

Synopsis

2nd March 2025: All De Nobili Schools Alumni Association “Fete”

The first-ever congregation of all the Nine De Nobili Schools Alumni's was held at De Nobili School Koradih (previously Sijua) on 2nd March 2025.

De Nobili Schools Alumni Association (representing all the Alumnus from nine De Nobili Schools i.e.; DNS FRI, DNS CMRI, DNS KORADIH (SIJUA), DNS BHULI, DNS SINDRI, DNS MUGMA, DNS MAITHON, DNS CHANDRAPURA, DNS GOMOH), has been formed with a formal approval and under the guidance of DNS Director Father Micheal Fernandes SJ and JAAI with an aim to bring all the Ex-Nobilians under one roof, to celebrate the common cultural values and spirit all Nobilians share, to promote camaraderie and fellowship, create a networking to reach, engage, connect and serve all alumni's, to foster a lifelong intellectual and emotional connection among the ex-student fraternity and their Alma Mater and support, assist and facilitate all round development of the Alma Mater and also build a platform to serve the society.

Under the aegis of All De Nobili Schools Alumni Association a “Fete” was organized for the Alumni's to revisit and experience the nostalgia of “coming back to the school”. It was a grand and unforgettable affair with experiences of the nostalgic cravings for revisiting the times of pure joy and special memories created in their growing days at school.



All Alumni's present extolled on the imposing school infrastructure created at the De Nobili Koradih and were swept with a feeling of pride and gratification to have been a part of the ever expanding De Nobili family. The alumni meet was open for all Teachers of any DNS and family and children of the DNS Alumnus.

This landmark event witnessed approximately 250 attendees, Alumnus and the rest were educators, teachers and guests Schools and family members.

Special attendees at the meet were prominent delegates from the Jesuit Alumni Association of India (JAAI) - Fr. Vinod Fernandes S J, Vice Principal, Loyola School, Jamshedpur and Mr. Rajeev Talwar, National Vice President, JAAI.



an enthusiastic turnout of including about 150 School Principals, esteemed from various De Nobili



Though Pre-Registrations to the event was obtained through an online Google form there were many on spot registrations. The day started with the morning assembly prayer followed by the De Nobili School song and lighting of the lamp.



After the formal addresses by Mr. C S Francis, Host School Principal, Shri S K Sinha, prominent businessman and President Alumni Association DNS CFRI, Fr. Vinod S J and Shri Rajeev Talwar, Father Micheal Fernandes S J, Director De Nobili Schools unveiled his future vision for promoting the partnership among De Nobili School's and the Alumni's to lay a stronger foundation of future co-operation for achieving the goals of service, support and fellowship.



The key and significant highlight of the event was the honouring and felicitation of Ex-Teachers. This heartfelt gesture was a tribute to the Teachers unwavering dedication, guidance, and invaluable contributions in shaping generations of students at De Nobili. It was an overwhelming deeply emotional occasion for the Ex-Teachers to see their former students return with deep gratitude and respect.



On the final note of Vote of Thanks and National Anthem, Fr. Director declared the event open by releasing white balloons, symbolizing unity, service and peace, to commemorate the historical moment.

The fervour for the festivities was set as the school authorities, teachers, alumnus and their family united under common cultural identity. As interactions and exchanges soared the atmosphere became electric and emotionally charged. While the unknowns were busy exchanging pleasantries, the known reminisced. The glory of joyous school days, splashing from the past, rekindled vibrant memories and painted colourful memoirs. New relationships thrived on bonds of friendship, strengthened for lifelong.



The fete was filled with vibrant activities, including food stalls offering delicious treats, game - stalls, thrilling magic show and an absorbing “tambola” session that kept the crowd engaged.



Adding to the lively atmosphere was the performing of a “Live Band” belting out Bollywood songs from the gone era on request by the Alumnus, who felt remorse with a sense of yearning to relive golden school memories. Everyone drooled over music, food, joy and laughter. The Alumni’s doused in the celebrations of their camaraderie and nostalgia, reminiscing and sharing on the memorable moments spent during school days with many ex-teachers who were present.



Asserting their allegiance towards service the Association also organized a Blood Donation Camp in collaboration with Rotary Club of Dhanbad and Patliputra Medical College & Hospital, where 17 units of blood were collected from donors amongst the attendees.

The resounding success was only made possible through the vision and efforts of Father Director, the Host School Principal, Teachers and Staff Members, Principals and Teachers of other De Nobili School Branches, dedicated current Alumni Association members and also few current students who assisted in the organization of the event.

A selfless, unflinching collective support and coordination from all stakeholders ensured the seamless execution of the event. The overwhelming participation, enthusiastic response, and joyous spirit has set a strong foundation for future DNS Alumni gatherings. This successful event not only strengthened the bond between former students and their Alma Mater but also reinforced the ethos, values and traditions which the De Nobili School's proudly upholds.

The De Nobili and JAAI Authorities commitment to fostering a strong alumni network played a pivotal role in bringing this celebration alive.

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