA Office at IIT Kanpur has been instrumental in strengthening the institute's research ecosystem. Their support was key to establishing the MacDermid Alpha Thermal Reliability Laboratory and is enabling the NMTronics Center of Excellence for Electronics Manufacturing. They continuously help faculties connect with industries in different research areas for fostering meaningful collaborations and translational research opportunities. They also play an important role in alumni engagement, helping build lasting partnerships. Through proactive facilitation, efficient processes, and strong external outreach, the DoRA office continues to empower faculty and advance the institute's mission of impactful research and innovation.



PROF. AMARENDRA EDPUGANTI

Assistant Professor
Department of Sustainability Energy Engineering

The DoRA office is strengthening alumni relations and building connections with industry and corporate partners for collaboration and fundraising. Thanks to their ongoing support, we regularly receive updates on CSR funding opportunities and helpful guidance on developing strong proposals. In addition, the DoRA office plays an important role in facilitating collaborations with corporates for R&D projects. Apart from this, they are organizing regular events to engage and connect with alumni. With the sustained support of the DoRA office, I am sure that both the faculty and the institute will continue to witness tremendous growth and development.



GRATITUDE MESSAGE

Gratitude for the Pillars Behind Our Success

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our internal engagement members for your unwavering support and dedication throughout the financial year. Your contributions have been instrumental in helping us achieve significant milestones and drive meaningful impact. It is because of your commitment that we have been able to grow and succeed together. As we move forward, we look forward to your continued support and collaboration in achieving even greater milestones. Thank you for everything you have done. We truly value your efforts and partnership.

Thank you.



Prof. B. V. Phani
(DOMS)



Prof. Amar Kumar
Behera (DES)



Prof. Anand
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Prof. Ark Verma
(CGS)



Prof. Arnab
Bhattacharya



Prof. Dibakar
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Prof. Laltu
Chandra (SEE)



Prof. Mahamitra
Das (ECO)



Prof. Nilesh Badwe
(MSE)



Prof. Nitin Mohan
(BSBE)



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Ranjan (AE)



Prof. Salman
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Prof. Sharvari Nadkarni
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Prof. Shubham
Sahay (EE)



Prof. Sivasurender
Chandran (PHY)



Prof. Sushruth
Ravish (HSS)



Prof. Ushasi Roy
(ME)



Prof. Venkatesan
Kanagaraj (CE)

STAY TUNED

"Your support has been our strength so far, and your presence made every step meaningful. As we move ahead with bigger ideas and impactful initiatives, we invite you to continue this journey with us.

Stay connected, stay inspired, and be a part of what's coming next.
Stay tuned for our upcoming events. The best is yet to unfold!"









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