

HISTORY AT TOLANI MARITIME

FIRST BATCH STRIDES OUT

A thunderous cry of "TMI 1ST BATCH KEEE...", rent the festive air at the Graduation ceremony at Tolani Maritime Institute on the 24th of August. The following '...JAI', emanating deafeningly from over ten score throats, marked the passing out of 99 Marine Engineering Graduates, the Class of 2002!

A CLASS OF THEIR OWN

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| First in Applied Science Courses | Nitin Saxena, to Join Fleet Management |
| First in Electricity & Electronics | Nitin Saxena |
| First in Mechanical Engineering | IS Brar, to Join KC Maritime |
| First in Thermal Engineering | IS Brar |
| First in Naval Architecture | IS Brar |
| Vasant J Sheth Gold Medal | IS Brar |
| Chairman's Gold Medal | Rohit Agarwal |

The particular point in time was the culmination of the dream of a man who since his own college days at Cornell University in the US, fell

AMAZING CAMPUS FACILITIES

- Well-equipped residential facility for all cadets and faculty members on campus.
- Fully functional modern kitchen with cold room facility.
- Mechanized laundry services for all campus residents
- Library and Reading room.
- A separate Computer Center with more than 40 PCs, and all important facilities in the campus connected through LAN.
- Modern state-of-the-art communication facilities for all campus residents.
- Students Activity Center with provision of mega size TV. A Clubhouse having a heated semi Olympic size Swimming pool, a mini pool for non-swimmers, an Indoor Badminton Court, and two glass-back Squash courts and a well equipped Gymnasium besides other indoor games facilities. In addition, the institute has other sports infrastructure like three Basketball Courts, two Volleyball and two Lawn Tennis courts besides an area for Cricket Nets and Baseball.
- The Institute has an artificial lake spread over approx. 8 acres, which can be used for boat work training.
- The Institute has open spaces in excess of 15 acres on site including a full size grass football field suitable for any practical seamanship training.
- The Institute has been conducting basic pre sea courses like PST, PSSR, EFA, and FPF, having adequate facilities for the same. A ships' mock up has also been constructed to provide realistic fire fighting and seamanship training.
- A new building having extra classrooms and labs is under construction and will be ready by September 2002.
- On campus is a mini hospital in collaboration with medical college, Talegaon, and two resident doctors are available.
- The institute possesses ISO 9002 '94 certification from IRQS since October 1999 and is in the process of obtaining ISO 9001-2000 standard certification.

asleep every night with his thoughts centered on recreating on our own shores the spirit and substance of his rich learning.

On this momentous day Dr. Nandlal Pribhdas Tolani stood watching the graduation rites unfold like a stage reproduction of a scene that must have gone through his mind a million times before.

Little wonder then that many among the gathered Tolani clan had emotion writ large upon their visages, reflecting the overwhelming feelings of the patriarch-founder, Dr. Tolani.

Dr. Tolani, only this year on the National Maritime day, was honored with the Varuna Award.

The huge enclosure that houses the modern non-polluting power plant of the TMI campus at Induri near Talegaon in Maharashtra, seemed an apt locale to combine the time-honored ritual of university convocations with the more regimented aspects of the merchant marine. Of course it saved everyone from the unpredictable rains too.

Speakers had a free reign to exercise their eloquence and some nearly outdid themselves with their advice. These included the Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, MP Pinto who presided over the function, the Chief Guest DT Joesph who delivered the keynote address, Capt. JC Anand, Shipping Corp's PK Srivastava, and GESCO Chairman KM Sheth.

But after all the words of advice, some from the very heart and some not too original, the day belonged to the First Batch.

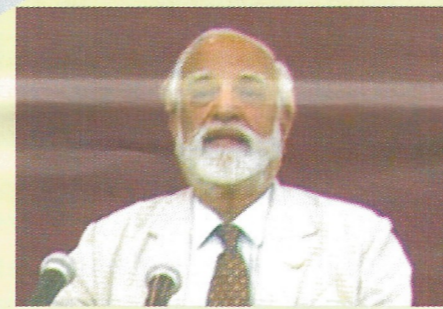
Amidst flags fluttering against a gray monsoonal sky, the one hundred and nine boys and 2 girls, now ready to strike out on their own, rightfully occupied center-stage. Family and friends were at hand to richly congratulate their wards.

Dr. S Venkateshwaran of the Birla Institute of Technology of Pilani, who has been associated with TMI even before its inception, gave away the Degrees to the proud Class of 2002.

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THE MARVELOUS WORKSHOP

- A workshop having 7T per hour steam generating capacity operational Therman boiler, 800 KW steam turbine (Kessels), two 360-KW each Cummins Gensets. PLC controls by DataPro.
- Welding, gas cutting, and black smithy facilities.
- Separate labs for electrical, electronics, Strength of Materials, Mechanics of Machines, Dynamics of Vibration, Applied Mechanics, Thermodynamics, Hydraulics and Pneumatic Training, besides 20 Lathe Machines, a fitting section, two grinders, drilling, shaping and milling machines and other equipment as required for the marine engineering degree course.
- The Institute also has an in-house filtration plant for 24 hours water supply and a 600 Ton Vapor absorption chilling plant for the entire building.



Vice Admiral (Retd.) MP Awati



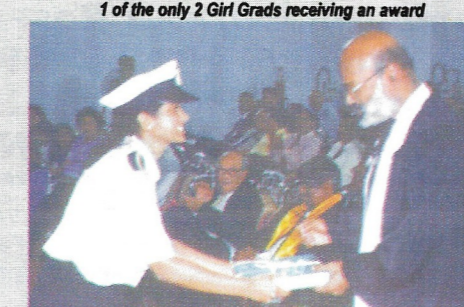
Secretary & Director General DT Joseph awarding a certificate



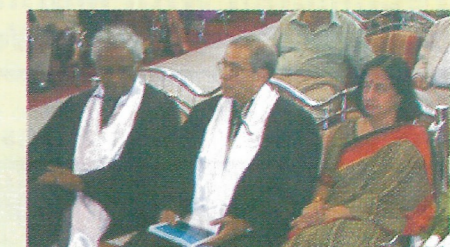
Secretary MP Pinto speaks at the function



Founder & Patriarch, Dr. NP Tolani



1 of the only 2 Girl Grads receiving an award



Dr. S Venkateshwaran with Mr. & Mrs. Pinto



Dr. Tolani with Mrs. & Capt. Anand



A proud medal winner



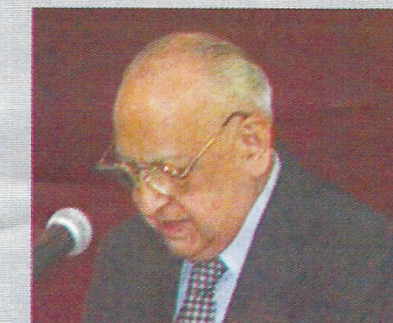
Merit Certificates being handed over by Mr. Joseph



(L to R) The Principal BK Saxena, Vice President AK Srivastava, CEO Pawan Kapoor, and Commander RK Razdan



Another Girl Grad receiving her degree from Dr. S Venkateshwaran, Director of BITS Pilani



Capt. JC Anand delivering his speech



A section of the audience, with AK Srivastava in the foreground



Rohet Tolani and Capt Arun Sharma with other well-wishers at the function.