



THE IISU REWIND

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VICE CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE



Dear Alumnae,

Greetings from your alma mater!

As part of our continuous efforts to strengthen our bonds with all those of you who've passed out of our portals, here's another such endeavour to stay in greater and regular touch with each other. We would like to hear from you about the goings-on in your personal and/or professional life, in the hope that this will further strengthen the loving bond forged between us. The University is planning to bring out an Alumnae Booklet carrying snippets of information ranging from news of your wedding, birth of children, professional achievements, any entrepreneurial venture, and the like. The idea behind it is for us to stay updated with the significant milestones in your life, as and when you cross them.

In the hope that you'll write back to us, filling us in with the desired details or anything else that comes to your mind, I - on behalf of The IIS University - look forward to keeping and staying in touch.

With best wishes,

Dr. Ashok Gupta

Vice Chancellor

Transformation from ICG to IISU

The International College for Girls (ICG), in which most of you studied, was founded as an affiliated college to the University of Rajasthan in the year 1995. The first batch of the College had just 56 girls and 7 faculty members and imparted under graduate education. It turned into a Postgraduate College in 1999 and today, it has come to a level when its first batch of Ph.D is going to graduate this year.

Pursuit for excellence in higher education at ICG got due recognition by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), when it was given the status of an autonomous institution of the University Grants Commission (UGC). ICG became the only College in Rajasthan accredited A* by NAAC. The College was also identified as a Model College by the Government of Rajasthan. In a survey conducted by A.C. Nielson for 'India Today', the College has been rated best in the state in all the faculties for the last couple of years.

A major milestone in the history of ICG is the conferment of the Autonomous Status on the college by the UGC for a period of six years with effect from 2007-08.

ICG has also been accorded the CPE status i.e. a "College with Potential for Excellence", status by UGC.

The latest feather in the cap is the conferment of the status of a Deemed-to-be-a-University by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956. The International College for Girls is now The IIS University, Jaipur.

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Dear Alumnae,

Welcome to the first issue of *The IISU Rewind*, yet another venture of The IIS University to re-engage with its alumnae. We know firsthand that an informed and energized alumnae-base is critical to the continued growth of our institution. Therefore, to forge stronger ties with you, all we have launched this new project - which is third in line after the Alumnae Association of the University 'Bandhan' and the Annual Students Directory.

Each new session, as we welcome new students to the University, we are reminded of the legacy left behind by our alumnae who are a varied bunch with different experiences. However, the one thing that you all have in common is a shared history with what has now become The IIS University. The University's Alumnae Association represents more than 10,000 graduates. Over the years, I have witnessed an ever-growing enthusiasm from many of them at the several events and gatherings that have been organized under the aegis of 'Bandhan' and have been told repeatedly how proud you all are to be ICGians.

Now, more than ever, it is important for us to maintain and build strong connections with you all. I hope that through this magazine, we can help you stay in touch with your fellow batch-mates and am confident that you will pitch in and share your interesting experiences and success stories for all your friends, old and new, to enjoy and be inspired.

Stay connected
Happy browsing!

Dr. Raakhi Gupta
Rector & Registrar

The status of a Deemed-to-be-a-University has provided greater autonomy in setting our own educational agenda (courses, syllabi, teaching methodologies etc.) as well as the authority to award Degrees. The academic courses and programmes offered under the aegis of The IIS University are approved by UGC and also accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

A few milestones in the creation of The IIS University:

- ☞ 1995 - Established as International College for Girls
- ☞ 1999 - Upgraded as a Postgraduate College
- ☞ 2003 - Recognized by the UGC under Section 2 (f) & 12 (B) of the UGC act
- ☞ 2005 - accredited A+ by UGC - NAAC.
- ☞ 2005 - Identified as a Model College and a Centre of Excellence by the State government.
- ☞ 2005 - Recipient of State and National level awards for excellence in IT in the education sector.
- ☞ 2007 - Conferred of the Autonomous Status for a period of six years by UGC.
- ☞ 2008 - Recognized as a College with Potential for Excellence (CPE) by UGC.
- ☞ 2009 - Granted 'Deemed-to-be-a-University' status by MHRD.
- ☞ 2010 - Placed in Category 1 along with other 37 top ranking Deem University.
- ☞ 2011 - Conferred the status of Research Organization by DSIR, UGC Act.

Bandhan' is a vibrant Alumnae Association which aims at fostering a bond between the alumnae and their alma mater. All through the year it conducts a lot of events which makes it possible for the alumnae to meet and refresh their old bonds with the college and their friends. Some of these are as follows:

- To sustain the sense of belongingness amongst the members, we organize periodic meetings of the Council once in every three months, wherein various issues relating to the promotion of education and ways to motivate greater participation by our alumnae from across the country and outside are discussed and implemented with the help of University administration. You can look forward to these in the months of September, December, March & June every Academic year.
- Organizing cultural events, get together on a regular basis as well as academic events, on a regular basis with the involvement and increased participation of the alumnae.
- A Dance Party is organized for the alumnae on the last day of the Annual Cultural Fest which happens in the month of October before Dussehra.
- Annual General Meeting of the Association is organized in the month of January. This is a meeting where the members get together to discuss other important issues relating to The Association. Last year it was coupled with the Annual Play and was an instant hit with the Alumnae.



The Alumnae Association

Association also does a lot of other things to promote connectivity and interaction of the alumnae with the present students of the university. Some of these are -

- Maintaining an updated database of all the alumnae.
- Some of the outstanding alumnae are invited to interact with the students through Guest Lectures/Discussions.
- Alumnae are involved as members of the Board of Studies wherein they contribute by giving their inputs to update the curriculum based on their real-time industry experience.
- Well placed alumnae in public and private sector assist as resource or contact persons and also help in the placement of the students. They take initiatives in organizing campus drives by the firms, they are associated with.
- The participation of alumnae in various cultural/academic events as guests of honour, speakers and judges facilitates effective knowledge sharing with the current students thus helping them to grow and learn from their experiences.
- The strong association of the alumnae with their alma mater also leads to building of ties between their current work place and their alma mater.

As University's brand ambassadors they help in the promotion of the institution and its programmes. Their regular and objective feedback to the institution on its programmes, academic system and infrastructure helps in the overall improvement of the institution.

To govern the Alumnae Association and to coordinate its activities smoothly, an Executive Council of the alumnae is created. It aims at conducting the events of the association all through year and ensures active and maximum participation of alumnae in the events. The council is reconstituted every two years.

IISU's Upcoming Events

- 5 Nights and 6 Days excursion to Gujarat covering Ahmedabad-Sasangir-Diu-Somnath-Ahmedabad to be conducted in 2 groups 14-19 October 2013 and 16-21 October 2013.
- 4 Days and 5 Nights International Tour to Dubai from 25 to 30 October, 2013.



Entrepreneurial Venture

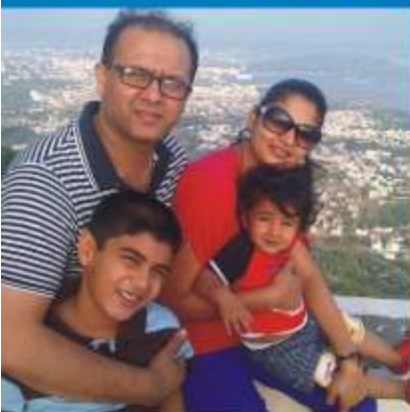
Sukhsagar Fab Craft (P) Ltd. is a madeups manufacturing unit in Sitapura. It is an entrepreneurial venture by our very own student from the batch of 2001, Nikita Sharma who completed her Bachelors in Fine Arts from ICG. She was a very talented girl and participated in all the activities of the College. She was the Cultural Head of the College and had the responsibility of organizing a lot of cultural programmes at the College and also represented the College at a number of events outside.

She got married to Mr. Sushant Khandelwal in the year 2003 and sifted to Delhi. In 2004, she had her first baby Parv Khandelwal and her second more recently in 2012 who she has very fondly named "Nibhav" after her own name and her husband's nick name Sambhav.

In 2008, the couple relocated themselves to Jaipur and started their family business under the guidance of their father and mother who had been running the same kind of business in Delhi earlier, in the name of Sukhsagar Fab Craft (P) Ltd. This private limited company manufactures quilts, bed linen, cushion covers and all sorts of made ups. Their work is very exclusive and they have special theme based products which can fit into any ambience. Mrs. Nikita takes care of the designing part while her husband takes care of the management.

Their company has participated in a lot of exhibitions at foreign location where their products have been tremendously appreciated. This has increased their turnover and made them a big exporter in the field.

We wish them greater prosperity and hope to see them a scale new heights in the future as well.





THE IIS UNIVERSITY - CONVOCATION

I am sure all of us at one time or the other have visualized ourselves to be wearing the black robe and the square cap and finally tossing that cap in the air at the time of group photo. Well, yes, I am talking about the "Convocation" ceremony:

The IIS University which never leaves any stone unturned in its endeavour to provide a world class environment to its students, marked another beginning of a tradition and made a lot of dreams come true. Convocation is a ceremony in which a University bestows upon its students a degree on completing their graduation or postgraduation. The IIS University took this opportunity with its very first batch to start the tradition of holding a Convocation and made one of its vision statement a reality which is "To transform the dream and aspirations of the youth to reality."

15 December, 2012 was the date on which the first convocation of The IIS University was organized at the IIS Auditorium, Kshipra Path, Mansarovar. The first convocation of the University registered the presence of a lot of eminent personalities from different walks of

life. The special guest of Honour was Smt. Renuka Choudhary, Member of Rajya Sabha and former Union Minister of State, Ministry of Women and Child Development Government of India. Shri Soli J Sorabjee, Former Attorney General of India, was invited as the Guest of Honour.

As this was the second year of the University, so the students who completed their postgraduation under The IIS University banner were the ones who were awarded the degree. It consisted of all those students who completed courses like MBA, M.Sc, M.Com, etc in the year 2012. Around 200 students were presented with their graduation degree on that day.

Soon after, we had another momentous day on 25 March, 2013 when a Special Convocation was organized to felicitate three stalwarts of the present by conferring Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) Honoris Causa in Social & Public Service (Polio Eradication) on Shri R.K Saboo and Shri Kalyan Banerjee for their exemplary endeavours towards polio eradication, not

only in India but also in African countries.

Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) Honoris Causa was also conferred Shri Sakuji Tanaka for his contribution to the cause of world peace. The Guest of Honour for the day was Justice Shivraj V. Patel, Judge, Supreme Court of India (Rtd).

This year's Convocation is planned for 7 December, 2013 at the IIS Auditorium, Kshipra Path, Mansarovar, Jaipur.



Star Alumna

"It was always my dream to be an IAS..... ICG helped me to realize it.... its most supporting faculty and infrastructure... vibrant educational environment and wide range of curricular activities helped me to become a complete individual"

Aruna Rajoria, IAS, is currently working as District Magistrate at Drugarh, Assam. She completed her U.G. from ICG in the year 2001. Thereafter, that she went on to do post graduation. But right after completing the first year of M.A., she cleared the I.A.S (Preliminary) and subsequently the Main examine, making her alma mater proud.

She got married to Sh. Abhinav Bhatt in the year 2007 and, recently, they have been blessed with a daughter.

ICG feels proud to have such an alumna who has brought glory to her family and teachers. She epitomizes the right balance between her domestic and professional obligations. You can contact her on aruna_r_j@yahoo.com



Bhagyashree Kothari (2012)

Congrats !



Vidisha Gehani (2012)



Nitasha Nathawat



Kanika & Naveen Singh with Saujasvi



Richa & Sonam Sharma (2012)



Arshdeep Maan



Taranpreet & Baldeep with Bani



Prabhjot Bhangu

Being the first student of ICG, I feel so proud to see my institution grow into such a big University in a couple of years. It has been a great experience studying at ICG. The 3 years spent here, have really brought a great confidence and change in my life and for that I am thankful to all the members of the esteemed University.

Laxmi Tatiwala, B.A. Batch -1998



ICG, the place that transformed a shy and an introvert girl into a beautiful and confident woman. Here, the morning starts with a 'Namaste' that has kept the light of Indian culture blooming within us. With its

amazing faculty and homely environment, we the outstation students felt at home and studies remained no more a burden. ICG and its faculty put in their effort in polishing the hidden talent of its students and help them blossom like a pretty flower. I feel myself delighted and proud to be a part of 'The Big ICGian Group'.

CA Anjali Bhagat, B.Com (Hons.), Batch - 2011



I consider my time in ICG as my most valuable experience. ICG has given me a chance to sharpen my skills in my field of choice. It has provided me with the necessary tools

to enhance my skills and have taught me valuable knowledge about this diverse world. I would like to thank my teachers and my seniors for being a guiding light in my life. I miss being a part of the theater group of ICG.

Megha Choudhary, B.A (Hons.), Batch -2012

The IIS University is extremely special for me as I spent 3 precious years of my life as a B.Com (Hons.) student before becoming a Company Secretary.

A sense of belongingness will always persist. It is a surreal feeling whenever I enter the campus, as memories from the past flit through my mind. ICG acted as a cornerstone in lining me up where I stand today. It was a matchless



platform where I not only made mistakes and learnt from them but was also inspired to dream big. I will always be grateful to the institution and will feel honoured if get a chance to contribute to its growth.

Pragya Naulakha

B.Com (Hons.), Batch -2011

I came as an immature stranger and left the college as a responsible citizen. And now I am a part of IIS Alumnae with lots of ever-lasting memories. Thank you ICG.

Bhagyashree Kothari

BSG (H), 2012



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Feature Me

If you also want to be featured in any of the forthcoming issue of this magazine, send in your entries under any of the following heads :

1. Wedding Bells - Wedding Day pictures
2. Kids - Pictures of babies, with parents, along with their names.
3. Write-up on any entrepreneurial venture.
4. Write up on any exotic vacation.
5. 5-6 lines on your experience with ICG when you were studying here or as an alumna.
6. Outstanding achievements.
7. Article on any social, cultural, or recent event.
8. Star Alumnae - If academically and professionally, you have achieved great heights and wish to share your experience with others.
9. Images should be sent in high resolution (300 dpi).
10. Any other information which you wish to share with your old mates.

The above information may be sent to "The Chief Editor" at Aditir.khandelwal@iisuniv.ac.in under the heading "Feature Me".