

# **Criterion 5- Student Support and Progression**

5.4.1 There is a registered Alumni Association that contributes significantly to the development of the institution through financial and/or other support services

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The NK Orchid College of Engineering & Technology, Solapur has a registered Alumni Association (Registration number: Solapur/0000159/2018 dated 5th April 2018). The association interfaces between the eminent alumni and the institute for creating a strong network. Some of the students, who intend to become entrepreneurs, are placed with our Alumni who have already established themselves as successful entrepreneurs.

### The functions of the association are:

- 1) To bring the Alumni together to keep them in contact with the Alma-mater.
- 2) To foster the relationship between Alumni and the present students.
- 3) To get participation of Alumni in the developmental activities of the Institute.
- 4) To develop Industry-Institute interaction through Alumni members by conducting Alumni meet
- 5) To improve placement opportunities for fellow alumni fresh graduates.

#### The activities of the Alumni Association:

It is entrusted and vested in accordance by the Governing Body. The Governing Body includes President, Secretary, Joint secretary, Treasurer and seven other members. The governing body shall meet at least twice in a year. The General Body meetings of the Alumni Association of N K Orchid College of Engineering & Technology, Solapur shall be held at least once in a year. The Alumni of different batches come together and have meets of their batches. So far Alumni Association of N K Orchid College of Engineering & Technology, Solapur has successfully conducted such Alumni Meets at Solapur and Pune. Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the institute has Alumni as a member who is involved in the



development and application of quality benchmarks for various academic and administrative activities of the institution.

**Departmental Advisory Board:** Alumni are part of the departmental advisory board. They have active participation in the development activities of the department. They suggest changes in the course content and new courses to be introduced in various programs as per the need of Industry.

**Industry Experts:** Some of the alumni work as an industry expert. Alumni who are working in different organizations share their professional experience with the students enhancing teaching learning process. This helps students for a transition from campus to corporate.

**Internship & Entrepreneurship Awareness:** Alumni from different domains help students to get internship at industry. The Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) of the institute organizes lectures by alumni to inculcate entrepreneurship skills in the students. Alumni are invited as judges for various technical competitions organized at the institute

### Student's Placements & employability enhancement

Alumni significantly contribute in the student placement activity. Some alumni act as linkages between the student and company to check that the requirements of the industry are satisfied before they are finally selected. Apart from this most of our alumni conduct Mock interviews as per the requirements of the students.

Alumni Feedback: The institute takes regular feedback from alumni in various issues which help in overall development of the students. They share their professional experience and make students aware of recent technologies and tools used in the industry.