

Farewell



Shri KM Deb and Col (Retd) KP Ghosh receive a token of appreciation from Director Prof AK Dutta marking their invaluable and tireless contribution to the Institute. The two are amongst the most senior functionaries of the Institute to have bid farewell to pave the way for the younger members of the IIM Shillong family to take over the mantle of responsibility. It goes without saying that Shri KM Deb and Col (Retd) KP Ghosh are the two pillars on which the Institute was dependent during the initial days of inception and Institute building.

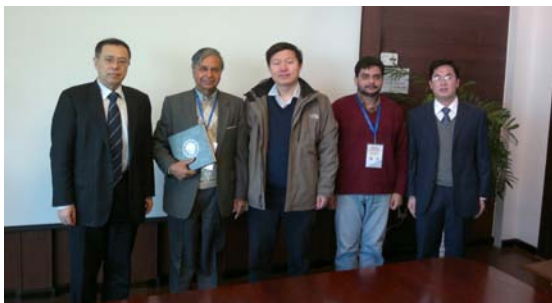
IIM Shillong wishes them all the love, admiration and a long and healthy life ahead.

Faculty Corner

Prof. Sanjoy Mukherjee delivered the Keynote Address on 'Family Values' at the Annual District Conference of Rotary in Kolkata Nazrul Mancha on January 07, 2012.

Sino Indian Global Reciprocal Advanced
IIM Shillong Leads The Way

Rajiv Gandhi Indian Institute of Management- Shillong successfully conducted the first of its kind Advanced Management Program Series at Qingdao, China viz., the Sino-Indian Global Reciprocal Advanced Management Program in collaboration with the Ocean University, Qingdao, China on "Understanding China: Business and Culture", during the 9th to the 15th January, 2012. Participation included heads of institutes of international and national repute, businessmen, bureaucrats and other Govt. Officials. Prof. Ashoke K Dutta the program Director of this program series remarked, "This is only the beginning. We are positioned to conduct the second program of this series during 17th to 21st February, 2012, given the popularity and demand for the program."



Prof. Dai Hua, Director of International Office, OUC, China and Prof. Ashoke K Dutta from RGIIM Shillong inaugurated the program. Prof. Dai during the inauguration mentioned, "This is a beginning of a long term relationship between OUC and RGIIM," adding further "OUC China offers MBA and PhD programs for Indian students at subsidized rates." Prof. Hua stated that India is a talent office and China has abundant facilities, and if we collaborate we can ensure competitive advantage over the West. Prof. Ashoke K Dutta suggested OUC to start the exchange program of PGP students for 15 days to understand the business and cultural dimensions of the two countries. The Chinese professors were very much impressed about the IT facilities RGIIM Shillong has in terms of video conferencing, virtual classrooms etc. Further Prof Dutta extended an invitation to the OUC China professors to visit RGIIM Shillong and experience firsthand a technologically advanced college in India.



The program was a mix of an effective forenoon classroom lecture series followed by afternoon learning through business excursions to one organisation every day. The program focused on refining participants' knowledge and managerial skills by providing a better understanding of China's way of managing its business and addressing the challenges of poverty mitigation and equitable wealth distribution. The participants comprehended the social and economic development and enterprise culture of contemporary China as it opens up its market for additional products and services. One whole day of the program was dedicated for the cultural discovery of China.

The various lecture series included Lessons Learnt by CEOs about Doing Business in China, China and India: Comparison of Economic Strategies and Future Cooperation, The Role of Government in Chinese Business Affairs – Tips on How to Successfully Navigate the Chinese Government/Bureaucratic System, FDI in China, Chinese Innovative Culture, etc. The business excursions included companies like Haier Group, Tsingdao Beer Co. Ltd., and KAISA Pvt. Ltd, a medium sized company.

The experiences and lessons gained by the two countries are worth expanding and assimilating. Even for the much talked about 'Look East' policy, China is going to be an important factor to take into account. The policy makers face certain challenges in the North East towards optimal implementation of the policy. This program was viewed as potentially capable of dealing with problems that decision makers are facing in this region.

Director's Activities



26th December, 2011 to 1st January, 2012

- Meeting with Director, Indian Institute of Bank Management, Guwahati.
- Attended Guwahati University Court Meeting.
- Participated in the Sixth Annual Conference on Public Policy & Management, IIM Bangalore.
- Visited Azim Premji Foundation, Bangalore.
- Visited Catamaran Venture, Bangalore.
- Meeting with Shri Narayanan Murthy, Chairman Infosys, Bangalore.
- Meeting with Dr. K.N. Balasubramanya Murthy, Principal & Director PESIT and Dr Hanuman Kennedy, Professor, Dept. of Management, PESIT, Bangalore.