

# ROOTS

Alumni Newsletter of NSSCE



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I am very happy that alumni association is coming with a newsletter. Being the new principal, I am eagerly looking for active part of alumni association in the activities of college. You are in the process of developing careers, connecting with family and more. I request you to do needful to give back necessary advices, resources and all forms of cooperation to the College, staff, and present students today and for the future.

The institution needs you in so many ways – organising and actively participating in the events (live or virtual), become an alumni ambassador to students and share how NSSCE shaped your life, join the student mentoring program and guide them to increase their technical and managerial skills, become an active member in various advisory boards and other committees of the institution and so on...

Wishing the best for the Newsletter and all future ventures of the Alumni Association...

**Dr. P R Suresh**  
Principal

On behalf of the nearly 20,000 alumni of this great institution, it is my pleasure to be an office bearer of the Alumni Association of NSS College of Engineering. The association exists, wholly and solely, to help our alumni and, by extension, the Institution itself, succeed. The world gets more complicated with every passing day. We get involved with our families and work and suddenly we've lost touch with those outside that close circle. The Alumni Association can help you stay connected to those friends and to the vast resources available here, from the faculty that taught and guided you to our libraries, seminars and symposia, web sites, social media and an extraordinary variety of "stay connected" programs designed with you in mind. They are all designed to support you as you pursue your post-academic life and career.

Our alumni family is huge. They are in most of the countries on 6 continents. The alumni events, regional networking get-togethers, on-campus activities and sporting events, career advisory services, and social media resources to be made available through the Alumni Association may help you be as successful as you can possibly be. After all, your success is our success.

At the same time, I would like to think of ways you can give back to the College to whatever degree you are comfortable. And I do not mean just monetarily. There are many ways to give back, from career and academic mentoring to volunteering time at on - and off-campus events to simply attending academic and social events. We need fun and exciting time and a great way to connect and reconnect with old friends. As you will find, giving back has another benefit: it feels good.

Please come back often to our alma mater. Explore all that we have to offer to stay connected and make yourself and NSSCE stronger. And if you should find yourself in the area, please do not hesitate to stop by our Alumni Office in the College, which is now staffed and working every day.

With warmest regard,  
**Dr. P.R. Sreemahadevan Pillai**  
Alumni Association President



## VISION

"To leapfrog into global excellence in technology and education in the present millennium."

## MISSION

"To be a premier institution producing self motivated professionals of global standards through quality education to meet the scientific and technological needs of the society."

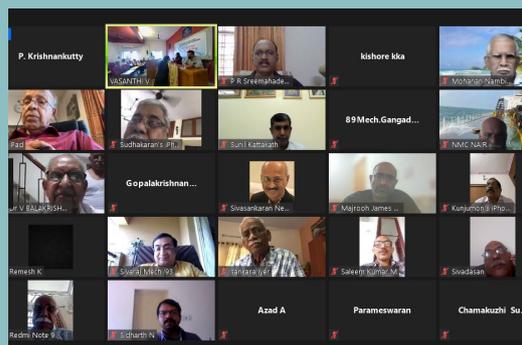


# ACTIVITIES OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND ALUMNI CHAPTERS

The main objectives of an Alumni association is to strengthen the ties between alumni, the community, and the parent organization, and to support the parent organization's goals. The Alumni Association of N.S.S. College of Engineering, Palakkad has been very active for the past few years and has been supporting its Alma mater in student welfare activities, academic and other developmental activities. Many chapters of the association are also active in and around the country. The role of our fellow members in various chapters is remarkable and effective, by which the association could do substantial service to our Alma Mater. The 3 storeyed Alumni Block in the college is a landmark for ever, showcasing the affection and gratitude of the Alumni towards the institution. Activities of the association and associated chapters so far included:

1. Giving awards and rewards to toppers.
2. Providing financial assistance to deserving students by means of scholarships.
3. Supporting the internship and placement activities in the campus.
4. Arranging industrial visits for students to various reputed firms/companies.
5. Conducting interactive academic sessions for students/alumni.
6. Arranging batch wise meetings of Alumni in the college.
7. Enriching the infrastructure of parent institution
8. Enriching the greenery of the campus. To coordinate the activities of the association, a Task group has been formed last year, with representatives around the globe to coordinate activities globally. From the formation, this group is very active in all activities of the association and has become a strong communication link between parent association and its satellite chapters.

An official Telegram group has also been started for better communication, and an official fb page for the association is already there. This year, a Core group is also formed with two members from each batch, to improve alumni networking and for transferring information from the Association to the batch and back. Also it was decided to start publishing a newsletter on a regular basis. The Group chapters and batches have initiated different endowment schemes and many students of NSSCE are benefited by the same. In spite of the Covid situation, the institution was able to arrange internships in many reputed organisations with the timely support of alumni and a notable increase in campus placement also was made possible through alumni networking. Association take this opportunity to appreciate all alumni members who have contributed towards all this. Every year a Best project Award to the final year students instituted by 1966 batch alumni is given during the annual general body of the association. Also the association is giving awards and certificates to the academic toppers. This year onwards a cash award has been initiated, for the best outgoing student of Mechanical Department, by Smt. Jancy Umesh in the name of her husband Late Umesh Raghavan (of 1970 batch). The association have been organising a number of technical/non-technical programs for the students/alumni/ teaching fraternity. Last year it was decided to bring all activities of the Association under one brand name - FLEX (Focussed Learning Experience). Under FLEX, the association is already organising two parallel programs, ICONS (Interaction on Cotemporary Onset of New Scenario) for alumni members and SPARK (Special Programme on Augmented Reaping of Knowledge) basically for the students



Annual General Body meeting held on 25/09/2021 in Hybrid Mode



Alumni Association have been supporting our hostel employees from January onwards on a monthly basis. This was possible because of the fund raised from our generous alumni specially for this purpose along with general contribution from alumni association. Around Rs.60000/- worth provisions are being distributed among 59 hostel employees, acknowledging all of you who have supported this.



80-85 batch alumni donating a Table tennis table to the Physical Education Dept. of NSSCE

The satellite chapters of the Association in and outside India are all doing various socially committed activities from time to time. During this pandemic season, they have been actively associated in Covid related projects.

Explore Higher studies opportunities; Interact with the experts

**Career Guidance Program 2021**  
Organized by Anecx Qatar

**INAUGURATION**

**Prof. Ratheep Raj**  
Chief placement coordinator,  
NSS College of Engineering

**PANELISTS**

- Mrs. Ramita Beooi C K  
Chief Career Counselor, CCI
- Dr. Vinayakumar  
Principal, Govt. Arts Degree College
- Mr. Firoz P T  
Career Coordinator, CCI, India
- Mr. Biju M, Bengaturu  
Highly Engineering Expert,  
MSc in Transportation Eng from  
MIT, Singapore

Career guidance Program on 2nd July organised by ANECX



UAE-NSSCE alumni chapter Saluting & awarding covid warriors



UAE-NSSCE alumni chapter won overall championship, KERA Onam celebration competitions



Anecx-Qatar, celebrated Renascence21 at Zaitoon Restaurant party hall on 5th Nov 2021



An online get-together of PALMNEST members was organised on 22nd October, (Palakkad Chapter) the session was lively

## Photo of 65 batch alumni taken during their get-together in 2017 October at Kovalam



**Sitting:** Narendran Chettur, Jayasree & SMC Pillai, Girija & Krishnan Thampy, Suseela & Venugopal, Deepti & SS Kammath, Usha & Krishnadas, Rajamma & Abraham, Baby & KK Mathew, Rugmini & Neelakandan, Lali & col. Soju, Padmini & Mohandas, Geetha & Gopinathan Nair, Jaya & VM Raveendra, Bhaskaran Nair. Madhavan kutty & kumari, Raveendranathan Nair & Basanthi, Tresa & TV Thomas, Rajagopal & Indu, Susan & Philip, Sandosh & Udhayabhanu, Accama & Koshy Varghese, Shyama & Govindan kutty Nair.

## ALUMNI INTERACTIONS UNDER FLEX

Two interactive sessions were arranged on 'Teaching Reminiscences' under ICONS, one by Dr. V. Balakrishna Panicker on 20th October and by Prof. C. Somasekharan on 12th December in which they shared their vast academic and administrative experiences. Both of them were former principals of NSSCE. Another session was arranged on 13th November on the topic 'A framework for Industry 4.0' by Dr. Subramaniam (1965-69 alumnus), Former GM (Design), Aircraft R&D centre, HAL, Bangalore and former adjunct Professor, ASE Dept., IIT, Kharagpur.

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(Interaction on Contemporary Onset of New Scenario)

We are happy to invite you all to the ICONS webinar on 20th October 2021

**FLEX**  
(Focused Learning Experience Programme)

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**SPEAKER**



**Dr. V. Balakrishna Panicker**  
Former principal, NSSCE

**'An interactive session sharing his experiences as a teacher'**

**Time : 7.30 p.m-8.30 p.m**

Please don't miss the opportunity of interacting with this Eminent personality

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**"A Framework for Industry 4.0"**

By



**Dr. C. SUBRAMANIAM**  
Former: GM (Design) at Aircraft R&D Center, HAL,  
Former: Adjunct Professor of ASE Dept., IIT (Kharagpur)

**13th November 2021 - Time : 7pm**

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**"An interactive session sharing his experiences as a teacher"**

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**Prof. C. SOMASHEKARAN**  
Former Principal - NSS College of Engineering Palakkad

**11th December 2021 - Time : 7pm**

**Please don't miss the opportunity of interacting with this eminent personality**

Dr. P. B. Sreenivasdharan Pillai President Alumni Association of NSS College of Engineering	Dr. Ajith Mohan P (G-Com Member) Coordinator Alumni Association of NSS College of Engineering
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# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS

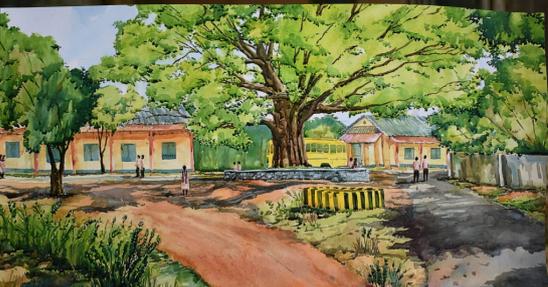
Dr. Thenkurussi (Kesh) Kesavadas has accepted the position of Vice President for Research and Economic Development at the University at Albany with a start date of January 24, 2022. Dr. Kesavadas currently serves as the founding director of the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign’s Health Care Engineering Systems Center (HCESC), the largest endowed center in the University of Illinois system. A professor of Industrial and Enterprise Systems Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, and a member of the inaugural faculty of the Carle- Illinois College of Medicine, Dr. Kesavadas was named a distinguished University Presidential Executive Leadership Fellow in 2019. Dr. Kesavadas previously served as a faculty member at the University at Buffalo, where he advanced his research interests in medical robotics, virtual reality/augmented reality in healthcare, manufacturing automation and design of systems. Dr. Kesavadas received his B.Tech degree in Mechanical Engineering from NSS College of Engineering, in 1980-85 batch, his M.Tech degree in Aircraft Production Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras in 1987, and his Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University in 1995.



**Dr. Thenkurussi (Kesh)**  
Kesavadas named Vice President for Research and Economic Development



Winner University Arts Competition –An old Photo which came in Indian Express



## Engineering Degree Course - Role of Lab Practicals and Examinations.



Practical training in workshops and Laboratories forms an integral part of Engineering Education. A well- equipped laboratory

is essential to impart on-hand experience of linking theoretical knowledge with field practice in all branches of Engineering. The workshop practice is not intended to make the student an expert carpenter, or black Smith, or welder, or moulder or fitter or machinist or a mechanic. Within the limited time allocated it should inculcate an attitude and aptitude for furthering his knowledge in the trades and apply it wherever required. It should be remembered that most of the theories and practices evolved from experiments in laboratories.

Workshop and laboratory training should start with reading and understanding of manufacturing and assembly drawings. Preparation of working drawings follows the Design only. The training should include the operation and maintenance of equipments and the use of measuring tools, their specifications and selections and estimation of their accuracy and reliability. The student should develop a culture to observe the safety rules discipline, and dress code to be maintained on the shop floor and office. He should keep an open mind to learn more from his colleagues and even from his subordinates.

The objectives and contents of laboratory practicals should be redefined to accommodate the advanced technology for better employability. The age old and obsolete measuring and testing equipments can be used for study purposes.

University examination in laboratory practice was started in 1950 onwards when there was only one Engineering college and students intake was low. Now, with large number of colleges it is impractical to conduct meaningful and uniform assessment by different groups of examiners. Scrapping the practical examinations is not a wise decision. What is the alternative? It is true that the students would not be serious about the practical classes without an examination. Hence, I feel that the scheme and objectives of the laboratory practical courses should be redefined and integrated with the concerned theory subject for the award of sessional marks to be counted for a pass. The Chief Superintendent of University Examination at the college may be authorised to appoint two teachers of the college as examiners for the practical examinations. This is equivalent to the earlier practice followed when the external examiner was absent. The aim of workshop practice should include: read and understand the manufacturing drawings, plan the sequence of operations, specifications and selection of proper hand/power tools, marking instruments required, their use, and an experience in actual practice. The student should get an idea to organise, supervise and assess the quality of work. The concerned theories may be taught along with the demonstration by an operator preferably in the workshops itself.

In other laboratories, the student is expected to operate and do some experiments on the machines/engines.

Here, the aim of experiment and the methodology should be specified. The precautions to be taken before starting and stopping the machine, and taking readings and recording the observations etc. should be taught.

Presentation of results is the next stage. The basic theory and formulae used should be stated with a sample calculation. The results can be presented in a tabular form. Results should be given in graphical form with nondimensional coordinates after proper method of curve fitting.

Inferences may be drawn with comments on the variation of with theoretical results with an error analysis. This is an exercise for preparation of project reports.

There is good demand for experienced engineers for preventive and breakdown maintenance of industrial and domestic equipments in our country. The improvements could be implemented by the Universities or supplemented by interested Institutions.

*Dr.V.Balakrishna Panicker  
Retd. Principal, NSSCE  
and former Director, Fluid Control  
Research Institute, Palakkad.*

## Memoirs of my college days ...



*Kochukrishnan.K,  
1966-70( Mech)*

The first Kerala pre-degree exam results were published by end of March 1966 if my memory is right. I could not

have guessed more as passed out from Govt Victoria College with a first class, notwithstanding the proficiency prize I got for Math Physics Chemistry, awarded during an annual ceremony in the college. My current destiny started its course since then.



My father in state govt service of Kerala holding the position of Head in the admin of District magistrate court Palghat, could not cope up with the idea of my joining subsequently in the Regional engineering college, Calicut. I insisted. The debate prior to entering a professional course started first in home. I had a long chat with him in the evening after his return from office during the day when the engineering admission were published in the local dailies. He could not digest the idea of my joining a college away from hometown and convinced me his difficulties of sending me to another place with expenditure like Hostel accommodation so on and so forth, while 2 of my siblings were already studying away from home at Calicut and Trivandrum. He further emphasized that when an Engineering college was available at a reasonable commuting distance from our home, there is no better choice than joining there. The educational reforms that took place in 1964 with SSLC completed in 10 years and the formation of Pre degree subsequently while the Pre university classes were discontinued. We belonged to the category of 4-year degree course in engineering viz BSc Engineering offered by University of Kerala. I thus joined NSS college of engineering in 1966 in Mechanical engineering and passed out in 1970 with a first class.

I fondly remember the day when the list of candidates selected for engineering colleges in Kerala were published in all leading dailies customary on those days, my name appearing in the column of State merit. Seeing one's name in newspaper those days was thrilling as only the meritorious got entry. I travelled across holding a wooden

T square in the morning hours through our streets symbolic of a professional college student. Did the beauties from Arts college envy seeing our disposition or memories are simply fading?

I was a day scholar and was always jealous of those students from hostel who got the privilege of staying in the college campus. No commuting, could easily get into sharing and discussing lessons learnt at the end of the day and joint homework and clearing doubts with other inmates. None the less we day-scholars enjoyed the clan of other students commuting from Palakkad town. We formed strong company of our own and still remember the days when gossips and chit chats ruled the roost on our way back home to and fro from college. Getting down at Railway colony terminus through private buses operating with route numbers was the order of the day. The days were extremely funny mimicking the accent of those lectures who joined the college for tutorial as faculty, brought up in Tamil origin and culture. Further, the usual college trips were accompanied relishing items viz Malabar tea and snacks like Pazhampori or crisp parippuvada from the wayside tea shops at the bus terminus. The taste is still lingering in my mouth and gone are those days of gay abandon ...!

The college life always brings forth memories of sweet and sour. I remember and curse many times when I could not make a proper joint in Carpentry or form a mould in the foundry. The joint in the wooden blocks or those small steel plates given to us to make a "v" joint never saw the light of the day. The joints were always mis matching. I was poor in handcrafts and often my foundry mould cracked like biscuits due to insufficient bond in the mixture. Surprisingly I got max marks in my labs during annual exams and in fact the sessional marks and those practical paved long way to increase my averages in getting excellent marks in the curriculum. 4 years thus passed like the palakkadan wind blowing across the ghats emanating music

through our studies and lectures and I completed my engg degree course. I was delighted to see recently a WhatsApp forward about the current position and status of 10 best engg colleges in Kerala, while NSS occupying the list in the 4'th place. I am proud of my alma mater...!

Memories extend to those professional days in seventies while working in an integrated steel plant at Orissa. How could the lessons that we learnt in engineering come in handy in our active profession? My thoughts were rekindled during an address by Dr. Balakrishna Panicker at an alumni meet in the month October this year. I was amazed to watch him with full eager and enthusiasm as he delivered his thoughts narrating various formulae in Thermo dynamics and Hydraulics even at this age? It catapulted my memoirs to the early days of my profession joining Steel authority of India in 1971 at Rourkela steel plant, those days known as Hindustan Steel limited. My hard learnt lessons from Dr.VBP in Fluid dynamics in the final year and those from Heat engines and hydraulics bore fruit. At times I got into basics of engineering when huge compressors started vibrating after commissioning or abnormal temperature rise in the flow medium due to insufficient exchange or heat load in the shell and tube heat exchangers. The frequency of machine vibration when got synchronized with that of foundation and the resultant critical speed throwing our professional life out of me, serving in different organizations like SAIL Rourkela, Projects in Building Vizag steel plant, a career in the plant and mines of Malabar cements or serving as consultant in Orissa Power generation at their Super thermal power plant.

My experience in manufacturing and production in continuous Process plants spanning almost 45 years is quite elaborate which I would like to share in the alumni during days to come ...!



A snap (E4 Mechanical in 1969) in front of Tajmahal at Delhi, during all India study tour from college. Sitting in front (from left) Balamohan, Kochukrishnan, Narayanan, Mohandas. Standing: Appukkuttan, Rmamchandran.

**Kochukrishnan. K**  
 1966-70( Mech)  
 Worked in SAIL Rourkela, MN Dasturco, (Vizag Steel Project), Malabar Cements ltd , Orissa Power generation Corporation (Super Thermal plant), Retired as GM.



**You, me and we ...**

Last year there were nearly 24 lakhs seats for engineering colleges in India. My admission to the Mannam built NSS College of Engineering was when there were five engineering colleges in Kerala and around 500 + seats. I became my neighbor's envy as I stepped into the corridors of Akathethra, a sleepy village then. Most of what we all are built not by blood and flesh alone; but by the memoirs we all carry. Each of us in the alumni has left an image inside the tranquil space on the foothills of the mountain peak that sung background songs for all of us. Our dream sequences of creating our own future are filtered in the vibrant sands and articulated in the serene space that made many stories for the future

generations to come. We are pillars of the monument of the original vision and dream of Mannath Padmanabhan. We are silently vibrant and musically silent but our hearts remain in and around Akathethara that gave us all the manure and mentorship to grow to the variant features and decorative celebrities as an alumni group.

As I step into my 78th year in age, and as I cross the milestone of 60 from the time when I entered Akathethara, what connects me to my alma mater is the bond. A bond woven in memories and many of those who passed out till last year. I am connected to Divya Sunil as well as Koshy Varghese of the first batch who passed and later became a Vice Chancellor of the respected University. I am connected to the great teachers like Uma and Sreemahadevan Pillai and of course the one who taught me and who still teaches me life – Balakrishna Panikkar Sir.

What does this mean to me? This is what makes me feel young at heart! This is the crucible where I recollected the fantastic times that some of my college mates provided. These melt today, every day because this campus is the one that made me what I am.

The running tracks, the basketball court, the hockey stick and the T-square, the building that was being built in those years (I remember keeping one brick in to the foundation as I used to cycle past to me class behind), the many learned teachers who taught us and later became the best in teaching across the board are fuel that still burns from within.

I am what I am because of the vision of the founder – Mannath Padmanabhan, who made me dream.

I urge all who read this to be in a LinkedIn format as you step on to more and more successful life styles – because each of our breath was once from the air we breathed from Akathethara.

**Sri.Amarnath Pallath 1963-68 (Mech)**  
 Director, Distribuddy LLP, Bangalore and Former General Manager, Ellenbarrie Industrial Gases Ltd., Kolkata.  
<https://amarnathpallath.in>

**അജേഷ് അശോകൻ**



കോളേജിൽ അജേഷ് എന്റെ സീനിയർ ആയിരുന്നു, ഇൻസ്ട്രുമെന്റേഷൻ ആൻഡ് കണ്ട്രോൾ എഞ്ചിനീയറിംഗ്. പൊതുവെ ശാന്ത

സ്വഭാവക്കാരനായിരുന്ന അജേഷിനോട് ചില പ്രത്യേക സാഹചര്യങ്ങളാൽ, കോളേജിൽ വെച്ച്, അകലെ നിന്നും കണ്ടിട്ടുള്ളതല്ലാതെ, എനിക്ക് യാതൊരു അടുപ്പവും ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നില്ല. പക്ഷെ എന്റെ സുഹൃത്തായ എന്റെ ബാച്ചിലെ ഇൻസ്ട്രുമെന്റേഷൻ വിഭാഗം സുരേഷ് കുറുപ്പിന് അജേഷുമായി നല്ല ബന്ധമുണ്ടായിരുന്നു.

പിന്നീട് 2011-12 കാലഘട്ടത്തിൽ ഞാൻ എറണാകുളത്ത് ജോലി ചെയ്യുമ്പോൾ, വൈകുന്നേരങ്ങളിൽ സുരേഷും ശരത്തും എന്നെ കാണാൻ വരുകയും, കൂടെ അജേഷും കൂടിയിരുന്നു. അന്നാണ് അജേഷിനെ ഞാൻ ആദ്യമായി പരിചയപ്പെടുന്നത്. കോഴ്സ് പാസാകാത്ത അജേഷ് ചില്ലറ ബിസിനസുകളെല്ലാം ചെയ്തുവരികയായിരുന്നു. ഒരു അപകടത്തെ തുടർന്നുള്ള ചികിത്സ മൂലം അമിതമായ വണ്ണം അജേഷിനു ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു. ശരത്തും സുരേഷും മറ്റൊരു അംബാനി ആകാൻ ഉള്ള ചർച്ചകൾ തുടരുമ്പോൾ, ഞാനും അജേഷും ഇതെല്ലാം കേട്ടിരുന്നു

അങ്ങനെ 2012 ജൂണിലോ ജൂലായിലോ, ഞങ്ങളുടെ ഒരു ജൂനിയർ സുഹൃത്ത്, അനുപ് അമ്പലപ്പുഴയുടെ വിവാഹം, ഞങ്ങളെയെല്ലാം ഗംഭീരമായി ക്ഷണിച്ചു. ഞാനും അജേഷും എന്റെ ബോലേറോയിൽ അമ്പലപ്പുഴയ്ക്ക് തലേദിവസം തന്നെ പോയി. ആ യാത്രയിൽ അജേഷുമായി കൂടുതൽ അടുത്തു. വിവാഹ തലേദിവസം എലെക്ട്രിക്കലിലെ രാഹുൽ തമ്പിയും എത്തിയിരുന്നു. ഞങ്ങൾ എല്ലാവരും അമ്പലപ്പുഴയിലും തകഴിയിലും ഒന്നു കറങ്ങി. പിറ്റേ ദിവസം കല്യാണം കൂടി, ഉച്ചക്ക് ശേഷം തിരിച്ചു പോയി.

ഒരാഴ്ചകഴിഞ്ഞ് സുരേഷ് തന്റെ പ്രവർത്തനമണ്ഡലമായ പൂനെയിലേക്ക് തിരിച്ചുപോയി, ചൊവ്വാഴ്ച, സുരേഷ് വിളിച്ച് ഒരു കാര്യം പറഞ്ഞു, ഞായറാഴ്ച രാത്രിമുതൽ അജേഷിനെ കാണാനില്ല, ഞായറാഴ്ച വൈകിട്ട് വീട്ടിൽ നിന്നും ഇറങ്ങിയതാണ്, തിരിച്ചു വന്നില്ല, ഫോൺ വീട്ടിൽ വെച്ചാണ് തന്റെ ആക്ടിവാലിൽ പുറപ്പെട്ടത്. അതായത് കാണാതായിട്ട് രണ്ട് ദിവസം കഴിഞ്ഞു. അന്ന് കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂർ സ്വദേശിയായ അജേഷും അച്ഛനും അമ്മയും, ഇടപ്പള്ളിയിലെ ഒരു ഫ്ലാറ്റിൽ ആയിരുന്നു താമസം. അജേഷിന്റെ അച്ഛൻ കളമശ്ശേരി പോലീസിൽ പരാതിനല്കി. പക്ഷെ ഒരു വിവരവുമില്ല. അജേഷിന്റെ കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിലെ ഉറ്റ സുഹൃത്ത് അനിലേട്ടൻ അജേഷിനെ അന്വേഷിച്ചു നാടായ നാടെല്ലാം നടന്നു. അനിലേട്ടൻ എന്നെ ഫോണിൽ വിളിച്ച് കാര്യങ്ങൾ അപ്പപ്പോൾ അറിയിച്ചിരുന്നു. ഞാൻ ഫേസ്ബുക്കിൽ ഇക്കാര്യം പറഞ്ഞ് പോസ്റ്റ് ഇട്ടു. പ്രത്യേകിച്ച് ഗുണമൊന്നും ഇല്ലായിരുന്നു.



ഞാനും അനില്യേട്ടനും സുരേഷും അജേഷ് പോകാനുള്ള സ്ഥലങ്ങളെ കുറിച്ച് ചർച്ചചെയ്തു. അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ആത്മീയകാര്യങ്ങളിൽ താല്പര്യം വന്നിരുന്ന അജേഷ് ആലുവക്കടുത്തുള്ള ഒരു ആശ്രമത്തിൽ പോകാൻ സാധ്യതയുണ്ടെന്നു പറഞ്ഞ അനില്യേട്ടൻ വ്യാഴാഴ്ച ആലുവ മേഖലയിൽ അന്വേഷണം ആരംഭിച്ചു.

ഏകദേശം രാവിലെ 10 മണിയായപ്പോൾ അനില്യേട്ടൻ എന്നെ വിളിച്ചു. ആലുവ റെയിൽവേ സ്റ്റേഷനിൽ അജേഷിന്റെ സ്കൂട്ടർ കണ്ടെന്നു പറഞ്ഞു. അവിടെ അന്വേഷിക്കാമെന്നും പറഞ്ഞു. ഏതാനും നിമിഷങ്ങൾക്കുള്ളിൽ അനില്യേട്ടൻ എന്നെ വിളിച്ചു കരഞ്ഞുകൊണ്ട് പറഞ്ഞു, അജേഷ് നമ്മെ വിട്ട് പോയി, എന്തോട് എത്രയും പെട്ടെന്ന് ആലുവയിൽ എത്താൻ പറഞ്ഞു.

അതൊരു മാനസിക ആഘാതമായിരുന്നു. ഞാൻ എന്റെ ജീവിതത്തിൽ അന്നേവരേ ഒരു മരണം ഇത്രയും അടുത്തുനിന്നു കൈകാര്യം ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ല. ഇനി നടക്കാനുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങൾ എങ്ങനെ നേരിടാമെന്നു അറിയാതിരുന്ന ഞാൻ ഒരു ഡയറിയെഴുതി സഹപാഠിയായിരുന്ന, കോളേജിൽ അജേഷിനോട് വളരെ അടുപ്പമുണ്ടായിരുന്ന സനുപിനെ കൂടെ വിളിച്ചു. സനുപ് ഒഴിവു കിഴിവ് പറഞ്ഞു.

പിന്നെ ഒന്നും നോക്കിയില്ല, നേരെ ആലുവ റെയിൽവേ സ്റ്റേഷൻ ലക്ഷ്യമാക്കി പാഞ്ഞു.

ആലുവയിലെത്തി അവിടെയുള്ള ചുമട്ടു തൊഴിലാളികളോട് കാര്യം തിരക്കി, നേരെ ആലുവ പോലീസ് സ്റ്റേഷൻ പിടിച്ചോളാൻ പറഞ്ഞു.

പോലീസ് സ്റ്റേഷനിൽ എത്തിയപ്പോൾ, അന്ന് ആദ്യമായി ഞാൻ അനില്യേട്ടനെ കണ്ടു. കരഞ്ഞു തളർന്ന അദ്ദേഹം എങ്ങനെയൊക്കെയോ കാര്യം പറഞ്ഞു, ഞായറാഴ്ച രാത്രി, ആലുവ റെയിൽവേ സ്റ്റേഷന്റെ ഒന്നാം പ്ലാറ്റ്ഫോം തെക്കുഭാഗത്തു ട്രാക്ക് കോസ്റ്റ് ചെയ്യുമ്പോൾ ട്രെയിൻ തട്ടി മരിച്ചു.

അപ്പോഴേക്കും അജേഷിന്റെ അച്ഛൻ, പിന്നെ ഒന്നു രണ്ട് ബന്ധുക്കളും അവിടെ എത്തിയിരുന്നു, അച്ഛൻ അജേഷിന്റെ ഫോട്ടോ സർക്കിൾ ഇൻസ്പെക്ടറെ കാണിച്ച് വളരെ ഡയറേക്ടറോടെ ( ഉള്ളിൽ വിങ്ങുന്നുണ്ടാകാം) മരിച്ചത് അജേഷ് തന്നെയെന്ന് ഉറപ്പിച്ചു. ഇൻക്വസ്റ്റിന്റെ ഫോട്ടോ ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർ കാണിച്ച് ഉറപ്പുവരുത്തി. മുഖത്തിന് യാതൊരു പരിക്കും ഇല്ലായിരുന്നു.

പിന്നെ അവിടത്തെ നടപടിക്രമങ്ങൾ പൂർത്തിയാക്കാൻ എന്റെ പേരും അഡ്രസ്സും ഐഡി പ്രഫുലും കൊടുത്തു. മഹാസർ വായിച്ചു കേട്ടു. മൃതദേഹം എറണാകുളം ജില്ലാ ആശുപത്രി മോർച്ചറിയിലായിരുന്നു. ഇനി മൃതദേഹം തിരിച്ചറിഞ്ഞു പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടം ചെയ്യണം. അച്ഛൻ, കാര്യങ്ങൾ ഞങ്ങളെ ഏൽപ്പിച്ചു ഇടപെട്ടിയിലെ ഫ്ലാറ്റിലേക്കു പോയി, അമ്മ അവിടെ തന്നിടാനല്ലോ, ഇതൊന്നും അറിഞ്ഞുകാണില്ല.

ഇൻക്വസ്റ്റ് നടപടി പൂർത്തിയാക്കിയ പോലീസ് ഓഫീസറും ഞാനും, അനില്യേട്ടനും, അജേഷിന്റെ വലച്ചന്റെ മകനും (സുനില്യേട്ടൻ) പിന്നെ വേറൊരു ചേട്ടനും കൂടെ ജില്ലാ ആശുപത്രിയിലേക്ക് നീങ്ങി.

മോർച്ചറി ജില്ലാ ആശുപത്രിയുടെ വളരെ പിന്നിലാണ്, അവിടെ ചെന്നപ്പോൾ ഒരു 18-19 വയസ്സുള്ള ഒരു പയ്യൻ മരിച്ചു, പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടംമാർട്ടത്തിനു കൊണ്ട് വന്നിരിക്കുന്നു, അവരുടെ ബന്ധുക്കൾ അലമുറയിടുന്നു, ഈ അനുഭവമെല്ലാം എനിക്ക് ആദ്യമായാണ്, മനസ്സ് മരവിച്ചുപോയി.

അങ്ങനെ നമ്മുടെ ഊഴം വന്നു, ഓഫീസർ മുതലേറേ തിരിച്ചറിയാനായി ഞങ്ങളെ വിളിച്ചു, അതുവരെ ഡയറിയും സംഭരിച്ചു നിന്ന എന്റെ കൂടെ വന്നവർ അലമുറയിട്ട് കരയാൻ തുടങ്ങി, മനസ്സുമാറ്റിച്ച് ഞാൻ ഒരു ശിലയായി നിന്നു. ഇങ്ങനെ നിന്നാൽ മതിയോ, നമുക്ക് കാര്യങ്ങൾ നീക്കണം, ഓഫീസർ പറഞ്ഞു, നേരെ എന്റെ കഴുത്തിൽ വട്ടം പിടിച്ച് എന്നെ മോർച്ചറിയിലേക്ക് കൊണ്ടുപോയി. അനുസരണയോടെ ഞാൻ കൂടെ പോയി, അന്നാദ്യമായി ഞാൻ ഒരു മോർച്ചറിയിൽ കയറി. ഇതിനു മുൻപ് സിനിമയിൽ മാത്രം കണ്ട കാഴ്ച. അവിടെ ചിന്നിചിതറിയ ശരീരമായി അജേഷ് കിടക്കുന്നു, മുറി മുഴുവൻ രക്തം കട്ട പിടിച്ചു മണം. ഇത് തന്നെ അല്ലെ ആളെന്നു പോലീസ് ചോദിച്ചു , എനിക്ക് ഉറപ്പായിരുന്നു, ചേതനയറ്റു കിടക്കുന്ന ആ അജേഷിന്റെ കൂടെയാണല്ലോ ഞാൻ റൊഴ്ചമുൻപ് അമ്പലപ്പുഴയിൽ പോയത്.

ഞാൻ പെട്ടെന്നു തന്നെ പുറത്തിറങ്ങി, ഒരു വല്ലാത്ത ഒരു അനുഭവം.

പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടം നടപടികൾ ആരംഭിക്കാൻ തുടങ്ങി. അപ്പോൾ വീണ്ടും പോലീസ് വന്നു പറഞ്ഞു, രണ്ട് പേര് സഹായിക്കണം, ആൾക്ക് നല്ല ഭാരമുണ്ട്, ഞങ്ങൾ കൂട്ടിയിട്ടു എടുത്ത് ടേബിളിൽ വക്കാൻ കഴിയുന്നില്ല, പിന്നെ ഞാനും കൂടെവന്ന മറ്റേ ചേട്ടനും വീണ്ടും മോർച്ചറിയിലേക്ക്.

ഞങ്ങൾ നാലുപേർ അജേഷിനെ പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടം ടേബിളിൽ കൊണ്ട് ചെന്ന് കിടത്തി. മോർച്ചറിയുടെ തൊട്ടടുത്ത മുറിയാണ് പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടം. ഒരു മാംസ വില്ലൻ ശാലപോലെ, രക്തപങ്കിലമായി.. അരമണിക്കൂറിൽ പോസ്റ്റ്മോർട്ടം കഴിഞ്ഞ് അജേഷിനെ തിരിച്ചു തന്നു. ആദ്യം ഇടപെട്ട ഫ്ലാറ്റിൽ കൊണ്ടുപോകും, അവിടെനിന്നും കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിലെ വീട്ടിൽ കൊണ്ടുപോയി സംസ്കരിക്കും, സുനില്യേട്ടൻ പറഞ്ഞു. ആംബുലൻസ് ഏർപ്പാടാക്കി. ഇനി ഞാൻ വരുന്നില്ല, എനിക്കിതു കാണാൻ കഴിയില്ലെന്ന് ഞാൻ സുനില്യേട്ടനോടും അനില്യേട്ടനോടും പറഞ്ഞു. അവർ സമ്മതിച്ചു. പിറ്റേ ദിവസം ഞാൻ കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിൽ വരാമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞിറങ്ങി.

അന്ന് വൈകിട്ട് അജേഷിന്റെ പല സുഹൃത്തുക്കളും കാര്യം തിരക്കി എന്നെ വിളിച്ചു. പലർക്കും സംശയം, അത് അജേഷ് തന്നെയോണോ എന്ന്.

അന്ന് രാത്രി എനിക്ക് ഉറങ്ങാൻ കഴിഞ്ഞില്ല, അന്ന് മാത്രമല്ല പിന്നെ ഏകദേശം 2-3 ആഴ്ച.

പിറ്റേ ദിവസം വെള്ളിയാഴ്ച ഞാൻ വീട്ടിൽ പോകുന്ന വഴി, കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിലെ അജേഷിന്റെ വീട്ടിൽ പോയി, സുനില്യേട്ടൻ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു, എന്നെ അച്ഛനും അമ്മയ്ക്കും സഹോദരിയ്ക്കും പരിചയപ്പെടുത്തി.

അജേഷിനെ ദഹിപ്പിച്ച സ്ഥലത്തെത്തി, അജേഷിന്റെ കാലിൽ അപകടത്തെ തുടർന്നിട്ടിരുന്ന സ്റ്റീൽ കമ്പി, പാതി കരിഞ്ഞ നിലയിൽ സുനില്യേട്ടൻ എനിക്ക് കാണിച്ചുതന്നു. അല്പസമയം കഴിഞ്ഞ് അനില്യേട്ടൻ അവിടെയെത്തി. എനിക്ക് ഒന്നും അവരോടു പറയാൻ ഉണ്ടായില്ല. പിന്നെ ഞാൻ വീട്ടിൽ പോയി.

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