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REUNION OF 1955 BATCH AT KANYAKUMARI



GROUP PHOTO

The 1955 batch of College of Engineering, Guindy had their annual Get-Together at Kanyakumari from January 18 to 20, 2011. They stayed at Hotel Sparsa located on the seashore and had wonderful view of the sunset and moonrise at the same time. Kanyakumari was at that time crowded with pilgrims to/from Sabarimalai. According to the 1955 batch it was far different from the quiet calm and peaceful sea shore, free from crowds, they remembered.

They visited the Kanyakumari Temple and other attractions near the sea shore in the evening and had a meeting before dinner. They visited the Vivekananda Rock, Suchindram Temple and Padmanabhapuram Temple and Thiruparappu Falls on January 19, The batch dispersed after the breakfast on January 20, 2011.

It was decided that N.T. Swaminathan will be organizing the next meeting to be held at Chennai on January 18 and 19, 2012. The 1955 batch also decided to donate Rs. 25000/-, towards Guest House Construction.



VISIT TO THIRUPARAPPU FALLS CAREER GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING PROGRAMMES



Established in 1925, Alumni Association, CEG, year by year, has been contributing to the benefits of the students by way of various useful programmes on career guidance/ social ethics/environmental issues/safety [seminars and talks] , offering endowment scholarships etc.

For graduating students, it has become essential, to be aware of the varied and growing career opportunities available at global level. It is planned to intensify this awareness by organizing interactive sessions of students with senior professional and management leaders of the major employer firms / organizations. These sessions are expected to enhance the understanding of the students of their future working environment and to develop binding relationships.

All of us are also aware that meritorious students from all walks of life join this College of excellence and repute. However a significant proportion of students require help to develop their "personalities" to recognize their inner strength of expression and interaction. It is the aim of the Alumni Association to fulfill this need of the students.

Alumni of CEG have always shown their attachment to their Alma Mater and they are first to recognize the contributions of CEG in furthering their career. Any type of contribution from Alumni towards increasing the personality development and employment potential of the students of CEG by way of suggestions, reference, information or funds will be welcome

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passed away on January 6, 2011 at
Chennai. He was a member of Faculty,
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GUEST ROOMS AT ALUMNI CENTRE



Er.N. Kumar inaugurating the Guest Rooms. **Dr. Mannar Jawahar**, Vice Chancellor, **Dr.Sekar**, Dean and **Er. Natarajan**, President, AACEG are also in the picture.



Guest Room. The Tariffs are Rs. 1000/- for Single Occupation and Rs. 1500/- for Double Occupation



Suite. The Tariff is Rs. 2000/-

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CURBING MALPRACTICES BY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Prohibition of Unfair Practices in Technical Educational Institutions, Medical Educational Institutions and Universities Bill has evoked a varied response from sections of stakeholders. Some of the views are,

There is no need for a new law as stringent provisions are already available with the universities to curb such malpractice.

The problem is effective implementation of these laws which is lacking due to pressure exerted by private institutions through various quarters.

The Act does not lay out, in exact terms, how to implement the provisions. This was the main reason for many of the State laws that were enacted to curb such malpractice failing in their mission.

The Bill as a "backward step" in education reforms and is a "needless regulation" at a time when all other sectors in the economy are witnessing liberal reforms.

Measures such as fine of Rs.50 lakh and three years of rigorous imprisonment for even minor mistakes in the prospectus are uncalled for.

Despite large number of colleges, the fee structure has only gone up leaps and bounds and the practice of charging capitation fee is rampant

The Bill does not provide any means to "regulate" malpractice in the implementing agencies. Taking the case of the alleged scams unearthed in the Medical Council of India, private institutions argue that bringing such agencies under the purview of the law is of paramount importance to curb malpractice.

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The Bill should ensure that the spirit of the Supreme Court judgment that educational institutions should make only a 'reasonable surplus' and should not indulge in profiteering was followed without exception