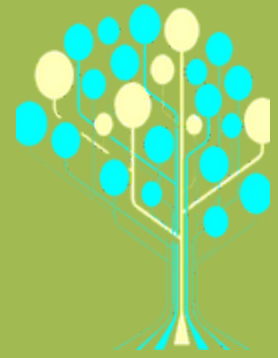




# Nitroaa

# Connection



## Welcome !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

to the maiden issue of our e-newsletter, whose most important purpose is to keep us all “connected” through a strong network. We believe such a network will help us come to one another’s help and thus help us prosper together as a big family of NITR alumni. NITROAA was formed in January 2015 with barely 47 founding members; now the membership has reached 255 and increasing every week; thanks to the cooperation of our alumni members. Looks like we are going to have a great convention during the labor day weekend at Long beach, California.

Please go through this first issue at your leisure and give us your comments; we will certainly try to address those in our next issue. Selected comments will be printed in the “Messages to the Editor” section and we will describe how we addressed your comments.

Please note that the information we publish will be a mere compilation of information we collect from different NITROAA members, in most cases. When we promise we will try our best to avoid any type of factual errors, we may not be able to guarantee that nothing we publish will be inaccurate/incorrect; please don’t hold it against us. We urge the members to share only correct information with us.

### The Editorial Board:

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## Chronicle of NITROAA Organization

- 2014 Sept**
  - ▶ 43 Alumni gathered in Charlotte for Inaugural Convention
  - ▶ NITROAA Constitution Approved by 43 founding members
  - ▶ Elections held, board and executive committee formed
- Oct-Dec**
  - ▶ Organization registered with IRS and 501(c)(3) Non-profit
  - ▶ Website published at <http://www.nitraaoverseas.org>
- 2015 Jan**
  - ▶ NITROAA operational as charitable non-profit organization
- Mar**
  - ▶ Souvenir for Inaugural convention published in Amazon
- Sept**
  - ▶ 53 Alumni gathered in Atlanta for second annual convention
  - ▶ Venue for 3rd convention finalized
- 2016 Jan-July**
  - ▶ Local chapters and social media groups formed in whatsapp
  - ▶ Regional meetings and sessions held at New Jersey, Charlotte, Seattle, San Francisco/Bay area and other cities
  - ▶ Souvenir for 2015 Convention published in Amazon
  - ▶ Webinars conducted for the benefit of its members



*Our Executive Committee  
 (from left to right: President, Treasurer, Vice President & Secretary)*

## NITROAA’S BOARD MEMBERS 2015-16

Sandip Dasverma, 1965 MEC (President); Birendra Jena, 1973 MET (Vice President); Moushumi Roy 1994 ELE (Secretary); Susil Panda, 1991 MEC (Treasurer); Santosh Mishra, 1968 MEC; Nikunja Swain, 1977 ELE; Ashutosh Dutta, 1985 ELE; Manoj Mohanty, 1985, MIN; Shantanu Dash, 2000, CIV; Ashish Pujari, 2000 ELE; Subodh Mishra, 1992 MCA, subsequently substituted mutually by Ailina Mishra, 2002 Ceramic.

Please visit the website (<http://www.nitraaoverseas.org>) for more information about NITROAA’s activities and how you can be an active member of the organization.

## NITRHigherEd channel

*From Sribatsa Das, 1992 CSE*

The NIT we have left behind has leap frogged beyond our imagination. NIT is showered with resources. However, NIT alumni pursuing higher education possesses a valuable gift. By offering knowledge, the alumni can benefit the NIT student community beyond its resources. In order to make the flow of valuable guidance easy, a YouTube channel has been created. This channel will be renamed to NITRHigherEd. NIT students can learn about the admission procedure, score requirements, financial aid, faculty and research area where funding is available; strengths and limitations of the faculty and the programs. They can further learn about the student composition and competition among students. Off course, they can learn about campus life.

Click [here](#) to learn more.

## NIT Rourkela Campus Placement

*From Prof. S. K. Jena, Professor-in-Charge, Training & Placement Center*

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NIT Rourkela is now ranked the 4th best NIT and 19th nationwide (including IITs) by the MHRD. We have also been ranked as the 9th Best Technical Institute by DataQuestCMR in 2015. ABP News has regularly ranked us as an outstanding Engineering Institute in East. Other ranking agencies such as Outlook, Global HR Development Center CSR Engineering Survey, ET Now etc have also listed us among premier engineering institutes in India.

Our students have time and again proved their mettle in various national and international level competitions like Formula Student International, BAJA ATV Competition, Texas Instruments Innovation Challenge etc. Many students also get international exposure every year through various scholarship agencies like DAAD Germany, MITACS Globalink Canada, Erasmus Mundus European Union, SN Bose Scholarship Scheme USA, Charpak France, Khorana Scholarship USA etc. Students have undergone internships and for higher studies at world renowned universities such as Harvard Business School, UC Berkeley, National University of Singapore (NUS), Michigan State University, EPFL, Georgia Tech, IISc, ISI, premier IITs, TIFR only to name a few. We invite you and would surely love to host you at our campus anytime as per your convenience. We also urge you to kindly put forward a strong recommendation to your HR/Talent Acquisition team to include NIT Rourkela in the list of institutes which your esteemed organization visits for recruitment.

I would also take this opportunity to inform you about the premier companies that are regular recruiters from our institute. The list includes companies like PwC U.S. Advisory, Deloitte U.S.I Consulting, Goldman Sachs, HSBC, United Health Group, Microsoft, Samsung, SAP Labs, Oracle, Intel, General Electric, Schneider Electric, Texas Instruments, National Instruments, L&T, Vedanta, Shapoorji Pallonji, ITC Limited, PepsiCo, Coca-Cola, TATA Steel, General Motors, Ashok Leyland, Adani Power, C-Dot, Coal India, HPCL and many more.

## Self Nomination Request for NITROAA Board

*From Sarat Mohapatra (1970 Metallurgy) Chair, Nomination Committee*

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We are due for a new election of the NITROAA Board. The election will be conducted at the upcoming NITROAA convention General Body Meeting in Long Beach, California. The Nomination Committee would like to receive self nomination from Life Members of NITROAA. **Kindly, send email to my attention by August 7, 2016.** NITROAA Board consists of eleven elected members. Following five members of the current Board will move to the new Board. This is built into ByLaws. Sandip Dasverma, Birendra Jena, Moushumi Roy, Ashutosh Dutta and Allina Mishra. Following are some of the requirements.

- All Board members will attend 60% of the Board meetings.
- All Board members will be Life Members.
- Two Board members won't be from the same NITR graduating batch.
- There will be about six people from the first 25 years and about five people from the last 25 years.



# Our Annual Conventions

## 1st Convention - Charlotte, NC

*From the Convener, Susil Panda, 1991  
Mechanical*



We were fortunate and privileged to host the inaugural convention of NITROAA at the Sheraton Hotel in uptown Charlotte on September 6-7, 2014. Forty-three alumni, many of them along with their families, from all over the US gathered for this event. The conveners were Saroj Patnaik (1989, MCA), Bibha Patnaik (1989, MCA), Susil Panda (1991, Mechanical), Subodh Mishra (1992, MCA), Palash Das (1992, CSE), Amaresh Tripathy (1999, Civil) and Shantanu Das (2000, Civil). We reproduced our past NIT memories through ample opportunities to reconnect, plan for the future, socialize, picnic, antakshari, dinner and dance, and even bus trip! We also had the Director of NIT live via internet to address the group.

In one of the attendees' own words:

***"It was an awesome feeling right from Friday evening till Sunday afternoon. The feeling that I came back with is, NIT has given me a big ecosystem which is there to nurture and protect me well beyond the 4 years I was in there. Saturday night dance floor took me back 20 years removing all the rust we have built since we have graduated from there."***

## 2nd Convention - Atlanta, GA

*From the Convener, Nitu Nivedita, 2005  
Computer Science and Engineering*

We had the Second Annual NITROAA Alumni Meet at The Westin, Atlanta, GA from Sept 11 -13, 2015. Fifty-three NITR alumni, many of them with their families, came together from different cities all across the United States to make this a huge success and a memorable event which will be fondly etched in our minds forever.



The solidarity and comradeship shown by all was remarkable and that filled us all with a confidence that we are a community of like-minded responsible alumni who will stand beside each other in both the personal and professional realms.

The brainstorming sessions, lunches, dance night, picnic on the banks of the gorgeous Lake Lanier, jokes and laughter echoing on the beautiful lakeside patio at The Westin, everything over a course of two days helped us form a strong bond of friendship among us and achieve our goal which was to feel the pride for being the alumni of the prestigious National Institute of Technology, Rourkela.

## 3rd Convention to be held at Long beach, CA

*From the Convener, Deba Mohapatra, 1968 Metallurgy*

Dear friends, You, your family and friends are cordially invited to attend the convention at Long Beach, a beautiful coastal city, during this Labor Day weekend (Sept 2-4). This convention will be unique in several aspects:

→ There will be a half and half combination of indoor and outdoor activities the outdoor activities include campfire, beach parties, disco parties, mehfil etc.

→ There is something for everyone. Members participate in technical discussions spouses and children can take advantage of the surrounding entertainment avenues such as Disneyland.



→ For the first time it is being held over the Labor Day weekend to facilitate family attendance. My personal invitation to each of you to make this a successful event. Thank you.

# Welcome, new Life members of the NITROAA family !!!

Sudhansu Mohanty, Windsor ON (1965 Mech.)  
Indar Rai, Encinitas CA (1966 Mech.)  
Om Agrawal, Los Altos CA (1968 Elect.)  
Jnana Dash, San Jose CA (1969 Mech.)  
Skariah Kakkanatt , Bedford NY (1969 Mech.)  
Sukant Panda, Cincinnati OH (1970 Mech.)  
Rajarama Shenoy, Newark DE (1971 Mech.)  
Mohan Theyunni, Darien IL (1975 Chem.)  
Rohit Patnaik, Carlsbad CA (1984 Chem.)  
Kamakhya Singh, Louisville KY (1987 Chem.)  
Kishore Mishra, Santa Clara CA (1987 Elect.)  
Suparna Behera, Cupertino CA (1989 Elect.)  
Madu Narahari, Westborough MA (1989 Mech.)  
Ravi Somayaji, Overland Park KS (1989 Elect.)  
Ravi Yerneni, Katy TX (1989 Chem.)  
Ananth Prasad, Tallahassee FL (1989 Civil)  
Tusar Das, New Albany OH (1990 CSE)  
Joydeep Tripathy, Sammamish WA (1991 CSE)  
Devashis Das, Troy MI (1991 Chem.)  
ANIL JAIN, South Riding VA (1991 Elect.)  
Sreehari Reddy, Saratoga CA (1991 AEIE)  
Vikas Mehra, Riverview FL (1992 CSE)  
Sambit Mishra, Fremont CA (1993 MCA)  
Ranjit Panigrahi, Dublin CA (1993 CSE)  
Akshaya Mahapatra, San Jose CA (1993 CSE)  
Rajesh Panda, San Francisco CA (1993 Mech.)  
Bobby George, Walnut Creek CA (1994 Chem.)  
Sanjeeb Nayak, Solon OH (1995 CSE)  
Mihir Kumar, San Jose CA (1996 Mech.)  
Mrityunjay Jha, Fremont CA (1997 Min.)  
Manoj Panda, Belle Mead NJ (1997 Elect.)  
Siddhartha Maharana, Frisco TX (1997 Mech.)  
Ramu Kurapati, Cupertino CA (1997 AEIE)  
Chitta Mahapatra, Plano TX (1997 Mech.)  
Rajdeep Mohapatra, Budd Lake NJ (1997 Elect.)  
Saikat Dey, Southfield MI (1997 Min.)  
Ashwani Zutshi, Salt Lake City UT (1997 Min.)

Mahasweta Rath, Belle Mead NJ (1997 Elect.)  
Parthasarathi Chakraborty, Jersey City NJ (1997 AEIE)  
Prateek Gera, San Jose CA (1997 AEIE)  
Ranbir Ghotra, Mequon WI (1997 Elect.)  
Soumen Chatterjee, Sunnyvale CA (1997 AEIE)  
Sahil Sharma, Fremont CA (1997 Mech.)  
Subrat Das, Cupertino CA (1997 Mech.)  
Raja Senapati, Fremont CA (1997 CSE)  
Jagnyasan Sahu, Pittsburgh PA (1997 Min.)  
Anupam Shukla, Fremont CA (1997 Met.)  
Partha Sen, Twinsburg OH (1997 CSE)  
Rajendra Adhikari , Naperville IL (1997 Min.)  
Param Dash, Frisco TX (1997 Min.)  
Atul Sharma, Burlingame CA (1997 AEIE)  
Anupam Sengupta, Troy MI (1997 Elect.)  
Ashish Kundu, Yorktown Heights NY (1998 CSE)  
Sibo Pani, Aldie VA (1998 Chem.)  
Shashi Sethi, Park Ridge NJ (1998 Civil)  
Sashikant Suna, Newbury Park CA (1998 AEIE)  
Sanjay Patro, Mechanicsburg PA (1998 Mech.)  
Rashmi Sarangi, Wilmington DE (1998 Met.)  
Nirmalya Patra, Santa Clara CA (1998 Mech.)  
Akhila Mahapatra, Edison NJ (1998 Elect.)  
Jnana Ranjan Senapati, Santa Clara CA (1998 CSE)  
Sambeet Patra, Sugar Land TX (1998 Mech.)  
Satya Dash, Edison NJ (1998 Mech.)  
Amitav Panigrahi, Plano TX (1998 Min.)  
Rashu Garg, Downingtown PA (1998 Chem.)  
Sri Ramesh Eevani, Monmouth Junction NJ (1998 Elect.)  
Aruni Acharya, Katy TX (1998 Mech.)  
Rabi sankar Tripathy, Chandler AZ (1998 Met.)  
Biswajit Sahoo, Sunnyvale CA (1998 Met.)  
Debabrat Nayak, Robbinsville NJ (1998 Chem.)  
Anubhav Raina, Warren NJ (1998 CSE)

Sunil Mittal, Frisco TX (1998 Mech.)  
Debendra Patra, wauwatosa WI (1998 Mech.)  
Chinmay Das, Edison NJ (1998 Mech.)  
Rakesh Panda, Campbell CA (1998 CSE)  
Lekhani Samant Sinhar, Mechanicsburg PA (1998 Elect.)  
Sanjay Patel, San Ramon CA (1998 CSE)  
Gurupada Mishra, Columbia SC (1999 Elect.)  
Pritish Kar, Cary NC (2000 Met.)  
Prachi Sahoo, Newark CA (2000 Mech.)  
Madhurima Panigrahi, Fremont CA (2000 Elect.)  
Abhishek Singh, Sharon MA (2000 AEIE)  
Chetan Rege, Chicago IL (2000 Chem.)  
Dhananjaya Kasireddy, Cary NC (2000 Elect.)  
Sumanta Nayak, Ridge NY (2001 Mech.)  
Niranjan Kumbi, Sunnyvale CA (2003 CSE)  
Phani Rajesh Mullapudi, Portland OR (2003 AEIE)  
Nitin Patel, Fremont CA (2003 Elect.)  
Rakesh Kumar, Castro Valley CA (2003 Mech.)  
Siddharth Rajiv Nair, San Jose CA (2004 Elect.)  
Seban Jose, Richmond TX (2004 Civil)  
Vyas Adiraju, Plano TX (2004 Met.)  
PANKAJ RAJAN, San Jose CA (2006 Mech.)  
Akhila Tadinada, Redmond WA (2006 AEIE)  
Akhil Kuduvalli, San Francisco CA (2006 Mech.)  
Smruti Parichha, Union City CA (2006 AEIE)  
Bhupendrasinh Thakre, Rogers AR (2006 Chem.)  
Abhishek Pandey, San Jose CA (2006 CSE)  
Saurabh Sinha, San Antonio TX (2006 AEIE)  
Viswanatha Kanala, Jersey City NJ (2006 Civil)  
Pankaj Kumar, Somerset NJ (2007 Met.)  
Akash Patki, North Arlington NJ (2007 CSE)  
Guru Venkataramanan, Mountain View CA (2008 Elect.)  
Shivani Dumpawar, Conneaut OH (2010 Met.)  
Nithin Reddy Ranabothu, Jersey City NJ (2012 CSE)  
Manish Bansal, Madison WI (2013 CSE)

## Members Looking for Jobs

**Name: Nikhil Kumar**

Degree: MS in Mechanical, ASU

**Desired Job: Product****Development/Mechanical Engineering;**

link to profile

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**Name: Akash Sahoo**

Degree: MS in CS, Texas A&M

**Desired Job: Embedded Software****Developer/ Mobile Developer/ Data**

**Analysis;** Link to CV:

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/6ywkz0jboyr8e8t/HP\\_Resume.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/6ywkz0jboyr8e8t/HP_Resume.pdf?dl=0)

**Name: Sarthak "Ankit" Patnaik**

Dual Degree: BS/BA in Biology/Economics, UNC

**Desired career in business sector**

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