



# DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

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## ANNUAL ALUMNI MEET 2024

**1. Event: 3<sup>rd</sup> Biotech Alumni Meet 2024**

**2. Title of the Event : Bionexus**

**3. Date & Duration:** 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 (12 pm – 4 pm)

**4. Objective/Motivation of the Event:**

Alumni are essential to institutions because they provide funding, serve as mentors and role models, and represent brands, all of which improve the institutional standing and the educational experience for students. The primary objective of the Annual Biotech Alumni Meet 2024 was to foster connections, promote networking, and encourage contributions to the institution's development and providing a platform for alumni to reconnect, share experiences and inspire the students.

**5. Theme of the Event:** Student-Alumni interaction

**6. Funding Agency:** Department Funds, Student Contribution

**7. Funds Received (In Rs.): Rs 18140**

**8. Technical Session (Details)**

i. **No. of Technical sessions conducted:** 02

**9. Title of the Technical sessions:**

1. “Fundamentals of writing a scientific research article”
2. “Overview on BCKIC : Bhubaneswar City Knowledge Innovation Cluster”

**10. Chairperson of the technical session: Prof. Raj Kumar Joshi** (Head, Department of Biotechnology)

**11. Resource persons (Details):**

1. **Dr. Bhawna Gupta**, Associate Professor, KIIT School of Biotechnology
2. **Miss Jyotirmayee Dey**, Program Associate, Bhubaneswar City Knowledge Innovation Cluster (BCKIC)

**12. Participants Details (Indicate Numbers only) : 68**

1. **Scientists/Faculty/Members of industry:** 8
2. **Students and Alumni :** 60

### **13. Outcomes of the Event:**

- Dr. Bhawna Gupta, Associate Professor, KIIT School of Biotechnology addressed the gathering and gave a brief description about her research area involving pathogenesis, progression, diagnosis and prognosis of autoimmune diseases and trained the students to master effective communication skills and discern the correct ways of writing scientific research articles.
- The distinguished alumnus Miss Jyotirmayee Dey (M.Sc. batch 2018-2020), currently working as Program Associate, Bhubaneswar City Knowledge Innovation Cluster (BCKIC) graced the occasion. Miss Dey gave an overview on Bhubaneswar City Knowledge Innovation Cluster (BCKIC) and spoke about how BCKIC ensures seamless connections among research institutions, academia, industry partners, startups, and various stakeholders, fostering innovation and knowledge exchange within a Hub & Spoke Model.
- There was interaction between students and alumni. The alumni shared their experiences about their tenure in the Biotechnology dept. as a UG/PG/M.Phil. student.
- Prof. Raj Kumar Joshi, Head, Department of Biotechnology delivered the concluding remarks and motivated the current year students by showcasing success stories of the alumni.

### **14. Meeting Resolutions :**

1. A plan of action was carved for department development. The following points were emphasised:
  - a. Inviting alumni working in different labs and industries as resource persons to deliver seminars for motivating the students.
  - b. Creation of an Alumni directory to facilitate interaction between the Alumni and current students for broad exchange of ideas.
2. The previous alumni association committee was dissolved. The new office bearers of the alumni association for the next tenure were elected : Miss Jyotirmayee Dey as President, Miss Tista Mallick as secretary and Miss Rushda Aarif as treasurer. The event was followed by lunch.
3. Prof. Raj Kumar Joshi, Head, Department of Biotechnology approved the meeting resolution and instructed the alumni association to carry out the required activities as discussed in the meeting.

- 15. Recommendations (if any):** The organizing committee was very pleased with the overall execution of the event in a smooth and successful manner.

**Selected Photographs (enclosed) :**



**Group photo of the Alumni with the Chief Guest, HOD and faculties of the department**





**Group photo of the Alumni with the faculties of the department**



**Dr. Bhavana Gupta addressing the gathering**



**Miss Jyotirmayee Dey delivering her presentation on BCKIC**



**Felicitation of Miss Jyotirmayee Dey by the chief guest**



**The newly elected office bearers of the alumni association for the next tenure**