

TISS-Mumbai Gears Up to Hold Alumni Meet

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Sometimes it's good to reflect on where it all started. What more can be a better opportunity other than an Alumni Meet where you get to meet all those folks with whom you had the best of times and all those places which still hold a lot of memoirs for you in the corner of your heart?

It isn't going to a mere trip down the memory lane this time. As **Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)** gears up to greet all its alumni in its **Alumni Meet** to be held on 10th and 11th of February, it's going to be a rare mixture of the memories of the past and the future that is going to be imagined and scripted. In its 70th year, TISS decided about re-imagining futures in response to the changing environment. After a lot of introspection, review and reflection on the existing programmes and structure, TISS decided to go in for re-structuring and this has culminated in a new structure with **five schools** - Social Work, Management and Labour Studies (at Naoroji campus), Health Systems Studies, Social Sciences and Rural Development (at Tuljapur) and **four independent centers** - Disaster Management, Lifelong Learning, Media and Cultural Studies and Research Methodology - that draw from and contribute to all schools. All these and many more are responses to the changing national and international social scenario.

The Alumni Meet to be held this week is unique in many ways. Although it's another call from the alma mater to the alumni, yet it's the first of its kind that is going to happen especially with the institute undergoing a lot of change after the restructuring. The idea is to connect with the alumni and provide a platform wherein alumni from various earlier specializations that include fields as diverse as Social Work, Personnel Management, Health and Hospital Administration and who have carved a niche for themselves in the professional world to come and share their myriad views and experiences on various issues. Apart from strengthening the relationship and bonding between the alumni, the present students, institute, faculty and administration, this would be an opportunity for the alumni to add new wings to the new vision and mission of the institute.

The programme is scheduled for two days. It starts with the voice of the institute in its song. The Alumni Meet is being hosted by **Mr. Krishnakumar**, Chairman - Governing Board, Director, **Dr. Parasuraman**, Deputy Director, **Dr. Usha Nayar**, and all the current faculty, staff and students. The organizing committee has already confirmed the participation of over 500 alumni who have expressed their zeal and enthusiasm in coming back to the place where it all began.

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