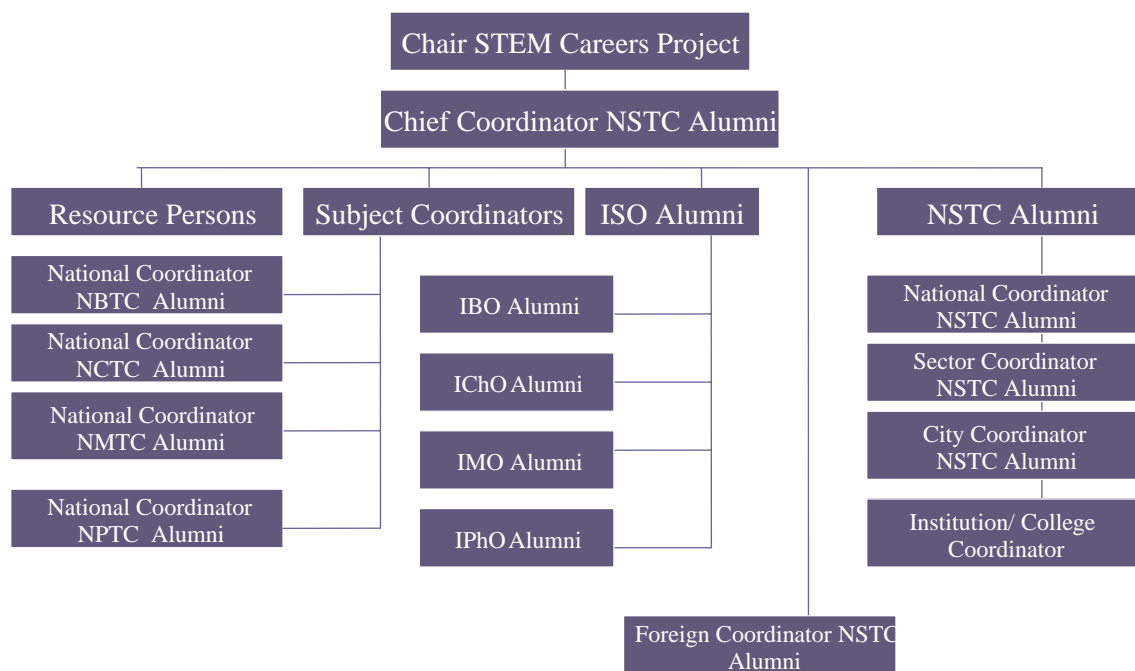


NSTC Alumni Association: Introduction

Editors

NPTC is functioning from 1995. During all this time bright students from all over the country have been selected in it. These students after doing their F. Sc. or A levels go to excellent colleges and institutes not only in Pakistan but also abroad. After leaving NPTC they made a strong association with it and wanted to take active part to strengthen this activity. In this connection some alumni proposed to make an association which comprises of NPTC alumni. Dr. Abdullah Sadiq, the then Rector PIEAS very kindly agreed with the proposal which was put forward by Al Hasanat Rasul, Mehreen Alam, Saleh Bin Tariq and Seemal Mumtaz, to form an Alumni body which was aimed to spread the message of NPTC. So, the first get together of NPTC was organized at PIEAS during the first camp of NPTC 5 in 2000. Dr Abdullah Sadiq announced the get together to be an annual event. Since then it has been regularly organized annually before the first training camp of NPTC. In 2005 6th Annual Get together took place at GIK-I, in which NPTC/ NSTC Alumni from all over Pakistan and some studying abroad participated. The alumni body now comprise of alumni who are now serving the country and working in Government and Private Organizations in well reputed positions. We have in our body Doctors, Engineers, Chartered Accountants, Research Associates etc. The students who once participated in NPTC and now in NSTC for the past 12 years are called the NPTC/ NSTC Alumni. The alumni also hold local level get together to discuss issues related to NSTC and its promotion. To further strengthen the body an organizational hierarchy was devised which is as follows:



The alumni body after its initiation helps in the various activities of the STEM Careers Project, some of these are mentioned below:

1. Invigilation process.
2. ISO and some other alumni help in teaching-testing and training during the training camps of NSTC.
3. Act as resource persons for the students who cleared the screening test and other camps and are waiting to participate in the next camps.
4. Even though some alumni in the past use to go to colleges on their own to spread the message of NSTC but since 2005 they were formerly sent to different colleges and Schools where they give presentations and awareness seminar. Due to their efforts the number of students in the NSTC-3 and NSTC-4 from these areas is increased. They use to go to these colleges in voluntarily basis and due

to the response more areas were targeted last year and hence the number was increased in Quetta and other regions.

5. Help in the preparation of the Question bank, research regarding the course of Screening test and the Camps.
6. Although the leaders are well aware of the preparation process and its shortcomings but the participants of the Olympiads share their experiences and the improvements they feel in the training camps.
7. Guide the alumni and students for their higher studies in the colleges and universities.
8. It may be mentioned that alumni of our earlier contests and members of Pakistani Olympiad Teams are now pursuing their higher studies in prestigious universities at home and abroad e.g. LUMS, The Agha Khan University, NUST, PIEAS and GIK Institute here in Pakistan and MIT, Stanford and Harvard universities, Caltech, IIT Chicago, Toronto and McGill universities in North America. So they actively participate in the STEM Careers Project activities by sending informative emails and help us in the Question bank of screening test and training camps.
9. During the screening test the load on the office is shared by some of the alumni and they help in the Data Entry and some other related work due to limitation of Staff at the STEM office.
10. And now NAAM is another humble step towards our goals of strengthening Pakistan in science and Education.



1st Get Together of NPTC Alumni Association, PIEAS, August, 2000



Dr Abdullah Sadiq addressing the NPTC Alumni at the 2nd Annual Get Together of NPTC Alumni Association, PIEAS August, 2001



5th Annual Get Together of NPTC Alumni Association, PIEAS, August, 2004



Office Bearers of NPTC Alumni at the 2nd Annual Get Together of NPTC Alumni Association, PIEAS August, 2001



Friends



NSTC Alumni at Pir Sohawa, near Islamabad, 29th March, 2006



NSTC Alumni at a Dinner in Islamabad



8th Annual NSTC Alumni Association Get Together, GIK-I, 4th August, 2007



NSTC Alumni at Pir Sohawa, 29th March, 2007