



Alumni Meet 2025

(Saturday, 1st March 2025)

Minutes of the Meeting

Location: COEP Technological University, Pune

Date: 1st March 2025

The Annual Alumni Meet 2025 began with the lighting of the holy lamp, symbolizing the commencement of the event, followed by a prayer for the success of the meet.

- **Welcome Speech**

Dr. R. R. Gaji, the Convenor of the event, extended a warm welcome to all distinguished guests, alumni, and attendees. He expressed his gratitude for their presence and highlighted the importance of maintaining a strong alumni network for the mutual growth of the university and its graduates.

- **Felicitation of Guests**

Guests were felicitated with bouquets and traditional gifts as a token of appreciation for their continuous support and contributions to the university's development.

- **Release of Alumni Newsletter**

The Alumni Newsletter was officially released, containing updates on alumni achievements, university milestones, and upcoming events. This newsletter serves as a crucial platform for strengthening the bond between alumni and their alma mater.

- **Inauguration of Event Innovation**

The session 'Innovation' was inaugurated, focusing on the promotion of new ideas, technologies, and initiatives. Alumni were encouraged to actively engage with the university on innovative ventures and contribute to its growth.

- **Address by Dr. L. Y. Waghmode, Director, ADCET, Ashta**

Dr. L. Y. Waghmode, Director of ADCET Ashta, spoke about the importance of alumni engagement in educational institutions. He encouraged alumni to take an active role in fostering growth and development within their fields and to support the next generation of students.



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• Speech by Alumni Representatives

During the Annual Alumni Meet 2025, several alumni representatives delivered speeches that highlighted their experiences, achievements, and the role of COEP Technological University in shaping their careers. Their discussions also explored the ways alumni can contribute to the ongoing development of the university and its current students. Below is an exploration of the topics discussed by each speaker:

1. **Mr. Ganeshprasad Devidas Nikam (Mechanical Engineering, 2004)**

Topic: *Curriculum Development, Lab Development, and Consultancy*

- Mr. Ganeshprasad Nikam emphasized the importance of continuously evolving the curriculum to meet industry standards. He shared his experiences working in the engineering industry and highlighted the need for more industry-based practical training and lab development at the university. He proposed creating a platform where alumni can collaborate with faculty to suggest updates and advancements in the academic curriculum, aligning it with real-world requirements.
- Additionally, Mr. Nikam spoke about the potential for alumni to offer consultancy services to help develop labs and infrastructure at COEP, which would create a stronger connection between academia and industry.

2. **Triveni Hogle (Electronics and Telecommunication, 2017)**

Topic: *Career Assistance, Overall Development of Students*

- Triveni Hogle focused on the necessity of enhancing career assistance programs for students. She discussed the role of alumni in mentoring and guiding students towards their career paths. Drawing from her experience, she emphasized the importance of internships, networking opportunities, and workshops led by alumni to help students navigate their career journeys.
- She also spoke about her involvement in upskilling programs, such as providing workshops on the latest technologies, which would prepare students for the competitive job market.



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3. Vishal Tingre (Information Technology, 2005)

Topic: *Lab Development and Incubation*

- Vishal Tingre discussed the importance of creating incubation centers and development labs within the university to foster innovation and entrepreneurship among students. Drawing from his extensive experience in the tech industry, he suggested setting up student-run labs focused on software development, cybersecurity, and other emerging technologies.
- Vishal also talked about how alumni could contribute by offering mentorship to student startups, guiding them through product development, funding, and market entry.

4. Ranjeet Nimbalkar (Computer Science and Engineering, 2010)

Topic: *Guest Lectures, Career Guidance*

- Ranjeet Nimbalkar focused on the need for alumni to offer guest lectures and career guidance sessions for students. He shared how alumni from various industries could provide valuable insights into different career paths, especially in the tech and financial sectors. Ranjeet stressed the importance of interactive sessions that allow students to ask questions and learn directly from industry professionals.
- He also encouraged alumni to engage in career counseling programs to help students make informed choices regarding their career options, internships, and job placements.

5. Mr. Prashant Kumbhar (Civil Engineering, 2017)

Topic: *Industrial Visits, Internships*

- Mr. Kumbhar spoke about the vital role of industrial visits and internships in bridging the gap between academic learning and practical application. He suggested that alumni could collaborate with the university to organize more industrial visits, where students could observe real-world construction projects and interact with professionals.



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- He also proposed creating a network for internships, where alumni working in civil engineering firms could offer internship opportunities for current students, giving them hands-on experience in the industry.

6. Aamir M Khan (Electrical Engineering, 2015)

Topic: *Placements and Fundraising*

- Aamir M Khan discussed how alumni could play an essential role in the placement process by connecting students with job opportunities in their respective industries. He encouraged alumni to actively engage with the placement cell to facilitate recruitment drives and provide internships for final-year students.
- He also mentioned the need for alumni to contribute to fundraising efforts aimed at improving the infrastructure and resources at COEP, including scholarships for deserving students.

7. Ashish Magar (Aeronautical Engineering, 2018)

Topic: *Placements and Internships*

- Ashish Magar highlighted the role of alumni in enhancing the placement opportunities and internship programs for students, particularly in the aeronautical field. He shared his own experiences in securing internships and how they helped him transition from university to the professional world. He suggested creating strong alumni-industry partnerships that could lead to placement opportunities in aerospace companies.
- Ashish also proposed organizing skill development programs in collaboration with alumni working in the aerospace and defense sectors to provide students with specialized knowledge.

8. Prathmesh Dhapte (Food Technology, 2024)

Topic: *Mentoring and Fundraising*

- Prathmesh Dhapte, being a recent graduate, shared his perspective on the importance of mentoring and how alumni could guide students in their academic and professional journeys. He emphasized the need for an active alumni network that could provide one-on-one mentorship in the food technology industry.



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- He also spoke about the potential for alumni to contribute to fundraising efforts to establish research and development centers for food technology students, enhancing the university's focus on innovation in food science.

9. Mr. Indrajeet Deshmukh (Mechanical Engineering, 2008)

Topic: *Scholarships and Fundraising*

- Mr. Indrajeet Deshmukh spoke about how alumni can help secure funding for scholarships, especially for students who are financially challenged but show academic excellence. He encouraged the alumni community to come together to create a scholarship fund to support deserving students.
- He also proposed collaborations between alumni and the university to raise funds for various university initiatives, such as infrastructure development and research projects.

Each of these alumni representatives stressed the importance of alumni engagement in creating opportunities for current students and helping to shape the future of the university. They provided actionable ideas on how alumni can contribute to curriculum development, industry collaboration, career guidance, and fundraising, ensuring that COEP Technological University continues to thrive and produce industry-ready graduates.

• Address by Prof. R. A. Kanai, Executive Director, SDSS, Islampur

Prof. R. A. Kanai, Executive Director of SDSS, Islampur, gave an inspiring address, emphasizing the vital role of alumni in contributing to learning, mentorship, and community service. He encouraged alumni to continue supporting the university, particularly through career guidance and financial aid.

• Vote of Thanks

Dr. S. S. Mohite, Registrar of COEP Technological University, concluded the event by thanking all the speakers, guests, and participants. He acknowledged the efforts of the organizing committee and expressed his hopes for strengthened alumni relations in the future.



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- **Pasaydan**

The meeting ended with the traditional Pasaydan prayer, invoking blessings for the well-being and success of alumni, the university, and its future endeavors.

Dr. R. R. Gaji
Convener, Alumni Meet 2025

Dr. L. Y. Waghmode
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