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From the President

Farook College Old Students Association was formed in 1971 under the name Farook College Alumni Association. This unites all old students under the banner of Farook College. The College has nurtured in us values of humanity, selflessness and commitment. FOSA is a forum where we continue this tradition.

Our Association brings back memories of our glorious past, our friends and classmates. It is a link we wish to strengthen. Decades of activities have strengthened our bond. Now we have a huge network consisting of the central committee, the overseas chapters, and the departmental and regional units. FOSA has contributed a lot to the development of the College, especially in areas of infrastructure. FOSA has also contributed to academics and to placement of the alumni. It also holds lectures, undertakes housing projects for the homeless, and contributes substantially to a comprehensive educational support mechanism for needy students. Many of its alumni love to come to the campus regularly, giving lectures, training sessions and other academic performance. I believe we can rightly claim to be the most vibrant and active alumni organisation in this part of the country.

All this is possible because FOSA has dedicated Farookians who maintain their relations with the College, irrespective of their political, religious or regional affiliations. Farook alumni, who are scattered all over the planet holding positions of power and prestige in various spheres, form a global network. FOSA is thus a global web of Farook ambassadors, linking the campus with the world, and one generation with the next. I am sure that the coming generations of alumni will continue to maintain this bond with the campus and the society.

This Mini Magazine is a glimpse into FOSA’s multifarious activities and units. While it doesn’t give a total picture of its history and work, it provides a catalogue of its more significant accomplishments. We hope that the coming generations of alumni appreciate these, add to them and improve them.

K. Kunhalavi, President, FOSA

From the Principal

It would be a great privilege to express my profound sense of happiness at this unique initiative of the FOSA. FOSA (Farook College Old Students Association) has achieved a niche in the temple of fame and left an indelible imprint in the minds of tens and thousands of students over the years across the world. The bond of love and the esprit de corps is so ineffaceable that it will be cherished for long by generations of students.

The 2015 celebration of Fostalgia is remarkable thanks to Farook College turning autonomous. The contributions and support provided by the FOSA is substantial in the infrastructural development and in the phenomenal growth of the college. The release of the FOSA MAG will be a milestone in the history of FOSA as it can let the alumni unlock their creative urge and potential energy and inform us about FOSA’s activities.

I wish all success to this innovative venture of the FOSA. Let this be a turning point in the march ahead.

Prof. E.P. Imbichikoya, Principal.
FOSA HISTORY

THE DAWN

In the nineteen-forties when educational initiatives started in the Malabar it was Maulavi Abussabah Ahmed Ali who steered them to focused direction. Farook College was established in 1948 as a first grade college. Today, it is the largest residential postgraduate institution in Kerala, offering 20 undergraduate, 15 postgraduate, eight research departments.

The college was accredited as Five star in 2001 and re-accredited at A Grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore. The college has been adjudged by the Government of Kerala to receive R. Sankar Award for the best special grade (Private) college in the state of Kerala for the years 1997-98 and 1999-2000. The College has been identified by the UGC as a College with Potential for Excellence, the rst college under Calicut University to receive the status.

Farook College has won the Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Literacy Award instituted by Moulana Azad Education Foundation, New Delhi under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India for promoting education among the educationally backward minorities. The National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions, Govt. of India has granted Minority Status to the College. The University Grants Commission has conferred autonomous status on the college in 2015.

FAROOK COLLEGE PRINCIPALS

Prof. C. M. Syed Moideen Shah
(1948 - 55)

Prof. N. V. Veeran
(1955 - 57)

Prof. K. A. Jaleel
(1957 - 79)

Prof. V. Muhammed
(1979 - 83)

Prof. U. Muhammed
(1983 - 88)

Prof. A.P. Abdurahiman
(01.04.88 - 03.06.88)

Prof. V.V. Kunhabdulla
(1989 - 96)

Dr. T.K. Muhammed
(1988 - 89)

Dr. P.M. Mubarak Pasha
(1996 - 2004)

Prof. A. Kuttiyalikutty
(2004 - 2011)

Prof. E.P. Imbichikoya
(2011 - .........)

Farook College was granted Autonomous status by the UGC in 2015.
FOSA HISTORY

FOSA - Farook College Old Students’ Association

Farook College came into being on 12 August 1948, with classes commencing at Moonnilakam House, Feroke Chunkam, with 32 students (28 in Intermediate, and 4 in BA Economics classes) and 5 teachers.

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More than sixty thousand students have gone out of the portals of the College since its establishment, most of them spread all over the world, working in various fields, a number of them holding prestigious positions. They look back on their campus days with nostalgia. Efforts to bring the alumni together on a common platform started with a meeting, on 12 August 1971, in the college auditorium, attended by old students staying on the campus hillock. The meeting, presided over by Prof. U. Muhammed, formed a Steering Committee with Prof. M.A. Pareed as Convener and Prof. K. Mohammed Hassan as Joint Convener.

The first General Body meeting of the alumni was convened on 12 September 1971. Prof. K.A. Jaleel inaugurated the meeting. Speakers included Adv. M. MoideenKutty Hajee MLA, Adv. M.P. Gangadharan MLA, Prof. V. Muhammad and Prof. T. Abdulla. Prof. Moosa A Baker presented a draft constitution which was adopted after modifications. The Association was named Farook College Alumni Association. (Years later it was renamed as Farook College Old Students’ Association.)

The first Executive Committee had Mr. S.M. Mohammed Koya (Calicut) as President, Prof. M.A Pareed, Secretary, and Mr. K. Kunhalavi, Treasurer. The present Committee has Mr. Kunhalavi as President, Prof. P.E.M. Abdul Rasheed, Secretary and Mr. K.T. Hassan Koya, Treasurer.

Chapters Abroad

The first overseas unit of FOSA was constituted in 1990 during Prof. Jaleel’s visit. Alumni in Qatar, UAE and Saudi Arabia opened FOSA chapters in Doha, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Al Ain and Jeddah respectively. The Founder Presidents were: Dr. Azad Moopen (Dubai), Prof. Mohammed Ismail (Abu Dhabi) and Prof. M.A. Pareed (Al Ain).

There are Chapters (Units) in several countries and some Indian regions, besides Department Alumni groups. FOSA has made significant contributions to the infrastructure development of the college, as well as to its academic and intellectual capital. Among the Principals of the College, four are its alumni. In terms of infrastructure, FOSA could well be the largest contributor after the UGC.

The first Executive Committee:

President : Mr. S.M. Mohammed Koya (Calicut)
Vice Presidents : Prof. M. MoideenKutty, Mr. M.P. Gangadharan
Secretary : Prof. M.A. Pareed
Joint Secretaries : Mr. M. Abdulla, Adv. Nadukkandi Mohammed
Treasurer : Mr. K. Kunhalavi.
Members : Prof. T.P. Mohammed Kunhi, Prof. K.I. Mohammed Kutty, Prof. K. AhamedKutty, Prof. Mustafa Kamal Pasha, Prof. K. Mohammed Hassan, Prof. Moosa A. Baker, Prof. U. Muhammed, Prof. K. Mohammed, Mr. Palat Moosakoya, Mr. V. Mammu, Mr. Hamzat, Dr BavaKunji, Adv. M. Abdul Rahman, Mr. P. A. Latheef, Dr. O. Mohammed.

The Association took up several activities to further the social, literary and cultural interests of the alumni. It also instituted a prize for the best single performance staged on the College Fine Arts Day.

When the Secretary Prof. M.A. Pareed went abroad, Prof. K. Mohammed Hassan took charge of his responsibilities.
On 9 March 1973 the Executive Committee was reconstituted as follows:

- **President**: Adv. Nadukkandi Mohammed (Calicut)
- **Vice Presidents**: Dr. M.G.S. Narayanan, Prof. M. MoideenKutty
- **Secretary**: Mr. M.A. Pareed
- **Joint Secretaries**: Adv. M. Abdul Rahman, Prof. U. Muhammed
- **Treasurer**: Mr. K. Kunhalavi
- **Members**: Prof. K.I. Mohammed Kutty, Prof. Mustafa Kamal Pasha, Prof. N.V. Zulaikha, Prof. M. Kunheeriyakutty, Mr. P.P. MoideenKoya, Mr. P.P. Umar Farooq, Mr. V. Mammu, Dr. P. Zubair, Prof. K. Mohammed Hassan, Prof. P.P. Shahul Hameed, Prof. C.P. Abubacker, Mr. Hamzoo, Mr. P. Abdul Latheef, Mr. Raheem Mechery, Mr. K.R. Panikker.

A regular feature of the College Day used to be ‘Toast by the alumni’ and ‘Reply by the College Union Chairman,’ an interesting programme that reduced the generation gap and ensured continuity.

On the occasion of the college Silver Jubilee, the Alumni Association brought out the first Who’s Who of old students.

Prof. K.A. Jaleel, who as Principal was the patron of the Association, gave it an office room in the auditorium building.

The Alumni Association, renamed Farook College Old Students’ Association, had as its president Mr. K. Kunhalavi, who has led it since—the longest serving president. Over the years, the following have served as secretary: Prof. T.P. Ahamed, Prof. Yaseen Ashraf, Prof. K. AhamedKoya, and Prof. E.P. Imbichikoya. Prof. P.E. Mohammed Abdul Rasheed is the present secretary.

### IN THE LEAD

#### OFFICE BEARERS

- **President**: Mr. K. Kunhalavi
- **Vice President**: Prof. K. Mohamed Hasan
- **Vice President**: Prof. K.M. Abdur Rasheed
- **Secretary**: Mr. PEM Abdul Rasheed
- **Joint Secretary**: Dr. A.K. Abdul Raheem
- **Treasurer**: Mr. K.T. Hassan Koya

**Members:** Prof. U. Mohamed, Prof. A. Kuttialikutty, Dr. K. Yaseen Ashraf, Prof. K. AhamedKoya, P.K. Hashim, C.A. UmerKoya, Dr. P.C. Anwar, N.K. Mohamedali, V.K.P. Ismail, K. Harikumar, P.S. Naser, C. Umer, Gopalakrishnan P.S., Faizal Eroth, Hashif P., Abdul Salam C.P., Hasan Koya P.K., Prof. M.A. Pareed, GafoorKalliyath

**Special Invitees:** Dr. T. Ahmed Dubai, Mr. Mohamed Ali Dubai, Mr. Mashood Qatar, Mr. Basheer Ahamed Qatar, Mr. Haneef Mohamed Kuwait, Mr. Ahamed Rafi Kuwait, Mr. Ibrahim Jeddah, Mr. Thajuddeen Jeddah, Mr. Ameer Ali P.M.
Farook College Old Students’ Association seeks to foster fellowship and co-operation among the alumni through extension programmes, publications, get-togethers and other means.

Moulavi Abussabah Ahmed Ali Memorial Extension Lectures are among the prestigious activities of the Association. Earlier Abussabah Lectures were delivered by:

- Dr. B. Sheik Ali, Vice-Chancellor, Mangalore University: Influence of Islam on Indian Culture. 25th January 1981.
- Saiyid Hamid IAS, former Vice-Chancellor, Aligarh Muslim University: Problems Facing the Indian Muslims. 8th November 1982.
- Dr. V.A. Syed Muhammad, India’s High Commissioner in the UK: Problems of Indian Muslims—a Historical Analysis. 5th December 1984.
- Dr. N.V. Krishna Warrier: Indian Culture and Modern Civilisation. 11th February 1989.
- Prof. M.N. Vijayan: The Psychology of Communalism. 13th October 1992
- Dr. P.K. Abdul Azeez, Vice Chancellor, Aligarh Muslim University: 1st March 2011.
- Wajahat Habibullah, Chairperson, National Commission on Minorities: Backward Minorities in India-The Role of National Commission of Minorities. 7th June 2012
- Swami Agnivesh, Arya Samaj scholar, social activist, winner of the Alternative Nobel Peace Prize (the Right Livelihood Award), 2004: Vasudhaiva Kudumbakam (The world is one family), 11th February 2015.
Assalamualaikum. Muslims can say assalamualaikum, but when a swami says it, people start wondering. Meaning remains the same, but language changes—perception changes. We must get rid of this parochialism, this divisive tendency. A child is born pure, but bigotry is instilled by elders. God intended us to be as pure as rain water. Once water hits the earth, it starts getting dirty, and human nature gets impure when it contacts religions.

I was born into an orthodox Hindu family in Andhra Pradesh—Srikakulam, now in Orissa. I lost my father. From 4 to 17 my grandfather, the diwan, brought me up. I used to worship many gods and goddesses in the temple. I used to raise mischievous questions. Nobody would explain, but they would ask me to shut up. I learned that Veda (pure knowledge) has nothing to do with any religion. Sanatan Dharma has universal values. Human beings carry the divine. It cuts across all boundaries of casteism, religious sectarianism. True religion speaks of this unity. But religion has been dirtied by vested interests. I once heard about Sankaracharya speaking against the Shirdi Sai Baba temple, saying there is no God there into which life has been breathed. I said Sankaracharya is jealous because more money goes into Shirdi. The controversy is all about devotees' donations. When the media reported this, the Swami called me and questioned me. I stood my ground and challenged him for a debate. I asked him: why give it the idol all the food which it doesn't eat, while children are starving?

The vedas, upanishads talk about compassion. Adi Sankara was against idol worship. But in his name people create and encourage it. He was against caste system, but the others introduced it. Swami Dayanand was poisoned to death for saying these things, for preaching Sanatan Dharma and VasudhaivaKutumbakam.

The Quran talks about God as Rabbul Alameen (Lord of the Worlds), not RabbulMuslimeen (Lord of the Muslims). Jesus talked about the God's Kingdom for all, and asked all to do unto others as you want others to do to you. Buddhism speaks about the interdependence of creation.

There are 100 trillion cells in our body. Our body keeps breathing, circulating blood and doing all vital functions. We don't do it consciously; everything is done for us by the Paramatma. When I meditate, my ahankara is gone. God is nothing but satyaswarup. If you want to worship God, don't spend a paisa and go outside—go inside of you. There is a beautiful universe inside of us. That is divine.

The caste system is abominable. Abolish it right now if you want to speak about Sanatan Dharma. Give equal respect to women. Girls are being slaughtered inside the safest place—the mother's womb. Why are the religious scholars quiet? For dowry, women are getting killed in their houses by in-laws—the greatest act of terrorism. Why are the Sankaracharyas silent? Those who believe in the Lord of the Universe believe that all are created equal. Let us not taint Sanatan Dharma by worshipping idols, by creating divisions, by fostering inequality. Ekam sat—truth is one. The religious leaders of the world should come forward to realize the ideal of VasudhaivaKutumbakam, “the whole world a family”.

Swami Agnivesh
Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam 11 February 2015.
Wajahat Habibullah  
*Backward Minorities in India—The Role of National Commission of Minorities.*  
7th June 2012

A central government notification of 1993 classifies India’s religious minorities as Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Parsis, which together constitute 18% of India's population, with the Muslim community constituting 13%, the remaining making up the rest. And this classification has been upheld by India’s Supreme Court which, in its ruling in *Bal Patil vs. the Union of India (2005)* has held that, while India is an entity composed of minorities, these communities have indeed faced challenges in exercise of their rights under the Constitution of India, notably the rights contained in Articles 29 and 30 which guarantee minorities the right to freedom, culture and religion, and therefore deserve specific consideration.

… In no state of the country is the level of Muslim employment proportionate to their percentage in the population, not even in the State of Jammu & Kashmir with a 66% Muslim population. West Bengal, where Muslims constitute 25% of the population, and where the left had consistently had Muslim support, the representation in government jobs, is as low as 4%. Not only do Muslims have a considerably lower representation in government jobs, including in public sector undertakings, compared to other excluded groups, Muslim participation in professional and management cadres in the private sector is also low. Their participation in security-related activities (for example in the police) is considerably lower than their population share, standing at 4% overall. Other figures on Muslim representation in civil services, state public service commissions, railways, and the department of education, are equally discouraging. A subsequent report by the Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission, published in 2007, which examined the conditions of all minorities, further emphasized the deplorable condition of Muslims on socio-economic indicators and endorsed the findings, arguments and recommendations of the Sachar Committee report.

Each of the communities classified as minorities under the National Commission of Minorities Act 1992 has its own distinct problems, although they vary. Thus while education is a strength of the Christian community 80% of whom are converts from SCs, they have, together with Muslims, been by legislation denied the benefit of constitutional provisions for SCs, a matter now before the apex court, in which NCM stands impleaded as party. Many Sikh families, particularly in Haryana, are still seeking rehabilitation after the riots that took thousands of Sikh lives in North India in 1984. Buddhists face threats to their places of worship, including the supreme sanctum of Bodhgaya. Parsis, otherwise a prosperous community face decimation of their population strength.
Dr. KN Panikker

*Nation, State, Civil Society and Minority—a report on Sachar Committee Findings.* 26th February 2007.

The Sachar Committee identifies the problem of Muslims under three heads. 1) The question of identity. 2) Security 3) Equity. The Sachar Committee report does not anchor on equity alone. It highlights the economic opportunities to be provided to the Muslims.

British rule looked at Muslims as enemies as they won the empire from the Muslims. Muslims were hated by British though they provided some military services. Secularism in India was manifested in the act of reinstating BahadurSha Safar as the Mughal emperor by all the sections of the people including Maratis who had opposed Muslims earlier. The British did not bring about any substantial changes for the improvement of the conditions of the Muslims. But nothing really happened.

Partition of India in 1947 was a landmark. People thought that partition will bring an end to the communalism, but it had really escalated communalism. Muslims became a disadvantaged community. The identity of Indian Muslims came into a contest. Post partition period really deepened the miseries of Muslims. The attitude of State seemed to the appeasement of Muslims. Burt they were really characterized as anti-national in the political and social science. They were increasingly marginalised. This marginalisation could be linked with the partition of the country.

The epithet ‘anti-national’ character brought them as victims of POTA. POTA victims in Gujarat for instance are mainly Muslims. Majority of the POTA victims are petty shop owners and they are suspected as terrorists.

Nitya Chaitanya Yati

*The Pure Heart of Islam and its Blossoming Flowers.* 6th October 1986

An oyster, when it is born, has only the mucus and a soft tissue inside its mantle and is incapable of producing a pearl. The pearl is desired, prayed for and much awaited; it will be born by God’s grace. The moment the oyster conceives a pearl, it becomes the precious one much coveted by the whole world. The pearl doesn’t leave the oyster that carried it. Likewise, God’s mercy is showered unpredictably. Once showered, it becomes the pearl enlightening the spirit.

Why is it so difficult to assume a path and go ahead? A traveller who lost his way in the wilderness does not know which way he moves. He roams repeatedly and ends up where he started. According to Hindus, we unpredictably fall prey to mohathimiram(emotional temptation) and according to Christianity, it is similarly unknown where Satan leads us blindfolded. Muslims pray five times a day to keep them away from Iblees, Satan. To be directed rightly means to be sincere. Nobody will enter the divine empire without getting rid of one’s selfishness. That sacrifice is repentance.

Dr. VA Syed Muhammad

*Problems of Indian Muslims—A Historical Analysis.* 5th December 1984

There is no redemption in being defeatist or over depressed. Understand the nature of the malady and find and apply the correct remedy. The remedy lies in educating ourselves and taking advantage of the various opportunities of industrial, commercial and economic activities. More than anything else the remedy lies in merging with the mainstream and underplaying the differences, the common interests and the hearty and full co-operation in the noble task of nation building. Make a common front with the secular and progressive forces in this country. Believe as an article of faith that our progress can be achieved only as a part of the progress of the nation as a whole. We have to find satisfactory solutions to our problems within the four walls of this country and in co-operation with the people of this country.

Let us have faith in God, the greatness of our country and our people, faith in brotherhood and faith in ourselves. Trust begets true love. This should be understood and appreciated by all concerned. Any single community or section of the people cannot form an oasis of prosperity in a desert of utter misery. It is not in the interest of the country to leave a section of people in poverty, misery, illiteracy and destitution.
Saiyid Hamid IAS  
*Problems Facing the Indian Muslims.* 8th November 1982

Sometimes Muslims are subjected to unmerited suspicion and there is a reaction to that. It creates a sort of complex that they are being suspected. This is not a new thing; it was very much there earlier also. Now they are also unrepresented in the policy-making echelons. They do not have any effective say on policy enforcement and administrative levels.

The Indian Muslims are as patriotic and as loyal to the country as any others. There is nobody who can sit in judgement on their loyalty and their patriotism. They form a part of this country and they are dedicated to this country and there is no reason for anybody to take a superior position and subject Muslim loyalty to a scrutiny. Another malaise we suffer from is lack of leadership.

Another trend for which we have unfortunately distinguished ourselves is disunity. We observe the fact that the main reason why Muslims are not making any progress is that they have lost the capacity of establishing proper institutions and running them.

Another trait is our incapacity to put in hard work. We are not putting in the amount of work that we ought to put in. Genius has been defined as 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration. It is hard, hard work, persevering hard work, uninterrupted hard work that is needed for lifting up an individual.

Dr. B Sheik Ali  
*Influence of Islam on Indian Culture.* 25th January 1981

The impact of Muslim rule on the politics of India was profound. The first effect was the consolidation of political authority.

Politically pre-Muslim India was feudally particularistic. Each small tribe cherished its autonomy, and very grudgingly acknowledged the suzerainty of the Emperor. Muslim dominance tended to break up the far too many units of independent power, and to suppress the series of lords and chieftains who interposed between the central government and the individuals. Thus Muslims helped to create a political uniformity and a sense of larger unity and solidarity.

The Second great political effect of Muslim rule was the prevention of India from undergoing the same fate as befell Central Europe under the Huns and Baghdad under the hordes of Mongoles, Hulagu and Chenghiz. This great service has not been given the attention it deserves; indeed, it has been hardly acknowledged. The Mongols again and again knocked at the gates of India, and but for the stiff, effective, bold and successful resistance under able Sultans like Balban and Allauddin, India would have suffered a miserable fate. It was Allauddin who first conceived the idea of a standing army. He was prepared to have the Mongols if they forced themselves into India. Even if the Muslims had not made any other contribution, this one service of saving India from the Mongol hordes should have fetched them an honoured place in history. Thirdly Allauddin was experimentalist in administration.

The Mughals effected further reforms that secularized the state further and adopted a political policy which was not at all religious. Akbar married a Rajput princess, and laid the foundation of lasting alliance with the Rajputs. This policy had far reaching results; first, it attracted a powerful section to the new empire. Secondly it mitigated the foreign character of Muslim rule. Thirdly it established a national monarchy which the Hindus did not consider as a great burden.
Fostalgia 2006 (15th August 2006)
Fostalgia 2007 (12th August 2007)
FOSTALGIA CELEBRATIONS

Fostalgia 2008 (10th August 2008) Fostalgia Diamond
Fostalgia 2010 (1st August 2010)
Fostalgia 2012 (25th August 2012)
First FOSA Home: The first house constructed under the FOSA Homes Project was handed over to the occupant on 5 Jan, 2015. This house was financed by the North American Chapter of FOSA. The Project envisages participation of the alumni in building economy houses for needy beneficiaries on lands owned by them.

CAFETERIA: FOSA Dubai unit’s prestigious contribution which started functioning in 2003.
Yousuf Al Saqer Auditorium of Farook College, constructed in the year 1961 was renovated in 2015. The done-up auditorium was inaugurated by Mr. P.K. Abdu Rabb, Minister for Education, Govt. of Kerala on 5th January 2015. Mrs. Laila Al Saqer, daughter of Haji Yousef Abdulla Al Saqer handed over key of the auditorium to Mr. K.V. Kunhamed Koya, Secretary, Farook College Managing Committee. Mr. Abdulla Yousef Al Saqer, grandson of Haji Yousef Abdulla Al Saqer was also present on the occasion.
CAR PARKING for staff at Farook College was aided by Qatar unit.

WATER PURIFICATION PROJECT: A major contribution by FOSA Qatar unit to provide drinking water. The financial aid 17 Lakhs was singlehandedly given by Mr. Abdu Rahim, Food World.
CONVENTION CENTRE (Under Construction): A long cherished dream of all Faookians is blooming in the old open air stage. This 70 Lakhs project is aided by Mr. Abdul Kareem, APCO group.

COMMERCE BLOCK: Commerce alumni set a brilliant example by financing the renovation of Commerce Block, costing Rs. 34 lakhs.
PAVILION: This prestigious 25 lakhs’ project was funded by Mrs. Laila Al Saquer.

OLD STUDENTS’ HOME: Old students’ home envisages office space, employment guidance centre and guestroom.
INFORMATICS CENTRE: The centre was sponsored by Mr. Saleem T.K. Hyderebad, an alumnus.

Talking Book Library: A unique facility for visually challenged students, financed by an alumnus.

Edusupport
A wide-ranging, comprehensive assistance to needy students. The FOSA contribution to this scheme has been substantial. Total amount collected: ₹2918556
Major contributions are by FOSA Qatar, Jedd, Kuwait and Dubai units. Besides these, a large amount was contributed by Mrs. Laila Yousuf Al Saqer.
GLOBAL NETWORK OF FAROOKIANS

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GLOBAL NETWORK OF FAROOKIANS

FODET: FOSA Dubai Chapter

K.C. Hassankutty Sahib Memorial Academy of Excellence, a venture by FODET, has undertaken a mission to provide quality training to the students of Malabar area.

The project envisages admission of forty students initially to class VIII purely on merit, aptitude, interest and personality. Thirty students are locally selected while ten seats are reserved for the children of overseas Farookians. The project takes care of their training till XII Std and fully equips them for the educational course they are to pursue. This fully residential programme makes use of Raja Hostel facility provided by the management, besides providing academic facilities at Farook High School. The facilities include insight into the scheme of various competitive examinations, guidance for selecting appropriate optional subject and support for studying, specialized direction and tutorial aid for general studies and essays, personalized assistance in developing analytical skill and thought patterns, improving English language skills including debating, counsel by distinguished personalities on the approaches to the examinations in the light of their experiences, talks by eminent persons on current issues, behavioural lessons, library, visits to other reputed academies in Kerala and outside, group discussions, debates and quiz competitions on selected topics, guidance on excellent institutions in the country for further studies, and mentoring and supervision by celebrated civil servants.

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          Dr. Enu K, Albany

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Handing over the key of the First FOSA Home: Mr. K. Kunhalavi, President, FOSA to the first beneficiary
GLOBAL NETWORK OF FAROOKIANS

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Activities (2013-15)
- Has been contributing to the Edu-Support project of Farook College.
- FOSA Excitement (27 December 2013)
- Launch of FOSA JOBS web portal (20 June 2014) by Minister P.K. Kunhalikkutty.
- Refurbishment Project at Kuthiravattom Mental Asylum, Kozhikode, in collaboration with the District Administration under Collector N Prasanth IAS. The Project involves provision of basic daily amenities like mattresses, bathroom towels, buckets, kitchen utensils; total repair of building roof and painting of walls; subscription of five TV channels. Mobilised Rs. 5,00,000 so far.
- Interactive sessions for FOSA members in Qatar.

Bahrain Chapter
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Kuwait Chapter

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Activities (during the last 3 years)

FOSA Kuwait Chapter was established in 1999. We are registered with the Indian Embassy in Kuwait; and support and involve in Indian Embassy initiatives intended for the benefit of the Indian community. We have been carrying out many socially beneficial programmes for the expatriate community in Kuwait and various educational support programmes for the needy students of Farook College and sister institutions. We were able to find the Kuwaiti sponsor for the Spots Pavilion project of Farook College and get the College Auditorium revamped, the two projects together costing about Rs. 1.5 crores.

- Family get-togethers for our members. The last programme was on 12 December 2014 named Fostalgia 2014. More than 200 families attended the programme.
- We were associated with various projects of Farook College, such as Sports Pavilion project and Renovation of Auditorium through Kuwaiti sponsor Mrs. Laila Yousuf Al Saqer. The auditorium was inaugurated by Minister for Education Mr. Abdul Rabb on 4 January 2015; the sponsor Mrs. Laia Yousuf Al Saqer, Mr. Sulaiman Yousuf Al Saqer, FOSA Kuwait President Muhammad Rafi, Secretary Basheer Batha and Ex-president Mr. K.V. Ahmed Koya attended the programme at College. Presented Memento to Mrs. Laila Yousuf Al Saqer as a token of appreciation.
- We are continuing our participation in the Edu-Support scheme of the College. Our last contribution of Rs One Lakh was handed over during the function held at the College on 4 January 2015.
- Conducted and is planning to have Arts and Sports competition for members’ children in collaboration with other alumni associations in Kuwait.
- Training programmes for members and other invitees. The instructors of the courses are from Kuwait and India. The last program was a family workshop, titled ‘Parenting is not a magic but wonder,’ by Dr. N.P. Hafiz Mohammed at Kuwait Medical Association Hall, Jabriya on 13 February, 2015.
- Iftar Get-together and Reception for FOSA guests from India.
- Receptions to Qatar Fosa Ex-President Mr. Mashood Thiruthiyad, Dr. Hussain Madavoor, Mr. Abdul Rabb and Mr. T.T. Ismail, PSC member.
- Charity collections and disbursement in Kuwait & Back in India
- Helping the members to find suitable jobs according to their qualification and experiences.
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Jeddah Chapter

President : Mr. Abdul Majeed
Vice Presidents : Mr. Mohammed Haneefa K.M., Mr. N.P. Aboobacker
General Secretary : Mr. Najeeb Mullaveettil
Joint Secretaries : Mr. Abdul Razack M.V., Mr. Ashraf Chalakkot
Treasurer : Mr. Jamal Nasser

Activities (2013-15)

❖ Has been contributing to the Edu-Support Fund of Farook College.
❖ The old students of Farook College working in Jeddah got together in 1986 to form FOSA Jeddah Chapter. The first president was Mr. Hassan Koya and the first General Secretary Mr. Umar Farooq.
❖ The present committee led by Mr. Abdul Majeed, has conducted several educational programmes within the span of two years. These include Educational Awareness Programme, Media Seminar, Quiz Competition, Sports and Cultural activities, receptions and farewells, Iftar. Our members participated in the march past of Saudi Indian Football Forum tournament inaugural.
❖ Quiz competitions, sports and cultural activities added a new colour and dimension to the organization.
❖ Our members participated in the march past of SIFF (Saudi Indian Football Forum) inaugural day of their Football tournament. We have initiated a Quiz club for the school-going students in Jeddah.

Reception for FOSA President & Treasurer in 2013
FOSA Representation in SIFF
Bidding farewell to Mr. Abdul Salam, Chaliyam
Iftar – 2015 Rizwan Shaikh, Key-note speaker
FOSA Jeddah Delegation meeting with CGI, Jeddah – For conducting Educational Programme in the Consulate.
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**FOSA United Kingdom**
President : Mr. Safeer N.K.
Vice Presidents : Mr. Roxy Backer, Aneesh Khan T.P.
Secretary : Mr. Shihabudheen A.
Joint Secretaries : Mr. Shajahan Pulikkal, Mr. Afsal Muhammed
Treasurer : Mr. Rashid Ponnandi

*Executive Committee members*
Godlee Cheriyan, Shamil Azeez, Vinod Vijayan, Rezin P.T., Shabeer Ali

**Delhi Chapter**
First Committee (Some have left Delhi since)
President : Mr. P. Narayanan
Vice Presidents : Mr. Abdul Nazer M.C., Mr. K.V. Hamza, Mrs. Shareena Banu
Secretary : Mr. Prasreen K.
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Treasurer : Mr. Mustafa Parol
Treasurer : Mr. Ahmed Saju P.V.

*Executive Committee members*
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**Kozhikode Chapter**
President : Mr. K.T. Hassan Koya
Vice Presidents : Mr. Mahaboob M.A., Dr. A.K. Abdul Kader
Secretary : Mr. P.K.V. Abdul Azeez
Joint Secretaries : Mr. K.P. Abdul Azeez, Mr. K.V. Rajendran
Treasurer : Mr. A.V. Zakkariya

*Executive Committee members*
Mr. Musthafa Muhammed M., Mr. C.B.V. Abdul Jabbar, Mr. M. Raheem, Mr. Muhammed Mansoor, Mr. Iqbal M.
Mr. Muhammed Ayyub K.V., Mr. Abdul Gafoor, Mr. V.P. Abdul Basheer.

Anniversary Meet on 27 October 2013 – honoured two illustrious young Farookians: Mr. Mohammed Basheer T.P. and Mrs. Sithara Sajeesh. Dr. M.K. Abdul Khader, Vice Chancellor, Kannur University, was the Chief Guest.

**FOSA – Farook College Chapter**
President : Mr. V.M. Basheer
Vice Presidents : Mr. Babu Sarvothaman, Prof. P. Mohmed, Mr. P. Mehaboob
General Secretary : Dr. A.K. Raheem
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Statistics Alumni

President : Mr. Usman Shareef  
Vice President : Mr. Abdul Shukoor Naha  
Secretary : Mr. Z.A. Ashraf  
Joint Secretary : Mr. Sajna K.  
Treasurer : Mr. C. UmmerKoya

Placement: Held a recruitment programme on 25 August 2007 (for Patni Computers New Delhi) for Actuarial Assistant. 7 students were selected.

Coaching: Ten-day coaching for applicants for Research Officer, Dept of Economics and Statistics, Govt of Kerala. Of the 14 trainees who attended, 13 were listed by the Kerala PSC.

Chemistry Alumni

President : Prof. K.K. Unnikrishnan  
Vice Presidents : Dr. Muhammed Haneefa, Prof. Fareed  
Secretary : Dr. A.K. Abdul Rahim  
Joint Secretaries : Dr. M.A. Zubair, Dr. Shalina Begum  
Treasurer : Dr. V.M. Abdul Mujeeb

Executive Committee:
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Activities:
FALChem has financed, with the support of Royal Group of Company and Apco, a high-tech audio-visual theatre for the Department, named the Madame Curie Hall. The alumni also honoured retired teachers. The association also conducted lectures by renowned old students like Dr. Jayakrishnan (former Vice Chancellor, Kerala University), Dr. JayaramPanicker, Dr. Raman, Dr. Jayan (CIPET, Mysore), Dr. Muhammed Shafi (former head, Department of Chemistry, University of Calicut), Dr. Santhosh Nandan (Creative Industries, Mumbai), Dr. T. Pradeep, (Professor, IIT Chennai), and Dr. Serin Kumar, (Japan). FALChem supports an initiative for providing NET Coaching for the postgraduate students. Two family get-togethers were held, in 2005 and 2014. We also held batch-wise get-togethers of 1963-1966 BSc batch, 1973-1975 BSc batch and 1984-1986 MSc batch.
Mathematics Alumni

The old students of B.Sc. (1985-1988 Batch) instituted a cash award to the best student of the BSc class who performs well in studies and other activities. The award was given to Mr. Amal Abdulsalam of the 2014 pass-out batch at a ceremony held on 19 August 2014. Prof. V. Kunhimon, HoD, presided and Prof. E.P. Imbichikoya, Principal, distributed the FLAME Award. Dr. Sudheer K., Prof. Mohammed Nishad and Prof. Hafis Muhammed felicitated. Ms. K.P. Athiya proposed vote of thanks.

Zoology Alumni (ZoOSA)

President: Mr. K.V. Salim
Vice President: Mr. Haroon P.
Secretary: Mrs. Rahana MoideenKoya V.K.
Joint Secretaries: Dr. Rashiba A.P., Mr. Aboobacker T.
Treasurer: Dr. Abdul Gafoor P.
Ex-Officio member: Mrs. Shabana T.P.

Executive members: Prof. K.V. Abdul Mubarak, Dr. C. Zeenath, Dr. K.T. Zubair, Prof. K. AhamedKoya, Dr. Abdulla Paleri, Mr. Mohammed Ali E.K., Mrs. Fousiya, Mr. AzeezAkkara, Adv. Usman Koya V.V., Dr. P.K. Muhsin, Mr. Mohammed Attasseri, Mr. K.M. Mohammed.

Eminent alumni include
1. Dr. P.A. Azeez - *SACON Director (MSc 1978-80).
3. Mr Sandeep Das- Doing PhD under KFRI (MSc. 2009-11). * Chandrasekharan memorial young scientist award for innovative in research and role in conservation.
The Department Alumni Association was reconstituted on 29 March 2014 during a meeting in connection with the retirement of Prof. T. AhamadKutty and Prof T.P. Aboo, in the presence of alumni and former teachers like Prof. N.K. Kurup, Prof. V.K. Chandrasekharan, Prof. R.V. Ibrahim and Prof. C.M. Kadija. ‘Sahyadri’, a manuscript magazine prepared by the students, was released by Prof. N.K. Kurup, Former HoD. The Project report on the Micro-morphological and Taxonomical study on the Campus flora completed by the students and staff of the department, under the guidance of all the four faculty members, was officially released by Prof. V.K. Chandrasekharan.

The alumni and former teachers donated funds for the running of the new ‘Sahyadri Club’ formed in January 2014, for inculcating nature awareness in students. A new Bulletin Board for the Club and a Reading Corner have been set up. Prizes were awarded to the Sahyadri Daily Quiz winners. The Dept Museum was also renovated, adding specimen bottles and other materials.

**Botany Alumni**

President : Prof. R.V. Ibrahim  
Vice President : Prof. T. AhamadKutty  
Secretary : Dr. K. Kishore Kumar  
Joint Secretary : Smt. V. Sainaba  
Treasurer : N.M. Jayarajan

**Executive Committee Members :**

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**Computer Science Alumni**

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Secretary : Mohammed Shameer M.C.  
Treasurer : Anoop K.

**Executive Committee Members:** Mohammed Arshak, Jemshid, Anju O., Deepu C., Sachin K., Junaid T.T.

**Activities:**
- A Department level old students’ data base containing around 300 contacts is created
- A facebook page “FostalgiaCS” is created to widen the reach and share the updates
- Batch level WhatsApp groups are formed
Physics Alumni

President : Prof. T. Sayed
Vice Presidents : Dr. C. Naseema, Abdul Nazir V.P.
Secretary : Midhun Shah
Joint Secretaries : Muhammed Jubeer, Jamsheena Sanam
Treasurer : Dr. Abdul Gafoor P.
Ex-Officio member : Bassam S.A.

Activities

Meet the Icon: A series of interactive sessions designed to give exposure to the students of the department by meeting highly profile alumni:
30.10.2012: Muhammed Aslam, Research Associate, King Saad University, KSA; Shakira, Research Student, IISc, Bangalore.
13.08.2015: Muhammed Nishad, Research Scholar, Barkatullah University, Bhopal
14.07.2015: Mr Naseem, Geologist, ONGC

Retirement Meet on 28.03.2015
Dr. K.K Abdullah was honoured on his retirement.

Get Together of 1974 Physics batch on 03.08.2014

Library and Information Science Alumni (FLISA)

President : Mr. Nasirudheen T.
Vice President : Ms. T. Vahida Beegum
Secretary : Mr. K. Shareef
Joint Secretary : Mr. C.P Anees Ali
Treasurer : Mr. K.M. Ashiff

Members: Dr. T.A. Abdul Azeez, Mrs. M. Sabira, Mrs. V.T. Femin, Mr. V.C. Nimesh.

Activities:
The Department of Library and Information Science (DLIS), established in 1993, has a unit of FOSA which conducts a number of programmes. The annual extension lecture is the flagship programme conducted by the Library Science Alumni. Dr B Ekbal, Dr Babu Paul and Dr KSRadakrishnan delivered the lectures in the previous years. The executive committee has decided to conduct workshops and seminars on professional issues with the participation of alumni and working librarians.
History Alumni (HISTOSA)

- HISTOSA has been functioning since 2004. The old students of the department gather in the College once every year in connection with certain programmes.
- HISTOSA sponsored a valuable gift of the book Thuhfat al- Mujahidin written by Shaykh Zainuddin Makhdum as translated by SMH Nainar to each delegate who attended the 67th Session of Indian History Congress hosted by the College in 2007.
- Sponsored seminar on “Calicut in History” in 2011 in honour of retiring Head of the Department Mrs Fathima.
- Instituted the PNShameer Memorial Prizes for the MA History Dissertation of the students of the affiliated Colleges of the University of Calicut in 2013–14 in memory of a brilliant student who succumbed to motor accident at Delhi.

English Alumni

President : Dr. Omar Thasneem  
Secretary : Mr. Habeeb C.  
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Treasurer : Mr. Kunhamu  

Executive Committee Members: Mr. Abdul Majeed P., Mr. Naseer, Mr. T.A. Ashraf, Ms. Fathima, Ms. Hashmina Habeeb, Mr. Baba, Ms. Shahina, Ms. Jamsheena

Sociology Alumni (SOSAF)

President : Mr. Anwar Sadath Kalliyath  
General Secretary : Pressrin  
Secretaries : Mr. Shilujas, Mr. Shamshad Beegum  
Treasurer : Mr. Muhammadali  

Activities:
The Department of Sociology organized its alumni meet on 7 March 2015. The meet was attended by 25 alumni of batch 2003-06. The gathering was enriched with the presence of old faculties of our Department.

Some Eminent Alumni
Olympian Diju V. (Arjuna Award winner)  
Aboobackar Siddique IAS (Dt. Collector in Jharkhand)  
Dr. Muneerllath (Asst. Professor, Allahabad University)  
Dr. Sunil Babu (Asst. Professor, Delhi University)  
Ramya Roshini IPS
Economics Alumni

President : Dr. T.P. Ahamed
Vice Presidents : Mr. S. APuthiyavalappil, Adv. UALatheef, Moidutty M.T.
Secretaries : Dr. PP Yusuf Ali
Treasurer : Asif P.


Activities: Get Together of BA Economics 1981-84 Batch was held on 12-10-2013. The function was attended by all old students along with their families, and former teachers. Mr. Abdul Salam Delivered the welcome speech. Prof. U. Muhammed, Former Principal of Farook College, inaugurated the function. Teachers of the department, Prof. P.T. Abdul Latheef, Prof. T.P. Ahammed, Prof. K. AhammedKoya and Dr. P.P. Yusufali delivered felicitation speeches. Old students shared their experiences. The meeting decided to provide financial assistance to the family of a classmate who had passed away two years before.

Commerce and Management Studies Alumni (FOSA Com)

President : Prof. A. Kuttialikutty
Vice Presidents : Mr. M.A. Mehaboob, P.K. Hassankoya, Ameerali P.M.
Secretary : V.K.P. Ismayil
Joint Secretary : Prof. K. Mammootty

Executive Committee Members:

- Held a seminar on Euro debt crisis on 21 June 2010. Prof VK Vijayakumar presented the topic.
- Honoured, on 9 July, students with outstanding performance in final BCom and BBA examinations 2010.
- “Comunion 2013@fosa.com” on 17th August 2013—A reunion of alumni and Inauguration of renovated Commerce Block. (Total amount spent for renovation Rs 34,69,381)
- FOSA Com Jiddha Unit donated LCD projector and Printer in 2009.
DEPARTMENT UNITS

Arabic Alumni (FAOSA)

President : Prof. M. Moideen Kutty
Vice President : Prof. M. Muhammad
Secretary : Mr. Sajith E.K.
Joint Secretaries : Dr. Umarul Farooq
Treasurer : Muhammad Shareef

Advisors: Dr. T.P. Muhammad Abdul Rasheed, Prof. K.P. Kunhimuhammad, Prof. M. Thahirabi, Prof. V. Soopy, Prof. K.T. Hamza, Dr. P. Ahmad Syed, Dr. N. Abdul Jabbar, Dr. C.P. Aboobacker, Dr. Musthafa Farooqi, Dr. K. Ali Noufal.

Activities:
FAOSA sponsored a one-day National Seminar on “Contribution of Malabar to Arabic Language and Literature” on 27 March 2015 in honour of the retiring head of the Department Dr CP Aboobacker. Mr MP AbdussamadSamadani inaugurated the function. Former heads of departments and faculty members also attended. There was a gathering of the old students in the to prepare future plans.

Malayalam Alumni

President : Dr. K.M Nazeer
Vice Presidents : Ravi K.P., Kabeer K.T.
General Secretary : Mr. Kamarudheen Parappil
Joint Secretaries : Mr. Baburajan.K, Ms. Anjana Sasi Palathingal
Treasurer : Mr. Pradeep Kumar K.T.

Executive Members: Vijayan, Abbas T., Yahiya P., Nasir P., Neethu K.R.

Pre-Degree Alumni

President : Mr. Usman Eroth
Vice Presidents : Mr. Zabir Ehsan, Ms. Ramla
Joint Secretaries : Ms. Bichayisha, Mr. Basheer
Treasurer : Mr. Aboobacker

Some Eminent Farookians

Old students of Farook College have made their mark in academic and intellectual fields. Just as the College has been drawing on the support of its alumni in financial and infrastructural areas, it has been able to make use also of their considerable intellectual capital. As the list of Farookians who have left their imprint in academic, research, international, and space organisations and fields, as well as in cultural and sports fields, is vast and varied, here we can only give a short, incomplete list. There are plenty of eminent persons who deserve but haven’t got a mention in this very limited catalogue.

Farook College alumni span the entire globe not merely because many of them are part of the Indian diaspora, but also because many students from other countries have studied here.

The College and its students have gained from this unique global blend in terms of cultural exchange, international relationships and employment openings. Indeed, some alumni chapters abroad have developed dedicated portals as links between employers around the globe and the present students. Even where no separate portal has been opened, our alumni facilitate placement of students individually and collectively.

Note: A selection of eminent alumni of the College is given below. We are aware that this list, prepared as it is with limited time and sources, is a very incomplete, and rather arbitrary one, but we hope to add many other names in future. We would like our alumni to provide further information so that a more comprehensive documentation can be done. – Editors.

Justice P Ubial

Justice Ubial, now Additional Judge at Kerala High Court. He obtained BA English from Farook College in 1978, and in 2001 became District and Sessions Judge, and was appointed as Principal District and Sessions Judge at Palakkad in May 2010. Served as Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kozhikode from June 2011 to February 2013 and at Ernakulam as District and Sessions Judge and STAT since March 2013. Justice Ubial was sworn in as Additional Judge of the High Court of Kerala on 1st January 2014.
Olympian Diju (Valiyaveetil Diju), Indian badminton player, had his graduation from Farook College. Along with partner JwalaGutta, Diju became national mixed-doubles champions and the pair have been ranked 7th in the world by Badminton World Federation. He won Arjuna Award in 2014, and the GV Raja awards. He is only the second badminton player from the state to represent India in Olympics.

Sithara Sajish (Sithara Krishnakumar), playback singer in Malayalam, did her graduation in English Literature from Farook College. She won the Kerala State Award for the Best Female Singer (2012) for ‘Enundodee’ from the film Celluloid. She has also won Baburaj Memorial Award for the Best Female Singer, SwaralayaKairaliYesudas Award, Drishya Award for the Best Female Album Singer, Mohammed Rafi Memorial Award, VayalarSamskarikaVedi Award, and others. Sithara has also sung for Tamil, Kannada and Telugu films.

Bahadoor, well-known cine artist in Malayalam who played several comic roles in early films, was born KunjaluKochumoideenPadiyath (P.K. Kunjalu) in 1930 in Kodungalloor. His family was financially poor and the seven young siblings added to the burden. He had joined Farook College for his Intermediate Course but could not complete his studies due to financial troubles. Later he found his vocation in film acting, and was a name that attracted the audience. He won the State awards for the Best Comedy Artist twice, and Second Best Actor twice. Bahadoor passed away in 2000.

Dr. K. Manzoor Koyakutty, Professor at Amrita Centre for Nanoscience and Molecular Medicine specializing in the area of cancer nanomedicine, nanotoxicology and molecular finger-printing of cancer biomarkers. He is a recipient of DRDO Best Laboratory Scientist of the Year 2003, DRDO Young Scientist of the Year 2004 and DRDO Technology Developer of year 2006. He also received Marie-Curie Award from European Commission to work on cancer nanomedicine. He is a member of the European Society of Nanomedicine, European Foundation of Clinical Nanomedicine and the American Association of Nanomedicine.

Ameer Pichan, Senior Safeguards Analyst at IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency), an arm of the United Nations. He is a tertiary qualified Senior ICT specialist with 25 years’ experience in ICT Infrastructure, Information Security space, with strong experience IT strategy, business-IT alignment, architecture design, solution delivery and operations. He was Senior Research Fellow at Curtin University, Section Head (IT Infrastructure, Security and Operations) at Vienna, Austria. Holding full diplomatic status, Ameer is the first man from this region to take up an IAEA senior post. He had his early education at Farook College High School and Farook College. He started his career as a lecturer in Physics at Farook College. He did his M Tech and MBA from Australia and has worked in the US, Canada, Singapore and Australia.

Tareq Ayyoub, a Palestinian, born in Kuwait in 1968, had his post-graduation at Farook College. He took up journalism as his career and, in 1998, covered the domestic and international politics of Jordan for the English paperJordan Times. He then turned to television journalism, worked with Fox News and later joined Al Jazeera. Ayyoub was in Iraq, covering the war in 2003, when US missiles killed himon the morning of 8 April.

Manzoor Ahmad Rahmanzai, a native of Jalalabad in Afghanistan, was a BBA student at Farook College during 2010-13. After getting back he was working for the educational uplift of his fellow countrymen. For some unknown reason he was abducted by the Taliban and killed. His desire to come back to Farook College for higher studies thus went unfulfilled.
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