

## JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru Alumni Meet 10/08/2K19

#### A Report

Alumni Meet is an annual feature of JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysore, being organized every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of August. This year alumni meet was held on 10<sup>th</sup> of August 2019.

The objectives of the Alumni Meet 2019, was to celebrate and refresh old relationships and form new ones. It is an occasion when students gather at their Alma Mater, go down the memory lane and look forward for new interactions with new hopes. The alumni are thrilled to be back in the campus again and interact with new students. The word Alumni itself means that once you are a part of your 'Alma Matter' then your roots are always connected to it, no matter where you are what you are. Therefore, it is the time to relive the precious moments that once they have spent in this college, hence it was the opportunity for all Alumni to Reunite and be a part of this event. With the theme **"Back to College Days**".



**REGISTRATION:** 



The day started with the registration of alumnus at 9:00 am. The Alumni meet 2019 witnessed 147 external alumni and 99 in-house alumni. As a token of gratitude and remembrance each alumnus were gifted a power bank. All together the alumni meet 2019 witnessed over 246 participants.

#### **INAUGURATION:**



The Alumni meet was inaugurated with lighting the lamp by dignitaries and alumni at 11:15 am in Rajendra Auditorium, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru. Invocation rendered by Ms. Aishwarya, B.Pharm VII Semester student. Welcome address was delivered by Dr. H.V. Gangadharappa, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics. The Chief Guest for the day was Dr. B. Manjunatha, Registrar, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.

The chief guest Dr. B. Manjunatha during his address expressed the importance of communication between alumni and college. He said, alumni are the source of inspiration to the present students of this institution. He also emphasized on the alumni sharing their experience with the current students that can help them understand the present scenario in Pharmaceutical industry. He also mentioned that, our alumni are doing extremely well in different sectors of pharma industry and pharmacy practice.

The Guest of Honour, Dr. Kushalappa, Director, Academics, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research in his address expressed satisfaction over enthusiastic participation of alumni in good number and emphasized contribution that alumni for the college progress. He appreciated the first batch of this institution for laying good foundation to the later batches. He also mentioned that alumni are the back bone of the institution and I am delighted to see these many alumni for this institution.

Dr. T. M. Pramod Kumar, Principal and President Alumni Association, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, in his presidential address shared chronicle and benchmarks the future goal of the college.

Dr. T. M. Pramod Kumar mentioned that alumni this time turned across the world from middle east, South Africa, United States of America etc He thanked alumni who had sponsored or contributed for the different events of this function and also the events of the institution such as fellowships for meritorious students, travel grants for students to attend conferences, equipments or research facilities etc

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Edition of Jaspharm 2019 with the theme of Bhavishya Digi Gen was released by the dignitaries on this occasion.

Dr. T. M. Pramod Kumar, Principal and President Alumni Association, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, has made presentation on JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research and JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru about their land marks, achievements and upcoming events.

Dr. Krishna Undela, Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy Practice, proposed vote of thanks.

This event was telecasted by local TV channel, namely, Samara TV and these videos are available in youtube.

# PLANTATION OF PLANT SAPLINGS, INAUGURATION OF STUMAG AND PHOTO SESSION:







After the inaugural functions there was an Inauguration of STUMAG, a student magazine posters near the Rajendra Auditorium. Followed by, plantation of plant saplings and photo session where alumni taken their photos and it was presided by Dr. T. M. Pramod

Kumar, Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru. Alumni cherished the photo shoot and were seen updating the same in their social media.

After this, everyone proceeded to the lunch and it was for all the alumni, student volunteers, teaching and non-teaching staff. The lunch was very delicious and it was sponsored by the Diploma students of 1993, 1995 and 1989.

#### **SPONSORS:**

- Mr. Lakshmeesha, M/s Lakshmi Medicals, Mysuru, Praveen, MLN Simha, Santhosh BG and Girish and friends - Lunch sponsors since 3 consecutive years (> Rs. 1 Lakh per year) & Fees for 2 meritorious D.Pharm students
- Mr. Raghulal Raghavan, M/s Raghulal Medicals, Mysuru Plantation of trees (Rs. 40 K)
- Sunil Chiplunkar, Jagadale Industries Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru sponsor of Mulmina (worth of Rs.20K)
- Mr. Mayur Jain, Google Training, Hyderabad (Rs.24 K)
- Mr. Chandrahas Gupta, M/s Aushad Distributors, Mysore (Rs.24 K)

In the post lunch session, the following videos were screened;

- A. College video: Video containing information about vision and mission of college was played which will be posted on college website.
- B. Alumni welcome video: A documentary film displaying efforts of the team in organizing Alumni meet 2019.
- C. Short film dedicated to Alumni: Present students produced and directed a short film in which they also enacted and dedicated it to alumni.
- D. Alumni message: Alumnus who could not attend the meet had sent their greetings, wishes and messages.

#### **ALUMNI STUDENT INTERACTION**

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

**Time:** 12:30 pm to 01:45 pm

Venue: Lecture Hall IV, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru

#### **Guest Alumni Speakers:**

Mr. Abhishek Choudary	Mr. Ram Mohan
Manager, QA Department,	Sr. Associate QA Department,
Novo Nordisk, Bengaluru	Mylan Lab, Bengaluru
Experience: 10 years	Experience: 03 years
Pass-out Batch: 2009	Pass-out Batch: 2016

Mr. Varun	Mr. Akshaay
Sr. Associate QA Department,	Manager RA Department,
Mylan Lab, Bengaluru	ITC, Bengaluru
Experience: 02 years	Experience: 10 years
Pass-out Batch: 2017	Pass-out Batch: 2009

#### **Agenda of Interaction:**

- Different Avenues in Pharma company.
- Necessary Skills/ Credentials/ Attributes required for recruitments.
- Niche areas in the field.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year Dissertation impact on recruitment.
- Current trends

#### **Target Audience:**

• M. Pharm I<sup>st</sup> Semester of all the branches

The session started by introducing the speakers to the students by Dr. Amit B Patil. The session was opened for discussion and interaction after the alumni speakers briefed about their carrier journey till date, in which they explained the challenges faced and company they changed.

The students were very eager to know about the current trends in the pharma sector and the credentials required for the recruitment. The alumni's responded by urging the students to take up PG Diploma and online courses provided by college and government approved agencies, as this will allow the recruiters know the area of interest.

The students also enquired about the importance of resume and various information to be written in the resume. The alumni's shared their experience by mentioning that, resume

writing is the deciding factor and your first impression on the recruiters. The alumni also explained fine points of writing resume on the blackboard.

The students and alumni exchanged their contacts and expressed to stay in touch.

The session concluded at 1:45 pm by felicitating the alumni.



Mr. Abhishek Choudary, Manager QA Department, Novo Nordisk, Bangaluru demonstrating the importance of communication and resume writing



Mr. Akshaay, Manager RA Department, ITC, Bangaluru responding to the question on niche areas and future prospect in pharma company.





Dr. Yogish Kumar felicitating Mr. Mr. Ram Mohan and Mr. Akshaay for their motivational interaction



Dr. Amit B Patil felicitating Mr. Varun and Mr. Abhishek Choudhary for their interaction



Group Photo of Alumni-Student Interaction 2019

#### Giving Back to the Alma mater:

- •Networking for mutual interest
- •Scholarships
- •Hosting Local chapters.
- •Establishing chair in pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmacy practice
- •Supporting research in terms sharing ideas, materials, instruments.
- •Supporting postdoctoral fellowship, job opportunities
- •Creating Endowment funds in the name of your family members
- •Delivering guest lectures, when you are in India or we can have it on internet, Skype, Zoom or FaceTime
- •Being an adjunct faculty in the University system, I am sure some of you are already there.
- •Being coauthors in the scientific publications in the area of your interest
- •Supporting incubation and entrepreneurship ideas
- •Ideate, experiment, experience and execute your ideas with us
- •Contribution to the Alumni page of the website

#### **CULTURAL EVENTS:**









The cultural event started at 2.45 pm in Rajendra Auditorium, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, organized by the students to entertain the alumni.

Later the alumni also showed interest in performing different acts such as Dance, Skit and Singing. Fun games such as, Statue Dance, Rope Puzzle, Fashion and Pharma and Take the gift away were also organized for alumni.

Alumni actively participated and were nostalgic throughout the event. Present students performed skits and dance. Refreshments were served during the cultural events.

#### GALA DINNER:



The memorable day ended with gala dinner and DJ Night organized at Hotel Rio Meridian, Near Highway Circle, Mysuru.

The evening witnessed sharing the reminiscent times, new networks built, rich experience shared and lot of appreciation conveyed by the alumni to the college.

The Alumni parted away after the gala dinner and DJ Night with a promise to meet next year and again take a walk down the memory lane.

The Alumni Meet 2019 organizing Team is grateful to JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research and JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru for their cooperation and Support extended for successful organization of Alumni Meet 2019.

### <u> Alumni Feedback – 10th August 2019</u>

Total number of respondents: 94

Ques tion No	Question	Stro ngly agre e	Agr ee	Disa gree	Stro ngly disa gree	Una ble to com ment
1	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program Prepare knowledge of pharmaceutical sciences	57	34	3	1	5
2	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prep ared me to demonstrate effective planning and implement plans within time frame	33	42	9	9	5
3	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prepa red me to analyze and interpret data	28	37	17	8	8
4	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prep ared me to use current techniques, skills, and modern tools	39	38	5	12	4
5	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prepa red me to function effectively individually and in a team, including diverse and multidisciplinary, to a ccomplish a task	28	37	8	16	8
6	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prepa red me to understand contemporary issues relating to pharmacy profession and challenges ahead	32	46	10	2	7
7	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prep ared me to be aware of ethical and professional responsibilities	55	31	5	6	1
8	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prepa red me to possess the necessary interpersonal and communication skills to be a productive member of the team in work environment	43	39	7	5	3
9	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prep ared me to understand and appreciate the role of pharmacist in healthcare services/research	61	23	5	6	2
10	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prep ared me to understand professional, legal,	51	32	6	5	3

	security and social issues and responsibilities					
11	The B Pharm/M Pharm /Pharm D/ D Pharm program prepa red me to have strong background and motivation to pursue lifelong learning	51	32	5	7	2
12	If I was starting my pharmacy program over again, I would choose the same college	79	8	2	4	4
13	I would recommend a career in pharmacy to a friend or rel ative	53	20	10	13	2