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General Information

Professor & Dean (Infustructure, Planning & Management)

Research Interest: Tribology, Duct Acoustics, Mechanical System Design, Rural Technology

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Professional Career

- Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (April, 2008 onward)
- Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (September, 2003 to April, 2008)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (August, 2000 to September, 2003).
- Assistant Professor, Jorhat Engineering College (October, 1999 to August, 2000)
- Lecturer, Assam Engineering College (January, 1990 to October, 1999)
- Lecturer, Jorhat Engineering College (August, 1985 to January, 1990)
- Executive Trainee, Oil India Limited, Duliajan (May, 1985 to August, 1985).
- Lecturer: Assam Engineering Institute, Chandmari, Guwahati (October, 1984 to May, 1985)
- Site Engineer : Tru-Steel Products (June, 1984 to October, 1984)

Academic Background

Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering (Tribology), (1999) IIT Kharagpur

M.E.: IISc, Bangalore (1989)

B.E.: Assam Engineering College, Gauhati University (1984)

PU (Sc): Nagaon College, Gauhati University 1978

HSLC : Nagaon Govt. Boys' HS School, SEBA 1976.

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Research Highlights:

Research mostly focuses on stability aspects of different types of hydrodynamic bearings. Effect of fluid inertia on the stability of oil bearings, stability of multi-lobe bearings, stability and dynamic characteristics of flexible rotor supported on hydrodynamic bearings, dynamic characterisation of flexible rotor supported on porous oil bearings, stability of textured slider and journal bearings, stability of gas foil bearings (GFBs) are some of the noteworthy studies in this area.

The present major concern is Rural Technology and instrumental in developing numbers of low-cost, easy to maintain implements/ machinery for rural masses. Few noteworthy contributions as Coordinator of RuTAG-NE are listed below:

Design and Development of

- (i) Eri Cocoon Opener
- (ii) High Capacity Improvised Bicycle
- (iii) Feed Block making Machine for Yak and Cattle
- (iv) Mechanized Production of Muga Fabric
- (v) Bamboo Charcoal and Bamboo Vinegar production Technology
- (vi) Pulp Pressing Machine for production of Sanitary Napkin
- (vii) Betel nut cutting machine
- (viii) Hank to Bobbin machine
- (ix) Pirn winding machine
- (x) Sectional Warping machine

Implementation of Patented Technology on Mechanized Production of Plain Muga Fabric in joint collaboration of RuTAG-NE and NEDFi is one of the most successful and challenging task.

Most of the products mentioned above have attracted artisans and entrepreneurs. The latest success is the Feed Block Making Machine, which was adopted by National Research Centre on Yak, ICAR, Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh, and 5 machines were distributed among Yak farmers. Besides National Research Centre on Mithun, ICAR, Dimapur, Nagaland, also implemented it for Mithun. Numbers of entrepreneurs have shown interest to go for its commercial production.

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Courses Taught:

1. Tribology of Bearings
2. Machine Design
3. Design of Machine Elements
4. Engineering Design Methodology
5. Industrial Engineering and Operations Research
6. Industrial Noise Control
7. Advanced Engineering Mathematics
8. Manufacturing Technology II
9. Engineering Mechanics
10. Advanced Solid Mechanics
11. Rural Energy
12. Rural Development and Entrepreneurship

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Research Guidance

Ph.D. Guidance

Sl. No.	Name of the Student	Thesis Title	Award Date	Regular/ Part-Time	Co-Guide Name
1.	Madhumita Kalita	Rotors mounted on Fluid Film Bearings	Feb, 2006	Part-Time	Nil
2.	Swarup K Laha	Analysis of Stability and Unbalance Response of Flexible Rotor Supported on Hydrodynamic Porous Journal Bearing	6 December, 2010	Regular	Nil
3.	Lintu Roy	Groove locations for optimum performance of two-axial groove and multi-lobe hydrodynamic bearings	11 April, 2015	Part-Time	Nil
4.	T S Reddy Ganji1	Characterization of Cylindrical and Elliptical Textured Journal Bearing	17 July, 2015	Regular	Nil
5.	T M Jamir	Gas Foil Bearing: Stability Analysis Using Different Numerical Models For Foil Structure	July, 2010	Regular	Karuna Kalita

Ongoing:

Sl. No.	Name	Regular/ Part-Time	Co-Guide Name
1.	Kamal Basumatary	Regular	Karuna Kalita
2.	Bibhuti Ranjan Bhattacharjya	Regular	Nil
3.	Ashutosh Kumar	Regular	Nil
4.	Sandeep Bhoi	Part-time	Nil
5.	Pranay Kumar Sarkar	Regular	Nil
6.	Bhabesh Mahanta	Part-time	Arup K Sarma
7.	Nilkamal Kalita	Regular	NIL
8.	Suranjit Basumatary	Regular	NIL

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(i) R&D projects

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Sponsor	Duration	Amount in lakh (Rs.)	Investigators
1.	Coupled Modeling and analysis of Gas Foil Bearings with active Bearings Seating.	SERB, DST	3 yrs	25.57500	PI
2.	Active Vibration Control in Electrical Machines using Built-in Actuators	DST	3 yrs	35.00	CI
3.	Design and Development of a Controller for Bridge Configured Winding based Bearing-less Motor	DIT	3 yrs	90.00	CI
4.	Feasibility Studies of Generating Electric Power using Helical Water Turbine	APGCL	2 yrs	27.2	CI
5.	Poverty Alleviation through Mechanization of spawn production of mushroom	North East Council, Shillong	1 yr	36.96	PI
6.	Rural Technology Action Group – North-East	Principal Scientific Adviser to the Govt. of India	Continuing since 2006	80.00 during 2006-2013	PI
7.	Design and development of five-speed automated manual transmission for a mid-sized car	MHRD	1 yr 6 months	7.00	PI
8.	Computer aided analysis and design of high speed ball and roller bearings	ARDB	3 yrs	7.40	CI
9.	Development of an Efficient Power Module for Wheel Chair	Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment	1 yr 6 months	5.00	CI
10.	Technical Backup Unit (TBU) at IIT Guwahati for R & D Interface with Khadi and Village Industries Sector	KVIC	4 yrs	4.2438	Co-PI
11.	Computer Aided Analysis of High Speed Rolling Element Bearings Based on Elasto-Hydrodynamic Lubrication Theory.	ARDB	3 yrs	4.5	CI
12.	Development of twosoftware for design and analysis of (i) Journal Bearing, (ii) Two-Lobe Bearing. (For SRIC, IIT, Kharagpur)	For SRIC, IIT, Kharagpur	6 months	2	CI

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S I . No.	Project Title	Funding Agency	D u r a - tion	A m o u n t (in lakh)	Role
1.	TPQAC of Kamrup Project under World bank assisted NEER NIRMAL PARIYOJANA (Rural water supply & sanitation project for low income states)	SPMU, PHE, Govt. of Assam under World Bank Project.	36 months	83.99	PI
2.	STSA for Preparation of Integrated Cluster Approach Plan (ICAP) and Detailed Project Report (DPR) For Tuting Cluster, Upper Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh under National Rural Mission	State Nodal Agency (SNA) Rural Development Department Arunachal Pradesh	4 months	12.55	PI
3.	Development of custom made remotely operable shot blasting system with robotic arms for use in steeply inclined long penstocks at NEEPCO Ltd.	NEEPCO	1 yr	30.0	Co-PI
4.	Feasibility study for implementing HTS generator in place of conventional generator in a hydroelectric power plant	NEEPCO			
5.	Noise abatement in mechanical drilling rig of Oil India Ltd, Duliajan:	Oil India Ltd.	1.5 yrs.	1.6	PI
6.	Third party inspection of the storage tanks fabricated for IOC (AOD), Digboi:	M/S Hazarika & Company, Golai No.2, P.O.: Digboi, Dist: Tinsukia – 786171	2 months		CI
7.	Third party inspection of the storage tanks fabricated for IOC (AOD), Digboi	M/S DU CONS, M.C. Road, Guwahati	2 months	0.23	CI
8.	Awareness camp for the Bell Metal artisans from Hajo in Kamrup District	SISI, Guwahati	2 days	0.30	CI
9.	Vetting of a Feasibility Report on Setting-up of Cold Storage Chain	NERAMAC	3 months	0.70	CI

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6. M Kalitaand S. K. Kakoty, "Analysis of Whirl Speeds for Rotor-Bearing Systems Supported on Fluid Film Bearings", *Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing*, Vol 18,1369-1380, 2004.
7. S. K. Kakoty and V. K. Roy, "Bulk Reaction Modeling of Sound Propagation Through Circular Dissipative Ducts Backed by an Air Gap", *J. of Vibration and Acoustics, Transactions of The ASME*, Vol. 128(6), 699 – 704, 2006.
8. Madhumita Kalitaand S. K. Kakoty, "Regarding Stability study of circular and non-circular bearings supporting rigid and flexible rotors", *Advances in Vibration Engineering*, Vol 6, 2007.
9. S. K. Laha, H. Banjare, S. K. Kakoty, "Stability analysis of flexible rotor supported on finite hydrodynamic porous journal bearing using non-linear transient method", *Proc. IMechE, Part J: J. of Engg. Tribology*, Vol. 222, No. 7, pp. 963-973, 2008.
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11. Laha, S. K. Kakoty, S. K., "Non-linear dynamic analysis of a flexible rotor supported on porous oil journal bearings", *Communications in Nonlinear Science and Numerical Simulation*, Volume 16, Issue 3, p. 1617-1631 (2011)
12. L. Roy and S. K. Kakoty, "Optimum Groove Location of Hydrodynamic Journal Bearing Using Genetic Algorithm", *Advances in Tribology*, Volume 2013, pp. 1-13, 2013.
13. M. B. Patil, K Kalita, S. K. Kakoty, "Performance Analysis of Gas Foil Bearing with Different Foil Pivot Configuration", *Advances in Mechanical Engineering*, Hindawi.com 2013.
14. Lintu Roy and S. K. Kakoty, "Optimum Groove Location of Hydrodynamic Journal Bearing Using Genetic Algorithm," *Advances in Tribology*, vol. 2013, Article ID 580367, 13 pages, 2013. doi:10.1155/2013/580367 (2013)
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3. S. K. Kakoty and M. Kalita, "Stability Of Rotors Supported on Fluid Film Bearings", Presented in the Second International Conference on Vibration Engineering and Technology of Machinery (VETOMAC-2), 16-18 December, 2002, Mumbai, India.
4. V. B. Reddy, R. Tiwari and S. K. Kakoty, "Identification of Bearing Dynamic Parameters from Impulse Response of Rotor-Bearing Systems", Presented in the Second International Conference on Vibration Engineering and Technology of Machinery (VETOMAC-2), 16-18 December, 2002, Mumbai, India.
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7. S. K. Kakoty and KaraliPatra, "Estimation Of Dynamic Parameters And Stability Analysis Of Multilobe Bearings", Presented in IPROM 2005, IIT Kharagpur, February, 2005.
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