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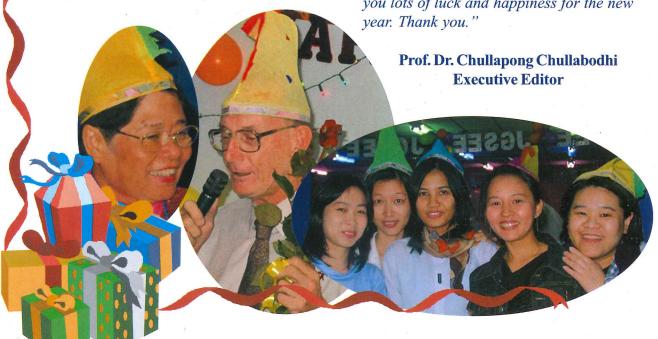


2002

Time has gone very fast and here comes the new year again. The year 2001 that has just passed was full of events to many of us at JGSEE. It appears that we have been constantly on the move in everyday work, trying to cope with the capacity and facilities expansion on one hand, and to manage the ongoing activities to the quality, standard and efficiency required on the other. The year 2002 is expected to be a busy year again with the major task of trying to consolidate our position in the higher education arena.

Thanks to our staff and faculties for their effort and contributions last year and hope you all will continue all the good works again this year.

Appreciation is also extended to all the people who have given support to JGSEE works. May I say "Happy New Year to You All and wish you lots of luck and happiness for the new year Thank you."



What's going on around JCS

New Faculty

It has been almost a tradition that in every issue of JGSEE Newsletter, we introduce a new faculty. This issue is of no difference. The new gentleman to join JGSEE in the Environment Division starting from March 2002, is Dr. Shabbir Gheewala. He had been graduated in civil engineering from Jadavpur University, India, before coming to Thailand to work and study at the Asian Institute of Technology, where he obtained M. Eng. and D. Eng. degrees in Environmental Engineering. His work experience includes one year as designer of air pollution control equipment and about six years in the areas of wastewater treatment and associated fields.

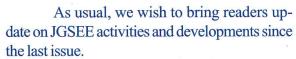
JGSEE is also pleased to inform that, effective from January 14, 2002, Dr. Savitri Garivait will join the Division of Environment, JGSEE as assistant professor. Dr. Savitri received all her degrees from The University of Paris,



France, the country where she had been studying and living for more than 20 years before coming back to Thailand.

During her stay in France, she had worked in various capacities, including research assistant, research associate, teaching fellow, lecturer and managing editor of an international journal. Her fields of interest are air pullution chemistry and environment physics.





Firstly, the number of students in this current semester is increased to 94 which is quite encouraging, but the figure is still 35 per cent short of target. It means that we have to put more effort in student recruitment next semester to make up for the shortfall.

It is to be noted that out of the total number, 5 are overseas students who come from Laos, Cambodia, Nepal and Vietnam.

Secondly, we have been communicating with a couple of overseas academics and before the year end, we hope to be able to secure the services of another 2-3 faculties to strengthen our operation.

Thirdly, we are pleased to report that our book collection in the library has increased to over a thousand. Most of them are expensive books by Thai standard. To make the investment worth, I would like to encourage students and staff to make more use of them.

Fourthly, following our information in the last issue concerning the research cooperation with a university in Singapore, we would like to report that an agreement has finally been signed and work has already started at the beginning of the new year.

Finally, we would like to inform all parties concerned that we are in the process of refurbishing 2 rooms on the third floor which have recently been acquired. One is being developed into the Director's office, and the other, Ph.D students' working room. The scheme should improve working comfort to serveral.



Conservation Workshop

Heat from steam is an important source of energy which finds many applications in industries. From experience, considerable amount of savings can be made if steam is generated, distributed and used wisely. Realizing this fact, JGSEE is pleased to inform our readers that during The KMUTT Technology Fair 2002, it will organize a

"Steam Conservation Workshop" on Wednesday 30, 2002, during 9.00-12.00 hours.

The venue will be Castrol room, on the 8th floor of CB3, at the Faculty of Engineering Building.

Our speaker is *Mr.Stuart Major* who had several years of energy management experience with the Gas and Fuel Corporation of Victoria, Australia.

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JGSEE's list of publications

(Continued from the previous issue.)

Over the last 3 years, JGSEE staff and students have made a number of publications and presentations in various international journals and conferences. Below is the continued list of some of the papers.

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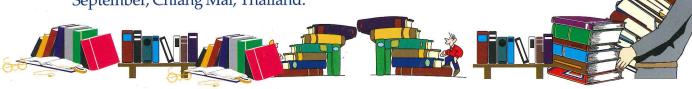
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