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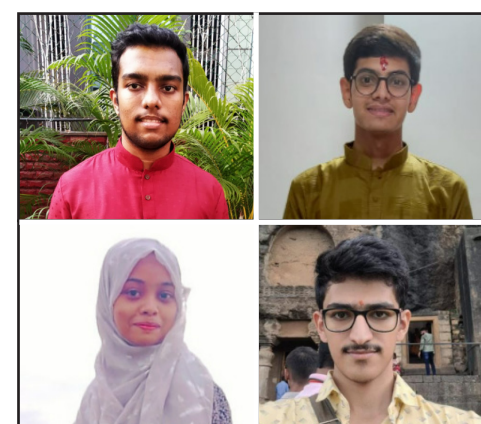
Celebrating World Environment Day with Paints and Brushes

-Tarvi Kate

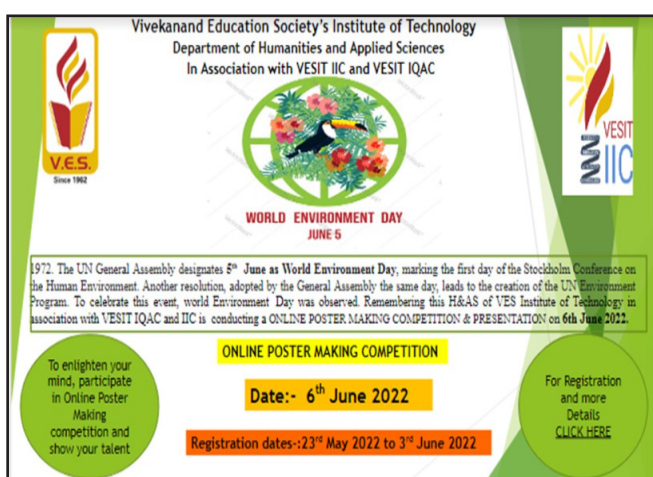
In 1972, The UN General Assembly designated 5th June as World Environment Day, marking the first day of the Stockholm Conference on the Human Environment. Another resolution, adopted by the General Assembly on the same day, led to the creation of the UN Environment Program. To celebrate this event, **World Environment Day** is observed. Remembering this the Department of Humanities and Applied Sciences in association with VESIT IQAC and IIC conducted the '**Poster Making Competition and Presentation**' on 6th June 2022.

The event was coordinated by **Dr. Gresha Bhatia** (Deputy Head, Department of Computer Engineering) and **Dr. Maya Bhat** (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Applied Sciences), in hopes to inspire students' creativity and spread awareness about environmental issues. New innovative slogans also came up during Competition.

From a Total of 8 appealing Entries, 4 students emerged victorious:



Winners of the competition (Top-Bottom, L-R): Atharva Godkar (D1E), Vansh Dhoka (D1E), Tasmiya Khan (D2A) and Vedant Patil (D4A)



Poster of the event



Coordinators of the event (L-R): Dr. Gresha Bhatia (Deputy Head, Department of Computer Engineering) and Dr. Maya Bhat (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Applied Sciences)

Name of the Student	Slogan
Atharva Godkar (D1E)	It Is our duty to protect the Earth's beauty
Vansh Dhoka (D1E)	Your actions will determine your Fate
Tasmiya Khan (D2A)	Plant More Trees, make environment pollution free
Vedant Patil (D4A)	Environment Day

Enrich the Environment with your Thoughts!

~ Ashutosh Mishra

The VESIT Students Club conducted their first event of the year, which was an essay writing competition on **World Environment Day**. This competition was conducted on 9th June 2022 and aimed for the participants to express their views and creativity. This competition was open to all the students and was a submission-based competition, where the students were supposed to fill out a Google Form to submit their essays.

The theme of the competition was, "**Only One Earth: Living sustainability in Harmony with Nature**", and how the participants contributed to it and their plan to spread awareness.

The essays were judged by **Mrs. Shoba Krishnan** (Retired Head, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication).



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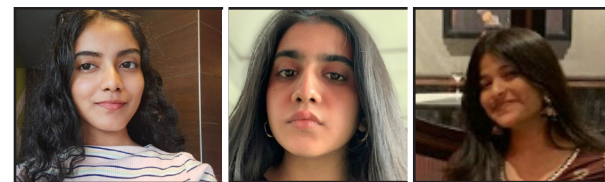


Poster for the competition

The winner of the competition was **Puja Mahankuda** (D9B), followed by **Aakansha Jadhav** (D14A) and **Vallari Patil** (D10B) as the runners-up. The winners got a cash prize of Rs. 500, Rs. 300 and Rs. 200 respectively.

The winner, Puja Mahankuda (D9B)

said, "This competition was a great way to make everyone aware of the responsibilities towards our planet earth as human beings. There is a need for consistent efforts by mankind to save our beautiful planet. It was a very important activity and fun too!"



Winners of the essay writing competition (L-R): Puja Mahankuda (D9B), Aakansha Jadhav (D14A) and Vallari Patil (D10B)

Creativity Underlines Maratha Pride in Essay Writing Competition

-Priyal Singh

Shiv Swarajya Din is celebrated on the 6th of June every year and marks the coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, which took place in the year 1974.

The joyous celebration was inaugurated by **Dr. (Mrs) J. M. Nair** (Principal, VESIT) as she lit a lamp and offered flowers in the name of Shiv Pratima. Furthermore, the celebration included various events as **Dr. Rohini Temkar** (Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science) narrated the glorious events of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's life in a speech titled, 'Ase Hote Shivaji Maharaj.' Various other faculty members also took part in this event organized by **Mr. Prashant Kanade** (Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science) as they sung songs in praise of the late Maratha.



(L-R) : Dr. (Mrs.) Rohini Temkar (Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science) and Mr. Prashant Kanade (Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science)



Dr. (Mrs.) J. M. Nair (Principal) inaugurated the event

VESIT library also organized an Essay Writing Competition, to commemorate this momentous occasion, Registration for participation was open to students, faculty, and non-teaching staff of all departments. The word limit for the essay was 500 words, and the participants could submit their entries in English, Hindi, and Marathi.

The topics were as follows :

1. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and the Governance of his Empire.
2. Communication System during Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's Empire.
3. Project management of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj

The essays had to be submitted via email on or before the 8th of June 2022.

The winners of the essay writing competition were:

1. **Mrs. Ria Nerkar** (Junior Clerk) and **Pooja Narayanan** (D14A)
3. **Mrs. Neeta Chavan** (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication)
4. **Dr. Meenakshi Tyagi** (Librarian, VESIT)
5. **Mrs. Sai Dhoble** (Lab Assistant)



Winners of the competition (Top-Bottom, L-R): Pooja Narayanan (D14A) and Mrs. Ria Nerkar (Junior Clerk), Mrs. Neeta Chavan (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics Telecommunication), Dr. Meenakshi Tyagi (Librarian, VESIT) and Mrs. Sai Dhoble (Lab Assistant)

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International Yoga Day

-Nishtha Batra

International Yoga Day is celebrated annually on June 21. It aims to raise awareness worldwide of the many benefits of practicing yoga. The theme for this year's Yoga Day was '**Yoga for Humanity**'. **VESIT Student's Club**, an AICTE-sponsored club, **VESIT Sports Council** and **EBSB VESIT club** organized Yoga Day celebration at VESIT Ampitheater at 8:30 am. This event was conducted both online and offline; with VESIT EBSB streaming it online on Google Meet.

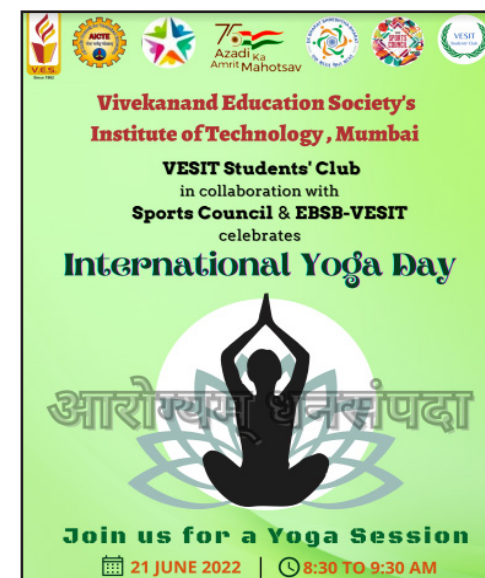
The event started at 8:30 am and was conducted online on Google Meet. The session was guided by a renowned yoga instructor, **Ms. Manjusha Joshi**. The event was inaugurated with a welcome speech by **Dr. Geeta Ajit** (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Applied Science), Co-ordinator of VESIT Student's Club, where she spoke about the importance of Yoga in today's era and how essential it is for both young and old to be healthy, both physically and mentally. She

also introduced the Yoga Instructor **Ms Manjusha Joshi** to the audience. Ms Munjusha Joshi has over 10 years experience in conducting Yoga sessions for all age groups. She completed her Yoga training course from Ambika Kutir and Yog Vidya Niketan Snastha and currently is a Yoga instructor at **Ayush Mantralay** under yog Vidnyan Sanstha, Delhi.



(L-R): Ms Manjusha Joshi, Dr. Geeta Ajit (Coordinator) and Dr. Prashant Kanade (Coordinator) during the inauguration of the event

Dr Geeta Ajit welcomed her for the session and **Dr Prashant Kanade** felicitated her with a sapling.



Poster of the event



Participants following along with the yoga poses instructed by Ms. Manjusha Joshi and Mr. Prasad Godse (Assistant professor, Department of Instrumentation)

Further, Ms. Manjusha Joshi began with different yoga asanas and the participants followed her instructions. The different yoga asanas include Kapalbharti, Naukasana, Vrikshasana and many more. She was joined by Mr Prasad Godse on the podium to demonstrate the various yoga asanas.

The event was concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Mrs. Kajal Jewani (Assistant Professor, Department of Information Technology). A token of appreciation was given by Dr. Geeta Ajit to Ms. Manjusha Joshi for her commendable session. The event attracted enthusiastic participants in huge numbers ranging from professors of VESIT to participants from IMI, Bhubaneswar.

One of the participants, Ashutosh Mishra (D12C) said, "The yoga session was really nice. It

was a good experience performing the yogasanas early in the morning. Manjusha Maam and Prasad sir were great instructors. Hope we get to see more sessions like this!"



Mrs. Kajal Jewani (Assistant Professor, Department of Information Technology) concluded the event

Societies

Article Writing Competition By ISTE-VESIT

~Tanaya Gaikar

After all the fantastic and successful events and workshops, ISTE-VESIT concluded its year by conducting an **Article Writing Competition** for all the students of VESIT. The topics for this event were 'The Impact of the Russia vs Ukraine' conflict on India and 'Is Virtual Reality the New Reality?'. The Article Writing Competition was held from 6th June to 10th June 2022.



Poster of the Competition

ISTE-VESIT received a good response from students during their month of vacations and internships. Overall, a total of 19 articles were received from the students. 10 under the Abstract topic and 9 under the GeoPolitical topic. The winners were to be decided upon the quality of content, relevance to the topic, the research undergone in writing the article, and after undergoing a plagiarism check.

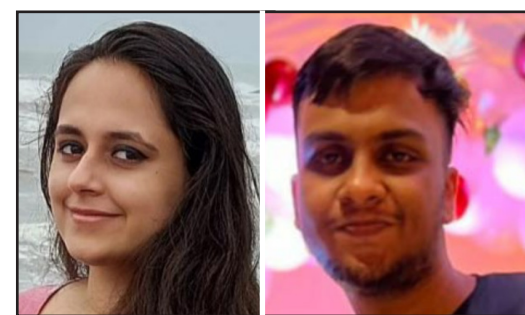
The Heads BE and TE ISTE-VESIT along with Isha Gawde (Jr. PRO) and Gauri Mahajan (Jr. Operations Officer) formed the panel for reviewing, rating, and scrutinizing the articles consisted of. The best articles were awarded a cash prize of Rs. 200/- by ISTE-VESIT.

The winners were declared on 18th June 2022 on ISTE-VESIT's Instagram story. After careful deliberation of the articles received, Aaditya Khetwani (D7C) won the Competition under the topic, "Impact of Russia vs Ukraine conflict on India" and Namrata Tolani (D17A) won under the topic, "Is Virtual Reality the New Reality". Their articles were also mentioned and written in ISTE-

VESIT's annual magazine- Cognizance 22.

Namrata Tolani (D17A) says, "The topics available were interesting and sent you on an exploration of your own. I enjoyed the process of learning more about the topic and forming a subsequent opinion on the same. It was delightful to have the opportunity to put the same in words!"

Aaditya Khetwani (D7C) says, "The best part about participating was that it involved a lot of research, Multiple rabbit holes, my victory over procrastination, and the chance for the geopolitics geek inside to come out."



Winners of the Competition (L-R): Namrata Tolani (D17A) and Aaditya Khetwani (D7C)

VESIT Voice

~Tanya Dubey

The Department of Humanities and Applied Sciences in association with VESIT IQAC and IIC conducted the 'Poster Making Competition and Presentation'. To commemorate Shiv Swarajya Din, the VESIT library organized an Essay Writing Competition. The VESIT Students Club conducted an essay writing competition on World Environment Day. VESIT Student's Club, an AICTE-sponsored club, and VESIT Sports Council organized a Yoga Day celebration on the VESIT premises which was streamed online by VESIT's EBSB Council. ISTE-VESIT concluded its year by conducting an article writing competition for all the students of VESIT.

In the Life Outside VESIT section, we have a notable alumni, Mr. Salil Shahane (CMPN - 2017) who has published his poems in a book entitled as "Epiphanies - A Journey Filled with Serendipity". It is an anthology of 20 poems written by Salil over the course of the last few years.

In the Diaries section, we have Mr. Rahul Panicker, who graduated in 2019 from the Department of Instrumentation. Mr. Panicker is currently working as a Senior Accounts Manager for Experience Commerce, Panvel. He talks about his career, his college life, his hobbies, and much more.

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Life Outside VESIT

-Ashutosh Mishra

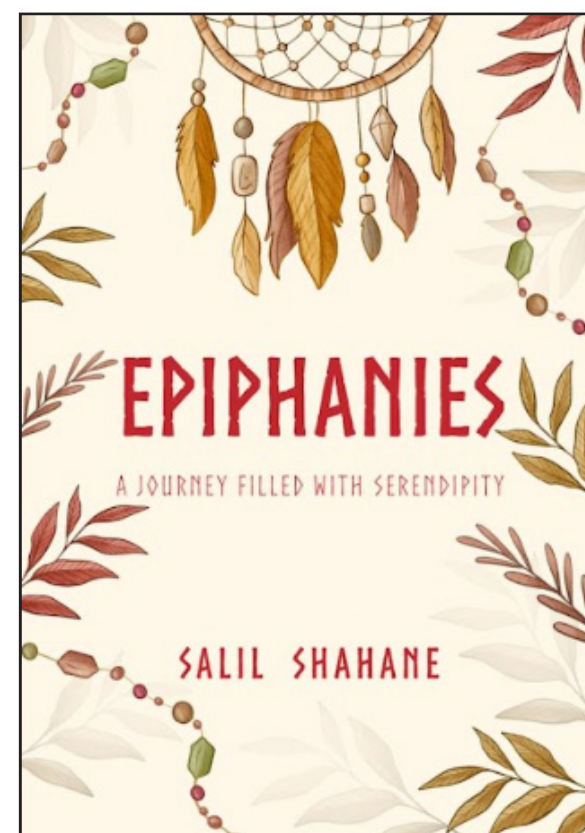
Poetry is when an emotion has found thought and the thought has found words. Greetings everyone! For this month of "Life Outside VESIT", we have a notable alumni, Mr. **Salil Shahane** (CMPN - 2017) who has published his poems in a book entitled as "**Epiphanies - A Journey Filled with Serendipity**". It is an anthology of 20 poems written by Salil over the course of the last few years. According to him, these poems are about his experiences and his feelings while life was happening.



Mr. Salil Shahane (CMPN - 2017)

When being asked about his journey of creativity, Salil shared his experience, "My poetic journey has been wonderful so far. I would also like to believe that it has evolved over the years probably because of the variety of experience I had over this longer period of time and also because life kept on teaching different lessons every time which definitely influenced my art. But writing poems is something that gives me immense joy and I hope to continue writing until my last breath. I wrote my first poem around 15 years ago, and in these years, I've understood that my poetry is about the emotions that I am feeling while writing it. Hence, the themes can range from nature, philosophy, love, longing, satire and anything that is perceivable to my mind and complements my capability to put it in words or articulate it.

My future goals are to keep feeling, experiencing and writing. I believe if we keep our arms open then life embraces us. To borrow a couple of lines from my poem "...Life is still waiting, with open arms, for a warm embrace, here, now, forever!"



Front cover of the book, "Epiphanies"

Musings and Expressions

Intimidating Life

We go in circles searching for something. We find that thing and then forget that thing or get used to that thing and then we find the next thing we wanted to find and we are never happy. And then we go in loops which we think are our choice or freewill but it is not. It is all I will not say destined but in a way deterministic and I think the difference between destined and deterministic is some higher power sha ing things and deterministic is basically elements are arranged in this planet that it will always give the same result no matter how you stack them.

If one looks back at his/her life, the academic, professional and personal decisions that have led to your current state have been the result of countless factors. From your family background to the TV shows you grew up watching to how bad the traffic was on your way to an important interview. What you call a life is a small island of seeming stability in a sea of entropy. It is tempting to give it all up to fate, a grand design, kneel down and pray. But can any religion or worldview justify the destruction we have unleashed on the planet and each other. The unimaginable torture billions of animals experience every day in our food, dairy and other industries is indefinable.

Accepting the randomness of the universe and our place in it may seem terrifying at first. But it is the only sure way to feel lasting empathy for yourself and for others. When you accept that those better off than you may not be there by choice nor design and those less fortunate do not necessarily deserve their suffering. That good fortune is as incidental as misfortune is unjust. That; is the beginning of true kindness. Everything prior was just business. After you successfully strip the baggage that you carry around as a personality and all the hubris accumulated on your CV, life only comes down to an acute passage of time. Just life observing itself, in the most conscious way possible. Sadly, that has become the hardest thing in the world. After you successfully strip the baggage that you carry around as a personality and all the hubris accumulated on your CV, life only comes down to an acute passage of time. Just life observing itself, in the most conscious way possible. Sadly, that has become the hardest thing in the world.

We humans have cognizance of the universe and unlike other creatures we can't help but wonder why is there a universe in the first place. Why anything exists at all? The fact that there is something rather than nothing and we don't know why proves that there is a gap in our understanding and experience. Science and rationality cannot be expected to answer the why question. They answer what and how.

No matter how much scientists say that the question of why anything exists is meaningless or impractical, the void always nags and points to limitations of science. Perhaps that void can only be filled with a direct (spiritual?) experience and not through intellectual understanding? Since the void nags and reduces well-being for many (including me), Philosophy should also aim attacking a stab at how such avoid can be filled. Perhaps the answer is arts, poetry, morality or beauty. I'm not sure what it is but any valid Philosophy should attempt to provide a total satisfaction – including these nagging questions.



Kavish Punjabi (D7B)

The night OWL: Experiences of being awake

Let me take you to those hours in 24 hours where You connect with your thoughts. We being Genz generation, it's normal for us to stay up at night. Me being one of the Genz, let me unfold some of my experiences. I have super messed up days, and extremely creative nights. When 11 strikes on the clock, my mind repeats, it's just the beginning girl. As time passes, my mind realizes every day that I should sleep for a healthy heart, but the heart shouts "Noooooooooooo, it's the time for peace". Yes, you heard it right, I stay awake at night just to relax and experience that silence. Maybe or may not you will agree with me that we recall all our thoughts, our 15-year-old incidents, all horror accidents, everything in those 4 hours. coming to horror, you just can't bear dogs barking exactly at 3:00 am. Yes, we are engineering students, 80% of us don't believe in ghosts. Do we? yes, but only at 3:00 am.

You miss that person, you met on the street a few days back. You set unrealistic goals for your growth. youtube teaches you at 4:00 am the benefits of waking up at 5:00 am. Then comes the time when you realize you should sleep, but still you choose to sit because you want to witness the sunrise. Again a failed attempt, when you wait for the sun to shine, your eyelids close scrolling through Instagram. Other people think that nights are so long, but only a night owl can say that nights are so short that you can't even complete a series, you just finished 4 episodes, and boom it's morning. Ever looked at the moon at 2:00 am and thought why is it so close to my heart but still so far at the same time? These were some insights from one-night owl to the other. Thank You!!



Nikita Kumawat (D4B)

Metaverse: a Virtual Reality

“Metaverse” is a blend of two words ‘meta’ & ‘universe’, where meta convey the meaning beyond. This signify metaverse as something beyond universe which is nothing but a virtual universe. The concept of metaverse is as interesting as conflicting the word virtual reality is.

What exactly metaverse mean?

Metaverse is 3-D version of internet and computing to next level. It is a place where you and other people will have your own avatar and you can communicate to other people through their avatar. You just have to wear 3-D goggles and enjoy the virtual reality. You would be doing anything and everything virtually sitting at a place using your avatar. Video games are simplest example of metaverse. According to technologist, metaverse would take the virtual reality experience to another level, by allowing people to use digital avatars for buying land, hosting parties, through digital money.

What is the use of Metaverse?

Metaverse will grow the digital economy, which will result in growth of world economy. Met verse is being seen as source of entertainment, enjoyment and relaxation only but it is not. Here comes a very beautiful concept of “metaversity” which is virtual university, that is 3-D schooling by sitting at home, which is far better than lectures on online platforms like zoom and google meet. Metaverse may seem sort of unrealistic and unbelievable now as concept of Alexa was not believed few years back, but now it exist, who knows metaverse would be far beyond then what we are thinking now.



Sneaha Tanna (D7A)

Impact of Social Media

The advancement of technologies and innovation had led us to enter into a new digital world that is Social Media . In India itself, as of 2020 , about 49% of total population is now accessing to various social media platforms . It has completely changed our perspective of life . Although we have got immensely benefited from it, they had also imposed a major concerns as well.

The rise of social media has exposed us to the whole world to gains invaluable knowledge. In today's time we can experience the comfort of sitting at our home and at the same time learning so many skills from various educational institutions. It's advantages are even welcomed in corporate and business world for their development. We can use these platforms to upskills our self and make use of opportunities which we have today . With increase in usages of them , India even has witnessed a growing no of young creative

entrepreneur since last few years , which is strongly a boon for our nation , which needs to be considered. But everything has two sides

The dark world even exist in Social Media . Personal privacy has got insecure, online fraud is common, spread of fake news which can hamper peace in society are some major concerns of it . Addiction of over usage of say Instagram is more harmful than drugs which can badly affect your mental as well as physical health. Lack of concentration and focus are also a poor signal of addition to it . People are getting more away from reality ie real world and have completely enter into reel world of social media , where they strive to get happiness.

At present , this is a reality that life is impossible without Social Media and it's possitive sides must be valued. It's rising problems must be resolved by being awared and mindful , these social media will surely add values in our lives to become more productive. Both use of social media and also live in the real world must go hand in hand , for proper and effective growth of our nation



An illustration of how social media impacts our life



Rushikesh Sarak (D9B)

Pharaohs And Fairytale

Egypt has always been fascinating for archaeologists and engineers. The pyramids, the technology of weaponry, the detailed mummification, the level of preservation- everything screams mystery! The question is why do we need to study it and what gives it the aura of mystery and the hint of extraterrestrial? The answer can be known by one simple fact: When a Sultan tried destroying a pyramid which had the mummy of a pharaoh (pronounced as fei-roh, meaning- king), he was advised by his own counsel that doing so would completely exhaust his resources including money and manpower. The marks of initial destruction-attempts are still visible. What gave Egyptians the time, money, manpower and resources to build several pyramids weighing more than 6,000,000 kgs each. How did their economy survive?

Egyptians had technology which we can only wonder about until now. The Library of Alexandria, often referred to as the biggest and most- knowledge filled library in the world was made by Egyptians. In such times, the question is how did they receive such a great amount of information? The tombs of their kings were made in the astrological north. So that at sunrise, it looked like a man staring and welcoming day but at sunset, it looked like a man crawling down.

The reasons, although mystical, indicated the presence of “afterlife”. A concept known by pharaohs and priests long before any religion made an argument towards its presence.

In 2010, an archaeologist found a perfectly preserved mummy and was able to find that the mummy did not just have a tomb, it had an entire room. The place where the mummy was found- had swords, daggers and knives. The metals it was made from, were those that man had found a few hundred years ago. The kings and pharaohs kept an army of soldiers made from copper near the tomb, to fight their enemies in the afterlife.

There are several tombs which are now so delicate that it’s a crime to even touch them with machinery. There is a tomb, believed to be the tomb of one of the mightiest kings of Egypt. It is guarded by statues of soldiers made by the pharaoh. Beneath the tomb lies a secret passage which is said to contain a myriad of books which contains even more knowledge than the library of Alexandria. This however is nearly impossible to confirm since a slight touch by machinery can ruin this monument forever.

The paintings on the caves of Egypt often have the drawings of unknown creatures that look like man but are not really human-like. These creatures are believed to be the ones that helped the kings and his workers make an airplane. There are traces of modern medicines found in the system of these mummified kings, which at that time was impossible to even think of; let alone invent.

Mummification was an expensive process and only possible for those with a lot of wealth. They had the knowledge of after life and knew exactly how to cross the barrier between earth and afterlife. The knowledge and the depth of knowledge known by these people, this civilization- might be the reason why it no longer exists.

It is often said that “one can’t play god, for there is only one”. There are a million other facts that we can be amazed by, but in 2022 when we still don’t have a cure for cancer; One wonders if this is all just a fairytale made by the black suits and riches. What do these discoveries teach us? They make us realize that there still is an infinite amount of research remaining to be completed. There are still many ideas untapped by human minds and there are still places with wonders, waiting for us, waiting to be discovered.



Thutmose III



Vishakha Singh (D7B)

Women Empowerment

“There is no limit to what we as women can accomplish”- Michelle Obama

Women’s Empowerment can be defined to promoting women’s sense of self-worth, their ability to determine their own choices, and their right to influence social change for themselves and others. Now, many of us must be in deep brainstorming thought ...why is empowering girls and women so important?

Empowering women is essential to the health and social development of families, communities and countries. It is about creating high level corporate leadership for gender equality, treat all people fairly at work, respecting and supporting non-discrimination and human rights. Girls and women face significant challenges not only in India but the whole world. Women were suppressed and treated as submissive/inferior in the earlier patriarchal society. Instead being sent to school, they were often made to do domestic work at home and are married off for dowry. Several empowerment schemes such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, One Stop Center Scheme, Women Helpline Scheme, UJJAWALA, Nari Shakti Puraskar, Nirbhaya are the quintessential steps taken by the government to eradicate the deep-rooted male dominated society and women can walk shoulder to shoulder with men.

In western countries, female empowerment, is often associated with specific phases of the women’s right movement in history. This movement tends to be split into three waves, the first beginning in the 19th and the early 20th century where suffrage was a key feature. Third wave feminism is often seen as beginning in the 1990s. The renowned feminist Simone de Beauvoir asserted that women are as capable of choice as men, and thus can choose to elevate themselves, moving beyond the “immanence” to which they were previously resigned and reaching “transcendence” a position in which one takes responsibility for oneself and the world, where one chooses one’s freedom. Without fear, Women can pursue professional success and personal fulfilment. That reminds me of fantabulous quote of Facebook’s CTO Sheryl Sandberg which states: ‘ Fear is at the root of so many of the barriers that women face. Fear of not being liked.

Fear of making the wrong choices. Fear of failure and being judged. And the holy trinity of fear: the fear of being a bad mother/wife/daughter.’ In short, women should stand for themselves with the head held high.

2020 emerged as the year of the dawn of a fourth wave of feminism. Women took to streets and held placards proclaiming their demands and expectations from the structurally patriarchal system we live in. From campus protests to challenging parliamentary bills, women didn’t rely on male counterparts. One of the paradigm for the same is the protest , dominated by women sitting in the chilly winters of Delhi’s Shaheen Bagh became an image of Indian feminism.

“There are two powers in the world; one is the sword and the other is the pen. There is a great competition and rivalry between the two. There is a third power stronger than both, that of the women” -Malala Yousafzai



Shreya Nalawade (D7B)

Beauty Pageants- Celebrating Womanhood!

With a broad smile, ravishing eyes, wearing her shimmering gown with doubtless confidence and re-resenting the true ethnicity of India, Harnaaz Kaur Sandhu won the 70th Miss Universe Title last year. I literally screamed out of joy when I heard this news! It was a remarkable achievement for India as we won this title after 21 years! Beauty pageants hold a special place in my heart as these women not only work towards contributing to society but also inspire thousands of other women across the globe. While I was lounging on the couch, having no other work to do as it was the “Lockdown” period, I thought of exploring YouTube. Scrolling down the screen with a completely baffled mind, YouTube recommended a video of Adline Castelino preparing for the Miss Universe title. I found it quite interesting and started wondering what Beauty Pageants is all about. Well, me being just like any other person, who thinks these pageants are about selecting the most fair and beautiful girl, I searched on Google, “What are Beauty Pageants?” And after knowing about their journey and what it takes to be on that stage, I was awestruck seeing how these women set an example of being fearless and strong.

When Harnaaz Kaur was asked at Miss Universe 2021 what advice she would give to young women on the pressures they face today, her answer rocked – “To believe in themselves. To know that you are unique and that’s what makes you beautiful. So, stop comparing yourselves to others and let’s talk about more important things happening worldwide. Come out and speak for yourself because you are the leader of your life, your own voice.” My life changed completely after I heard this answer. I was an introvert, shy girl who used to doubt myself for everything I did. But after watching Harnaaz and all the other divine queens of India like Manasa Varanasi, Suman Rao, Manushi Chillar, Aishwarya Rai, Sushmita Sen, these women have taught me, that beauty pageants is not about beautiful face, but it’s about having beautiful heart. It’s not about having zero figure, but it’s about having zero regret and appreciating all body types. These girls now lead from the front as epitomes of empowered women with well-shaped opinions. They have inspired thousands not just to believe, but also to speak up for themselves. Recently, Beautiful Sini Shetty has been crowned as Miss India World 2022. Looking forward to her inspirational Journey and hoping she makes India proud again!



File picture of Harnaaz Kaur, Miss Universe 2021



Anagha Kulkarni (D7A)

क्यों रुकु मै तेरे लिए ?

अब क्या ही कहूँ मैं तेरे बारे ? है तू एक ऐसा अनोखा अनमोल रत्न जिसकी कोई कीमत नहीं,
इसलिए हम सबके भीतर हमेशा यह डर रहता, बीत न जाए तू जल्दी कहीं।
चाहकर भी तुझे रोक न सकूँ, न तू कभी किसी के लिए रुकता,
बस चलता रहता आगे धीरे धीरे अपने ही धुन में।
जिसने भी तुझे वाकई में अनमोल समझकर तेरा सही इस्तमाल किया, तुने उनका हमेशा साथ दिया,
और मुझ जैसे वक्त की कीमत न करने वालो को आगे चलकर एक शिक्षक बनकर तूने ही जीवन का मूल्य पाठ भी पढ़ाया।

ये वक्त कभी अच्छा होगा तो कभी बुरा लेकिन कभी कमी न होगी इसके पास,
ये तो तेरा आलस है जो तुझे कुछ करने से रोकता है और बड़ी आसानी से तू कह भी देता बस वक्त ही तो नहीं है मेरे पास।
हफ्ते, महीने, सालों बीत गए कुछ ही पलों में,
आज पीछे मुड़कर देखा तो पाया बचपन भी बीत गया, बची तो है केवल उनकी प्यारी यादें।
देखते देखते ये जावनी भी बीत जाएगी, तुझे भी भुड़ापे के दर्द से गुजरना होगा,
वक्त के साथ तेरी भी जिंदगी दुनिया के लिए बन जाएगी एक कहानी, हम सभी को इस वक्त का सामना करना होगा,
और बिना किसी के लिए रुके ये वक्त बस चलता चला जाएगा।

समय ने मुझ से कहा आखिर क्यों रुकु में तुम्हारे लिए ? ,जब मेरे जीवन में उसका कोई महत्व नहीं,
कुछ पल की खुशी के लिए, इसे बर्बाद करता चला गया मैं,
कैसे मिलेगी मुझे सफलता अगर मेरे कर्म ही एक सही दिशा में नहीं है।
कितना कुछ सीखा देता है यह वक्त जीवन के इस सफर में,
बुरे से बुरे वक्त में भी सीखा जा सकता है, बस सीखने की तुझ में वो भूख चाहिए,
न तेरे अपनों और न ही अपने सपनों के लिए तेरे पास वक्त है, बस भागता चला जा रहा है तू जीवन के इस दौड़ में, पाएगा केवल निराशा जीवन के हर मोड़ पे।

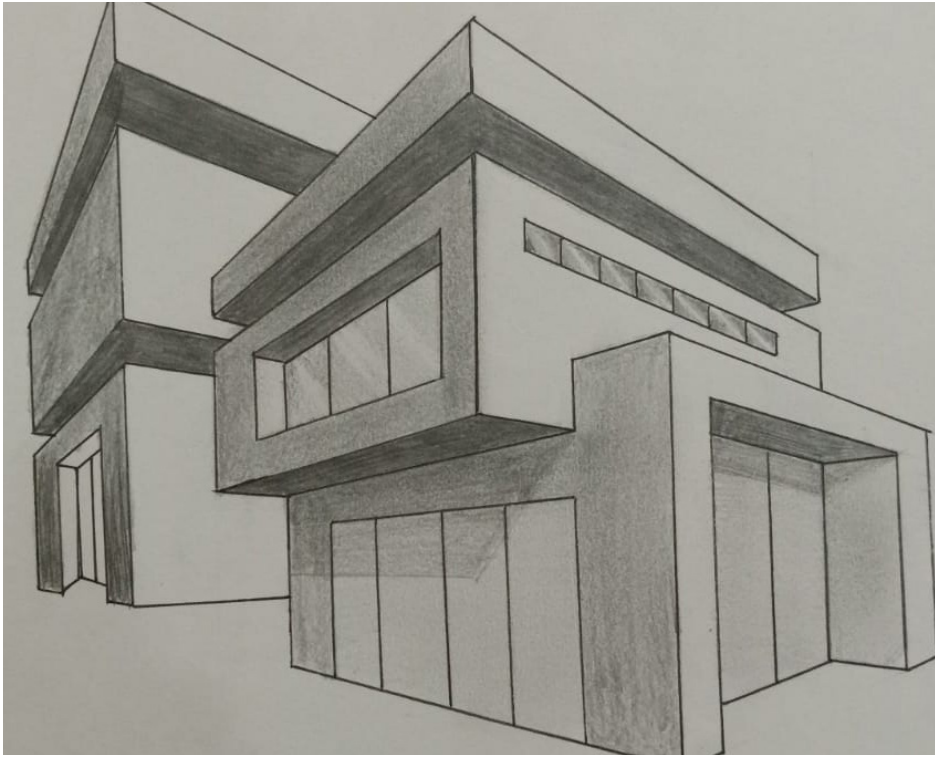
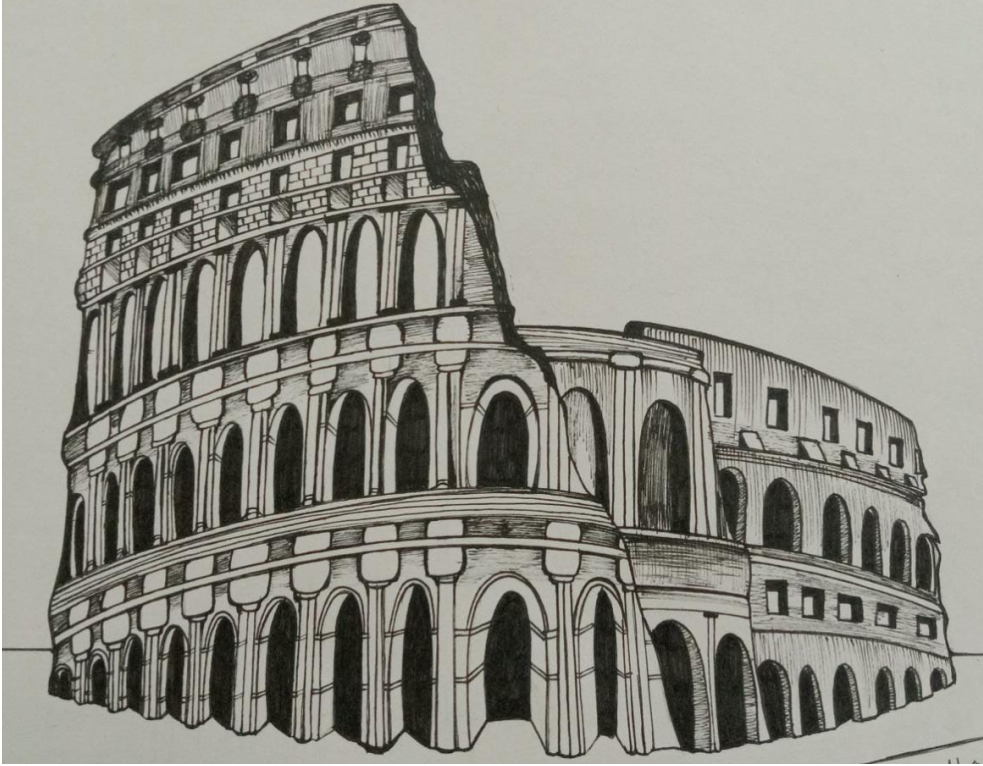
“वक्त से डर है यह बहते हुए पानी की तरह,
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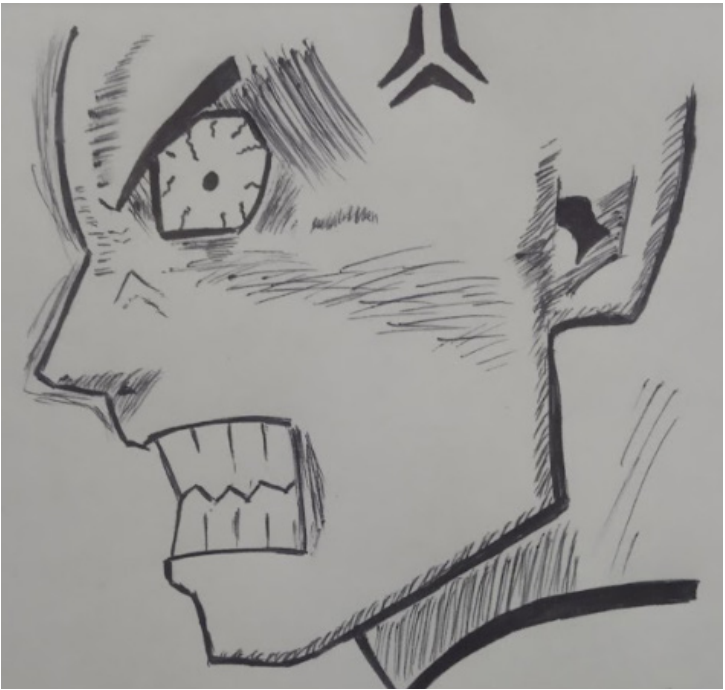
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Rohit Kundnani (D20)



Ayush Jain (D7B)



Vandesh Sawant (D9A)

Lakshya Movie Review

Good afternoon everyone! Hope you all are doing great. Today I'm going to review the movie called "Lakshya", and today it has completed 17 years of its release! This film has been directed by Farhan Akhtar and features Hrithik Roshan, Preity Zinta, Amitabh Bachchan and many more people. This film deals with a young man who doesn't have an aim (Lakshya) in his life, but when he realises it, he gives his best! Honestly, it is one of my favourite movies. So let's get into the summary!

Summary :

Karan Shergill(played by Hrithik Roshan) is a young, fun loving person. One day, his friends talk about their aim, like engineering, hotel management, journalism etc. which confuses Karan towards career. After all his confusions he decides to join the Indian Army. He tells his parents and an old friend Romi(played by Preity Zinta). He clears the CDS examination and gets selected for the training. He underestimates the training, but rejection makes him realise that it's not an easy task to be a soldier. He understands this and trains harder than ever, to become a Lieutenant in the Punjab regiment(later Captain). He also goes forward to fight the 1999 Kargil War, and successfully completes his mission.

My View:

I definitely think that it is one of the greatest movies not just because of its storyline, but also because of the team who worked behind the scenes. Hrithik Roshan really played the character of Karan greatly. The way his character is shown is undoubtedly relatable by all of us. As per facts, this movie was a FLOP at the time of its release. But today it is considered as one of the finest works done by Excel Entertainment. The music given by Shankar-Ehsaan-Loy is also appreciable. The part in which the soldiers make a climb of 1,000 ft is one of its kinds! The work done by the whole team is pretty commendable, which made it win many awards. As a teenager, many of us have felt about the confusion about our aim in life. Trust me, this one will make you think about our Lakshya in a positive manner. There's a lot many values to learn from this one. According to me, you shouldn't miss on this film (especially the teenagers who are reading this).

Thank you for reading! Hope you all enjoyed this one!



Poster of the movie



Ashutosh Mishra (D12C)

Reviewing "Batman Begins"

Today I'm going to review the movie "Batman begins". To be honest, I watched this movie twice in this lockdown, and it was really a great experience! Batman is a fictional character in the DC comics created by Bob Kane and Bill Finger, back in 1939. Batman begins is a film directed by Christopher Nolan, who had directed films like Memento, Tenet, Interstellar, etc. This film not only contains the inception of Batman as a savior but also teaches us values like courage, love, patience, etc. So let's dive into it!

Summary :

Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) is born in the billionaire Wayne family to Martha and Thomas Wayne, in Gotham City. Once he falls into a well, where he faces bats, which he feared the most. Suddenly the parents of Bruce are murdered, which leaves him broken. He is then helped by Alfred Pennyworth (Michael Caine) but finds himself in a prison in Burma. There he meets Ducard, a speaker for Ra's Al Ghul who is one of the benefactors of the "League of Shadows". "If you make yourself more than just a man. If you devote yourself to an ideal, the one you feel is right, then you become something else entirely. A legend, Mr. Wayne!". These words by Ducard (Liam Neeson), had struck into the mind of Bruce to train himself and fight against evil. When he is offered to be a part of the League, he turns down the offer and returns to Gotham to save the people. He successfully makes his suit with the help of Lucius Fox (Morgan Freeman), and befriends Detective James Gordon (Gary Oldman) (the character who gave young Bruce the belief that it was okay when his parents were murdered). Batman saves Gotham from Ra's Al Ghul by killing him, by gaining the title of a masked savior of Gotham.

My View:

There's no doubt that there's a lot of action to watch, but the people handling aesthetics have also done their job in an efficient manner. A team of such people includes the director and story writer, David Goyer. One of the most important aspects in this one is the soundtrack, which was perfectly handled by Hans Zimmer and James Newton Howard. I mean, it is so scintillating that you can't stop listening to it. The same is the case with the whole Dark Knight trilogy. The director himself is so talented, that if you don't watch his movies carefully, you may get flabbergasted. This is the first movie in this series, whose start doesn't give any clue about the antagonist, or the nefarious activities done by them. Even though, many other movie universes have been made or going to release in the future, which indeed are worth watching. But this series does promise a lot more things, other than the darkness induced by the DC comics. To infer I must say that the work done by Mr. Nolan and the team, is immaculate, and we expect more of such movies to release. "Why do we fall, Bruce? So we can learn to pick ourselves up". These words still give excitement to many fans, including me.

Hope you all enjoyed it! Stay tuned for more such reviews. Until then, take care! See you in the next one!



Poster of the movie



Ashutosh Mishra (D12C)

VESIT Diaries

-Tanvi Kate

For the month of June, we had a chat with **Mr. Rahul Panicker**, who graduated in 2019 from the Department of Instrumentation. Mr. Panicker is currently working as a Senior Accounts Manager for Experience Commerce, Panvel. He talks about his career, his college life, his hobbies, and much more.

1. Tell us something about your college life at VESIT. What was the most memorable moment at VESIT?

I remember the first day of college like it was yesterday. We were 50 something students sitting inside a curved classroom on the 5th floor of that prestigious building. Every face in that room was filled with wonder and anticipation for the experiences awaiting them in the upcoming years. Little did we realize we were about to live the best years of our lives and that the strangers sitting in that room are about to be our best buddies. I had a blast during my engineering days. Yes, there were a lot of lows too. But when I look back now, every low taught me a very valuable life lesson that has proved to be of immense importance in the real world. Honestly, it's difficult to point out one particular memorable moment as I have had many, but I'd go with the response that the crowd gave me and my dance crew VDC when we performed at Utsav 2019 after winning multiple inter college dance competitions to become the #1 dance crew in the intercollege category all over Mumbai. Gives me goosebumps to this day!

2. Which extra-curricular and co-curricular activities were you involved in? How important are such activities in one's life?

I was always keen on participating in extra and co-curricular activities throughout my engineering days. I have been an active participant in multiple music and dance competitions at both inter and intra college events and attended many insightful technical workshops organized by our prestigious faculty which were hosted by industry experts. I also led VESIT's inter college dance crew VDC in the year 2019 when it won 14 intercollege dance competitions to become the #1 intercollege dance crew in Mumbai that year. I think participating in these events and workshops have certainly helped boost my confidence and self belief. These events widen your spectrum of vision and take you out of your comfort zone to admire and learn from the creativity of others and in turn, enhance your own skills.

3. How did you get into digital marketing? Was it something you had always planned to do?

Marketing, be it digital or offline is essentially storytelling and I have been a really passionate storyteller since childhood. I was part of a rap music duo called the Vibe Dealers back in my engineering days. It was just me and one of my very close friends Mr. Pranjal Sharma who now owns his own digital agency with huge client relationships in the FMCG and Tech markets. We used to make rap/r&b music and perform at various venues across Mumbai. I used to handle our social media page and market our music online to attract event promoters and managers to get us gigs on a regular basis. This is when I got addicted to marketing and the idea of selling a brand's story.

4. Can you tell us more about your current job?

What are the day-to-day responsibilities of the role?

Currently, I work as a Senior Account Manager at Experience Commerce, a top advertising agency of the country which is a subdivision of Cheil, Asia's biggest advertising giant. Here, I am responsible to help steer marketing communications and advertising strategies for corporate giants like Wipro Consumer Care and Lighting, MRF Tyres, Fortune Foods by Adani Wilmar, Network 18 and foreign brands like Kaercher through various creative mediums like social media, DVCs and TV commercials. I am responsible of maintaining client relationships on a day to day basis and facilitating brand growth for all the clients through digital marketing strategies.

5. What is one rule that you live by?

I believe that "You never know enough". Yes! No matter how much you think you know about something, there's always scope for improvement. Like the revolutionary Steve Jobs once said "Stay hungry, Stay foolish". One must always be hungry for knowledge. The day your learning stops is the day your growth stops. Never be afraid of asking questions. For it's often the ones that dare to ask questions who change the world!

6. How has your experience been working through the pandemic? How do you manage to keep cool during such volatile times?

The pandemic has been an unprecedented, yet a unique learning experience for companies/businesses globally. Work during the pandemic was really stressful during the first couple of months with endless hours of tasks, and pressure building up from the management to increase revenue even during an uncertain time. This along with the constant fear of covid made it tough to maintain mental peace during the time. The key to mental balance during times like these is to prioritize your tasks and face one day at a time. I learnt the importance of a "to-do" list and how it provides absolute clarity of thought. The pandemic also helped us develop a thick skin towards tough situations in life and persevere through the rough patches.

7. Can you share a glimpse of your personal life? Any hobbies or interests that you pursue in your free time?

Sure, I make music and dance during my free time. I'm an R&B singer/songwriter with 2 original albums and multiple singles released. I love creating, be it music, art or anything. I think creativity is the purest form of expression and it helps us think out of the box and stay productive. You can listen to my music on Spotify, Apple Music and all other music streaming platforms. Look for "Swish Muzik"

8. A book you read/movie you watched that inspired you the most and why?

I think I was really inspired by the movie "The Pursuit Of Happiness". For those who haven't seen it, it's a tale about a man who struggles to make ends meet with everything falling apart. About how he keeps pushing even in the worst of circumstances to make it big as a stock broker and boy, does he make it. I think the movie teaches us the importance of grit and consistency. There's a line that Will Smith said in the movie that stuck with me since. It goes like " Don't let anybody tell you that you can't do something. Not even me. If you want something,



Mr. Rahul Panicker

go get it! Period!" P.S it's a real life story based on the life of a successful entrepreneur Chris Gardner.

9. Any interesting anecdotes or stories/funny incidents from college life or professional life that you'd like to share with us?

Well I have had one too many funny stories in my college days. We all have. But here, I would like to take a moment to talk about a conversation I had with our communications professor at the time, Geeta mam, in her cabin one afternoon during one of the darkest phases of my life. I have had major anxiety issues since childhood. I'm talking serious panic attacks and self doubt issues. One afternoon, I just went up to her and spoke about it all. How it's affecting me, my career and my self confidence. We had an hour long conversation that changed my way of looking at things. Thank you Geeta mam. I still remember the things you told me and they help me push myself to the best version of myself till this day. I had one more such conversation with our microcontrollers professor at the time, Gopal sir. Every word said by him that day rings like prayers in my ear even today. I wanna thank both of them from the bottom of my heart for helping a lost kid, with guidance and direction. I'm forever grateful!

10. Your message to the new generation at VESIT!

Boy do I feel old now! Haha! I would want every one of you to know that these are the best days of your life. Trust me, it's coming from the same student who used to curse the assignments, crib over the attendance and rant about how my revaluation results are not fair. You're blessed to be around the finest professors who have in-depth knowledge about their field of expertise. Don't fear them, communicate! Ask them your weirdest doubts, talk to them when you feel lost, they are some of the kindest people you will meet all your life and will help you to the best of their ability. Yes, it gets hard, with the assignments, the exams and the ever increasing stress of placements and making it big in life. But trust me when I say, these days only make you stronger. You will make friends, fight with them, fall in love, get your heart broken, get K.Ts (Please study and avoid those, they become a pain later) but through all of it, make sure you live every moment to the fullest and cherish every single thing about the college, from the anda schezwan noodles from shetty uncle's canteen to the struggles of getting an auto to kurla station outside the college gate. Life just gets tougher after this but your moments spent in college and the guidance given by your professors give you the strength to face the strongest of storms in life.