



BSAU Alumni Association Newsletter: Issue 4 - December 2016

We CAN!

NIPPY NOVEMBER ---- winter has set early in Chennai. The month is surprisingly dry this year sans the rains!!

With a pleasant climate all through the day, Chennai has become a paradise on earth. We really mean it. Hope you all will experience it too when you join us next month on Saturday, the 24th for our Annual festival - CARE 16 which would also include our AGM. Please make sure that you are there to join all of us for an evening of togetherness, fun and frolic. It is YOUR EVENT!!

We have, for your convenience, kept the event in the heart of Chennai, at THE PARK, Anna Salai, and made this event exclusively for the ALUMNI and to help you all spend maximum time amongst yourselves!! So mark your calendar right away and do register @http://passioneventz.com/bsauagm16.php

The much talked about and awaited - The US chapter inauguration - is expected to happen on 28th January 2017. From a small team of 5 who had evinced interest to roll it out about three weeks ago, the strength has grown to over 70!!

So all of you out there, please do not miss this congregation. A few of our Association colleagues would also be there from India. Do register @ http://passioneventz.com/bsauusa17.php

Feel free to ping us @ 9087864488 for any help required while registering for these events. It would be our pleasure to assist and support

Bye for now and looking forward to seeing most of you in Chennai in December and in Las Vegas in January!!!!

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OMAN Alumni Chapter- AGM on 18th November 2016

Our vibrant Alumni of Oman had their AGM on 18th November 2016 at Hotel Haffa House, Muscat .

The Program started at 5 pm on Schedule and was attended by 25 Alumni from Oman.A lecture was given by a renowned local speaker Mr. HatimHarithAl Abdissalaam from Oman on the topic of Leadership .University Board member and Alumni Mentor Middle East, Mr. Syed Mohammed Buhari and our UAE AlumniPresident, Mr Ali Akbar both from Dubai, attended the event. Alumni Parent Body Vice President, Mr Mohammed Arshad and Alumni Parent Body Advisory committee member Mr. Akbar Basha attended from the Parent body. The presence of these Seniors reassured the commitment of the University , the Parent Alumni Body and the UAE Alumni Associations to the welfare of the Alumni around the Globe.

The Parent Body presented the aims and objectives of the Alumni Association. Oman Chapter Secretary, Mr Abubaker, gave a detailed report of the past events and the event planned for the next year. Treasurer Oman Chapter, Mr Vijay presented the Financial report for the period.

Oman Chapter President, Mr Kamil Tahir Gani, explained in detail the way forward for the Oman chapter and also gave a motivational speak as to why the Alumni need to be active in Alumni. He also released the First Oman Chapter NewsLetter.

There after all attending Alumni introduced themselves and shared their suggestions on the Alumni Network.

The meeting ended on a very positive note with a wonderful dinner.









CONVOCATION 2016

VI Convocation - BSA Crescent University

The VI Convocation of BSA Crescent University was held on the 20th and 27th November 2016. On 20th November 2016, 683 receive their degree during convocation, 5 UG students and 8 PG Students received Gold Medals. On 27th November 2016, 695 receive their degree during convocation, 9 UG students and 11 PG Students received Gold Medals.

The Chief Guest for the 20th November convocation was **Padma Bhushan Dr. V.K Saraswat**, Director General DRD & ADA & Secretary (R&D) to Ministry of Defence and for the 27th November convocation was **Mr. Mohan Narayanasamy**, Managing Director & Chief Operating Officer, iNautix Technology. They spoke on the necessity of Innovation and adaptation to succeed in today's environment.

It was a day of great joy and happiness for the attending passed out students and their parents and well-wishers. The Alumni Joint Secretary Mrs. Aisha Banu introduced the students to the Alumni Association and gifts and written information on the Alumni Association were given to all students.

'Innovate, adapt to achieve career goals'

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BS Abdur Rahman University, Abdul Qadir A. Rahman Buhari asked engineering graduates not to chase fame and money, which he said would reach them if they pursue their goals with discipline.

University
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chancellor V.M.
Periasamy spoke on



UPCOMING EVENT:



Alumni Reunion 2016

The Alumni Association of B.S. Abdur Rahman University cordially invites you to an evening filled with nostalgia and networking on Saturday, December 24, 2016, 5:00 p.m. onwards at The Park, 601 Anna Salai, Chennai – 600006.

Prior registration is mandatory
Kindly register your participation at: www.passioneventz.com/bsauagm16.php
Dress: Smart Casuals, R.S.V.P.: Ms. Jabeen: +919087864488

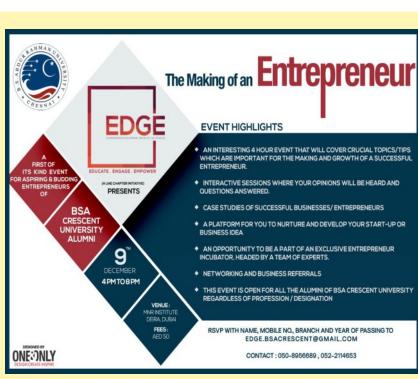
17:00 to 17:15 : Welcome Address by Association President
17:15 to 17:30 : Briefing of activities by General Secretary
17:30 to 17:45 : Presentation of Accounts by Treasurer
17:45 to 18:30 : Presentation by Overseas Chapters
18:30 to 19:00 : Felicitating Distinguished Alumni

20:30 : Dinner

19:00 to 20:30 : Networking / Fun Activities

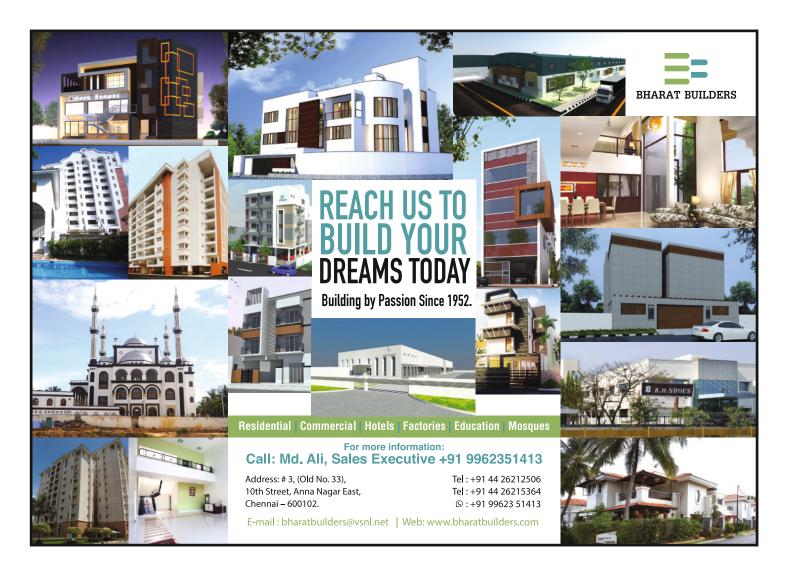
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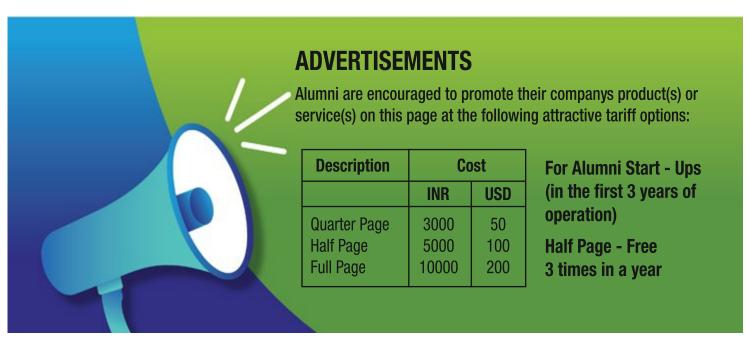
Alumni Reunion 2016





Advertisements:





ALUMNI - MY WALL

A UNIQUE INITIATIVE BY THE UAE CHAPTER

In November 2016 - Our UAE / GCC Chapter launched a new concept called 'My Wall'. The aim of this initiative is to understand more about Alumni members in the Association and what benefits can be shared. The "My Wall" Poster with the information about an Alumni covering the following details would be shared on a weekly basis in all the BSA Crescent University Alumni WhatsApp groups in GCC Chapter, other Chapters globally and the Parent Alumni Association Newsletter.

- 1. Name, Batch, Branch and other Educational Qualifications.
- 2. Current Job, Roles & Responsibilities and Contact details.
- 3. His / Her Job / Employment History or Business Details in case of an Entrepreneur.
- 4. What he can give / share with others and what he expects from the others.
- 5. His Passion and Hobby

This My Wall initiative has received great response and appreciation from the Alumni members.

My Wall -1

MR. JUSTUS SATHURNI BE - MECH, BATCH - 1988

MBA - BRADFORD UNIVERSITY, UK

Current Job Position: Sales & Marketing Manager Heliozid Oce Emirates, Dubai, UAE.

Job Role: Sales & Marketing of Digital Printing solutions (Hardware / Software / Print Media), SAMSUNG, RISO, GRANADA, OCE

Contact Numbers: 00971 50 624 8636 Email: sathurni@eim.ae

Entrepreneur / Own Business / Own Investments Details:

- ❖ Partners of Samsung for Printing Solutions (office Printer / Copiers) , in the UAE
- **❖** Partners of RISO for Production Printing Solutions n UAE
- * Partners of Oce / CANON for Engineering Printing Solutions / Flatbed Printer for Rigid Material (Glass, Metal)
- * Partners of GRANADA Textile Printers, Eco Solvent Indoor / Outdoor Graphics Inkjet Printers

What Can I Give to Others:

- ❖ Spend Time with People with Business Ideas
- * Business Collaborative Works

What Do I Expect From Others:

- ***** Business and Procurement Supports
- ***** Working Together for Business Benefits

Passion: Net Working, Printing Technology

Hobby: Reading Books, Meeting People., Social Works.



My Wall - 2



MR. ANUF T.K. BE-CIVIL, BATCH-1999

Current Job Position: Managing Director, MME Group, Abudhabi, UAE.

Job Role: Labour Supply / Cleaning Company / General Trading

Contact Numbers : UAE 0097156 7220188 / IND 0091 9849559990 Email: anuf@rediffmail.com / anufkoya@gmail.com

Entrepreneur / Own Business / Investments:

- * We supply manpower (Labours, Helpers , Cleaners) on short term and long term contract Onshore and Offshore.
- ❖ We have a General Trading company dealing with Plastic Furniture (Nilkamal Distributers UAE and Oman). And also camping items www.rashedalmas.com
- In India we have a Civil Engineering Infrastructure Company executing Water Supply, Irrigation and Drainage Projects.

We have pipe manufacturing units (MS, BWSC, PSC Pipes)

What Can I Give to Others:

- Spend Time with People with Business Ideas
- * New Entrepreneurs Mentoring
- * Managing Alumni Support Functions

What Do I Expect From Others:

- ***** Business and Procurement Supports
- ***** Working Together for Business Benefits
- **❖** Supports on Alumni Functions

Passion : Net Working,

Hobby: Sports, Travelling Exploring New Places.



My Wall - 3



MR. I. ABUBAKR BE - CIVIL, BATCH - 1999

Current Job Position: Chief Executive Officer Al Faras International, Sultanate Of Oman.

Job Role: Trading of Sanitary wares, Tiles. Supply and installation of Kitchen.

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Your Job History / If Entrepreneur / Your Own Business / Investments:

- * Exclusive agent for PORCELANOSA Group from Spain, Leading manufacturer in SPAIN
- * We deal in trading of Tiles, Sanitary wares.
- Supply and installation of Modular Kitchens.
- Supply and installation of Swimming Pool Tiles and Equipment.

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- **❖** New Entrepreneurs Mentoring
- ***** Business Collaborative Works
- * Managing Alumni Support Functions

What Do I Expect From Others:

- * Business and Procurement Supports
- * Working Together for Business Benefits
- Supports on Alumni Functions

Passion: Net Working, New Business Ideas

Hobby: Sports, Reading Books, Driving, Meeting People., Social Works and Supporting the Needy People.





STAFF of the Month



Dr.S.Prince Arockia Doss, B.Sc., M.Sc., B.Tech., M.E., Ph.D Professor (Mech), Director - International Collaboration

JOURNEY WITH CRESCENT

Joined S.K.Crescent Engineering College on 19th August 1985 as lecturer in the department of mechanical engineering. As I look back the

college had only three sheet roofed class rooms, a mini library, a common staff room, and basic workshop for first year students, Physics and chemistry practical classes were conducted in the Crescent School labs. Though the infrastructure was very limited, faculty with very high caliber and experience at professor level were recruited at the three primary departments, Civil, Mechanical and Electrical and Electronics Engineering, to lead the young and energetic faculty team. Students and faculty interaction was excellent. Crescent was an instant hit in the state, thanks to the leadership of Prof. Peer Mohamed and Mr. Radhakrishnan to support the administration. Our founder Alhaj Abdur Rahman used to bring leading experts and diplomats around the world very frequently, two to three per week to introduce our institution. All the staff Members know our founder very closely.

I vividly recall the incidence of VIT founder, Mr. Viswanathan borrowing five metallurgical microscopes from Metallurgy lab for conducting practicals at VIT, Vellore, when I was the lab incharge, in the current administrative office.

In the eighties and nineties Tambaram and Chengalpattu GST road was having just a two lane stretch without any median with trees on both sides and we used to witness lot of accidents that took place in the night during our morning travel to college. With very less traffic during day time. We used to feel Vandalur was a real suburb. Perungalattur had Standard Motor Company making pick up vans and standard 2000 cars, now home to Sri Ram Gateway.

In the initial days our college was affiliated to Madras University, All the students received their B.E. degree from Madras University. Mr. Kannan, who was at the in the Madras University exam section now works at our COE office, He is very efficient.

I had the privilege of participating in the ground breaking prayers of all the buildings in our University Complex, and witness the steady and beautiful growth of our university and now have the privilege of bringing international delegations to our University.

Some of the jobs I enjoyed along with my academic role include, IIPC coordinator, FORD training Coordinator, Press Relations Coordinator for more than ten years, Authors Forum Coordinator, Director, International collaborations. I enjoyed the confidence of all Principals, Vice Chancelors and our founder Chairman B.S. Abdur Rahman and our Chairman Mr. Abdul Qadir.

It is nice to recall some of the passionately taught subjects over the years which include, Automobile Engineering, Machine Drawing, Assembly Drawing, Materials Technology, Metallurgy, Industrial Automation, Design of Hydraulic and Pneumatic Systems, Total Quality Management, Production Technology, Professional Ethics apart from guiding B. Tech and M. Tech projects and guiding Ph.D scholars.

It is a privilege to work with our administration which always upheld the dignity and decorum of all faculty and students and provide all necessary academic freedom in the institution and I would like to record that we always received our salaries on time every time in my 31 years experience.

It was a pleasant experience to receive service excellence award for 25 years of service excellence with Crescent from the management and now it has reached the milestone of 31 years of passionate service.

It is a unique privilege to represent our University in the capacity of Director for International Collaborations in many international forums and to develop rapport with consulates and embassies of various countries and foster vibrant relationship.

It is a beautiful journey of building students with value and character for promising career in their life. The deep bond I enjoy with the students and the institution is a reward par excellence.

It is my prayer that BSAU should reflect in the top world university ranking and attract highly talented students around the world.

GOD BLESS B.S. ABDUR RAHMAN UNIVERSITY.



Crescent Graduates Silver jubilee Alumni Reunion 1985-89 Dec 2014 Chennai

Then & Now - Down Memory Lane: CANTEEN





The early batches of Crescent Engineering College would remember ILANGO's CANTEEN as one of the most happening places on campus, where the (cool & fruits) guys used to hang out, to have Ilango's Parota, Peas Curry and the occasional Chicken curry. The other main items were "Single Tea" and "Butter Biscuits". The Tea used to get diluted as the day progressed, from strong tea in the morning to a very diluted variant by late evening.

Not only the food and refreshments, it was a very important place to check the "credit worthiness of a student". The guy who managed the maximum credit from Ilango was the coolest guy in the college. Ilango must have been one of the very few individuals who must have written off many NPA's (more than all Banks put together in India).

Then & Now - Down Memory Lane: CANTEEN









It was a 200 sqft canteen with a large bench outside, this is the area in front of the present canteen A 3500 sqft fully Air conditioned cafeteria, and an additional covered area of 3500 sqft. The air conditioned area houses some of the best Restaurant/ Coffee shops like "Wang's Kitchen", "French Loaf" etc, serving some of the best food & refreshment in town. It has definitely added a lot of convenience to attending students, Faculty and Visitors.

It's difficult to say whether the memories of "Ilango's Canteen" were better or "The present Ambiance & Quality Food" is better.

CRESCENT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS





The Crescent School of Business is a new, re-imagined Business school in Chennai, offering a world-class education to some of the brightest young minds in the country. It was born out of the vision of the Chairman, Board of Management of BSAU, Mr. Abdul Qadir A. Rahman Buhari to provide a high-quality business learning environment in the heart of Chennai by bringing together high quality students, state-of-the-art infrastructure and top-notch faculty.

Education at CSB has been designed to suit the needs of the New Economy, with experiential learning, critical thinking, professional mentorship, in and out of classroom learning and industry collaboration at the very core of its structure.

CSB is mentored by two of the biggest names in the Indian education space, Dr. Pramath Raj Sinha [Founding Dean, Indian School of Business, Hyderabad; Former Partner, McKinsey and Company] and Mr. AnandSudarshan [Vice-Chairman, MD & CEO, Manipal Education; Co-Founder, Microland Limited; Founder, Sylvant Advisors Pvt Ltd and it has everything to become one of the best Bschools in the country out of Chennai - a contemporary curriculum, faculty from top Indian and Ivy league schools, practitioner mentors and backing from an illustrious Governing Council and CXO Board. The first batch of CSB was launched in August 2016 with students from diverse backgrounds and work experience.

As the institution enters into its third month, it also aims to extend programmes to the large alumni pool of BSAU. CSB is in active discussion with the Alumni Association of BSAU to carve out tailor-made programmes that will help enhance those skill sets considered to be in-demand by industry standards. In the coming months CSB will also take its programme to corporates in the form of training programmes for employees at different levels, a part-time MBA for mid-level employees or a targeted intervention for senior executives.





Sustainable Construction Technology Using Earthcrete And Cobas Alternative Building Materials



Today's world is moving towards a sustainable and renewable environment where the human society has started focusing on recycling the waste products and utilizing them in any other useful form. The waste from other industries is being used in Construction industry, but the demolished waste from construction industry remains unused. Many researchers across the globe are working to find out efficient usage of this debris

with modification. In the developing countries, requirements for shelter can only be met by using local building materials and relying on do-it-yourself construction techniques. Soil, for a long time has been the most important natural building material and thanks to its abundance, in its various forms, it is one of the most widely used building materials known.

Earthcrete is a composition of earth available from the local site, construction demolition waste (in place of aggregates), with minimal amount of cement thereby reducing the carbon footprint of the construction as a whole. At present, earthcrete is being used as kitchen slabs, pavements, garden walks and many other non-structural unit.

Cob is an earthen building material which is mainly composed of sub soil, clay, straw and water. It is predominantly used for construction of walls in unframed earthen structures. Cob construction has many environmental benefits in comparison with the construction of modern-day, conventional homes. Till date very little scientific research has been conducted to investigate the engineering properties of cob. Successful construction and acceptable performance of earthen construction in the past relied on the rules of experienced builders. While such empirical knowledge is useful, it is not sufficient for modern-day design purposes and code requirements.

Sacred Grooves at Auroville, Pondicherry is currently involved in the construction of a community housing with Earthcrete (as foundation up to sill level) and Cob (as wall from sill level) materials. EPMCR consults Sacred Groves for validating Cob & Earthcrete materials and endorse the same as a structural element. Mr. S. Kavinkumar, Founder Director at EPMCR and our BSAU alumni gave this work as a final year civil engineering project to a team of eight students from B.S. Abdur Rahman University.

Our objectives are to characterize the constituents, to establish estimates for magnitude and degree of variability in the mixture properties and to bring out a correlation between the mixture composition and engineering properties of both earthcrete and cob materials. Finally, an efficient mix proportion along with a set of results comprising the maximum permissible stresses and the performance parameters for the new material composition are arrived at. Also, the cost for a model building constructed with the material is estimated and limiting parameters with regard to the structural strength analysis and quality assurance are generated.

The following can be summarized as the observations made from the experimentations and studies conducted

- * Earthcrete & Cob material showed its best performance under compressive loading when it had minimal cement content and higher clay content.
- * Addition of cement increased the bonding between the elements and reduced shrinkage effects due to drying of earth.
- * Usage of minimal amount of cement has also reduced the carbon footprint and ecological impact of the material.
- * As major components are recycled aggregates and found earth materials, the building remains to be economic and cost effective.
- * Usage of alternative materials, reduces the need for natural resources such as quarry aggregates and river sand.
- * The main advantage of Earthcrete & Cob material is the reuse of the same elements even after demolition or after the end of life time.
- * In case when fibers are used, the load carrying capacity of the material increased by 1.3 times. Also, the tensile behavior will increase when fibers are added.
- * The size of the units may be optimized by 75% of its original size when fibers are added.
- * Presence of natural material makes the surface breathable and the indoor environment is made healthier than conventional buildings where chemicals in concrete, plastering and other building elements affect the health of inhabitants.
- * Plastering for Earthcrete & Cob material can be done using double coat of lime plaster over a coat of bonding agent on the outer surface and single coat of lime plaster with a coat bonding agent between the plaster and Earthcrete & Cob surface.
- * Natural paints are preferred for the coatings, as it would not affect the indoor environment of the building and also have good aesthetic appearance.

By the end of our ten-month long work, our project was selected to represent the university at Anveshan 2015, National Level Student Research Convection conducted by Association of Indian Universities in two levels. We won third place at the south zone level and first place at the national level finals.

MATERIAL		COB & EARTHCRETE	
HIGHLIGHTS		 Building Biology Principles Compost Toilets Reusable Building materials Ecofriendly Living Sustainable solution for Low cost housing Low Carbon Footprint 	
PROJECT LOCATION		Sacred Groves, Auroville, Pondicherry	
GUIDED BY		Mr. S. Kavin Kumar, Director, EPMCR Pvt. Ltd.	
PROJECT COORDINATOR		Mr. V. Gokulanathan, Assistant Professor, BSAU	
PROJECT COORDINATOR		G. Dhivya Lakshmi	M. Gowsalya
		C.Manikandan	M.Ayaz
		Md. Aboobucker Siddique	A. Amritha
		R. Durgaishwiriya	M. JawharDeen
AWARDS	First Place - Finals - Anveshan 2015 - National Level Science Convection Third Place - Zonal - Anveshan 2015 - South Zone		

Contact Details of Crescent Alumni Association

OFFICE BEARERS

Parent Chapter:

Mr. Abdul Qadir Abdul Rahman Buhari, Chief Mentor & Advisor

Name	Position	Batch
Mr. SujitTharakan	President	1994
Mr. Mohamed Arshad	Vice President	1992
Mr. Sugan Jain	Vice President	1994
Mr. Seshadrinathan R.	General Secretary	1989
Mrs. Aisha Banu	Joint Secretary	2004
Mr. ArunSundaram	Treasurer	2006
Mrs. SairaBanu	Joint Treasurer	2003
Mr. AnsarMohideen	Member	1993
Mrs. Arul Malar	Member	2004
Mr. Ashok D Nichani	Member	1996
Mr. Basha	Member	1991
Mr. FarvazeAhamed	Member	2003
Mr. Janarthanan	Member	2002
Mr. Kavin Kumar	Member	2002
Mr. Narayanan Hariharan	Member	2005
Mr. Ravanan	Member	1990
Mr. Sriram Kumar	Member	2004
Mr. Vishal Khemka	Member	1995

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Singapore Chapter

Name	Position	Batch
Mr. Mohammed Ibrahim	President	1999
Mr. AhamedMohideen	Vice President	1989
Mr. S.M.F. Rahman	General Secretary	2004
Mr. SadiqBasha	Joint Secretary	2001
Mr. Tariq Anwar	Treasurer	2009
Mr. Sickender Shaw	Joint Treasurer	2002

Oman Chapter

Name	Position	Batch
Mr. Kamil Tahir Gani	President	1990
Mr. AyasBijili	Vice President	1994
Mr. Abubacker	Secretary	1999
Mr. Ahamed	Joint Secretary	2009
Mr. Vijay	Treasurer	2000

U.A.E. Chapter

Chief Mentor: Mr. Syed Bukhari Chief Advisor: Mr. Hanifa Jain Alaudeen

Name	Position	Batch
Mr. Ali Akbar	President	1990
Mr. Saduhally	Vice President	1992
Mr. Ilyas Baig	General Secretary	1990
Mr. Ashik	Joint Secretary	2009
Mr. Rafi	Treasurer	2005
Mr. Zahir Hussain	Joint Treasurer	2005



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