Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IITG) has about twenty-five faculty members who are alumni of the Institute of Science, Bangalore (IISc). During his visit to the North Eastern India, Professor S. Mohan had expressed interest in meeting the IISc alumni. Information was passed on and eighteen faculty members of IITG gathered for the first meeting of IISc alumni on 18 November 2010 at 17:30 hrs in the Board room, administrative building, IITG. The rest could not attend because of pre-committed engagements.

The meeting started with a welcome address to Professor Mohan by Professor A. Srinivasan. Professor K. Sreenivasan (Visiting Professor from Northwestern Polytechnic Univ., USA and a 1960 M.Sc degree holder from IISc) felicitated the guest of honour in the traditional way by offering him a ‘gamusa’. Then, the alumni introduced themselves, which was accompanied by excited recollection of several fond memories of events and persons. Professor Mohan then explained the role of the Alumni Cell, the extent of the existing alumni network, the contributions by the alumni, and the present and future plans of the Cell. This was followed by discussions on IISc, its new academic programmes and its new up-coming campuses. Being a technological institute with strong UG and PG teaching programmes, the faculty of IITG were eager to learn about and contribute to the new UG programmes of IISc. They also showed eagerness in having research collaborations with the faculty members in IISc. Professor Mohan offered to help such activities through the alumni cell. Looking at the enthusiasm of the young alumni members Professor Mohan pointed out what they do and how they can contribute to their alma mater. He also urged for an alumni chapter at IITG. The members showed interest in the proposal and assured him that they would work towards opening IISc alumni chapter at IITG soon.

The meeting ended with thanks to the guest of honour and a resolve to continue the interaction among the alumni of IISc at IITG.

Photos of the meet is available below........