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FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE
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Message from the Chancellor

Dear friends,

For all of us who belong to this region or have spent lot many years in this part of the world, we have always realised that God has blessed North East India with all possible resources that easily should help the region to attract attention of stakeholders from all parts of the world.

However, sadly for years, this verdant region has been in the news for all wrong reasons, dominated by images of violence, bandhs and blockades, floods and underdevelopment. Though one can't outrightly deny all the negative connotations that haunt the region, we have ample reasons to celebrate all the strengths of North East India and her people. It is time that all of us pull our collective resources to project the desired image of region which has the potential to become an economic hub of the country with easy access to the ASEAN economy and also a tourism hotspot globally. The youth of the region have the talent, the skill and emotional quotient to establish themselves on diverse fronts. That has been my personal experience having been in NEI for fifty four years.

We are all aware that India is becoming a reservoir of young people in the age group of 18-35. In other parts of the country, lot of efforts are on to tap this huge potential so that India becomes the source of skilled employees for the MNCs. We too have to ensure that we do not merely produce cheap labour for the rest of India and the world. I see too many young people engaged in other parts of India mostly in construction and hospitality industry, and in other low paid jobs and not enough in high skilled and professional jobs. Don Bosco University has been our small contribution in this regard to educate and train professionals.

I invite you all to become a part of this revolution. For this we have to draw the attention of the power that be - this is where you can play a role in engaging the stakeholders, creating the right atmosphere, reflecting the positive vibes of the region that would help attract potential investors to the region. From Look East, the Government of India has focused on Act East policy, which is a very welcome development indeed. This is the time, when the North East of India could become the new business hub of the country being the gateway to the south East Asian countries.

The recently held Brahmaputra festival made me wonder at the uncanny resemblance that Brahmaputra shares with the land it flows through and its people. Just as the mighty river Brahmaputra, North East India is filled with latent promises - untapped and underused. But there is a hope shimmering under surface of these promises, and like the subtle music of the river waves, this hope makes a beautiful rhythm audible to anyone who simply longs to hear it. In spite of all the challenges and negativity prevalent in the environment of this region, we only need to look round to see the success stories of people and organizations that have done extremely well for themselves and for the region!

The latent potential of the North East needs all the resources to grow along with passion, guidance and encouragement. It is time that these resources are exploited and the region competes with the rest of the country on equal terms. There is need to identify the prospective potentials, develop them



and put them into use. The talents that people have, are seldom recognized. It is truer in the case of the North East.

I am sure you are familiar with the musk deer which searches far and wide for the source of its scent without realizing that it comes from within itself. Most people do not realize the power within, unless they are told by others. They remain ignorant of the hidden power, the treasure chest they already are. This is because most people tend to look for treasure outside them. Of course the process of digging the treasure from within may not be very easy either. And it need not be. Trapped within each of us is tremendous potential, physical energy, intellectual capacity, mental and spiritual power, talents and strengths. They are just waiting to be refined out of the layers of dust, and mud and rock.

Are we ready to wake up to the realization that we have the perfume within us? Are we prepared for the great push that will make us become aware that we have the wings necessary to soar high and get a higher view of the great possibilities that lie hidden within North East? Nothing great can be achieved except by those who dare to believe that there is something in them superior to circumstances. The image of Brahmaputra by our side and this Convocation is an effort to challenge you and the talented minds of North East India to think differently and act intelligently to bring about the desired transformation

Dear graduates, go out then with confidence and make a difference and leave behind footprints on the sands of time but remember if you want to leave your footprints on the sands of time, don't drag your feet. Take the Bosconian values and spread it far and wide wherever you go. Be bold, be humble, be brave, be resilient, be productive, be good, be honest, be good to yourself, be good to each other and be caring! "The sea is same for all but some find fishes, some find shells, some find pearls and others just wet their feet. Life is the same for all, we find only what we are looking for". Embrace the upcoming journey and know that this moment, right now, is a proof that everything will be amazing. Carpe Diem!

May God bless you and may His Light shine on you today and always!

Fr. Thomas Vattathara (VM) SDB
Provincial & Chancellor

Message from the Vice Chancellor

My Dear Graduates of 2017...

You have been intimate players here at the University for the last two, three or four years... It has brought us much joy to hear you say, again and again, that our University is a good place to be in, to learn, to work, and to grow!

As you leave this atrium today to start the next lap of your journey, you take with you the knowledge, the professional skills and the maturity to make a major contribution in your areas of professional expertise, and to society at large. I am sure you will use those attributes wisely. We shall watch with delight as the tales of your success and contribution trickle back to us in the years to come.

Tales about ... about what you do with the education and experience you have acquired here at the university, and about what you have learned along the way, about how you respond to every opportunity that will come your way every single day, and, above all, about the goodness that will radiate wherever you are because, when you are intellectually competent, morally upright, spiritually inspired and socially committed, you are bound to leave footprints wherever you go!

Those are a 'given' - I keep hearing such wonderful tales all the time as batch after batch has gone out into the wide world and made their presence felt.

But, today, I want to leave you with two ideas that are very central to the impact you will make on the world. I have culled these thoughts from the ambiance and mindset that we have tried to fashion for you here at the university... The first is related to the concept of creating a 'holding environment' wherever you go. A 'holding environment' is a psychological space that is both safe and uncomfortable... uncomfortable because in that environment you promote disruptive creativity too... But predominantly, a 'holding environment' is what we all need to grow and blossom... a supportive environment.

You have experienced it here... Now, go out and create it around you - an environment where people feel loved, accepted, provoked, nurtured and allowed to bloom. Make yourselves into persons who are a joy to have around, to work with and to grow with.

The second has more to do with what sort of a person you will be, rather than with what you will accomplish. 'Accomplish, you will', I am sure of that. This thought is about a deeper way of being a person of substance - it is about 'getting into the pain of things'!

Mystics and religious leaders have been telling us for ages, that the one inescapable route to becoming a man or a woman of substance and depth, is to 'learn to get into the pain of things!' In recent years, psychologists and



psychotherapists too have developed similar theories when faced with the reality of having to counsel generations brought up on a heady mix of comfortable living, promiscuity, and easy access to psychedelic and mood-enhancing drugs, generations with just one predominant theme in life - 'enjoy!'...

Learn to 'get into the pain of things' if you want to become a dependable human being.

Surprisingly, this idea of getting into the pain of things is not primarily about accepting and enduring pain to achieve anything worthwhile in one's life. It is more about getting into the pain of others, because this is what makes us grow into rounded human beings with a capacity to truly empathize with the pain in the universe. It is this empathy that will lead us to involvement in their stories. It is the involvement that will lead us to walk along with them; and 'the walk' will take us to commitments that we never thought we were capable of...

There is much pain around in the world today. As educated persons, as leaders in society, as Don Bosco University graduates, that pain is an ever present call addressed to us all to do something about it. That's what you have learnt to do here at the University, especially through our multi-pronged social commitment programmes - to alleviate pain and agony wherever you find it... Go from here and heal the pain in the world, in big ways and small. Believe me - there is no better way to live.

... and, finally, in a nutshell:

- Be passionate about what you do, and focus on reaching your destination,
- Create a congenial environment for all around you - a 'holding environment'
- Treat everyone and everything with respect and compassion, and,
- Don't forget to notice and to delve into the pain of those around you...

Your future is in your hand if you but 'Seize the Day'! 'Carpe Diem'!
Let me wish you, an abundance of God's blessings as you 'journey on in hope'!
Thank you! Jai Hind! ...and may God bless you today and everyday!

Fr Stephen Mavelly SDB
Rector & Vice Chancellor

Reminiscences from the Gold Medalists



Amar Kujur
MBA & Winner of Chancellor's Gold Medal

The University brought an incredible change in my life; and the School of Commerce and Management shaped and guided me for the big step which I'm going to take. Apart from the academic studies, taking active part in each and every activity of the institute helped me gain confidence in my life. Support, guidance as well as the appreciation from the faculty members was the main factor that gave motivation to take leadership. I remember there were moments that carried a lot of sentimental values; the friendships we built in the college life is the most important aspect and I know that these friends will give me strength and be my knights in shining armor all my life.

Volunteering in 'Prajwal', an outreach programme of the School of Commerce and Management had a deep impact in my life. Helping the small children through Prajwal was like spending time with family members – this was where I found happiness and they never failed to bring a smile on my face. It had given me a better understanding of others' beliefs and

traditions, no matter what region of the world they originated.

Now, I realized that small things which we do with passion or concentration and the responsibility that we take, shape and change our lives. Today, I am proud to say that 'I am a true Bosconian'.



Deepti Lourembam
MTech (Electronics and Communication Engineering)

I can say without a shadow of doubt that the two years I spent in Assam Don Bosco University was the most productive and eventful two years of my life. Every new day was an extraordinary experience for me and it can be best described as "learning beyond the books"- and all the the moral values and principles one upholds was something that inspired me. In short, the university taught me glorious ways of believing in myself and encouraged me to speak out in any situation, to shine just by being myself. Another thing that struck me was the friendly environment which made it so easy for me to work freely and pursue my goals.

Well, the beautiful journey started in July 2015 and I am indeed grateful to have met wonderful mentors who never stopped believing in me despite my shortcomings. If I have to write down a life changing experience then it was the first class of Microelectronics fabrication technology. The fact that I met a mentor I could look up to and a domain I could relate was enough

to keep me motivated and helped me work sincerely throughout the whole two years. In addition to this, I remember attending conferences and symposiums, all of which gave opportunities to improve my skills and become more aware of the newer topics which revolves around my interest areas. All of this transformed me into a more confident person that I am today.

I have always been fascinated by sensor systems and as the days went by, I knew for sure that I had come to the right place. I got an opportunity to work with one such system as the final year project. I received an immense amount of help and support from my guide. After working with her for just a year, I was amazed by how much I learnt and grew as a person.

I feel truly blessed to have met amazing mentors which made learning fun and to have been a part of a University that encouraged to explore new horizons in every aspect.

Lastly but not the least a special thank you to Prof. Sunandan Baruah and all the faculty members of the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering for their guidance and support during this unforgettable journey.

Farheez Rafique
MSc (Biotechnology)

Soon after I graduated, I joined Molecular Connections, Bangalore as a Research Analyst. Looking back at the memories we created at the University, I realized how blessed I have been to be a part of Assam Don Bosco University. This institute had inculcated a sense of professionalism in me which helped me shape my future in Biotechnology. I feel lucky to be a part of Assam Don Bosco University as the environment is ideal for personal growth and development. The days I spent here will go down as one of the most loved memories of my life.

The institute has one of the best teachers in the world for sure and being guided by them is surely a treat to students like us who want to be successful in our field of interest.



Molly Matthew
MSW

As I recall the two years of my learning experience in ADBU-Tapesia, I remember the famous letter American President Abraham Lincoln wrote to his son's headmaster. "...teach him to have faith in his own ideas, even if everyone tells him they are wrong...Teach him to be gentle with gentle people, and tough with the tough. Try to give my son the strength not to follow the crowd when everyone is getting on the bandwagon...Teach him to listen to all men...but teach him also to filter all he hears on a screen of truth, and take only the good that comes through."

This is what exactly the university especially the Professors of Social Work taught me. The module of each semester was planned in such a manner that I had ample opportunity to have deep faith in my own ideas and exercise it in spite of opposition. The exposure that I had in every semester, concurrent field work, rural practicum, continuous field work, exposure programme and one month of internship at the end of the final exam were the best fields where I came across realities of life outside the class room. I had the opportunity to encounter gentle people as well as tough people and faced the realities of corruption, exploitation and injustice that are prevalent in the society. The university has armed me with social work values and principles to face and challenge these realities. I am proud to say that the University has prepared me to be a professional social worker.

I acknowledge with deep sense of gratitude all that the University has done for me and my companions of this outgoing batch. We assure that we will adhere to the vision of of our University - to be intellectually competent, morally upright, socially committed and spiritually inspired citizens of this country.





Mriganka Sarma
M.Tech (Civil Engineering)

I completed B.Tech from AITM Bhatkal, Karnataka and the next thing that popped into my mind was "What to do next?" Since I've heard a lot of praise for Don Bosco University from my sister who graduated that year, I decided to pursue M.Tech; thus, began my journey at the University.

The most important thing that I will cherish throughout my life are friends I found at the University, without whom the journey would have been of no fun. This University has helped in bringing out the best in me in every possible way. During the project phase I would always tell my friends it would be better if there were less presentations. We as students think presentations and paper writing as a burden but it is an important way to help one grow as an individual. For me it boosted my confidence and lifted me to the next level. I do not have much fear for public speaking now and without any hesitation I can voice my opinion which are based not only from books but on practical knowledge.

My experience taught me one fundamental thing of life which I would like to share with my juniors is that 'you are the only person who can make you learn, understand anything... be it about academics or challenges of your day to day life. Your parents, teachers, friends and any other person can only guide you, the thing that matters the most is what you have taken from it, what you have made yourself understand from it. The entire thing depends upon your mindset'.

I would like to wish my juniors the very best for their future, there is no other option than working hard to achieve success. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to share my thoughts. And special thanks to the institution and my dear teachers for bringing out the best in me.

I feel proud to be a BOSCONIAN. I would also like to thank my parents and loved ones who were always there and provided moral support to me throughout my studies.



Narzima Parveen
MSc (Physics)

Even though any master degree course requires a hectic schedule I had lots of fun with my classmates. There were many joyful moments. We attended a number of workshops and visited places which not only brought us closer but also broadened our horizon and knowledge.

To share my experiences and put them down in words will take up a lot of space, so let me share only a glimpses of it. I had a very good experience studying in this esteemed university for two years. It was through the proper guidance of the teachers that I adopted a new learning skill. The realm of my knowledge broadened as I learned new things. The teachers inspired me to become a successful person and a better academician through giving us opportunities to get involved in symposiums, workshops etc... It is a place where curricular and co-curricular activities blended together beautifully.

For being a gold medallist in the Department of Physics, I would like to give the credit to the teachers of the department as well as my friends along with all the teaching staff and non-teaching staff of the university. Without their guidance it would not have been possible for me to secure this position. I thank GOD for being with me during my journey at ASSAM DON BOSCO UNIVERSITY. I would advise the students to attend classes regularly and clear their doubts by approaching the teachers. Hard work and dedication is the only road to success.

Lastly my sincere gratitude to the University for having made me a part of the Bosconian family!

Regina Nongkynrih
MCA

It is not an exaggeration to state that the three years spent here in the University was completely a different and enriching experience for me. Today I feel like I have achieved a lot in terms of knowledge, skills and communication.

I still cherish the memory of my first day of the class. The class was going on and I could understand the explanation given by my teacher, I knew the answers to the question asked but I lacked the confidence to speak out. So, I answered almost in whisper. But then, the teacher noticed that I was saying something, and I knew she could read my lips as she came to me and said, "I know that you know the answer... Don't be afraid and just say it out loud". This was something that had struck me and gave me confidence that never again was I afraid nor doubted myself. One thing that never failed to capture my heart was the way students interacted freely with the teachers, and I feel that this is what sets Don Bosco University apart and make it so special from others.

So I raise my heart full of gratitude to all the faculty members of my department (CSE&IT) for being so kind and friendly and to the university as a whole. My special thanks goes to all my friends whom I met in the university, especially my classmates, who played an important role in my life. I learned a lot from you and your encouragement was what kept me going. Thank you!

Sebina Yesmin
M.Tech (Electrical and Electronics Engineering)

The word 'convocation' brings to my mind my experiences in the university which was an incredible phase in my life. I learned and endured several new things in such a short span of time, and it had gone by so fast. I am still uncovering all the opportunities that the university offered me. Assam Don Bosco University is a very welcoming place, and from the first day itself I felt as if I had found a home away from home. I met a lot of new people here and made a lot of new friends from diverse backgrounds. And this, in a way, helped me get an insight into their cultures.

The classes were conducted by teachers who emphasized on promoting critical thinking and enhancing the analytical abilities of the students. As a Post Graduate student, I found the depth and detail of what we were learning was far beyond my graduation experience. Probably, the best part of the University was that it familiarized us with so many new thoughts and processes which all in all altered the way I looked at the world. The coursework required intense work schedules and discipline; and so it also made us realise that the key is time management!

The main protagonist that made it all so interesting was Prof. Shakuntala Lashkar, the Head of the Department of EEE. She made sure that the students loved the subject as much as she did and encouraged us to embrace whatever it has in store, as the possibilities in it are endless. It seemed as if there were no boundaries to the knowledge you can acquire in the field of engineering and the amazing thing was, it never ceased to be interesting. And I'm very sure that the things that I learned at this university will be of immense help in my endeavours at NIT Silchar and beyond. Words wouldn't suffice to express my gratitude especially to Bikramjit Goswami Sir, Jyoti Barmam Sir, the entire staff of EEE and management at Assam Don Bosco University for helping me realized my dreams.

I wish you all the very best and would conclude by quoting N R Narayan Murthy ---"Engineering or technology is all about using the power of science to make life better for people, to reduce cost, to improve comfort and productivity". Let us all strive towards achieving these goals in our life.





Russel Pariaf
MBA

Reflecting upon the moments of my life that have impacted me greatly, I remember my short stay at Don Bosco Institute of Management. What I will take from my experience here can be summed up in two words 'adaptability' and 'appreciation.' Well firstly, when I set foot in DBIM, I got a major culture shock. I'm used to a very different environment as opposed to what I was put into. I faced a lot of problems initially but the change in environment definitely taught me the art of adaptability in time.

As time passed by, a sense of maturity filled me and I started to see life from a different perspective. There are many things in life which we, young adults, don't see sometimes. I believe that during these few years if we take control of our lives and understand the real meaning of life, we can accomplish anything we dream for.

In fact, I learned an important lesson that difficulties help us to know the outer world better. When I sit back and reflect I feel that I had learnt so much from these two years and started my life journey with those wisdoms. Words can't define those two years of my life that was spent in this institute. I made some friends for life, learned quite a bit from various teachers and even made my own space in every one's heart. I still remember the late night studies before the examinations, the scolding of our warden and the laughter shared with friends. Now, I wish I could get back another such night.

But my most memorable experience would have to be the experience of 'HELPING' and that is what I exactly did through Prajjwal, a social initiative of DBIM to cater to the social needs of under privileged children in the surrounding area. In the weekends we had the opportunity to teach these kids on subjects like English, Science, Arts etc. and when serious business was done it was time for some fun.

This is when I developed a sense of appreciation for everything whether big or small. Having interacted with these kids, I realised how blessed I was. There I was, complaining for every little thing, while these kids had a smile on their faces and were content with what they had; this inspired me to change my entire outlook on life.

When I see myself achieving my dreams and making my future better, one thing remains – I want to continue to help other people in need to achieve their dreams too. This is what I learned and graduated with from Don Bosco University.



Sweta Bhadra
M.Tech (Computer Science and Engineering)

When it comes to Assam Don Bosco University it feels like the first stepping stone towards achieving my dreams. The most beautiful and memorable years of my life was spent in this institution which will be cherished forever. The aura of this institution churned me into a person that I am today. I also feel blessed for receiving the most precious possessions of one's lifetime i.e. true friendship.

The best part of our institution was the indispensable bondage between the students and the faculties. The teachers of our department of Computer Science and Engineering & Information Technology were very pleasant and took immense measures for the growth of the students. The department conducted regular workshops, training sessions and interactions to accustom the students with the real world. It was due to their valuable suggestions and noble guidance that I succeeded in achieving my anticipated dream.

Lastly, I would like to conclude that I had joined this institution just for acquiring a technical degree however I graduated today not only with a technical degree but also with valuable life skills which made me ready to face the challenges of life that may come in the future. Thank you.

Shanta Jamra
M.A. Education

The fascinating green and gorgeous trees welcomed us in the beautiful campus of Assam Don Bosco University. The destination which opens the minds and hearts of eager seekers. It was quite a remarkable place where I stepped into. I experienced the peaceful and serene atmosphere that enveloped the place, such as smiling flowers with its fragrance, the trees, the faculty members and the companions. I was indeed happy to be a part of this university for two years where I could experience the warmth and eagerness of exploring the new heights towards widening the knowledge. Our interaction with the faculty members was unique, free and friendly; this helped me to expand my outlook.

The University provided the opportunity to have field work in order to gain better experience and to apply the theoretical knowledge in the practical field. Yes, educational field trips are learning experiences outside the classroom. As a student of Master of Educational specialized in Leadership (MEL), I set out for an educational learning in the midst of school atmosphere or educational setting in the village of Madhya Pradesh called Badidhamni. It was an opportunity to experience the ground reality and connect it with the theoretical and methodological perspective we had studied and interiorized the knowledge received at the university. It provided me with an immense knowledge on planning academic year in advance and how to communicate it with stake holders. It helped me to improve interpersonal skills, effective communication and time management. The knowledge and experience gained and the skill obtained during the internship would never go futile. I was indeed happy to be a part of this university where I gained the knowledge for life. I am also grateful to my guides, faculty members and friends who supported me during my studies there.

Valerie Dondor Nongkynrih
MSc (Psychological Counselling)

As I ponder on those wonderful experiences at Assam Don Bosco University, what clicks in my mind is that "We are all unique beings". Yes, we are amazingly small in this universe, yet uniquely special. We have the power to go to space, or achieve the unknown, so on and so forth. All these are the results of self-awareness, discipline of our own conscience; inquisitive thinking and eventually we become masters of our own destiny. But to meet the incredible things in every field in life one has to work hard and always be eager to make a difference in projecting our prospects in life. "Success" is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, loving what you are doing or learning to do, learning to get in touch with the silence within ourselves, and knowing that everything in life has a purpose. There are no mistakes, no coincidences, all events are blessings from God and given to us to learn from them.

Life is a series of experiences, each one of which makes us bigger, even though sometimes it is hard to realize this. My enrolment in Assam Don Bosco University had helped me a lot not just to acquire knowledge but also to grow each day as a person with personality. In life it is imperative to foresee what we learn and apply every aspect of our learning with reality. I learned from this University that in every stage of our learning process it is significant to be able to apply whatever we learn so as to render service beneficial to others, especially those who are in need. When I put all my learning process in the university together including study tours, fieldworks and internships at different social environments – NGOs; rehabilitation centres; de-addiction centres; schools and hospitals, I realized that, though these were challenging, at the end of the day all became incredible and imperative as learning principles and values.

"Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see; it is what gives life its deepest significance." Roy T. Bennett.





Rachael George
B.Tech (Computer Science & Engineering)
Winner of Vice Chancellor's Gold Medal

As the four years in Assam Don Bosco university comes to an end for me and for the class of 2017, I looked back at the journey that I've had which was a mixture of varied emotions. I am not the scared little girl anymore that entered Don Bosco University but a confident woman of substance.

Many people in the University helped me through the phase of this transformation by instilling values that made me a better human being. My sincere gratitude goes to the management and staff for providing us with opportunities to grow and for supporting us every step of the way, the faculty for inculcating in us a passion for learning, the training and placement cell for their guidance and friends and family for their endless support.

Life here was never only about academics. All the co-curricular and extra-curricular activities kept us busy all year round. Organizing them was the best part. My fondest memories of this place were mostly from the late nights that we spent in college preparing for upcoming events; the bonds made then will be cherished forever. It was as much fun as it was tiring! Being a part of Swastyayan, evening tutorial classes for local students enabled me to give back in whatever small way I could, to the society.

All in all, these four years in Don Bosco University had been filled with exciting adventures! Thanks to my amazing bunch of friends!

Thank you Don Bosco, for the amazing time I've had and for the awesome people I've met. I'll cherish these years forever. May the University live long and prosper!



Diraksh Rahman
B.Tech (Civil Engineering)

'Father and friend of the youth' – which instills a feeling of being in a family is probably the most comforting words ever heard by a Bosconian...being a part of the Don Bosco family. I will always remain happy because I wore the tag of a Bosconian for 16 years. When I joined Assam Don Bosco University in 2013, I never felt nervous nor uncomfortable like a new student entering a new college as the atmosphere was similar to my alma mater Don Bosco School, Guwahati. The habit of wearing a uniform, the rules and regulations that the University instructs every student to follow and maintain, only proves to make the student outshine in every sphere and everyone around gets to know by his/her behaviour and conduct that he/she is a Bosconian.

In ADBU, academics, sports, dance, drama, debate, event organisations, every such occasion lets us explore our potentials, capabilities, strengths and weaknesses and I have learned a lot in this epitome of knowledge and education during my four years of B.Tech. Overall, it's the perfect place where you know what you are and what you will be. Long live the spirit of Don Bosco.

Sneha Nath
B.Tech (Electronics and Communications Engineering)



31st July, 2013... the first day I entered the college, surrounded by unknown faces... Since then, till the last day at the University had been a great race of four years. The strength of our class was very less compared to other branches, but the memories were countless. Strangers to each other we walked in and hand in hand we walk out from there. Assignments, class works, lab notes, semester exams, D'Verve, Prajyuktam and many more, the moments when we all worked together, had fun together, laughed together and even cried together will always lingers on my mind.

The feeling of having wonderful people around us is just beautiful and the pain of moving away from them hurts. But as we all know that meeting and parting are like the two sides of the same coin, it is unavoidable. I am going to miss the supportive and wonderful teachers, and, at the same time, I am glad that I am leaving the college with a wealth of knowledge that I will always treasure and I am thankful for the skills that I have acquired.

Letters from DBU-Global Students...

Gai Emmanuel Mabor, MBA (Finance), South Sudan
Learning at Don Bosco University has changed my life as I continue to grow in the ideals enshrined in the Don Bosco way of learning. Through the studies, I have been able to break down many 'road-blocks' in my career progression. I also improved my managerial abilities as studies at Don Bosco are action oriented. It is within the purview of this significance that I had the courage to enroll for an MBA in finance immediately after completing Bachelor of Business Administration in 2014. As I graduate during this 2017 Convocation, I have no doubt that I am competent in the domain of financial management. This would have not come true without the unwavering support offered by the faculty at Don Bosco University.

Don Bosco University has inculcated in me the attribute of persistence, moving on new paths which has led to many ingenious improvements in my work and has earned me a lot of trust from my principals, work mates, and the society as a whole. My studies here has helped me to guide few of my colleagues who sought for guidance, and above all, I am confident that it will continue to guide me into the future. Don Bosco University has never provided only a degree but much deeper root in my life. In terms of quality of academic contents, Don Bosco University provides superior academic quality with instructors competent in their fields. I have often compared instructional materials of the University with the ones delivered by local academic institutions in my country (South Sudan). This is also an area where the excellence of Don Bosco University comes! Most inspirations of people becoming Bosconians also emanate from quality academic delivery.

In a nutshell, I am proud to have been a part of the excellent academic community of Don Bosco University and I will always strive to uphold the Don Bosco philosophy of education. I will ensure ethical conduct in work and everywhere in my professional interface, uphold highest professionalism, and devote my service to improve or better yet give back to the society – the ideals of a Don Bosco graduate.

Leonard Kanime, MBA (Operations Management), Namibia
This programme has given me a strong foundation of project executing and managing people in a small or big organization. The programme has enhanced my capacity of understanding people of different background as what can be good to one can't be good to another. The subjects are real industry oriented, as what executives; managers and supervisors dealing with on day to day activities at work are reflected in the syllabus with more theoretical explanations.

The online video lectures make the study even more convenient as you can watch them at your free time. The videos have no differences from face to face lectures. I would highly recommend this programme to anyone who want to understand and experience the world class business industry.

Kwaku Boadu Adusei, MBA (Dual Specialization), Ghana

I would like to take this opportunity to say that the quality of service offered by DBU Global was highly impressive. From start to finish your team had been a joy to work with and the standard of service you provided to students, unmatched! I have absolutely no hesitation in recommending Assam Don Bosco University to anyone who wish to pursue an online programme and I would be happy to talk to anyone who wish to contact me on behalf of the University.

Elvis Selorm Quashiga, MBA (Entrepreneurship), Ghana

My association with Don Bosco University has helped improved my analytical and managerial skills. As a result, I have been promoted from the post of Sector Manager to Project Coordinator. The course structure is very apt, relevant to current industrial revolution and requires a lot of self-discipline in order to be successful and is the same self-discipline that I have applied to my work, hence, my promotion.

When it comes to online studies, I will not hesitate to recommend Don Bosco University to anyone interested in quality education, especially workers with tight schedules.

Daniel Mutua Muvengi, MBA, Tanzania

I found my experience of studying at DBU very transforming in every way. The learning materials were very well researched and informative. I have already been practising the knowledge acquired in so many ways in my career and especially at my work. Today, I lead board meetings and organizations. I feel that I have been well prepared to become a world leader in the global arena. Thank you so much to the DBU Global team for your responsiveness.

Thomas K. Sam, MBA (Technology Management), India

The MBA Programme at DBU offers students an opportunity to develop their leadership and general management skills through an exceptionally interactive, term based approach to learning. The learning platform is user friendly and has helped me complete the course. I wish all the best for the future students.

Philip Terver Gbeda, Nigeria

Graduating from Assam Don Bosco University has been a worthy academic experience for me. The academic study schedule towards my degree programme was very tasking for an office executive with high work-load, but because the University online degree programme is so structured to ensure such convenience that a dream of attaining quality and internationally recognised university degree is made feasible.

The platform provided and other services including the University e-library readily available for international students had been a great help for any student to achieve high level of academics. No doubt Don Bosco University is a citadel of learning, a University without borders.

As a senior management staff in my organisation, my intellectual output vis-à-vis the sound technicality in my operational management contributions to the company had been enhanced right from my second year into the programme.

Rudo Grace Kamba, MBA (Entrepreneurship), Zimbabwe

One of the outstanding things about the Don Bosco online program is its relevance to the field I'm working in. I benefited from what I have learnt especially under Customer Relationship Management as well as Executive Communication. They have helped improve my performance at work and build good relationships with my clients. I have even been awarded a shopping voucher for being efficient in providing a good service to my clients due to a better understanding of the dynamics in relationships.

Another outstanding thing about Don Bosco online program is its student support as well as the student dashboard which is very user friendly. The online programme taught me discipline, resilience and hard work. It was an awesome experience. May God Bless you

Rosita Adunchezor, MBA (Operations Management), Nigeria

DBU Global is a "centre of excellence"! In addition to a flexible learning schedule and high integrity test of knowledge through proctored examinations, it provided an opportunity for me to dive deep into management and understand the global economy. The support services are always available online, on live chats, and e-mails to address students' questions and challenges, hence, making online learning platform hitch free.

Today, I am an MBA holder with a specialization in Operations Management; I am equipped to take charge of my life, contribute meaningfully to my organization and the society. DBU online MBA has propelled me into motion and there is no stopping until I conquer.

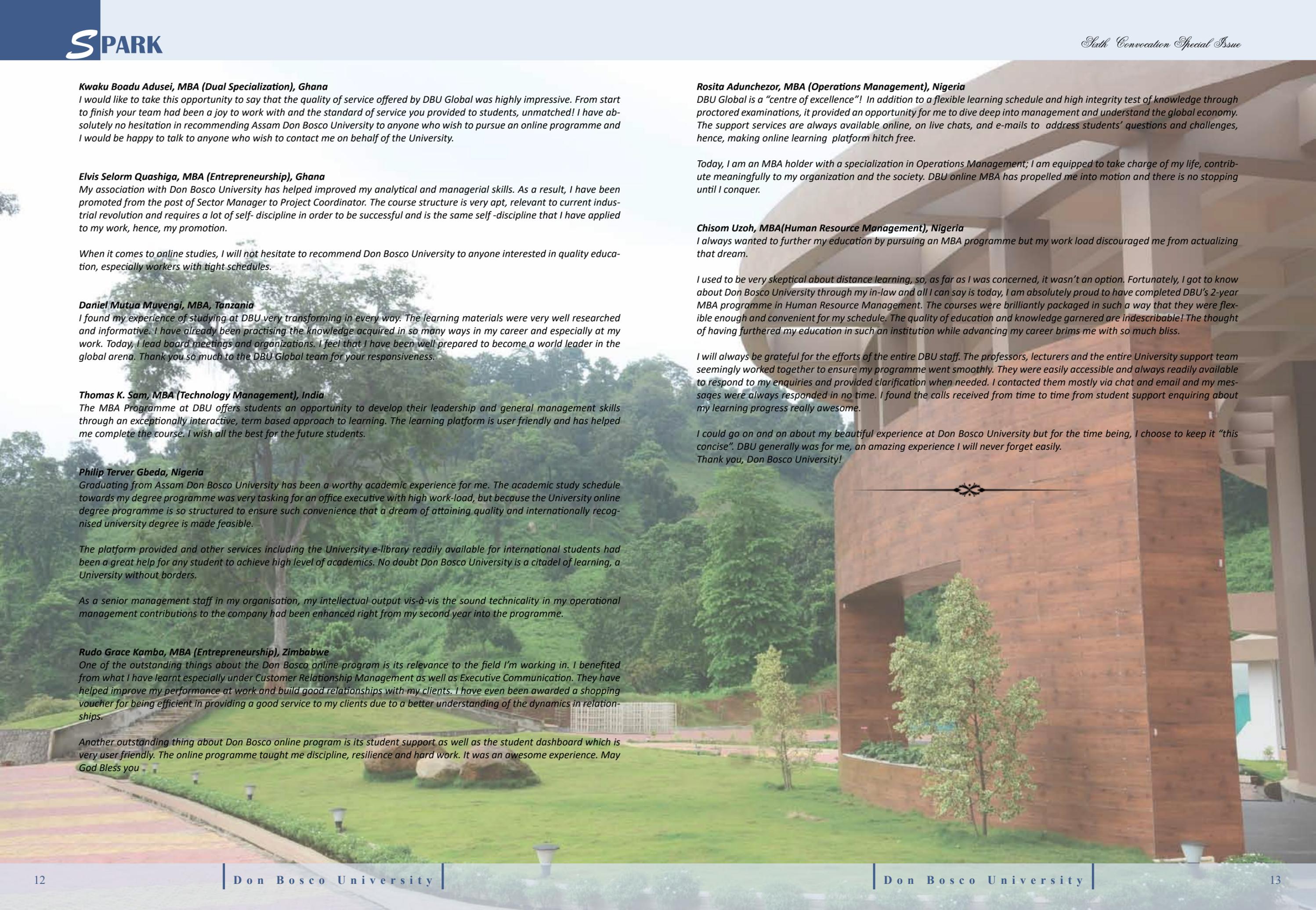
Chisom Uzoh, MBA(Human Resource Management), Nigeria

I always wanted to further my education by pursuing an MBA programme but my work load discouraged me from actualizing that dream.

I used to be very skeptical about distance learning, so, as far as I was concerned, it wasn't an option. Fortunately, I got to know about Don Bosco University through my in-law and all I can say is today, I am absolutely proud to have completed DBU's 2-year MBA programme in Human Resource Management. The courses were brilliantly packaged in such a way that they were flexible enough and convenient for my schedule. The quality of education and knowledge garnered are indescribable! The thought of having furthered my education in such an institution while advancing my career brims me with so much bliss.

I will always be grateful for the efforts of the entire DBU staff. The professors, lecturers and the entire University support team seemingly worked together to ensure my programme went smoothly. They were easily accessible and always readily available to respond to my enquiries and provided clarification when needed. I contacted them mostly via chat and email and my messages were always responded in no time. I found the calls received from time to time from student support enquiring about my learning progress really awesome.

I could go on and on about my beautiful experience at Don Bosco University but for the time being, I choose to keep it "this concise". DBU generally was for me, an amazing experience I will never forget easily. Thank you, Don Bosco University!



Have Your Say...

I am proud of being a Bosconian. The campus life of the university was amazing. The quality education and the friendship of the Bosconians were unforgettable. Our team of CSE Department, Ex. HoD Dr. Jayanta Sir, Dr. Uzzal Sir, Rupam Sir, Alok Sir, Usha Madam and all the staffs of the department has actively helped in my journey. Dictionary doesn't have words to thank them. Thanks to Almighty and my parents for sending me to the right place. - **Amanur Rahman, B.Tech, CSE**

The best part of being a Bosconian was that it gave me a feeling of a family. Don Bosco University had given me a chance to sharpen my skills in the field of my choice and its belief in a holistic development. The professors were kind enough to guide me and bring out the best in me. Truly, it had paved the way for me to fulfil my dreams to achieve a successful career. Long Live Don Bosco! - **Danny Wanlambok Nongsiej, MBA**

In the year 2013 when I joined Assam Don Bosco University, I was a simple student who had many hopes and aspirations in life. I was very anxious about my college life here at ADBU as well as my future too. But as semesters passed by, I got that confidence of being a man in life. Assam Don Bosco University made us not only matured persons but also provided us social, cultural and spiritual values, and a very few universities can boast of such values being imparted to the students. Today, the people of North-east India knows that there is a university which not only provide excellent education but also teaches humanity to its students.

Besides making me a Civil Engineer, ADBU gave me many mentors to guide me in my life, amazing friends to always support me, awards, acclamations, organizing skills, social & moral values and most importantly the correct way of understanding life.

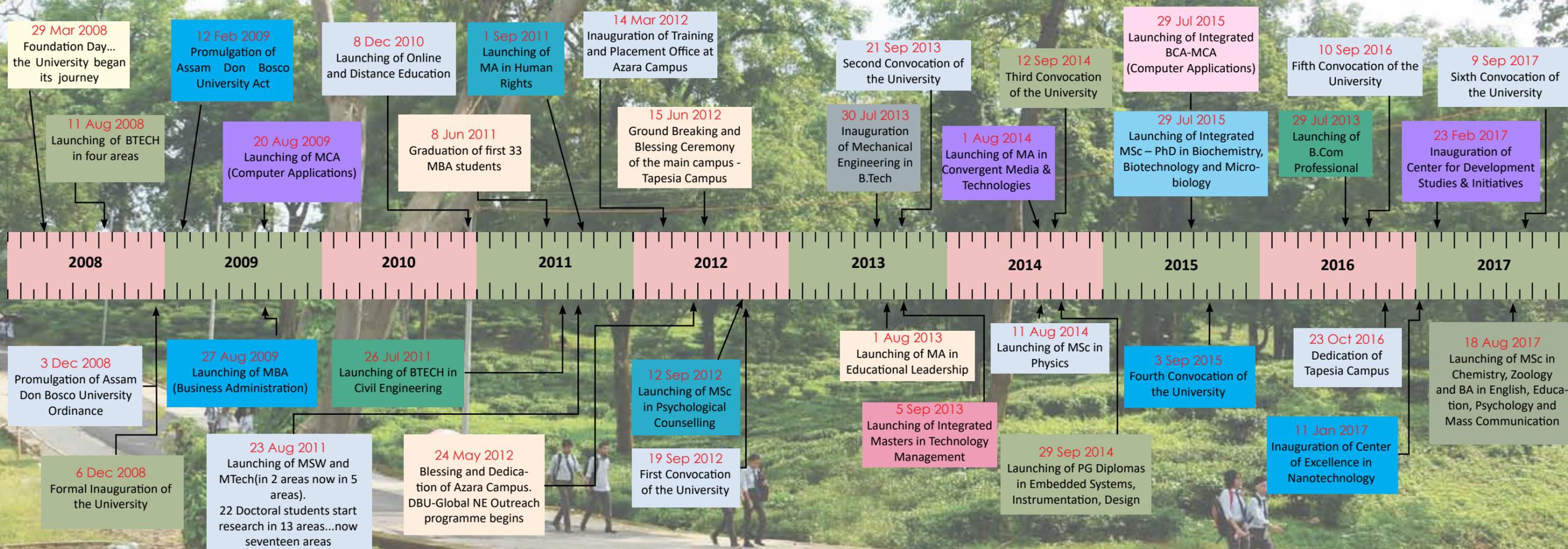
Thank You, Assam Don Bosco University and let me end this short note, saying 'establishing a university in North-East India maybe a small step for Don Bosco Society but a giant leap for the people of North-East'. - **Manas Pratim Das, BTech (CVE)**

My dream got its platform when I joined this institution on 8th July, 2013. The faculty members are so co-operative and always stood by our side as guides. Besides classroom education, the institution also helped us in polishing our future professional life. I am really enjoyed taking active parts in Prajyuktam and D'Verve, the College fests. Not only this, I am highly privileged for being a part of this Don Bosco Family. - **Priyanka Roy Choudhury, BTech (EEE)**

The environment and the beautiful campus always gave me a positive vibe and that is one of the reason I miss being a part of Don Bosco University. My teachers were always supportive and were ready to help whenever I reached out for help. In spite of different cultures, background and taste, we were able to bind each other with a bond of friendship and that's what matters to me now. Thank you - **Priyanka Dutta, MBA**

My two years life at the University was the most blessed moments of my life. I can proudly say that I am a completely different person since I joined the Department of Social Work. With many activities, social events, class presentations, research work, field work, group work etc, it's hard to believe that two years had gone by. I will always cherish the memories of SWASTYAYAN...Community Self Help Week, where we raised funds for local communities by selling Momo's, Pakora's, Sinchu, Alo Muri, ethnic food and washing cars, bikes and trucks. One of the blessings in my life while studying at the University was the scholarships I received throughout the semesters, which had helped me to complete my studies. Thank you! I am a proud Bosconian! - **Ramachan A Shimray, MSW**

The University's Timeline...Journeying in hope!



God be with you
 ... Along the road
 ... As you climb up the hills
 As you 'go down on in life'
 Dr. Stephen

As you graduate from our university my sincere wish and prayer for you is that you may always be a dependable human being, at the service of society.
 Dr. Joseph Nellanatt

For giving and for growing... May you have abundance of life.
 An

The past can be undone to a certain extent if you begin to build your future today. Thus you bring joy to your dear and near ones and to yourself. God bless you.
 Dr. Anand

The purpose of learning is growth, and we can grow as long as we live.
 Laksh.

You have started the race, keep on till you reach your goal. God be with you & stay blessed.
 Anand

Always make a "Difference" with your sincere efforts so that your "extra" makes anything "extraordinary".
 Best wishes
 Dr. Anand

Keep climbing!
 Look up at the stars and keep moving!
 Very soon you will be at the apex! God bless you all!
 Secondary

Failure can never overtake you if your determination to succeed is strong enough.
 P.Das

Two words that can change the way your approach life: "CAN I" & "I CAN". Think which option you would like to choose!
 Luckman

There is no alternative to hard work and hence work hard and the best you leave.
 The Almighty
 Mura

Don't Stop when you are tired; Stop when you are done.
 Anand

Never give up on hope coz hope keeps you going.
 Das

Be happy and stay blessed always.
 Anand

You can - just start believing in yourself. Wishing you the best in life.
 Dharna

Let the reality change you before you try to change the reality. May God be with you always.
 Anand

Willingness, Dedication, Attitude, Hard work are the key to achieve goals. - Believe in God -
 Anand

Pragnan Das