

# GAABESU -118<sup>th</sup> EC Meeting

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm



## Global Alumni Association of Bengal Engineering and Science University, Shibpur

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| <b>Place</b>   | The 118 <sup>th</sup> EC9 meeting was held on 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024 at GAABESU Office and online through ZOOM bridge.   |
| <b>Subject</b> | 118 <sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting of GAABESU (3 <sup>rd</sup> EC9 meeting)  |
| Present        | <p>Amitabha Datta - President<br/>         Arabinda Roy - Working President<br/>         Prosenjit Chakraborty - Secretary<br/>         Malay Niyogi - Treasurer<br/>         Vinod Kumar Singh - Joint Secretary<br/>         Tapendu Mandal - Member<br/>         Parnab Sinha - Member<br/>         Sitansu Sekhar Ghosh - Ex-officio Member<br/>         Arun Deb - PI<br/>         Syama Prasad Datta - PI</p> |
| Online         | <p>Sukanta Kumar Roy - Member<br/>         Anjana Ganguly Roy - Ex-officio Member<br/>         Manoj Kar - Member</p> <p><b>GAABESU Office</b><br/>         Tultul Roy - Office Manager<br/>         Sourav Kayal - Office Assistant</p>  |
| <b>Absent</b>  | <b>List Attached</b>  |

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**Agenda:**

1. **Confirmation of minutes of 117<sup>th</sup> EC meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023 - Amitabha Datta - 5 minutes**
2. **All Sub-committee activities; 10 minutes**
3. **10th Alumni Day Report; -Sitansu Sekhar Ghosh/ Vinod Singh - 10 minutes**
4. **Update of the website; - Sushanta Sinha - 5 minutes**
5. **Update on Scholarship/AFE/ Research Award; - Nihar Biswas/ Prosenjit Chakraborty - 10 minutes**
6. **New Seminar planning, Dr. P. K. Ray Memorial Lecture/Paramesh Ranjan Dhar Debate competition; Syama prasad Datta/ Arun Deb / Prosenjit Chakraborty - 10 minutes**
7. **Status on Finance; - Malay Niyogi / Arabinda Roy - 5 minutes**
8. **New membership update (if any) - Prosenjit Chakraborty - 5 minutes**
9. **Any other issue with the permission of the chair - 10 minutes**

**Minutes - Topics Discussed**

At the beginning, President Amitabha Datta welcomed all EC Members & PIs attending physically and over ZOOM Bridge Call, for participating in the 117<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting of GAABESU.

**Agenda Items:****1. Confirmation of minutes of 117<sup>th</sup> EC meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

The Minutes of the previous EC meetings were circulated in advance to all members for review. There were no further comments. Sitansu Sekhar Ghosh proposed to accept the Minutes and it was approved by the members.

**2. All Sub-committee activities;**

President Amitabha Datta requested Secretary Prosenjit Chakraborty to discuss the activities of various sub-committees. Secretary, in turn, requested Vinod Singh, the convener of the 10th Alumni Day committee to share the updates of the Alumni Day, because that was the main subcommittee activity during the period. Vinod Singh reported that the 10th Alumni Day was successfully held on 30th December 2023. He started his report with collection portion, which included total collection from Sponsorship, Advertisement, Donation, Registration, is Rs.22,09,300.00, out of which, Rs.18.84 lakhs have already been received. All pending invoices have already been raised. Total Expenses are Rs.11,51,353/-. He also shared other details before the present members.

Because of absence of other sub-committee members, there was no other subcommittee report to be placed.

**3. 10th Alumni Day Report;**

Refer item-2 above. Vinod Singh has informed that the Report is already posted in the website and shared with all members through email.

The report link is given here: <https://www.gaabesu.in/blog/10th-alumni-day-report-2023/>

All present members thanked the Alumni Day committee and specifically, Vinod Sing for arranging the successful programme.

#### 4. Update of the website;

Sushanta Sinha was not present in the meeting so, Secretary gave the update on the website matter. He indicated that due to some difficulty to maintain & utilize the present website, we need to upgrade the website immediately. Sushanta Sinha (who was assigned by EC to look after all IT/website related issues), in consultation with other stake-holders, particularly the earlier developers & contributors in USA, discussed the requirements with a web developer and they sent the quotation. After reviewing the quotation submitted on 19/01/2024, GAABESU has issued a work order to the company (Renu SB Creation Software Limited) for the Design, Development, hosting, and Maintenance of GAABESU Website as discussed and mentioned in quotation. The existing functions along with data/information of the current site - (<https://www.gaabesu.in/>) will be migrated to the newly designed site. Also, all alumni member's profile with their personal information will be protected and will not be stored or shared without consent. The total projected cost is as given below:

Development ₹ 1,20,000.00

Hosting 1 Year ₹ 8,000.00

SSL 1 Year ₹ 2,200.00

Emails API (6000 Mails/Month) 1 Year ₹ 14,280.00

Total cost ₹ 1,44,480.00

The initial payment of Rs. Twenty-Five Thousand has been released through NEFT transfer as per work order. Website maintenance services shall be provided by the developer on additional cost. There is a proposal from the 1988 batch for partially funding this website upgrade project. GAABESU USA foundation has also shown interest in funding and accordingly, a proposal was sent to them. The final outcome is still awaited.

#### 5. Update on Scholarship/AFE/ Research Award;

In absence of respective representatives, Secretary reported that the AFE and Research Award interview were completed and the result will be published soon. The scholarship interview will be held on 11th February (Post Meeting Note: Already held online). The distribution ceremony will be held on 23rd March, 2024. Permission from Institute to use Alumni Seminar Hall has already been obtained. President has also personally invited the Director-IIEST and requested him to be present during the Ceremony.

#### 6. New Seminar planning, Dr. P. K. Ray Memorial Lecture/Paramesh Ranjan Dhar Debate competition;

Syama P Datta reported that The Fourth Pradip Kumar Ray Memorial Lecture organized jointly by the Department of Civil Engineering and the Global Alumni Association (GAABESU) is scheduled to be held on Friday, the 23rd February 2024 at 4.30 P. M. in the Seminar Hall of the Civil Engineering Department, IEST Shibpur. The Speaker is Shri Amitabha Ghoshal, Alumnus 1957 Civil, Past Director and Advisor to the Board of Management, STUP Consultants P Ltd., Past President, CEAI, Founder President, GAABESU. Topic: ENGINEERS FOR SUSTAINABILITY - CASE STUDIES ON BRIDGES.

Arun Deb reported that Paramesh Ranjan Dhar memorial debate will be held on last week of the February. GAABESU office is coordinating with the Institute debate society DebSoc and will fix the date, time, venue, etc. (Post meeting update: the date has been fixed on 28th February at 5.30 p.m. at Civil Seminar Hall, the topic is "Social media has improved human communication").

**7. Status on Finance;**

Treasurer Malay Niyogi reported that some Income Tax related issues are still pending, mostly from Financial Year 2016-17 to FY 2019-20. We have already received multiple notices from IT department and responded accordingly, in consultation with our Auditor & Accountant. Most of these are because of late submissions and incorrect submissions. We have already paid penalties against some claims and also appealed against some IT claims. The appeals are still pending with competent authorities. For some issues, as advised by our Accountant, we have also consulted a Tax Consultant Lawyer. As per advices, Treasurer, along with President and Working president, along with the Accountant, went to the Income Tax department to meet the I T officer for hearing. They appealed for some time to submit responses against the demand appeal. The I T officer agreed and gave the time.

**8. Update on new membership (if any)**

Secretary reported that many new members have joined GAABESU during November 2023 to January 2024 period and quite a few during Alumni Day. One of them have joined against donation. The names are as given below:

**Membership November'23**

| Date       | Name                  | Year | Dept |
|------------|-----------------------|------|------|
| 08.11.2023 | Smaran Ray Chaudhury  | 1980 | ME   |
| 17.11.2023 | Supriyo Choudhury     | 1996 | ME   |
| 18.11.2023 | Debangshu Chakraborty | 1991 | EE   |
| 29.11.2023 | Chittaranjan Haty     | 2000 | CST  |

**Membership December'23**

| Date       | Name                | Year | Dept   |
|------------|---------------------|------|--------|
| 01.12.2023 | Saikat Ghosh        | 1980 | ME     |
| 02.12.2023 | Loknath Saha        | 2005 | ME     |
| 03.12.2023 | Debaki Kumar Sarkar | 1975 | MIN    |
| 04.12.2023 | Aloke Kumar Dey     | 1984 | CE     |
| 09.12.2023 | Bapan Halder        | 2015 | CE     |
| 12.12.2023 | Pralay Chakraborty  | 1981 | ME     |
| 14.12.2023 | Aniruddha Sarkar    | 1980 | EE     |
| 15.12.2023 | Sukanta Som         | 1980 | CE     |
| 16.12.2023 | Anindya Kumar Roy   | 2023 | M.Tech |
| 18.12.2023 | Shreya Sharma       | 2018 | Aero   |
| 20.12.2023 | Tripti Guin Biswas  | 1998 | MET    |
| 21.12.2023 | Apurba Sil          | 1980 | ME     |
| 21.12.2023 | Subrata Pramanik    | 1981 | ETC    |
| 22.12.2023 | Debashis Ghosh      | 2005 | GEO    |
| 24.12.2023 | Ashok Kumar         | 1995 | CE     |
| 27.12.2023 | Soumen Maitra       | 2001 | ME     |
| 29.12.2023 | Partha Pratim Dey   | 1991 | ME     |
| 30.12.2023 | Pradip Chakraborty  | 1987 | MIN    |
| 30.12.2023 | Debjyoti Datta      | 2020 | EE     |
| 30.12.2023 | Soumya Dasgupta     | 1984 | ARCH   |

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| 30.12.2023 | Ranjit Kumar Ray         | 1964 | MET |
| 30.12.2023 | Sanjib Kumar Chakrabarti | 1972 | ME  |
| 30.12.2023 | Kalyan Sen               | 1967 | MIN |
| 30.12.2023 | Uday Kumar Mullick       | 1980 | ME  |
| 30.12.2023 | Debasish Jana            | 1995 | ME  |
| 30.12.2023 | Tirthankar Gayen         | 2005 | IT  |
| 30.12.2023 | Mukul Ray                | 1964 | MIN |
| 30.12.2023 | Kiriti Bhusan Goswami    | 1964 | MIN |
|            |                          |      |     |

#### Membership January'24

| Date       | Name                  | Year | Dept |
|------------|-----------------------|------|------|
| 01.01.2024 | Indrani Sinha         | 2008 | EE   |
| 05.01.2024 | Rathin Kanti Mondal   | 2006 | ME   |
| 06.01.2024 | Anwasha Das           | 2019 | CE   |
| 14.01.2024 | Raktim Sen            | 1975 | ETC  |
| 22.01.2024 | Sudipto Kumar Srimany | 1989 | ARCH |

#### Membership against donation

| Date       | Name               | Year | Dept |
|------------|--------------------|------|------|
| 12.11.2022 | Kalyan Chakraborty | 1984 | CE   |

EC welcomed them to GAABESU.

#### 9. Any other issue with the permission of the chair

Secretary reported that there are two issues to be raised:

First one is a proposal from mining department, Prof. Pratik Datta and Prof. Netai Ch Dey (HOD of Mining dept), who wanted to organize INITIUM, a technical fest of SOSMINE, as GAABESU-SOSMINE collaboration. Their proposal was as given below:

1. The event will be portrayed as an event organized by SOSMINE in association with GAABESU.
2. HOD, Mining Engineering and another designated faculty member from the department shall coordinate with GAABESU.
3. All income and expenditure shall be through GAABESU.
4. GAABESU will retain 10% of the income as administrative charges. The excess fund after the end of the program shall remain as SOSMINE-GAABESU fund, which can be utilized afterwards for any other SOSMINE event and subsequent INITIUMs.

This arrangement would give the students of Mining Engineering to work closely with GAABESU and eliminate the fund management problem. It may also help GAABESU to enhance its student connect. If the arrangement is successful, the same can be extended to the technical fests of other departments.

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Many of the EC members indicated their preference to have programs for Student's Connect with more involvement of GAABESU instead of being merely facilitating the financial accounting through bank accounts.

Another issue is directly related to present complex situation with respect to the Income Tax matter with our accounting system. Hence, it may not be advisable to get into any further accounting complexity. GAABESU faced problem earlier with the SOCCE fund.

Under the above circumstances, GAABESU EC has decided not to be in a position to make any further move with the proposal of SOSMINE. (Post meeting update: the decision of EC meeting was conveyed to the Professors).

The second issue is regarding placement of GAABESU revised MoA to Registrar of Societies. This MoA was revised during 2021-22 period and was approved in the AGM of 2022 and also in AGM of 2023. However, because of procedural complications, requirement of approval of annual report before submission of MoA and also within one month of AGM, this MoA submission is still pending. Now, we have been advised by Registrar office that the annual report approval is at final stage and expected to be cleared soon. Under these circumstances, GAABESU will have to hold a SGM on a short notice.

All EC members present have agreed for this SGM. As soon as we hear from Registrar office, we shall call the SGM, to be held on a hybrid mode, both virtually online and on physical mode.

Working President Arabinda Roy proposed that GAABESU need a mobile number for all transaction of Banks OTP and other purpose. After discussion it was decided that a sim card will be purchases to use for this purpose.

There was no further point for discussion and the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.



(Prosenjit Chakraborty)  
Secretary EC9, GAABESU

| Current Meeting's Action Items   |   |          |           |
|--|---|----------|-----------|
| Action Item  | Assigned To                             | Due Date | Status    |
| Scholarship / AFE Interview and result   | Prosenjit Chakraborty/<br>Rajdeep Datta | February | Completed |
| Invitation to Director for Scholarship distribution Ceremony                         | Amitabha Datta                          | February | Done      |
| Invitation to all members, donors, HOD, DEANs for scholarship distribution ceremony. | GAABESU OFFICE                          | February | Started   |

#### Attendance List of EC Members

P - Physical presence, C- Conference Call & A- Absent

| Sl | Name             | Year | Dept | Location | Mobile       | e-mail                 |   |
|----|------------------|------|------|----------|--------------|------------------------|---|
| 1  | Baidya Nath Roy  | 1965 | ME   | USA      | 7062673185   | baidyaroy@gmail.com    | A |
| 2  | Niharendu Biswas | 1970 | CE   | Canada   | 519 969 1789 | biswas@uwindsor.ca     | A |
| 3  | Amitabha Datta   | 1974 | CE   | Kolkata  | 9830279446   | dमितabha2005@gmail.com | P |
| 4  | Arabinda Roy     | 1976 | ETC  | Howrah   | 9434313049   | oruroy@yahoo.co.in     | P |

## Minutes of Meeting EC9

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|-------------------|-------------------------|------|------|-----------|----------------|--|---|
| 5                 | Sukanta Kumar Roy       | 1977 | ETC  | Mumbai    | 9820223510     | skroy56@yahoo.com  | C |
| 6                 | Indranil Sen            | 1980 | Arch | Kolkata   | 9831385880     | indranilsen.net@gmail.com  | A |
| 7                 | Manoj Kar               | 1980 | ETC  | Kolkata   | 9820609515     | manojkar58@gmail.com   | C |
| 8                 | Malay Niyogi            | 1980 | EE   | Howrah    | 9433007628     | malayn59@gmail.com   | P |
| 9                 | Biswajit Sen Gupta      | 1981 | EE   | USA       | 908397 4527    | bsenguptaglobal@gmail.com  | A |
| 10                | Partha Sarathi Majumder | 1982 | CE   | Kolkata   | 9741747978     | <a href="mailto:Partha.xtotal@gmail.com">Partha.xtotal@gmail.com</a>   | A |
| 11                | Debal Banerjee          | 1984 | EE   | Canada    | 416 825 4112   | <a href="mailto:debal.banerjee@gmail.com">debal.banerjee@gmail.com</a> | A |
| 12                | Netai Chandra Dey       | 1986 | MIN  | Howrah    | 8777697505     | ncdey63@gmail.com  | A |
| 13                | Prosenjit Chakraborty   | 1987 | EE   | Chinsura  | 9903103465     | chakraborty_prosenjit@yahoo.co.in                                      | P |
| 14                | Sushanta Sinha          | 1988 | ETC  | Kolkata   | 9830551724     | sinhasu@yahoo.com  | A |
| 15                | Vinod Kumar Singh       | 1999 | ME   | Kolkata   | 9831037137     | vinodsingh2026@gmail.com   | P |
| 16                | Tapendu Mandal          | 2004 | MET  | Campus    | 8777699942     | tapendu@gmail.com  | P |
| 17                | Parnab Sinha            | 2012 | CE   | Kolkata   | 9831505570     | prnb.sinha@gmail.com   | P |
| <b>EX-OFFICIO</b> |                         |      |      |           |                |  |   |
| 1.                | Anjana Ganguly Roy      | 1977 | ETC  | Mumbai    | 9820285216     | anjanagr@hotmail.com   | C |
| 2.                | Sitansu Sekhar Ghosh    | 1980 | ME   | Howrah    | 9830853672     | Sitansughosh1958@gmail.com   | P |
| PI                |                         |      |      |           |                |  |   |
|                   | Arun Deb                | 1957 | CE   | USA       | +1484 340 6027 | arundeb@msn.com  | P |
|                   | Achyut Ghosh            | 1961 | ME   | Salt Lake | 98365 73143    | <a href="mailto:ghosh.achyut@gmail.com">ghosh.achyut@gmail.com</a>     | A |
|                   | Syama Prasad Datta      | 1967 | CE   | Salt Lake | 9830292214     | <a href="mailto:spdatta1@gmail.com">spdatta1@gmail.com</a>             | P |
|                   | Shreyan Nandy           | 2012 | MET  | Kolkata   | 9836391651     | shreayan.besu.met@gmail.com  | A |