

5.4.1 The Alumni Association/Chapters (registered and functional) contributes significantly to the development of the University through financial and non-financial means during the last five years

The University has two registered Alumni Associations - **JITM Alumni Association (JITMAA)** and **Centurion University Alumni Association (CUAA)**. JITMAA (registered in 2008) caters to the alumni of Jagannath Institute of Technology and Management (JITM), Paralakhemundi. Subsequently, after according of University status, JITM's name changed to Centurion University of Technology and Management (CUTM). CUAA was registered in 2018 and comprises of alumni across all CUTM campuses. However, both Alumni Associations continue and students passing out from all campuses of CUTM are registered in these associations.

The Alumni Associations (AA) are student driven and the Alumni choose their own President and coordinators. They have an independent social media presence.- [Website @ <http://alumni.cutm.ac.in>] and [FB- <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100003277914437>]

The AA / Chapters provide an interface between the alumni, staff and students of CUTM and have contributed significantly to the development of the University through financial / non-financial means. The area of participation over the past five years include:

1. Alumni placement Assistance Cell:

The Alumni employed in various organizations keep the University abreast of available job opportunities. They guide the students on the placement process and help motivating them in developing their career further.

2. Financial Support: The AA encourages our alumni to play a supportive and constructive role in the overall development of CUTM. Our alumni have donated to the University helped. The meritorious and weaker section of students by sponsoring their fees and or providing scholarships. The Association assists CUTM it obtaining funds its development.

3. Alumni Talks and Mentoring Programs: Alumni give inputs to all aspiring graduates of CUTM. They participate as resource persons, including guest lectures and panel discussions. They share their corporate and organizational experiences regarding required skills / trends & in the corporate world, application of knowledge and corporate working culture. Expert alumni are assigned to students under Mentorship programs and they assist graduating / graduated students to obtain employment and be engaged in pursuits useful to society.

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4. Alumni as campus Recruiters: Alumni visit the various campuses as recruiters for their companies and also recommend CUTM. to their employers for campus placements.

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5. Internship Opportunities: The AA facilitates Internship opportunities to the students of CUTM in various companies through its alumni.

6. Entrepreneurship Awareness: The University, through the AA, provides a platform to its alumni to give wings to their dreams of having start-ups and becoming entrepreneurs. Some of our Alumni have established start-ups in different sectors, and many of them are first-generation entrepreneurs.

7. Alumni Meets: CUTM has traditionally invited alumni for the Annual Alumni Meet “HOME COMING” held yearly in December. In this meet, the alumni reconnect with their Alma Mater and old friends. This is an ideal platform for networking and sharing new trends in the corporate world. These inputs also help the academicians in moulding the students and in modifying the courses / curriculum.

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