

ni meet brings d memories

Those who had come after a long time found IIT-K campus more systematic and beautiful. Some ex-students clicked the pictures of the campus while others shared their memories of stay with their peers

meet.

Though he was of 1992 batch but he mixed up well with the ex-students of 1994 batch.

Prawal Gupta of the same batch and a passout from electrical engineering department after working in Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) started a software company in Pune. Prawal said that he had come to the institute for the first time after passing out in 1994, and it was a great feeling to be back to the alma mater. He also recalled the days spent as a student in hostel number II and I.

Another alumna Navin K Singh, at present deputy IG in Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), after passing out from the computer science department, joined the civil services in 1996.

Since then he has worked as SP in different districts in Jharkhand. He came with his son to the institute and enjoyed meeting old friends. Sankalp Shrivastava, also of the same batch, had come there with his wife who too was very happy to meet his old friends.

Sankalp said that he had come along with his wife to show her the beautiful campus of the institute and made her meet his friends of the college days.

Varanasi's journey to smart city will take time

Abhinav.Malhotra
@timesgroup.com

Kanpur: Sanjeev Sinha is an advisor to Kyoto University in Kyoto city of Japan, where Prime Minister Narendra Modi had visited in September. He is also an alumnus of IIT-K's 1990 batch. IN the city to celebrate the reunion of his batch, Sinha spoke to TOI about the proposed development of Varanasi as a smart city on the lines of Kyoto.

"PM Modi's plan for Varanasi is a welcome move. Four essentials of a smart city are urban infrastructure, environment, culture and history and technology. While urban infrastructure will include developing a good public transport for Varanasi such as mono rail, the work of cleaning Ganga and waste management has to be undertaken under the environment head.

In technology, IIT-BHU and also IIT-Kanpur can play a leading role along with the Kyoto University and Japan's Advanced Institute of Science and Technology," said Sanjeev as he tried to explain the process of transforming Varanasi into a smart city.

He added that Kyoto University, Kyoto City, private in-



Sanjeev Sinha

dustries and the Indian side would be major stakeholders in Varanasi's transformation into a smart city. He quickly added that smart city was a broad concept and development of Varanasi would be time consuming.

On the role of IIT-Kanpur in the entire process, Sinha said that IIT-Kanpur had done excellent work in train signalling and transport system which could be used in developing mono-rail network in Varanasi.

Sinha who is also advisor to the President of Japan's Advance Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST) further said that last year the institute president had visited IIT-Kanpur and met director Prof Indranil Manna. Both institutes were trying to ar-

On the role of IIT-Kanpur in the entire process, Sanjeev Sinha said that IIT-Kanpur had done excellent work in train signalling and transport system which could be used in developing mono-rail network in Varanasi

rive on a common platform for a collaboration on important aspects such as solar power, cyber security etc.

"This tie-up will promote joint research and development programme and benefits will pass on to the students. The student and faculty exchange programme could also be undertaken. IIT-K students will be able to gain technical know-how," said a confident Sanjeev Sinha.

He added that JAIST was a leader in super computer based internet simulator and this would benefit India in dealing with rising concern of cyber security especially with regard to its neighbour China which was a concern of same magnitude for Japan as well.

rolled near the pipeline. "The ball went near premises of a saddler. When Tushar went to it, he came in contact with water pipe-line in which electric current was flowing and collapsed. Although he was immediately rushed to hospital, he was declared brought dead by doctors, said a police official.

The kin and local residents staged a demonstration protesting negligence of

High Court relay fa

Allahabad: The Allahabad High Court (HCBA) launched a relay on Wednesday as a part of the proposed movement in west UP. At the court, presided over by Justice Jesh Kumar and other speakers reiterated against the bifurcation of lawyers here. They met the Chief Justice and discussed the present

The delegation led by Justice Jesh Kumar, senior advocate Ojha, Brijesh Saha, Kumar Pandey said former vice-president

Child dies in

A three-month-old child died while two kids sustained severe burn injuries while sleeping caught in 'angithi' (earth heater) at Chhapra village under station on Tu