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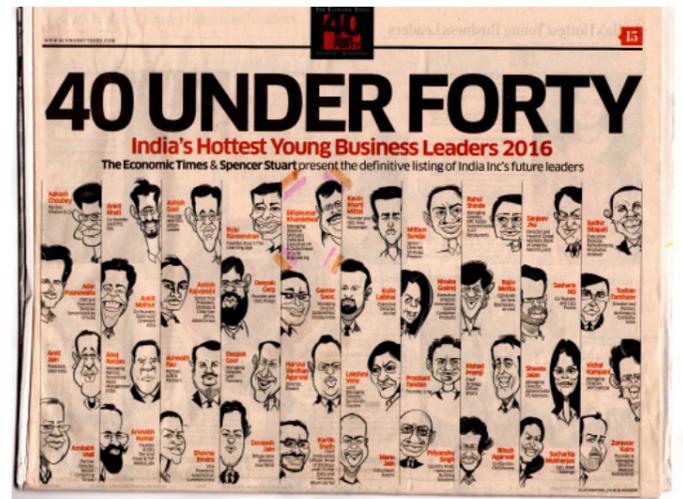
VESITian amongst India's Hottest Business Leader

-by L. Sowmyasree

In a proud moment for VESITians, Mr. Dilipkumar Khandelwal, Managing Director of SAP Labs India and Executive Vice President and Head of Suite Engineering at SAP SE has been named one of the "40 Under Forty: India's Hottest Young Business Leaders 2016" by the Economic Times.

Mr Khandelwal has been with SAP for over 14 years spanning across different roles. As the Managing Director and head of Global Suite Engineering, he leads an organization focused on developing and supporting applications in SAP Business Suite, Strategic Industries and the cloud infrastructure, and Delivery for SAP Globally.

Mr Khandelwal belongs to the 1998 batch of VESIT from Dept of EXTC. He has also completed an executive leadership program from INSEAD and holds an Executive MBA from the Indian School of Business.



Mr. Khandelwal selected as one of India's hottest young business leaders 2016.

VESITians give a push to rural healthcare

-by Shivani Bhat

"City college students give rural healthcare a push" read the headline of the DNA newspaper on 24 September, 2016 which featured five VESITians - four students along with their mentor.

With the vision to provide an ease of access to doctors, four students of our college from the electronics and telecommunications department developed a health monitoring system for the rural.

Under the guidance of Prof. Nadir Charniya (ExTC Dept.), they developed a prototype that will help doctors monitor rural patient's vital signs to facilitate better diagnosis.

The four students - Rahul Goswami, Laveen Dudlani, Ashni Damaria and Prekasha Goyal in the project report said, "There is not enough number of doctors to cater the need of large population. Also strikes are now a very common phenomenon. Telecom industry in India is expanding in leaps and bounds. So it is possible to access patient at ease, this leads to efficient time management of specialist doctor who are very fewer in number in our country. Therefore there arises the need for a device that will remotely monitor the patient parameter like ECG, heart rate and temperature on the computer system or mobile App. The specialist doctor can remotely monitor the patients, thus managing his/her precious time."

The prototype consists of a sensor which will be attached to the patient's finger. The sensor will record vital signs like blood pressure, heart rate and temperature of the body. The data recorded can then be accessed by a doctor through a computer or a mobile device remotely. ECG was proposed as a future scope to the prototype. The students could successfully build the prototype at a sum of Rs.7500 which was later reimbursed by the college. Though the students graduated this year, the proposed prototype could be taken up by the next batch as a B.E project wherein additional features could be added to enhance its functioning. "We can add a camera to the set up, thereby allowing the doctor to see the patient", suggested Damaria.



Prof. Nadir Charniya with Rahul Goswami, Laveen Dudlani, Ashni Damaria and Prekasha Goyal .

Teacher's Day Celebrated at VESIT

-by Vyjayanthi Kamath

Teacher's Day is celebrated all around the world to acknowledge and appreciate the hard work of teachers, and in India, this day is observed on September 5 every year. At VESIT, the Teacher's Day function was held in the auditorium and was celebrated on 2 September as 5 September fell in between the mid-term break. On that day, the teachers were first treated to a sumptuous lunch followed by a program arranged by the Student's Council. It was also the time to honor the teachers' who had completed more than 20 years of service in this institute. This year, two professors from the Department of Humanities & applied Sciences, Prof. TPP Nair and Prof. Subhash Singh were honored for completing 20 years of teaching at VESIT. They were presented with Lifetime Achievement Awards, following a small presentation on each of them, focusing on their careers and their esteemed educational contributions to our college.

Teachers from all departments attended the function and enjoyed the spontaneous show put up by the students from the college council. We thank all the teachers of VESIT, past and present, for their commitment and dedication to educating the country's future minds. Also, it's befitting to say, if you can read this article, thank a teacher!



Principal Dr. J. M. Nair Presents a token of appreciation to Prof S.B. Singh fo completing 20 years at VESIT



Slide with the photo of Prof. T.P.P.Nair shown at the venue of Teacher's Day celebration.

20 Years at VESIT

- by Vyjayanthi Kamath
Rohit Sreedhar



Prof. S.B. Singh

Prof. S.B. Singh obtained his mechanical engineering degree from K.B.P. College of Engineering, Satara with Distinction in 1992 and M.E from Lokmanya Tilak College of Engineering, MU in 2011. He joined VESIT in 1996, when it was situated in the old campus with only four branches and four FE divisions! He even now reminisces about his first lecture in an EXTC class.

For Prof. S.B. Singh, the college has been a wonderful place and he remains ever so grateful for finding his family here, at VESIT. He has worked under eminent senior faculty; Prof. Rama Prakash, Prof. Karnik, Prof. Shobha krishnan, Prof. T.P.P.Nair, Prof. Khadilkar, Prof. Vijayalakshmi, Prof. Sinha and Prof. Vijaykumar, to name a few.

When asked about his opinion on VESIT students he states, "I have worked here for more than two decades and have seen students passing out through these years. I must say that we are getting best students. They have been proving their capabilities over the time."

Prof. Ravi Shankar, a colleague from the same department, describes him as a person of probity. "I was impressed with the way he used to conduct his lectures in the old building. There is always a pin drop silence in his lecture even during the Engineering Drawing practicals where students generally tend to get into chatting with each other." remarks Prof. Ravi Shankar.

Here's congratulating Prof. S. B. Singh on never giving up and working harder every year to educate and inspire young minds every day.

A very famous phrase one must have heard; "There is no substitute for hard work". This year marks a special testament to it, as **Prof. Subhash Singh**, from the Department of Humanities and Applied Sciences, completes twenty years of teaching. As a student, he was always in the merit list and as a teacher, he has been described as a loyal, honest and disciplined teacher by his colleagues. Apart from teaching, he is also associated with Blood Donation Camp since 1997.

Prof Subhash Singh obtained his mechanical engineering degree from K.B.P. College



Prof. T.P.P. Nair

VESIT has come a long way in its due course of existence and is backed by its firm pillars. These firm pillars are our faculty and staff members who have fortified the institution with their experience and expertise. Among many such contributions, here is one journey that has been seasoned with the experience of two decades. **Prof. T.P.P. Nair** counts of his 20 year long career in the Humanities and Applied Sciences department while walking down the memory lane. An alumni of NIT, Calicut he completed his BE in Mechanical Engineering in the year 1980. In the year 1992 he joined VESIT as a lecturer in Humanities and Applied Sciences department and since then he has grown with the institution. His association with the institute was right from its initial days where the college had only three branches back then and there used to be just three divisions in the FE. He still remembers his first lecture in VESIT very vividly which was delivered to Computer Engineering branch in the old building. Since then, many batches of students have passed their FE under him, as VESIT metamorphosed into its present sprawling campus. As time flew by, VESIT became his second home. Nair Sir is all in praise for his colleagues and seniors and is grateful to them for their support and guidance. He mentions learning a lot from Rama Prakash Madam, Karnik Madam, Shoba Madam, Nair Madam, Khadilkar Madam, Vijaylaxmi Madam and Shreedharan sir to name a few. He has cordial relations with all the staff members and is always there to encourage and extend every help to all the new recruits.

Prof. Vijay Shelwalkar, Nair sir's colleague says "Nair sir is a very polite and a sincere man. In spite of being the senior professor he has no ego and respects all the fellow faculties. It has been a pleasure working with him."

Coming to the students, Nair sir holds them in good regards and says that they have been proving the potentials by exploring their caliber in all directions.

We congratulate Nair sir on reaching this landmark achievement. Here's wishing him many more years of goodness in the institute and the strength to empower and ignite many more young minds.

VESIT Voice

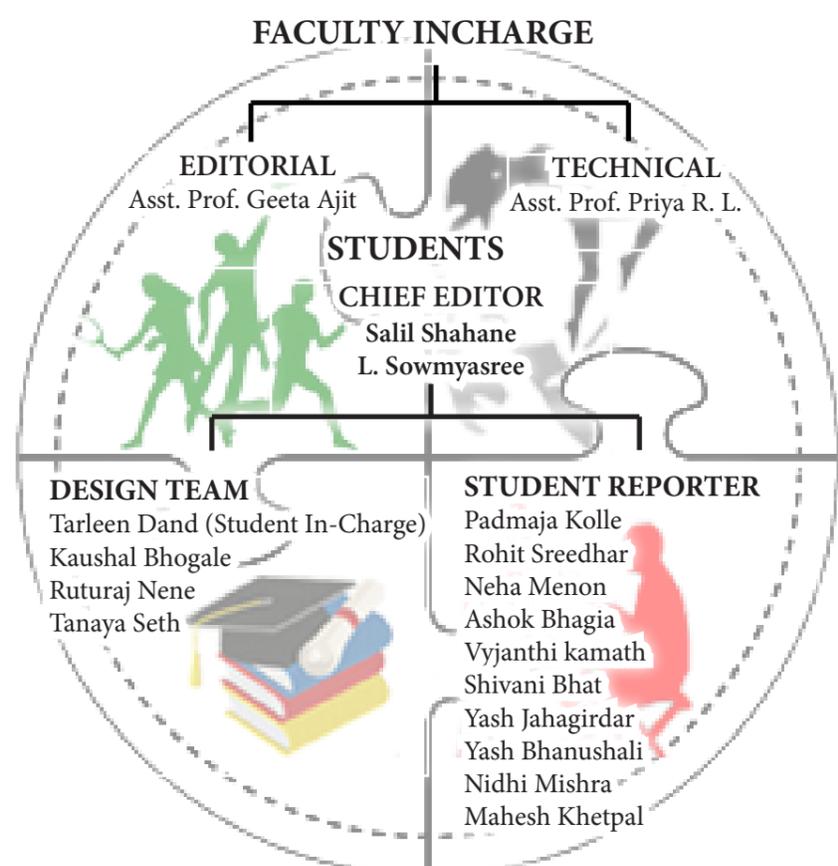
As you all gear up for the final semester examination, we bring to you the monthly dose of all the news in and around the college to relieve you from the stress. This September issue brings to you a glimpse of all the major events in VESIT - like the mega tech fest Praxis'16. Also it covers the Freshers welcoming event at VESIT, Udaan. This year Praxis also saw Terribly Tiny Tales coming to college to conduct a workshop on writing short stories or to be precise a tale in 140 characters. Also, the month of September was filled with placements happening every week and this year VESIT broke the jinx of three years when two students bagged the offer from MORGAN STANLEY, the most coveted company to work for among all the companies coming on campus to VESIT. We bring to you an interview with these two students, who share their invaluable experience at bagging the job. Keeping up with tradition of giving back to the society, this month also saw SoRT week organised by the SoRT council, where the stalls were set up featuring several handicrafts made by various orphan and the underprivileged section of the society. VESIT also celebrated the Teacher's Day to commemorate our former president, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan. The college felicitated its two very own professors Mr. S.B Singh and Mr. TTP Nair on this day, for their seamless service to this institution for twenty long loyal years. Apart from this we bring to you the regular columns of musings and expressions and student speak where we let our students speak out their mind regarding the contemporary, local and global issues. The topics for this month's student speak are India at Rio and GST: The What and How? We also bring to you the coverage from the various technical society events that took place during this bygone month. In this issue we bring to you a candid interview with another dynamic VESIT alumnus Mr. Satish Sundaresan who has been working in the field of automotive electronics and owns a company called Elektrobot. Thus this issue too promises the readers an insightful glimpse into the happenings of the bygone month.

Happy Reading!

"Before we can build a stable civilization worthy of humanity as a whole, it is necessary that each historical civilization should become conscious of its limitations and it's unworthiness to become the ideal civilization of the world."

- Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

The 'VESIT CONNECT' Team



spRdh(स्पृध्)

Engage, Perform and Compete Through Project Ideas

-by Padmaja Kolle

The best way to master a subject is by doing projects. Through a project you not only get a deeper understanding of the subject but also gain hands-on practical experience. This has got into the mind of our fellow computer engineering students and our well supportive staff has managed yet another opportunity for the students to shine! spRdh is a platform, especially for second and third year computer engineering students to create projects of their imagination and add an asset to their knowledge by doing so. This event is for both, individuals and teams alike. Initially, they had to submit their project proposal which were later reviewed by a panel of teachers on 31st August '16. Students had to pitch in their ideas and explain the working of their project. Later, mentors were allocated to the teams which comprises of Prof. Nupur Giri, Prof. Gresha Bhatia, Prof. Prashant Kanade, Prof. Sharmila Sengupta and Prof. Sujata Khedkar. The staff will be mentoring their respective teams and final projects will be completed possibly, by the end of academic year.

CULTURAL EVENTS

Udaan '16

-by Kavya Parag

The budding engineers of VESIT were welcomed with lots of enthusiasm and gusto by the 2016 Cultural Council. The event was renamed as Udaan thus setting up new hopes of soaring high with the 2016's Freshers. The theme for the day was Go Desi.

Banners of the 'Go Desi' theme covered the amphitheatre and other parts of the college for days before the event. A series of fun events such as Innovation, Dance, Mr and Miss Freshers and a few more games were conducted. Every class showed their participation in making collages and Posters with allotted themes and the best one was rewarded at the end of the Event.



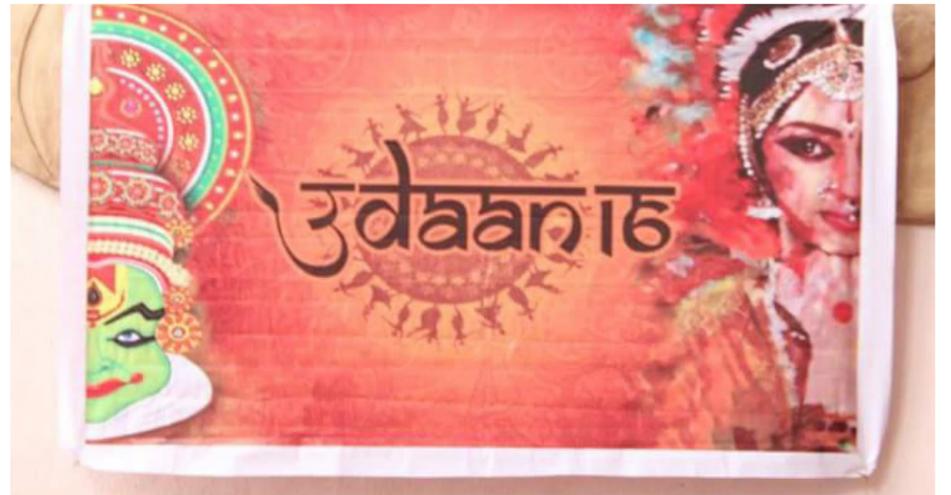
Aesthetics Udaan '16

A new initiative to generate awareness amongst the teenagers was taken forth by the Nashabandi Mandal Maharashtra Rajya by Amol Madame, the founder of the NGO. Similar topics of drug abuse were used by the students for their poster making competitions. The NGO participation was a culmination of combined efforts of the SORT Council and CULTURAL Council.

A new event was added up this year called Treasure hunt. This event gave the winners a chance for a direct entry to the Praxis Treasure Hunt.

The Mr. and Miss Fresher faced a tough competition. In the end, Amruta Parab(Class) won the Miss Fresher 2016 and Somesh Sidhwani (Class) won the Mr Fresher 2016.

The College Dance Team performed with their dance talents and set a new level in dance for the students. At the end the entire student Council was called upon the stage and a brief introduction was given to the students. Students participated in large numbers in all the events and games.



Udaan '16 Banners

The Cultural Council worked very hard in making Udaan a successful event. It was with their combined efforts, cooperation and Management did the students have a Great start at Vesit. Udaan indeed provided a platform for the newbies to Soar High!



Mr. Amol Madame - Nashabandi Mandal Maharashtra Rajya

UDAAN '16

Giving Wings to Ambition

-by Neha Menon

“No, this is not the beginning of a new chapter in my life; this is the beginning of a new book! That first book is already closed, ended, and tossed into the seas; this new book is newly opened, has just begun! Look, it is the first page! And it is a beautiful one!”

— C. JoyBell C.

VESIT MCA has a long standing tradition of welcoming it's newest members with great pomp and gusto; this year was no different. Udaan'16 was held on the 1st of September. It was organised by the student council of the MCA department with great exuberance. The event was held at the Saraswati end of the Amphitheater.

The event kick started with the lighting of the lamp, as per our tradition, by the faculty members of MCA department, including Prof. Nishi Tiku, Prof. Rohini Temkar, Prof. Sangeeta Oswal, Prof. Dhanamma Jagli, Prof. Vaishali Gatty, Prof. Meenakshi Garg, Prof. Ameya Parker, Prof. Sunny Nahar and Prof. Ramesh Solanki. The first part of the event was hosted by Sandesh Nambiar and Neha Menon of SYMCA. The Freshers had come dressed in their Sunday best, looking forward to an eventful day. The theme of the event was 'Spotlight' with the colors being Red, Black and Blue. After the auspicious lighting of the lamp, a welcoming dance was performed by Kshitija Vartak of the Second Year, followed by the introduction to the college and its ways by the hosts.

There were many mind blowing performances by both the seniors and the freshers that kept the revellers entertained. The games littered throughout the event made it livelier. The antics of Pawan Patil and Vijay Singh who hosted the games managed to keep the audience engaged. With souls satiated, it was now time to fill their tummies. The freshers were treated to a wonderful gourmet.

Next in line was the age old tradition of finding out the Mr. and Miss Freshers which was hosted by Ayush Shukla and Preeti Ramesh. The event was judged by Mr. Raashid Khan, Mr. Achillius Almeida and Miss. Vidula Sawant. The contestants, who were selected on the basis of their responses in the Fresher's form, were put through a series of tests wherein they had to introduce them to the audiences, showcase their talent and answer the judges. Mr. Swastik Sharma and Miss. Nikita Patil emerged out as the winners of the title. They were then adorned with the sashes and a crown. This was followed, on public demand, by the famous 'Baby Doll Dance' by Achillius which had the audiences in splits. An added bonus was the performance by the Third Year students who took out time from their busy schedule to make the fresher's feel welcomed. This was the same action packed performance that won them the second price at Utsav '16. The event concluded with some enthusiastic dancing to the DJ's tunes by the freshers and the seniors alike. It was indeed a beautiful start to a wonderful journey!

Bliss

-by Souvik Saha

'Bliss', is the first event of the packed musical calendar at VESIT. It is the first event solely organised by the newly elected music council, to give us a sneak-peak into what's going to happen over the course of the whole year.

This year, it was up to Music Secretary, Viraj Bapat and his team of talented musicians to put up a show. And they sure were well up to the mark. The show was conducted on the ground floor, in the Seminar Hall at 3 pm on 26th of August 2016. Barely had it begun, than it had a full house. The Music Council put together quite a range of performances of varying genres, from Instrumental to Bollywood to Pop and this displayed their musical talents in full measure.

The hosts, Clive Aaron D'Souza (D11A), Vinit Pawar (D12A), Devansh Khakkar (D12B) and Rachita Fatehpuria (D12A) did their best to keep the crowd anticipating the next performance. They also delivered occasional witty one-liners, leaving the crowd in splits.

The organising team of Bliss did a good job of maintaining the flow of music and entertainment, in spite of some technical difficulties. The musical event was a great way to de-stress after a busy day at college!



The Big Stage - Bliss 2016

Praxis' 16 Glimpses

-by Deepa Narayanan

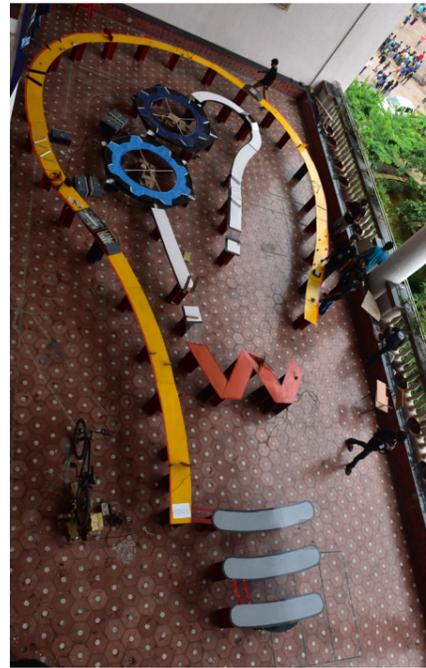
22nd and 23rd September will be etched in the memories of all the participants of VESIT's Annual Techfest Praxis'16. The axiom, Praxis, 'bringing theory to practice' was illustrated in true sense as the 'Imagineering' themed techfest witnessed the confluence of intellect and enthusiasm. The major highlights of the event included Maker Mela-an exhibition of startups, Coco Cola Youth Speak Forum powered by AIESEC, Terribly Tiny Tales workshop – (TTT) one of the most trending pages in social media and IGNITE- an international community event which had speakers discussing issues about various technical and non-technical topics. Augmented reality and Virtual reality held a significant place in the schedule. Apart from this, Robotics, LAN Gaming, Rink Football, Neon events, Dalal Street- virtual stock market also drew spectators in hoards. The all -

Mumbai Treasure Hunt proved to be yet another mystifying affair that allured the participation of almost 25 teams. Pre-Praxis events that closed followed the treasure hunt was a crowd puller and a roaring success.

The proper balance of fun, technical and educational events reflected the artistic and tech-based skills among the peers. The meticulous planning by the entire Praxis Committee surely paid off. Surely Praxis'16 has redefined standards for an event of this magnitude to be conducted in the years to come.



Bridge the gap event at Praxis 16



Robotics event at Praxis 16



A Tale of 140 Characters

-by Salil Shahane

As a part of the technical fest PRAXIS'16, a workshop was held by Terribly Tiny Tales, popularly known as ttt, to acquaint students with the art of writing micro fiction (A tale of 140 characters). Terribly tiny tales is a group of young enthusiasts who share a common interest of writing. These people came together and formed this society to share their stories in short and crisp manner. This society has a popular presence on the social media. They are widely acknowledged by the people across the country. They also encourage budding and willing writers to submit their stories and the best ones make the cut to their Facebook page for the world to read.

The workshop saw one of the co-founders of this society, Mr. Chintan Ruparel, interacting with the students of VESIT and sharing with them insights and experiences of writing a small yet meaningful story which leaves a reader with a lingering after-thought. Students enjoyed and actively interacted with the speaker and the workshop ended with a small competition where students were given a limited time of ten minutes to frame a story of 140 characters using the word 'Bubble'. Many novel and imaginative ideas flowed thought the auditorium enchanting the guest with the unbounded talent of VESITians. It was a pleasurable experience for students and a day to be remembered!



Terribly Tiny Tales workshop held in Auditorium.

SoRT Week

-by Rohit Sreedhar,
Shivani Bhatt

Social responsibility is something we all need to contribute to. However it becomes a tad difficult to extract time from our busy schedules and invest in noble causes. While our heart melts at the sight of the needy and unprivileged, it is necessary that the help reaches out to them effectively. NGOs definitely bridge that gap but are still a few steps away from us. And so there is SoRT, VESIT to our aid. SoRT has taken constant efforts to collaborate with various NGOs and offer them our help by bringing in their commodities right at our college. The amount generated by selling these products, that as well are rich in quality, is sent back to the NGOs from where it reaches the needy. They have also worked to have blood donation drives in the college which facilitate our contributions to reach out to the society.

This year's SoRT week too saw an enthusiastic crowd participating in the collection drive of old newspapers and clothes. Various NGOs visited the campus to sell in numerous products. While the succulent brownies and chocolates and the eco-friendly ganesh idols presented by the NGO Nasseoh attracted a huge crowd, the fancy diyas and necklace showcased by Balanand too enticed many buyers. The jute folders and diaries by Self Esteem and Tetra Packs as well as recycled products by RuR were equally desired.

The greeting cards brought in by Abharutsav sold for Rs.10 each. The creativity in the cards captured all glances at them and hence were a huge success too.

A sum of Rs.38,000 was the collection made during the entire SoRT week. It was donated to the NGOs which would be distributed to the needy.



Sort T-shirt



NGOs selling their products

SOCIETIES

CSI-VESIT

-by Yash Jagirdhar

After the various councils of CSI, whose selections were held from 8 August to 26 August, were formed and the various portfolios assigned to its members, the CSI started its activities. The following activities and competition were held:

Hidden Cipher: - Organized exclusively for S.E.'s, this competition tested the deciphering ability of the participants.

Wordpress Workshop: - Organized for both S.E.'s and T.E.'s, this workshop was aimed at giving insights into building of a website. The students were taught to take advantage of Wordpress and its plugins in formation of a website.

CodeBreaker: - Organized exclusively for T.E.'s, the students were asked to solve and crack codes using logic.

Article Writing: - in this competition the participants were asked to write an article about a given theme. The themes given were 1) Quantum Computing 2) Hillary Vs Trump. The best entries would be featured in CSI magazine.

The important members of this council are:-

Aditya Krishnan –Secretary

Pranay Mahaldar – Chair

Shantanu Shende – Co-Chair



Ashwini Vedula – Treasurer

Heartiest congratulations to all those nominated into the council this year.

IEEE-VESIT

-by Kavya Parag

With the formation of the Student Council, started the Society interviews. After toiling around 3 intense rounds of selection the Junior SE council and Senior TE BE Council of IEEE was formed. No sooner had the Society formed than it took upon itself to reign in the glory of the past and to make up for the inactive year they had to spend whole of last year.

The very first event was The Clash of Conquerors, the strategy card game with an amazingly intriguing format. It was a game with multiple rounds, each at a much challenging level than the previous. It is sure to put your strategically sound brain to test.

Immediately after their first comeback, IEEE launched a workshop on Matlab and LabVIEW, which was a favorite of many and received a great response from all the IEEE members.

This was followed by Quizzard. It was basically a quiz game with 3 rounds, last being a buzzer round. Then came the Online treasure hunt that lasted for two days.

The fresh new talent of IEEE came up with a new event names Com-flict - The best for Dc and Marvel Fan Club. The event was fun filled with various tasks that tested your skills thus letting you Buy Superheroes based on your points.

IEEE has surely emerged back with a bang filled with new talents and Games. It is sure to hook us up for even more fun events in the next few months.



IEEE Senior Council



IEEE Junior Council

ISA VESIT

-by Souvik Saha

The ISA Students Chapter for VESIT, the ISA-VESIT concluded with their round of selecting their Student Council. The new Council immediately organised two interactive technical sessions for the benefit of the SE and TE members.

On the 1st and 2nd of September, the ISA has organized a PCB Designing Workshop for the SE's. The workshop was conducted after college hours. On the first day, the students were taught the basics of the EAGLE Software by Gopal Krishnan Sir. He also explained the numerous types of PCB's and briefly described how they are manufactured. On the second day, the students were given hands on experience on soldering and mounting on PCB's by their seniors.

On the 19th of September, ISA-VESIT conducted an interactive technical session on PLC's (Programmable Logic Controller's) and on the basics of Ladder Diagrams, for the SE's and TE's, conducted by the Chief Event Organiser of ISA-VESIT, Akshay Rathi of D18. The students were presented with the basic working of various types of PLC's and were shown visual examples of a Bottle Filling Plant, a classic PLC application. On the 26th of September, students were shown actual PLC's in Lab 101.

Both these sessions were highly received by all the students and they are anticipating more of such technical events in the future.



PCB Workshop by ISA Vesit

ISTE-VESIT

-by Anu Singhal, Jeetikscha Chandiramani,
Anjali Jaisinghani

The Junior council of ISTE- VESIT began its functioning by taking interviews for forming the SE council. After the brainstorming interviews, the SE council of ISTE-VESIT was successfully formed. The character that defines the SE council is innovation, creativity, enthusiasm and dedication.

The very first event conducted was Math n Logic which was exclusively for the SE members of ISTE-VESIT. It was a stupefying three-day session conducted in the amphitheatre where the SEs used their mathematical and logical skills to solve puzzles and explored maths in an entirely new dimension! It made them look at mathematics with less hatred and more logic.

ISTE-VESIT also conducted the mega event, Dalal Street in our techfest Praxis'16. The ones who witnessed it know how great the mega event was! Both, an enthusiastic crowd of around 250 people and a well-co-ordinated team paved way for the great success of Dalal Street.

'Notice the unnoticed' is an upcoming event of ISTE-VESIT which goes on for a week. Here each day will have a different theme. Each poster has puzzles which will be put up on ISTE-VESIT's official android application, ISTE-VESIT's website and on the notice board. Members will have to decode the answers and two members from SEs and two members from TEs with most correct answers will be the winners!

Another upcoming event that will be conducted exclusively for the SEs is 'Prova- Imagination to actualization.' This event gives all the members a platform to let their imagination go wild and give an actual form to these ideas which existed only in their heads. The event tests the creativity and the marketing skills of the members.

ISTE-VESIT will also be conducting a workshop on Adobe Photoshop where members can learn this amazing software from professionals and get a chance to use it on their own.

Veslit Circle

-by Mahesh Khetpal

Once again the VESLit Circle had its selections and the new committee was formed in August, 2016. The aim was mainly to provide students with a platform to showcase their skills in debate, creative writing, elocution and acting, and also an arena for students interested in reading and films. In view of educating students with proper skills in the competitive areas and responding to the varied interest of students, different clubs formed under this circle. Each club has its own student leader who along with the team would chart out the activities for the year.

The Film Club named "Cinephila" will be screening different short films and documentaries. The film show will be followed by discussions on the various perspective and impact it had on the audience. The sessions initiates and enables the audience to develop the skill of presenting their view to the society at large.

The Readers' Paradise- the name of the reading club- was formed to cater to the interest of the book lovers. It will be holding discussion sessions every week on a pre- decided book. The guide/ link to soft copy is given to the students to help them gain access to this book. This club aimed at improving the vocabulary of the students and also their reading skills. The first event at Reader's Paradise was on the book The Guest Cat wrote by Takashi Hairaide. It had an amazing response from students

NLEASH – The Power of Speaking is the Debating Club which hold its session every Thursday to hone the debating skills of VESITians. The club aimed at providing those students who are interested in debating to show case their talent and also giving them ground to constantly improve themselves. Here the best students are also selected to represent the college in various inter collegiate debate competitions. The first event under this club was NLEASH-NLEASH-The power of speaking. This event was a huge hit as the student participated in large numbers to show their debating skills. Selected students were sent to NMIMS and K J Somaiya for inter collegiate debate competition.

The student leader for VESLit 2016-17 is Manoj Kamarajan. Lairai Karnik leads the NLeash, while Harsh Bhatia and Swati Nair leads Cinephila and the Readers' Paradise respectively.

Each of the activities held by VESLit had an overwhelming response from students. This has now become a platform for various students to practice, improve and sharpen their art of speaking and discourse.

MORGAN STANLEY-ELECT

-by Salil Shahane

This is a proud moment for VESIT as two of its brilliant students, Abhishek Shetye and Sagar Palao, both from D17A Computer department bagged the prestigious placement offer from Morgan Stanley. Here's a candid interview with the students after their selection.

Heartiest congratulations to both of you for getting placed in Morgan Stanley!

How was the overall interview experience?

Sagar: The overall experience of the interview was scary and interesting at the same time. From the minute I got the news that Morgan Stanley is coming for campus recruitment, I was excited and started brushing my coding and technical skills so that I don't leave any stone unturned. The day of aptitude was another exciting day and I tried to give my best. Anxiously waiting for the results of the aptitude, the moment I got the news that I was selected in the aptitude test of Morgan Stanley for the interview round, I paused and took a deep breath to prepare myself for the challenges ahead. Interview in general was technical-based. Surrounded by the best of talents from all over Mumbai, I was very nervous and saw very few chances of me getting selected. But finally, I made up my mind to give my best. The interview had a total of 4 rounds. The first technical round was an elimination round where only 7 out of 29 peoples were shortlisted for the next round. The second round was a group activity where we had to come up with a start-up idea, this was the best round for me because it involved expressing yourself and working in a team. The third round was an HR round, where being honest and loving yourself with whatever you do was the key. The fourth round was again an exhaustive technical round. A tech round at the end of day after so much of head crunching squeezed my mind but was able to come out of it. After all the rounds we headed home. At night, I got a call from Morgan Stanley stating I was selected and this single statement made the entire efforts worthy for me. The best part of the experience was the people at Morgan Stanley, so humble, kind and extremely professional.

Abhishek: It was a nice experience. I learnt a lot there and also made some new friends.

How does it feel to be one among the only two candidates from Mumbai bagging this offer?

Sagar: This is by far the best thing which could have happened. Only 2 people getting selected from the entire interview process and that too both from VESIT gives us immense pleasure. Major credit of this goes to our teachers and college who gave us this opportunity and prepared us for this opportunity so that we could bag this offer.

Abhishek: It feels awesome

What are the qualities these dream company look for in a candidate?

Sagar: The qualities can be listed in priority as : Complete knowledge about the theory and practicals, Team skills, Communication skills, Presenting the real you. What I learnt is that they want to see an overall package, if you are only sound in technical skills but lack good communication skills then you stand very little chances of getting selected.

Abhishek: There are a lot of things companies want these days. Some prerequisites that companies look for in a candidate are good technical skills, team leading skills, communicational skills, personal skills, etc.

Any particular domains or topics that the future aspirants should focus on?

Sagar: *Technical domains primarily includes:* Data Structures, Algorithms, Operating Systems, Databases, Computer Networks, Any one programming language preferably Object Oriented.

The weightage of the domain depends on specific domain of the company.

Non-technical domains includes: More of public speaking skills, Ability to explain the concept clearly and in one shot, Express your thoughts, Listening well

Abhishek: I would say just programming. Code!

Any suggestions for the next batch of students appearing for an interview? (Technical and non technical)

Sagar: It is never a one-time preparation, you have to continuously prepare yourself. Whenever you study a topic, rather than only learning it from the viewpoint of exams, learn it based on applications. You should not only know what a model/structure/algorithm does but also where it is used in practical world. Plus add stars to your resume by participating in many Technical Paper Presentations, Projects competitions, your resume should showcase how active you are and ready you are for the world.

Abhishek: *Technical* :Start coding if you haven't started yet. Study the core subjects well. Understand what company wants from you and prepare for that.

Non Technical: Participate in Group Discussions, public speaking, etc. Take your time to answer the interview questions. Be yourself.

What are your future prospects?

Sagar: I would love to work with Morgan Stanley and strive to improve myself. I will continue to be more active in all domains in the company and continue to make good decisions and try to grab some good projects in the company.

Abhishek: I haven't thought much about future yet.

MUSINGS & EXPRESSIONS

Teachers' Day

-by Souvik Saha

Teachers' Day is a special day to show our appreciation for our teachers, and we have celebrations to honour them for their special contribution. The date on which Teachers' Day is celebrated varies from country to country. The idea of celebrating Teachers' Day took root in many countries during the 20th century; in most cases, they celebrate a local educator or an important milestone in education.

India celebrates Teacher's Day on the 5th of September, in honour of the Birth Anniversary of one of India's greatest philosophers, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. He was one of India's most distinguished twentieth-century scholars of comparative religion and philosophy. He has been influential in shaping the understanding of Hinduism, in both India and the west, and earned a reputation as a bridge-builder between India and the West. Radhakrishnan was awarded several high awards during his life, including a knighthood in 1931, the Bharat Ratna, the highest civilian award in India, in 1954, and honorary membership of the British Royal Order of Merit in 1963. Radhakrishnan believed that "teachers should be the best minds in the country"

Dr. Radhakrishnan was born in a village near the border of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, in the year 1888. Radhakrishnan was awarded scholarships throughout his academic life. He

joined Voorhees College in Vellore but switched to the Madras Christian College at the age of 17. He graduated from there in 1906 with a master's degree in Philosophy. Radhakrishnan studied philosophy by chance rather than choice. Being a financially constrained student, when a cousin who graduated from the same college passed on his philosophy textbooks in to Radhakrishnan, it automatically decided his academic course.

When India became independent in 1947, Radhakrishnan represented India at UNESCO (1946–52) and was later Ambassador of India to the Soviet Union, from 1949 to 1952. He was also elected to the Constituent Assembly of India. Radhakrishnan was elected as the first Vice-President of India in 1952, and elected as the second President of India (1962–1967).

When he became the President of India, some of his students and friends requested him to allow them to celebrate his birthday, on September 5. He replied,

"Instead of celebrating my birthday, it would be my proud privilege if September 5th is observed as Teachers' Day"

Happy Teacher's Day to all the Teachers at VESIT!

Apply, create and engineer!

-by Rohit Sreedhar

Well, yes, 'Engineer's day'- these two words manage to bring a little rush of happiness and a little puff of pride in us budding engineers. The sense that, there is an anniversary in recognition of our community, infuses a sense of belongingness to our stream of Science. This date, 15th September has found its mark on the calendars in remembrance of the great engineer M. Visvesvaraya. In commemoration of his birth anniversary, this date is saved in as a memory, to notify us about his massive contribution to the field of engineering.

His roots are traced back into the latter half of the 19th Century and the early 20th century. The era whose constructions and infrastructure stand firmly and excellently fulfil the purpose they were erected for. Yes, this is the domain in which M. Visvesvaraya had his name engraved in gold in the annals of history. With a head full on innovations and ideas backed by the knowledge of Civil Engineering he obtained from the prestigious College of Engineering, Pune, he went on to be recognized as a pre-eminent engineer of India.

Visvesvaraya had taken up a job with the Public Works Department (PWD) of Mumbai and was later invited to join the Indian Irrigation Commission. He had implemented an extremely intricate system of irrigation in the Deccan area. He had also designed and patented a system of automatic weir water floodgates that were first installed in 1903 at the Khadakvasla Reservoir near Pune. These gates were employed to raise the flood supply level of storage in the reservoir to the highest level likely to be attained without causing any damage to the dam. Based on the success of these gates, the same system was installed at the Tigra Dam in Gwalior and the Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) Dam in Mandya/Mysore, Karnataka. He was then sent to Aden as the representative of India wherein the project designed by him was successfully implemented.

He was also the chief engineer responsible for the construction of the Krishna Raja Sagara dam in Mysore as well as the chief designer of the flood protection system for the city of Hyderabad, which got him his major credits as an engineer. Apart from being an acclaimed engineer his works in the field of politics and science are huge. He was as well the Diwan of Mysore, P. W. and Railway Department, 1913. During his service with the government of Mysore state, he was responsible for the founding of (under the patronage of the Mysore government) the Mysore Soap Factory, the Parasitoid Laboratory, the Mysore Iron & Steel Works (now known as Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Limited) in Bhadravathi, the Sri Jayachamarajendra Polytechnic Institute, the Bangalore Agricultural University, the State Bank of Mysore, The Century Club, Mysore Chambers of Commerce, University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering, Bangalore and numerous other industrial ventures. He encouraged private investment in industry during his tenure as Diwan of Mysore. He was instrumental in charting out the plan for road construction between Tirumala and Tirupati. He was known for sincerity, time management and dedication to a cause.

Technology has come a long way today. It has changed the face of the world in the last century. Every aspect of life is synced today with appropriate technology and engineering backs all of it! Innovation

grows every day and with it - the monstrous competition. Past of course is glorious but it is not just a memorandum we cling on to but a legacy we need to carry on. So let's today as engineers vow to create for the betterment of mankind and blend it well with the environment. Let's pledge to apply what we are learning in our respective domains well and put it to its optimum use!

Ganesh Chaturthi during Changing Times

-by Kavya Parag

With the arrival of the Ganesha's Season take a look around;

You will see Dragon flies, 100s of them swirling with the wind.

They are called Chatur in Marathi and with the Arrival of Ganesh Chaturthi you are surrounded by them.

The sculptures and the Painters fasten their hands to bring out Ganesha's liveliness in every Idol.

As he arrives the atmosphere is filled with enthusiasm, Joy and Happiness.

Even though technology has seeped into our worlds and as Rational Thinking plays a vital role and many other Changes,

We always have that special place in our Heart for our beloved God Ganesha.

The motto for which the festival had been initiated by Lokmanya Tilak continues to bring that Togetherness in the Society.

Though we might have Banjo's And Dj's and Dhols while he leaves us, each one of us will silently shed a tear.

Though a lot has changed with the developing times, this Festival continues to Bind people together the way it had always done in the Earlier Times.



Ganesh Chaturthi celebration at VESIT Hostel

STUDENT SPEAK

The topic for student speak is 'India at Rio'.

Korbo Lorbo Jeetbo

Whilst all the cricket-philes were busy supporting and enjoying the cricket matches during India's tour of West Indies, Indian Women Athletes were bringing glory and pride to our country in the Rio Summer Olympics, 2016.

However, as always, India ruined it's legacy at the games, giving all Indians despair, while all the potential competitors raced comparatively 'Citius, Altius, Fortius(Faster,Higher,Stronger)' than India. While Indian Men Athletes still struggled hard to open their medal account, Our very own, Dipa Karmakar, reached the finals of women vault, and missed on a very valuable opportunity which might have turned into a path breaking medal in the Indian sport by a slight difference. The 22 year old gymnast created history by becoming the first Indian woman to reach the olympics, where she performed, a vault named Produnova, which is also called as the vault of death, cause just one mistake in landing, can cause lifetime paralysis or even death at times. She missed the bronze medal just by a rank, but made it to the hearts of 1.25 billion people.

Keeping the momentum on, Sakshi Malik, a 23 year old wrestler from haryana made it to the quarterfinals of women's freestyle 58 kg wrestling,

She defeated Aisuluu Tynybekova of Kyrgyzstan, in the bronze medal match, to win the first medal for India. She became the first Indian woman wrestler to win a bronze medal for the

-by Sanika Chavan

country, coming from a state, which has the lowest sex ratio. Haryana is 31st among Indian States and Union Territories on sex ratio. For every 1000 men in the state, there are just 877 women. Rough estimates indicate around 35,000 girls are killed in Haryana every year, implying an entire generation has been wiped out since Independence. Haryana accounts for 2.2 percent of childbirths in India. But, it kills four per cent of Indian girls every year.

From this patriarchal society that has killed lakhs of girls has emerged the only medal winner in a country of 1.25 billion.

Adding a feather to the cap, our badminton champ PV Sindhu, stormed into the finals of the Women's badminton singles. The 21 year old gave hope to billions of hearts who waited for 8 long years to win a gold medal. She unfortunately lost to the Spanish champion Carolina Marin and won a silver medal for our country. Sindhu's never say die attitude and a killing instinct made 1.25 billion people believe that, "Women are not meant to stay at home handling kitchen, laundry and kids."

In a male dominant country like India where the ratio of the opportunities created to the adversities encountered, tends towards zero, young female stars are bringing prestige and honor. These impavid and dedicated women have given all of us just one message,

"Korbo Lorbo Jeetbo"

SPORTS

Sphurti 2016

Sphurti, the Annual Sports Fest of VESIT which began this year on 3rd August, is slowly coming towards completion. During this period, lot of students enthusiastically participated for winning the competitions. The sports included in the indoor edition this sports fest were Chess, Carrom, Table Tennis, Box Cricket and Darts.

The winners of the events in Chess are:-

Boys Individual:- Atharva Lele (D6)

Girls Individual:- Subpraja Narayanan (D16)

Boys Team:- D9

Girls Team:- D16

The winners of the events in Carrom are:-

Boys Individual:- Milan Panchal (D18)

Girls Individual:- Priti Pai (D9)

Boys Team:- D18

Girls Team:- D19

The winners of the events in Darts are:-

Boys Individual:- Sailesh Panjwani (D19)

Girls Individual:- Pooja Vazirani (D7)

Boys Team:- D11

Girls Team:- D19C

Congratulations to the winners and runner-ups!

-by Yash Jahagirdar

VPL Auction

The VPL is an intra-collegiate football tournament where 8 teams compete to win the competition.

The VPL auction was held on 21st September 2016 at VESIT for the upcoming 4th season of VESIT Premier League. The auction was conducted by Palash Pandey, former VPL treasurer at VESIT Sports Council.

The 8 teams are grouped in two groups and play against each other. The teams consist of 14 players each. Each team was given 120 million Rupees as auction money and had to bid for selection of players. Each team was assigned a marquee player. The captains and vice-captains of each team were decided after the auction. The player who received highest amount of bidding was Sooraj Holla for Red Stallions.

The 8 teams with their name, marquee player and captain and vice-captain are as follows:-

Yellow Blizzards:-

Captain:- Soham Mehta

Vice-Captain:- Kabir Sachdev

Marquee:- Sarath Rao

Green Hornets:-

Captain:- Vinay Singh

Vice-Captain:- Madhuresh Pandey

Marquee:- Ashok Bhagia

Red Stallions:-

Captain:- Pawan Patil

Vice-Captain:- Shivraj Kohli

Marquee:- Sooraj Holla

Purple Panthers:-

Captain:- Vijay Singh

Vice-Captain:- Sarthak Khanna

Marquee:-Yash Patil

Orange Fireballs:-

Captain:- Rohan Mohandas

Vice-Captain:- Abhishek Kamble

Marquee:- Achilles Almeida

Blackhawks:-

Captain:- Neel Shanbag

Vice-Captain:- Lakshyajit Patra

Marquee:- Gokul Shah

White Wolves:-

Captain:- Anirudh Roy

Vice-Captain:- Bhavik Jain

Marquee:- Raunak Patil

Bluestone United:-

Captain:- Arun Venkatesh

Vice-Captain:- Kartik Agashe

Marquee:- Prashant Chand

When asked about VPL auctions, Vinay Nair, the sports secretary said, "The excitement for the game of football is increasing continuously which is reflected in the response for VPL. It is going to be a great event. Do come in large numbers."

So, enjoy the exciting football competition and for updates follow Vesit-Connect newsletter and Vesit Premier League on Facebook.

Let's football VESIT !!!!