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1975 engg batch donates 10L to JU

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Kolkata: About 150 former students, who had taken admission to the Jadavpur University's Faculty of Engineering and Technology in 1975, gifted its alma mater Rs 10 lakh on Saturday as part of the golden jubilee year celebration. The money will be utilised for the infrastructure development of the university. The batch held an event at the Triguna Sen Auditorium, where they felicitated many former professors and other dignitaries.

Secretary of the alumni association of the batch, Amitava Sengupta, said, "We handed over the cheque to the pro-vice chancellor Amitava Datta. When the university is reeling under a fund crunch, we thought that financial help could be the best way

to give back to our alma mater."

Biswaji Basu, an alumna of the architecture department, said, "It is a token of gratitude towards our alma mater because JU played an immense role in our lives and contributed towards in making us what we are today." The alumni batch also arranged for a collaboration between JU and a manufacturing company towards research and development of a new grade polymer pipe, which will ensure fund inflow to the university and indigenous development of special grade polymer pipes by the company.

"The money will be utilised for ramping up university infrastructure as per the wish of the alumni. Several plans are there in the pipeline like solar panels installation, setting up of a seminar hall complex, and rainwater harvesting. We will discuss with the batch to understand on what project they want their money to be used," Datta said as he thanked them.

