

Report: WIE Event 2

Event: Inauguration of IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) Student Branch Affinity Group at National Institute of Technology (NIT) Silchar

Date: 15/2/2019

Venue: Guest House auditorium, NIT Silchar

IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) Student Branch Affinity Group at National Institute of Technology Silchar was formed under IEEE Calcutta Section, India on 9th July, 2018. The inauguration of the society held on 15th February, 2019 at Guest House auditorium, NIT Silchar. This ceremony was jointly funded by IEEE WIE Kolkata section and TEQIP NIT Silchar.

The inauguration program was conducted in presence of the Director of NIT Silchar Prof. Sivaji Bandhopadhyay. The event started with a welcome note from the IEEE Student Anity Group Advisor Dr. Banani Basu. The invited speakers of this program were Prof. Sudipta Chattopadhyay, Chairperson of IEEE Women in Engineering, Kolkata Section, Jadavpur University; Dr. Sayan Chatterjee and Dr. Swati Bandyopadhyya from Jadavpur University. Prof. Chattopadhyay encouraged individuals from both the genders to exploit their diverse talent for the benefit of the society. She emphasized role of WIE IEEE to mentor young women to follow their academic interests in a career in engineering. She presented the journey of WIE Kolkata section since its inception to till date.

A Technical Essay Writing Competition was held for the exploration of new ideas to abridge the gender gap in technology. The topic of the competition was "The gender gap in science and engineering field where cognitive abilities are more required". Approximately 50 students of UG, PG and Ph.D program participated in this writing. This program was held in presence of 20 faculties, 10 members and 60 non-members from different engineering streams and different programs. The winners were rewarded with the cash prizes, mementoes and certificates sponsored by IEEE WIE Kolkata Section.



Inaugural program



WIE Kolkata Chairperson Prof. Sudipta Chatterjee handing over the award to the recipient

