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# **Message from Department**

VESIT is well known for methodology of technical progress. We, at the Department of MCA, always try to impart the best of the knowledge and technical knowhow with required inputs, the desire and ability to learn and lead. With a motive of excellence, the students as well as faculties have reached beyond the portal of classroom by involving themselves in technical development programs such as seminars, projects, technical paper writing, faculty development programs and research activities. The department not only emphasizes the technical side but also the co-curricular and extra co-curricular aspects.



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## Vision of the Department

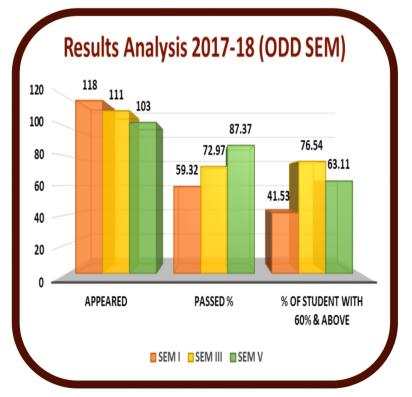
⇒ Towards leading the way in area of Computer Application to train and nurture the Students to become successful Technocrats thus benefiting the Society and Nation.

#### **Mission of the Department**

- ⇒ To provide opportunities to Students so that they understand the Theoretical Principles and apply them.
- ⇒ To enable the Students to continually master the evolving Tools, Techniques, Trends in Technology and Management and effectively put them in practice in a cost effective manner.

#### **Academic Excellence**

#### Results of University Examination held in December 2017



-By MCA Exam Department





#### **Placement**

- ♦ The placement season of 2017-18 saw **32** leading companies like Accenture, Yohaat, Nomura, AppliedCloudComputing, B.N.P Paribhas India Solutions, JPMC, Morgan Stanley etc.
- Out of the eligible candidates from MCA, 81% were offered jobs.













- ∞ No. of students placed: 66

- ∞ Students with more than one job offers: 10

- By Prof. Dhanamma Jagli

# **Student Endeavour**

# Awards & Accolades

# **Group Dance:**

**Aishwarya Silwal** from first year MCA, and **Swastik Sharma** from second year MCA, participated in numerous intercollegiate dance competitions as part of the VESIT Dance Crew. The crew won at many of these competitions.

- ◆ Crew won *first prize* at Nrityadhara 2018 held at KJMC, Sion on 1<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Crew won *first prize* at Ballismus 2018 held at HBT MC, Juhu on 4<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.
- ♦ Crew placed *third* at Tatva Moksh Lakshya 2018 held at SIES, Nerul on 10<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Crew won *first prize* at Aarambh 2018 held at T.N.M.C, Mumbai Central on 15<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.



Group Dance by Aishwarya & Swastik

-By Prof. Ramesh Solanki

# **Certification courses**

- ◆ Meghna Patil of first year MCA, received a certificate on "Capstone: Retrieving, Processing, and Visualizing Data with Python", an online non-credit course authorized by University of Michigan and offered through Coursera in June 2018.
- ♦ Meghna Patil of first year MCA, received a certificate on "*Using Databases with Python*", an online non-credit course authorized by University of Michigan and offered through Coursera in June 2018.

-By Prof. Ramesh Solanki, Prof. Indira Bhattacharya





# **Oracle Academy:**

VESIT in collaboration with ORACLE Academy provides Certification Courses in the field of **Database Systems** and Programming Languages.

The program was launched in January 2018 and two exams were conducted: the mid term exam on 13th of April, 2018 and the final exam on 19th of April, 2018.

- Kedar Lele from second year MCA, topped the "Java Foundations" course.
- ◆ Pratik Thorat from first year MCA, excelled in the "*Database*" Programming with PL SQL" course.
- ♦ Disha Vaidya and Kedar Lele from second year MCA bagged the highest score in the "*Database*" Foundations" course.
- ◆ Loveena Bansal from second year MCA dominated the scorecard in the "Database Design and Programming with SQL" course. -By Prof. Sangeeta Oswal, Prof. Dhanamma Jagli



Cloudera - VESIT Collaboration for "Developing with Spark and Hadoop" training was conducted from 6th of September 2017 to 19th of January 2018.

The course included topics on basics of Hadoop, its ecosystem, and components and MapReduce. The lab was conducted on the Virtual machine provided by Cloudera.

The following students from second year MCA were enrolled for the course:

- Rohin Rangnekar
- Vaidika Narkar
- Hiral Khavanekar
- ♦ Priyanka Devansthani
- ♦ Sharan Iyengar

- Ujwal Suvarna
- Pawandeep Singh
- ♦ Vikash Gupta

- ♦ Kapil Trivedi

- ♦ Loveena Bansal

- Cloudera session Anjali Nauriyal
  - ♦ Komal Shah
  - Shubham Kamalapure
  - ♦ Mahesh Bhosale
  - ♦ Ajay Nair

-By Prof. Sangeeta Oswal

**Spoken Tutorial** 

# Spoken Tutorial:

The Spoken Tutorial project is the initiative of the "Talk to a **Teacher**" activity of the National Mission on education through Information and Communication Technology (ICT), launched by the Ministry of Human Resources and Development, Government of India. The objective of the Spoken Tutorial is to improve the IT skill.

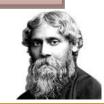
VESIT, Department of MCA has organized Spoken Tutorial for the Academic Year 2017-18. The following courses were offered to MCA first year.

♦ Python

♦ Linux









Student have enrolled for the course, and studied the course online. The exam was scheduled on 7th of April 2018 for Linux and on 17th of April 2018 for Python. Mrs Sangeeta Oswal was the Incharge for the workshop.

- ♦ Rahul Rai

Krishnaji Desai

- ♦ Pranay Sabat
- ♦ Pratik Thorat.
- Soham Akhave
- ♦ Akshay Ingole
- ♦ Mohit Singh

- Suyash Kholapure
- ♦ Neha Patil
- Rajas Patankar

- ♦ Nilesh Shinde

♦ Anikesh S M

♦ Sachin Gupta

- ♦ Prajwal Jumde
- Manish Nagdev
- ♦ Siddhant Shinde
- ◆ Ashiwinkumar Tiwari
   ◆ Rushikesh Jagtap
  - ♦ Adhitya Nair
  - Ravikumar Soni

Amita Kaur Hotsinghani

- Ankita Gaonkar
- Yogesh Jeswani
- Abhijit Pradhan
- Tarandeep Singh Saini
- Shubham Balam
- Rishabh Singh

-By Prof. Sangeeta Oswal

# Microsoft Certification Awareness Programme

The department of MCA under Industry Institute interaction conducted Microsoft certification awareness programme for second year MCA students on 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, 2018. A team from ATS Learning solutions visited Department of MCA to deliver the session on importance and benefits of Microsoft certification. ATS Learning solutions is part of the ATS Infotech Pvt Ltd group and specializes in skill development, payroll outsourcing Contract staffing and H.R consultancy etc.

They introduced the following certification courses to the MCA students.

- ♦ Internet of Things
- ◆ Cyber and Mobile Security
- Cross Platform for Mobile App Development



-By Prof. Rohini Temkar

#### Co-curricular

# **Technology Day**

Every year the department of MCA at VESIT celebrates Technology Day which welcomes different and innovative theme for the day. The theme of the Technology Day 2017-18 was "Digital India-Socio" Economic Impact and Challenges".

Digital India Program is an initiative of Government of India, which aims to transform India into digitally and economically empowered society. Vision of Digital India is centered on three key areas: Digital Infrastructure as a Utility to Every Citizen, Governance & Services on Demand, Digital Empowerment of Citizens.

#### Panel Discussion:

For panel discussion, two panels were set up, one for the first years and other for the second years. Each panel had seven participants which consisted of a moderator, three members in 'for' team and three members in 'against' team.

The topic for the panel was: "Do you think Indian Government has taken the right measures before implementing Digital India to bring Socio Economic changes? If not how to address its challenges."







- A. Winners from first year: 1. Prithvi Bose 2. Ankur Deshmukh
- B. Winners from second year: 1. Gauri Surve 2. Shruti Maheshwari

### **Project Showcase:**

- A. <u>Winners:</u>
  1. Kapil Trivedi, Sharan Iyengar, Afshan Khan and Komal Shah from second year MCA presented their project "*KnowShare*".
  - 2. Shraddha Chavan, Shruti Maheshwari and Priyanka Sankpal from second year MCA who presented the project on "RTO Automation using NFC reader"

### **Technical Paper Presentation:**

- A. <u>Winners:</u>
  1. Shraddha Chavan, Shruti Maheshwari and Priyanka Sankpal from second year MCA who presented the project on "*RTO Automation using NFC reader*"
  - 2. Suyash Kholapure, Pratik Thorat, Vikas Chandlekar and Prajwal Jumde MCA first year MCA presented a paper in "Infrastructure as an utility for every cititzen".

#### **Poster Presentation:**

#### Winners

- ♦ Vikas Gupta, Ajay Prajapati, Priyanka Pathak and Sayli Gode from second year MCA presented a poster on "Android Application for Indian Cinema Museum".
- ◆ Parvez Mullah, Preethi Singh, Rohin Rangnekar and Abhijeet Salunkhe second year MCA presented a poster on "Zilla Vikas Manch".
- Renuka N Ram, Sayli Devaji, Pooja Patil and Kanchan Yevale second year MCA presented a poster on "Digital Empowerment of citizens".



-By Prof. Rohini Temkar, Prof. Geocey Shejy

# SEP (Skill Enhancement Program)

Technical tests under **Skill Enhancement Programme (SEP)** were conducted for students of MCA which was mainly focused on improving their understanding of the subjects taught in the semester.

First Year Toppers	Second year toppers:
∞ Rushikesh Jagtap	∞ Renuka Ram
∞ Prajwal Jumde	∞ Siddharth Mishra
∞ Arunima Nair	∞ Shubham Kamalapure
∞ Akshay Sable	∞ Pooja Shetty
	∞ Komal Silmula



This test was conducted for second year MCA in fourth semester and for first year MCA in second semester, on 17<sup>th</sup> of April, 2017. The tests were conducted online. The questions were application-oriented based on the university syllabus which was intended to enhance their technical skills. The tests were well received by the students which will help for their academic excellence as well as their placement activities.

-By Prof. Monali Rajput, Prof. Vaishali Gatty



# Convocation



A degree distribution ceremony for the students of the Department of MCA was conducted on 10<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018. The chief guest was Mr. Pankaj Doke, Senior Scientist, TCS Innovation Lab. He addressed outgoing batch with an inspiring speech. A total of 93 students from third year MCA attended the ceremony.

-By Prof. Sangeeta Oswal

# Report on "Born To Blossom"



"Born to Blossom" seminar was organized by the Swami Vivekananda Kendra, at Vivekanand Education Society's Institute of Technology on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2018 for the VESIT students and faculty. Shri Vishwas Ramchandra Lapalkar, Prant Sanghatak of Maharashtra Prant was the guest speaker. He has previous held many other posts notably professor of Zoology in a college in Nagpur and a faculty for teachers orientation training course in institutions and universities.

The speaker started his speech by informing the audience, about the museum dedicated to Swami Vivekananda that was inaugurated a year ago, by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Rameshwaram, a place which is in close proximity to the residence of the former president of India A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. He said that the intended topic of the day was originally "Born to Succeed" which he prudently changed to "Born to Blossom" which is also the name of a book written by Dr. Kalam.

He fondly recounted how his journey had begun with this same institution many many years ago, when he along with fifteen of his friends were addressed by Mr. Hashu Advani, who inspired him to know more about Swami Vivekananda and his mission.

After sharing many of his experiences he concluded by the session asking the audience to create a good personality, be transparent and true to oneself, create a good relationship with one's own family. Work for harmony in the society and peace and order among the nations.

-By Prof. Sunny Nahar



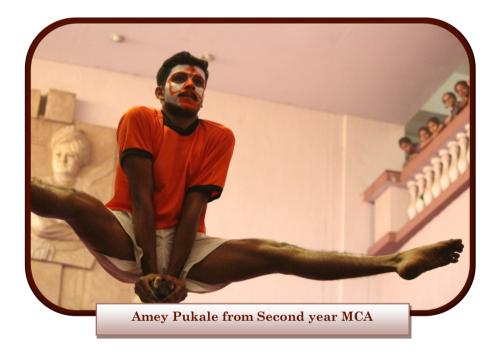
# **Expert Lecture**

- ◆ Mr. Dilip J. Mansukani, Sr. Tech Lead and Mr Amlendu Choudhary, principal Engg, Diebold, Mumbai gave a lecture on "Memory Management" on 3<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2018 for first year MCA.
- ◆ Mr. Vaidyanathan B. gave a lecture on "Application of Graphics in Industrial Automation" on 8<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 for second year MCA.
- ◆ Mr. Nilesh Bane gave a lecture on "Data Warehousing with Pentaho" on 10<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 for second year MCA.
- ♦ Mr. Dilip J. Mansukani, Sr. Tech Lead and Mr Amlendu Choudhary, principal Engg, Diebold, Mumbai gave a lecture on *"Ethical Hacking"* on 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 for first year MCA.

-By Prof. Ruchi Rautela

## **Extracurricular**

# Illusion '18





*Illusion* is an annual cultural event held at VESIT which pits the students against each other and test their ability to work in teams. *Illusion'18* was a competition between six teams: Imperials, Conquerors, Invaders, Laureates, Intruders, Prevailers. Each team has 52 members.

Illusion'18 was held from 10<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018 to 13<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018 which included seven portfolios viz. Dance, Drama, Music, Aesthetics, Literature, Sports and Visual Arts.

**Dance**: Aishwarya Silwal, Jui Vichare of first year MCA, Ameya Pukale and Swastik Sharma of second year MCA won *1st prize*.

**Dance**: Vaishak Nambiar of first year MCA won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize.

**Dance**: Pratibha Pal of first year MCA won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

Drama: Akshat Upadhyay of first year MCA won 1st prize.

**Drama**: Siddhant Shinde of first year MCA won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

**Sports**: Vinay Pawar of first year MCA, John Devnur, Chandan Gupta and Akshay Auti of second year MCA won *1st prize*.

Music: Ajay Prajapati of second year MCA won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize.

Music: Tarandeep Singh Saini, Prithvi Bose of first year MCA won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

**Sports**: Punya Jadhav, Rahul Rai of first year MCA and Pawan Patil of third year MCA won **2**<sup>nd</sup> **prize**.

**Sports**: Anuja Pawar, Elisha Dallu, Sarthak Javeri, Divesh Punjabi of first year MCA, Akash Jaiswal of second year MCA and Ankit Ayyar of third year MCA won *3rd prize*.

Aesthetics: Karishma Chavan of first year MCA and Akash Sarfare of third year MCA won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

-By Prof. Ramesh Solanki



# UTSAV '18

The event of Utsav'18 was celebrated on 26th of March, 2018 and 27th of March, 2018. The winners are as follows:

- ◆ Akshay Salekar from second year MCA, won *first prize* in **Solo Dance**.
- ◆ Ujwal Suvarna from second year MCA, won **second prize** in **Dance**.
- ◆ Ajay Prajapati from second year MCA, won **second prize** in **Solo Singing**.
- Ajay Prajapati & Shivamohan Nair from second year MCA, won **second prize** in **Duet Singing**.
- ◆ Kedar Lele from second year MCA, won **second prize** in **BOTS** (Marathi).
- Renuka Ram from second year MCA, won *third prize* in **Mehendi**.
- ◆ Soham Akhave, Aishwarya Silwal, Anuja Pawar, Nikhil Sawant, Balraj Gowda from first year MCA, won *third prize* in **Spoof It.**

-By Prof. Ramesh Solanki

# **Outdoor Spurthi**

*Sphurti* is the college sports event where each class from different department compete with each other for various indoor and outdoor sports events. The outdoor sports events i.e. OUTDOOR SPHURTI commenced from 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2018 and ended on 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2018. OUTDOOR SPHURTI included the sports events like cricket, football, kabaddi, volleyball, throwball, handball, athletics and dodgeball.

#### Winners:

- ◆ First Year MCA, won *first prize* in **Football** team event.
- ◆ First Year MCA, won *first prize* in **Cricket** team event.
- First Year MCA, won **second prize** in **Kabaddi** team event.



-By Prof. Dr. Shiv Kumar Goel

# **Faculty Pursuits**

# **Kudos to Dr Shiv Kumar Goel**

Shiv Kumar Goel (Deputy HOD, Department of MCA) completed his **Ph.D. in Computer Science** in June 2018 from Jayoti Vidyapeeth, Women's University, Jaipur (Faculty of Engineering and Technology).

The topic for his Ph.D research was 'Investigating e-penalty for Managing and Improving Regional Transport office using Information and Communication Technology I.C.T. (an e-governance Endeavour)'. He has published 6 papers in International Conferences and International Journals including IEEE, ELSEVIER and SPRINGER, related to his research. His research was a deep study of penalty systems in different countries and provided a global solution to the problem in India with the help of I.C.T tools and techniques. His areas of interest are E- Governance, Information System and Management, Human-Computer Interaction, Machine Learning and Applied AI.







# Training, Workshops & Faculty Development

- ◆ Mrs. Barnali Saha attended one week "STTP Course ON R PROGRAMMING, PYTHON AND PEARL" at K J Somaiya Institute of Engineering and Information Technology (KJSIEIT) on 2<sup>nd</sup> of January, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli attended AICTE sponsored " *STTP COURSE ON Open Source Technologies for Engineering Education*", at Don Bosco Institute of Technology (DBIT) from 2<sup>nd</sup> of January, 2018 to 6<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018.
- Mr. Dashrath Mane organised a one day workshop on "Robotics" for selective students from final year non-IT students and on "Android application Development" for selective students from final year students by PrakoTechnocratz from IT Branches, on 10<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane attended a talk on "Enriching Indian Education Through Value Based Systems" by Mr. Atulbhai Kothari organised by VES Institute of Management studies on 16<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Monali Rajput conducted Orientation program on " *Digital Forensics*" (Elective-Sem IV) subject in VESIT on 23<sup>rd</sup> of January, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs Sangeeta Oswal Conducted a Course on "*Hadoop with Apache Spark*" for SYMCA students under Cloudera Academic Partnership with VESIT from 20<sup>th</sup> of August, 2017- 3<sup>rd</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Nishi Tiku and Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli attended a two days Accenture Learning Symposium on "*Deep Learning and DevOps*" organized by Accenture at NMIMS on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane attended orientation programme for " *Ethics & CSR*" organised by BVIMIT on 10<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Meenakshi Garg participated in the workshop on "Data Mining and Business Intelligence" organised by Sterling Institute of Management Studies on 14<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs Ruchi Rautela attended a special talk on "*Health and Immunity*" organized by VESIT and VESLARC on 14<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.
- ♦ Mrs Ruchi Rautela, Mrs. Sangeeta Oswal and Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli attended a hands-on session on " CNN-Deep Learning" by Ms Akshaya Chandorkar organised by IT Department at VESIT on 15<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli participated in the orientation programme on "Artificial Intelligence And Soft Computing" organised by NMITD on 1<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane has organised a one day workshop on "*Design Thinking*" for selective students from prefinal year CMPN/IT/MCA by Mr. Dilip Purohit , Capgemini on 3<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2018.
- Mrs Ruchi Rautela, Mrs. Rohini Temkar attended Session on Posture Management "Get Empowered with a Good Posture" by Mrs. Sangeeta Sundaram, at VESIT on 8th of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane has coordinated JP Morgan's "CFG Roadshow" for pre final year students from all circuit branches on 9<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Sunny Nahar organised a session for first year students of MCA and FE on a topic "Born to Blossom" conducted in VESIT by Swami Vivekananda Kendra, Dadar on 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli organized an industry interaction session on "Robotic Process Automation" by Vishal Ahire and Rathish Pillai from General Mills on 27<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.
- ♦ Mr. Ramesh Solanki attended a three days short term skill development workshops on "Internet of Things" by ATS Learning Solutions from 29<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane has coordinated a talk on "Future IOT" for students from all divisions by Mr. Pratik Phatak from ISOC 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs.Dhanamma Jagli conducted Expert lecture on " *Introduction to database systems*" to TE EXTC students on 4<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018.







- ◆ Mr. Dashrath Mane coordinated a talk on "*Fintech*" conducted by Nomura Services India PVT Ltd on 18<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli attended AICTE Sponsored STTP On "Open Data Science With IoT", conducted at Vidyalankar Institute of Technology, Wadala(east), Mumbai from 25<sup>th</sup> of June, 2018 to 30th of June, 2018.
   -By Prof. Sunny Nahar, Prof. Meenakshi Garg

# Co-curricular

- ◆ Mrs Meenakshi Garg completed an eight week NPTEL certification course on "Data Mining" from February of 2018 to March of 2018.
- ◆ An Online certification course on "The Complete Google Analytics Course For Beginners" on 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan, 2018 at Udemy was completed by Mrs Meenakshi Garg.
- ◆ Mrs Ruchi Rautela completed 8 weeks NPTEL online certification course on "Introduction to Research" by IIT Madras on 30<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.

-By Prof. Sunny Nahar, Prof. Meenakshi Garg

# Research Forum

- ◆ Mrs Dhanamma Jagli and Mrs. Sangeeta Oswal attended a talk on " *Role of Technology Adaptation for Financial Inclusion*" by Dr. Shalu Chopra organised by Department of IT, VESIT under Research Forum on 21<sup>st</sup> of February, 2018.
- ◆ The department of MCA, VESIT has organized an expert session on "Basics of IOT" in collaboration with VESIT Research Forum on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. Mr. Hitesh Patil and Mr. Sandeep Patil from SANKEY SOLUTIONS conducted the session.
- ◆ The VESIT Research Forum with the department of MCA also arrange a session on "Data Science"

  /Analytics with SAS "on 10<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018 where Mrs. Meenakshi Garg conducted the session.
- ◆ Mr. Sunny Nahar, Mr. Dashrath Mane, Mr. Ramesh Solanki, Mrs. Sangeeta Oswal, Mrs. Geocey Shejy, Mrs. Rohini Temkar, Mrs. Ruchi Rautela, Mrs. Archana C, Mrs. Vaishali Gatty, Mrs. Monali Rajput and Mrs. Manju Ahuja attended a talk on " Data Science/Analytics with SAS" organized by Department of MCA, VESIT under Research Forum on 10<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018.

-By Prof. Dashrath Mane

# Seminar/Conference attended

- ◆ Mrs Ruchi Rautela attended an International conference on "Smart City And Emerging Technologies" in association with Bombay IEEE section at Vasai, Mumbai on 5<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018.
- ◆ Mrs Sangeeta Oswal participated in "Smart India Hackathon 2018" as a MENTOR organized by MHRD and AICTE at the Techno India University Nodal Center on 30<sup>th</sup> on March to 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2018.
   -By Prof. Sunny Nahar, Prof. Meenakshi Garg

# Other Activities

- ◆ Mrs Ruchi Rautela as coordinator for SEED Infotech conducted "SEED IT IDOL TEST" organised by Seed Infotech for the Department of MCA, Computer and Information Technology. The Students of first year and second year MCA, Second year and , 20third year Computer and Second year and third year IT department participated in the test on 20th of February 18.
- ◆ Mrs. Dhanamma Jagli Delivered a Expert lecture on "Enriching Research: Applications of Quantitative and Qualitative Techniques" at the National Conference organised by department of chanakya International Institute of Leadership Studies (CIILS), University of Mumbai kalina from 10<sup>th</sup> of March to 11<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.







- ♦ Mrs. Rohini Temkar and Mrs. Mona Deshmukh mentored the project under "Smart India" *Hackathon*" conducted in GNIT, Pahihati, Kolkatta, West Bengal from 30th of March to 31st of March, 2018.
- ♦ Mrs Sangeeta Oswal mentored the project under "Smart India Hackathon" Conducted in TechnoPark, Kolkata, West Bengal from 30th of March to 31st of March, 2018.
- Our distinguished faculty published and presented **thirteen research** papers in national and international journals and conferences.

-By Prof. Sunny Nahar, Prof. Meenakshi Garg

# **Expressions**

# Au revoir: Till we meet again

"Goodbyes make you think. They make you realize what you've had, what you've lost, and what you've taken for granted."

-By Nikal Ghatourey





MCA Batch of 2015-18

Today, as I am writing this note, I feel honoured and heavy hearted at the same time. I am honoured because I have the opportunity to deliver it, sad because it's me who has to do the tough job of wishing goodbye to all of you.

I will not go into vivid details to describe how amazing seniors you have been. We couldn't have been more comfortable with our seniors.

We have learnt a lot from you, and many of you have inspired us in different ways. Never did we ever feel bullied in your presence, rather, we felt like one integrated family.

However, it is the universal truth we all have to face, whether we want to or not, everything eventually comes to an end. But endings are inevitable. Leaves fall, you close a book, you say goodbye. Today is one of those days for you all. You all are so much a part of us that you'll be with us no matter what, our North Star. And the small clear voices in our hearts that will be with us, always.

May your journey be that of valour. Tomorrow when we stand there to become a part of your world, we would look for those familiar faces, who would draw their hands out and share their experiences with us.

May you find the mountain that is right for you. Give and receive support along the way, be patient and persevere through the ups and downs that you will face. And importantly learn to enjoy the journey you are about to embark upon.

Always remember where you're going, but never forget where you came from.

We will miss you.

All the very best! Goodbye.

- By Manish Nagdev, Second Year MCA





# Resilience

Late March this year, the department of MCA was shaken by the news of the accident of a third year student, Mukesh Arethiya. Sunil Sahu, Mukesh's close friend came to VESIT to recall the incidents that followed.

Sunil striked up a conversation with Mukesh on the first day of college and they went on to become fast friends. According to Sunil, Mukesh is one of the most sarcastic and straight-forward people he had come across.

When recounting the moment he received the news Sunil says "I left work the moment I heard. By the time I got to the hospital, I had been in total panic. But for how anxious I was, his parents were equally calm. Instead of us comforting them, they were doing the comforting."

The circumstances surrounding the accident had been horrible. Mukesh is a victim of hit-and-run case. He was on his way home when the accident took place.



The status of Mukesh's health had everyone worried including the faculties. Within hours, the faculty and students had gathered aid for the grief-stricken family. The students of the then third year class had made a decision to forgo their farewell celebrations unanimously.

Mukesh hadn't woken for ten days. But after regaining consciousness, Mukesh had been on the road of speedy recovery.

Even while going through the tragic phase, his academic performance was never affected neither did his project. He excelled in his academics also his summer project was considered as one of the best projects by the examiners.

April this year, within few weeks after Mukesh's accident, another student from Mukesh's class got into a motorbike accident. Kunal Someskar got into an accident near his home, while he had been enjoying his day off from work. Kunal was immediately rushed to the hospital. His long string if surgeries started that day. Kunal says he does not remember almost two weeks after the incident. He had a long stay in hospital and had speedy recovery.

Fast forward to this day, both of them are recovering and recovering fast. Mukesh started working for Accenture on  $22^{\rm nd}$  of October.



-By Ankita Gaonkar





#### FOR MY SPECIAL FRIEND

तन्हाई की आदत सी थी हमें प्यार से डर लगता था अकेले रेहने की आदत सी थी हमें किसी के पास आने से डर लगता था

> लाखों की भीड़ मैं भी तन्हाई सी लगती थी ए दोस्त पता नहीं क्यों , पर तू भी पराई सी लगती थी

जो चला गया ज़िन्दगी से उसके बारे में सोचते सोचते जो हैं उसके साथ जीना भूल गए थे हम तेरे से पता नहीं क्यों यूही दूर हो गए थे हम

> पर फिर भी तूने ज़िन्दगी के हर मोड़ पर मेरा साथ निभाया मेरे तनहा दिल में भी तूने अपने प्यार का घर बसाया

जो बीत गया वो सपना हैं जो पास हैं वही अपना हैं कहके फिरसे ज़िन्दगी जीना सिखाया तूने मेरी तनहा सी जिंदगी मैं खुशियों का जहा खिलाया तूने

> बिगड़े हुए तो पेहले से थे हम तूने बेशरम भी बना डाला तेरे गतियों ने तो ऑक्सफ़ोर्ड डिक्शनरी को भी हरा डाला

तेरे संग चलते चलते हर राह आसान हो गई क्योंकि की देर से ही सही पर पता चल गया सबसे बड़ी मुसीबत तो मैंने खुद ही गले बांध ली

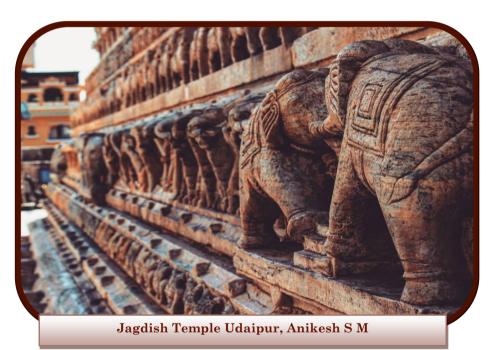
-By Ashwini Prabhakar Nimbalkar

(Second Year MCA)



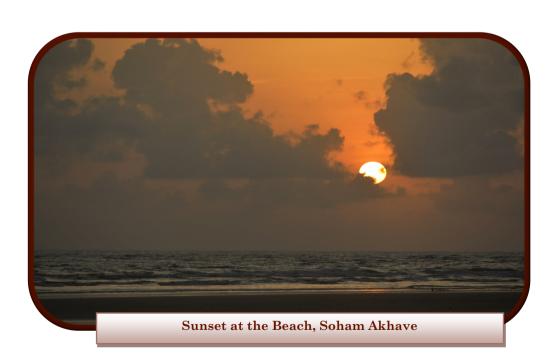
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### **Alumni Interaction**

-Ankita Gaonkar (MCA second year)



"Happiness can be found, even in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light."

- JK Rowling

Neha Menon is a VESIT alumni who graduated in the year 2018. While at VESIT Neha was an exemplary student and participated in various co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Neha, along with five others was part of the team that represented VESIT at Smart India Hackathon. Currently she works at General Mills as a Data Engineer.

### ♦ Tell us something about your time at VESIT. Are there any moments that stand out?

My time at VESIT was a real rollercoaster. It had its ups and downs. I have made friends who are now an irreplaceable part of my life. I had the experiences of a lifetime and was fortunate enough to understand the intricacies of adult life while still being a student. I have also met some people who shattered my illusion of a perfect world where good reaps good and bad, bad.

### ♦ Why did you choose to get enrolled for the course at VESIT?

To opt for MCA was just a chance. I wasn't even going to give the entrance exam. My mom threatened me with bodily harm (just kidding!) if I wasted the exam fees, so begrudgingly I attempted the exam and I passed with flying colors. As for choosing VESIT, it was a choice between my previous college, i.e. the one I graduated from and VESIT. To take admission in VESIT was a split-second decision. Affordability played an important part in the decision.

#### ♦ How did it feel like coming in on the first day and leaving on the last day at VESIT?

I might not look like it but I have a strong aversion to socializing and I am just really bad at making initial conversations. The only good thing I could think of on my first day was that my best friend, Namrata, who was once again late. But that was a blessing in disguise, because then I had to summon my inner Gryffindor and make friends on my own. The last day was not that significant for me because I did not leave anything behind. My friends and I are still thick as thieves with all of us having our jobs nearby. We still come to college every two months for some reason or the other. So, I am guessing the transition wasn't abrupt.

# • Were you always decided on getting a master's degree rather than a job after your bachelors?

I did have a few job-offers after my graduation. But my family is highly education oriented and that I would do post-graduation was a given, maybe just not immediately. My entrance results just sealed the deal and my mom, grand-mom and cousin brother were vehemently against me getting into the corporate world that early on. So, MCA happened.

#### ◆ Do you remember the moment you found out about getting placed in General Mills?

Yes, distinctly! I had gone to the General Mills office during my second year as part of their Campus Connect initiative and was instantly taken by their culture and the technologies, their legacy of more than 150 years. So, when I got into General Mills, I was on the seventh cloud.







## • Can you give us some pointers for successfully cracking an interview?

In my opinion a good resume can make or break your career. Not just the formatting but the content. Just doing well academically is going to take you nowhere. Or just focusing on extracurricular is definitely not helpful. Your resume should have a perfect balance of curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Also, you need to inculcate the habit of speaking confidently, in English, no matter how grammatically incorrect it is.

#### ♦ How different is the life out in the real world?

I don't think it varies drastically. Just that you need to adjust with people of different mind sets, know which battles to pick and which to let go.

# ♦ While in VESIT you were part of various co-curricular activities. Did it help you building up your confidence?

Tremendously! Not only were those great learning experiences, the time spent on these extracurricular activities were some of the best in my life. It is because of these events that I got to speak, in one instance, before more than 250 people (twice!) and, in Smart India Hackathon, in front of about 500 people. If that does not push you out of your comfort zone then I have no idea what will. My time with VESIT Connect and Anantha helped me refine my written skills that has helped me loads at my work place.

### ♦ How important do you think is one's resume when going in for an interview?

Your resume is your first impression. It is what you are. It is like the features chart of products if you will. If the employers do not like your features, they will move on to greener pastures. So that is your one shot to make them want to stay.

#### ♦ How would you describe your time working on the Smart India Hackathon?

It was great! Us going for Smart India Hackathon and winning it is a testament to the fact that there is something known as fate. We registered for it at the college level at the last hour, that too because Rohini Mam insisted. We chose the problem statement randomly. We came up with the solution a few hours before the college level selections and immediately made the PPT. We had no script for the presentation. But, our presentation turned out to be awesome! We got selected at the college level. Since we were only three, we needed three more to register, we randomly selected from our group of ten friends, and voila! We had a team. Later though we worked day in and day out towards the solution and I would say we reaped the benefits of our hard-work.

# ♦ You were with Anantha since its conception. I refer to the interviews you conducted to draft these questions for you. Can you tell us about that experience?

As you said, I and Venkatesh were with Anantha since its conception and we were there when the various sections were decided. We were the ones who got the logo done. We were with it through thick and thin and it feels really good to find out that it did not end with us!

# • How does it feel to be at the receiving end of the interview?

While drafting the interview questions for the previous issues I would always wonder what answers I would give. I guess I don't have to wonder anymore.

#### ♦ What do you see yourself doing in the near future?

Well, working I guess. Trying to move up the corporate ladder. Getting another degree. Buying a house. Attaining nirvana. The options are boundless!









-Kate Douglas Wiggin

We congratulate Mr. Sunny Nahar on birth of his daughter, Thia.

May your newborn always give out rays of sunshine and happiness to the people around her.





