



IBMT ALUMNI INAUGURAL SPEECH BY THE PRESIDENTS OF IAA

Welcome on this brilliant day to the Alumni Weekend Opening Ceremonies. We are joined here today in a reunion, between you and your former classmates. This is a reunion of the members of the IBMT Family

IBMT is a community of stakeholders. Until recently we defined this community as students, faculty, and staff. Is this all there is to our community? No, I must add that we, our alumni, are a critical part of this community. We help shape our society in your own, unique and meaningful ways. From the moment we enrolled as an IBMT student, we became part of our community, and we remain so today. We now have an even more crucial role to play as we move on in life in continuing pursuit of our aspirations. We are the valued stakeholders, who, by your continued participation, help the rest of the students in the IBMT community fulfill THEIR educational mission.

All members of our community, students, faculty, staff, and alumni, have a place on the continuum linking the college to the society around us. Our primary "customers" are our present students, who first will move on to become alumni like us and who then, we hope, will continue to be our customers as well as fellow stakeholders.

Indeed, a great B-School can measure its worth by its alumni. Because we are already out there in the so-called real world, our opinions on the changes we have experienced there, would be invaluable to them. Although you may not be physically located on IBMT campus, we remain a valued part of IBMT'S extended family. With our rich experience, we can contribute greatly to the educational experience of IBMT students. We can bring a real-world perspective to the academic pursuits of the students and faculty.

What can the alumni do?

Our alumni have first-hand knowledge of IBMT from our postgraduate experience. We can help to mentor our students here in Bangalore. We can act as our College's special ambassadors in spreading words about the exciting developments on campus. You can also make presentations to prospective students.

Alumni can provide feedback to our College. We pass our observations, comments, and suggestions. We can channel these thoughts to the college through the Alumni Affairs and Development Office or the Corporate Communications/Publications, or you may even communicate directly with college Office. We keep in touch with the faculties, departments, where you were associated.

Our College needs our voluntary service. We can, for example, serve on advisory committees at our various faculties, departments. We can also assist as part-time teachers or tutors, or as resource or contact persons. We can assist in or lead seminars, workshops. We can also serve as our assessors, judges, or examiners in various IBMT activities.

We can assist the college in the professional enhancement or personal enrichment courses organized for fellow alumni or even current students. We can also provide leadership in various activities.

This College—our College—is a very, very special place. Individually, and collectively, we, as alumni, are the measure of our success and the foundation of our future. Thank You.

IBMT ALUMNI PRESIDENT