

ARMY INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT, KOLKATA

RESUME OF EVENTS / ACTIVITIES :JUL 2020

Overview

1. July saw the curtains being drawn by our University for the Academic Year 2019-20. Online assessment of the final year students was carried out. Documents for registration of the Alumni Association were initiated and the process set in motion. A drive was launched to update the alumni database and with the threat of another lockdown looming large, it was considered prudent to shift offices and function from our new campus.

Academics

2. **Assessment of Students.** The University left it to the colleges to decide on the modalities of assessing students for 20 per cent of the total marks allotted to each subject and results were to be submitted by 17 Jul. AIMK decided to conduct a grand viva voce for the final semester students by a panel of faculty members from 08 to 10 Jul. (15 minutes per students) and an hour long online MCQ test covering all subjects. It was a good initiative serving the interests of education, but the performance of the students left much to be desired. The semester was finally declared closed on 15 Jul with the University declaring results on 20 Jul. Contact classes were barely conducted for six weeks during the semester. With UGC recommending exams for final year students uncertainly still looms large.

3. **FDP on Online Teaching 25 Jul.** Faculty members attended an online FDP on online education organised by Association of Indian Management Schools (AIMS) on 25 Jul.

Placements

4. **Weekend Group Discussion (GD) Sessions by Faculty for MBA 23.** With effect from 25 Jul, faculty started organising two GD sessions on weekends for their mentees from MBA 23 to prepare them for placements.

5. **Placements.** Eight of our students remain to be placed the placement of another 13 is in jeopardy due to the pandemic fallout. Third party assistance for their placement is being sought.

Students Affairs

6. **Visit by Alumni to New Campus (18 Jul).** A group of 4 alumni members visited the new campus on 18 Jul. Issues related to the alumni association and infrastructure & facilities were discussed.



Director along with Registrar conducting the alumni members from MBA 9 Batch (Subhodeep, Sougata, Kaustav & Rohit) during their visit to the New Campus (18 Jul).

7. **Alumni Association Registration Deed: Signing Of (24 Jul).** After vacillating for many years, the deed for registration of the association was signed by the governing council members on 24 Jul at the Director's Residence. The document was handed over to the consultant for registration.



The members of the Alumni Association Governing Council (Soma, Sougata, Subhodeep, Rohit, Kaustav, Anvesha & Chitralekha) at the Director's Residence finalising the Registration Deed (24 Jul).

8. **Updating Alumni Database.** Adrive was launched to update the alumni database and make it more secure and address privacy concerns during the month. The effort was led by Saket (MBA 3) and Narendra (MBA 9) among others.

9. **Digital Farewell of MBA 22.** The students of MBA 23 led by Chandrika and Avirup came out with two videos bidding farewell to the outgoing batch (MBA 22). The videos have been uploaded on youtube.

10. **Voluntary Contributions from Alumni for Daughter of Employee.** In a matter of hours alumni of AIMK responded from across the continents to contribute Rs 1,80,000/- for treatment of the daughter of Mr Sankha Chakraborty, an employee of AIMK, who had to undergo an emergent skull surgery. Kudos to the spirit of the alumni.

Ms. Srija Chakraborty, Daughter of Mr Sankha Chakraborty, employee of AIMK undergoes an emergent skull surgery.



Administration

11. **Temporary Re-location of Offices to New Campus.** Owing to the possibility of another lockdown and increasing risks it was decided to temporarily relocate our offices to new campus on 13 & 14 Jul and function from there for at least a fortnight.

12. **AIMK Foundation Day (28 Jul)**. AIMK's Foundation Day was observed on 28 Jul. The Institute now is 23 years old.

New Campus Status.

13. **Brig DS Saini, Dy GOC Bengal Sub Area's Visit (16 Jul)**. Director briefed and conducted Brig DS Saini around the new campus. Issues related to PDC, layout, design & quality were discussed. GE (I) Project was also present during the visit.

14. **Chairman's Conference on Progress and Issues (22 Jul)**. The Chairman, Maj Gen Satbir Singh SM** chaired a conference to discuss various issues of the project. CE Kolkata Zone and Director attended the conference, Directions were given to the MESto hand-over the Academic Block (except Auditorium) by 15 Aug, as also attend to the internal roads which were in a bad condition.

15. **Progress of Construction**. The initial hope of the Academic Block work, less the Auditorium by 31 Jul was dashed. This may now get completed by 30 Oct.



A view of the Academic Block as on 31. A lot of internal work is pending