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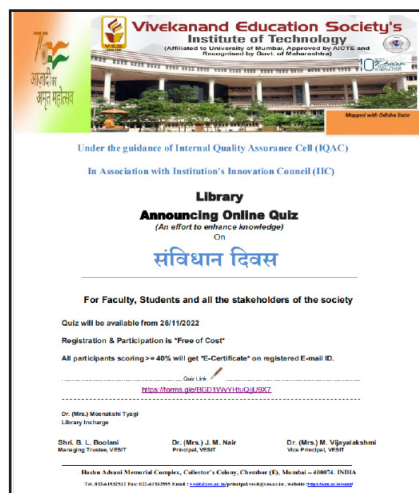
## VESIT Celebrated Constitution Day by Hosting an Online Quiz

~ Sai Thikekar

The **Library Department** of VESIT, under the guidance of the Internal Quality Cell (IQAC) and in association with the Institution's Innovation Cell (IIC), organized a national-level quiz on 26th November 2022, on the occasion of 'Samvidhan Diwas' as an effort to enhance and encourage students to look beyond their textual or tool-based knowledge and to measure the growth in their knowledge. The quiz was conducted successfully online using the platform of Google Forms.

quiz was free of charge for all the staff members of the colleges, students, and professionals working in the domain, and e-certificates were awarded to all participants who scored 40% or above.

Shrinivas Ghumare (D7A) offered his thoughts after taking the quiz. He added, "I enjoy doing quizzes. I haven't won many awards. But I believe that participation is significantly more vital. You eventually learn from all of them. It provides an unforgettable experience. Quizzes aren't something you can ace by mumbling or studying."



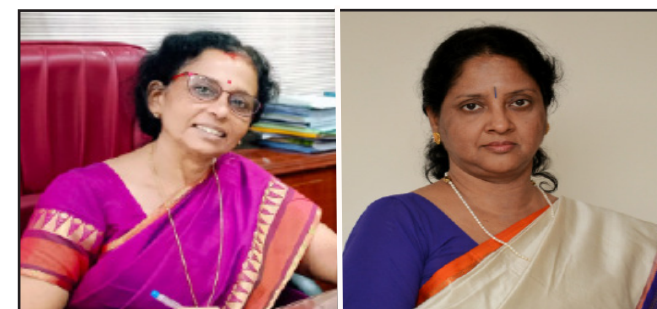
National Level Quiz Invitation Poster



Coordinator of the quiz: Dr. Meenakshi Tyagi (Library Incharge)

Since 2015, 'Constitution Day', or 'Samvidhan Diwas', has been celebrated every year on November 26. The day, also called National Law Day, marks the formal adoption of the Constitution of India by the Constituent Assembly on November 26, 1949.

**Dr. Meenakshi Tyagi** (Library Incharge) was the coordinator of the quiz, which was convened by VESIT and Library Committee members under the patronage of **Dr. (Mrs.) J.M. Nair** (Principal, VESIT) and **Dr. (Mrs.) M. Vijayalakshmi** (Vice Principal, VESIT). More than 228 students and some staff members participated in the quiz. The



Event was conducted under the patronage of (L-R): Dr.(Mrs.). J.M. Nair (Principal, VESIT) and Dr.(Mrs.). M. Vijayalakshmi (Vice Principal, VESIT)

## VESIT Wins at SPCE

~ Prachit Paralikar

The Literary Art Committee of Sardar Patel College of Engineering (SPCE) had organized the 'SPCE Annual Debate 2022' on the 12th and 13th of November. This was an open-age debate. The debate became a topic of discussion as the alumni team of VESIT fought against the current students of VESIT in the finals. The alumni team won against the current team of VESIT by a difference of just one point.

Kaushal Jagasia (D17C), Noel Dason (D15A), and Ananya Pandey (D12C) representing VESIT, bagged the position of **Runners-up** in this debate and won a cash prize of Rs. 8,000.



Runners-up of the debate (L-R): Kaushal Jagasia (D17C), Ananya Pandey (D12C) and Noel Dason (D15A)



The debate was held in the 'Modified Asian Parliamentary' format on the campus of Sardar Patel College of Engineering (SPCE). For participating in this debate a three-member team was to be formed. As the debate was open-age, it attracted a lot of talented participants from all over the country. Debates were held on numerous interesting, spicy and intellectual topics. Fighting over every challenge in a number of rounds, our

participants reached the final round. The final round debate was held on the famous Roe vs Wade case.

Mr. Avinash Tripathy (Batch of 2022, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication), Mr. Adith Nair (Batch of 2021, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication) and Ms. C.V. Ananya (Batch of 2021, Department of Electronics and

Telecommunication), the alumni team of VESIT, were declared as the winners. This winning team was bestowed with a cash prize of Rs. 15,000.

Noel Dason (D15A) said, "It was a fun debate with interesting topics from a wide array of fields. It had good competition which motivated us to give our best. Overall it was a great experience and a well executed debate."

## Councils

# Follow PoSH, Catalyze Women Development

~ Preeti Khamkar

**P**revention of Sexual Harassment (PoSH) Act 2013 has been implemented to prevent and protect women from sexual harassment in the workplace and thereby ensure a safe working environment for women. It upholds women's fundamental right to equality as guaranteed under Articles 14 and 15 of the Indian Constitution, the right to live with dignity under Article 21, and the right to practice any profession, or to carry on any occupation, trade, or business as provided under Article 19 (1) (g) of the Indian Constitution.

As directed by AICTE and the initiative of the Government of India, the 'Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace' workshop was arranged by VESIT's Women Development Cell (WDC), Internal Complaint Committee (ICC), and Social Responsibility Team (SoRT) to spread awareness among the teaching and non-teaching staff about the provisions of the PoSH Act. It was organized on 25th November 2022 from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm through the online platform, Google Meet.

The event was coordinated by **Dr. Sujata Khedkar** (Associate Professor, Department of Computer Engineering), **Dr. Shashwati Roy Majumder** (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Applied Science), **Dr. Nandini Ammanagi** (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering), and **Mrs. Manisha Joshi** (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering). The workshop was brought to fruition by the two eminent speakers - **Judge Smita Vijaykumar Gharge**, currently working as Assistant Charity Commissioner at Jalgaon on deputation, and **Advocate Janki Hemnani** who is practicing in Bombay High Court, Sessions Court, Andheri

Magistrates Court and other courts in Mumbai.

The first session was delivered by Judge Smita Vijaykumar Gharge on the topic "PoSH Act 2013 – An act to protect women against sexual harassment at the workplace". The session covered how 'Vishakha' guidelines framed in 1997 were converted into a law PoSH ACT in 2013, highlighting the various aspects of the PoSH ACT which are in the interest of protecting women against sexual harassment.



**Coordinators of the workshop (L-R): Dr. Sujata Khedkar (Associate Professor, Department of Computer Engineering), Dr. Shashwati Roy Majumder (Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Applied Science), Dr. Nandini Ammanagi (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering), and Mrs. Manisha Joshi (Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering)**

The second session was delivered by Advocate Janki Hemnani on the topic 'Menism', a legal perspective on the protection of men from fake feminists. The session exposed high-profile cases of how laws were twisted and misused, and the role of media and social media. The speaker re-invoked a sense of responsibility in each

one of the audience, as laws were made to be protected and not be misused for personal reasons.



**Speakers of the workshop (L-R): Judge Ms. Smita Vijaykumar Gharge (Assistant Charity Commissioner, Jalgaon) and Advocate Ms. Janki Hemnani (Criminal Lawyer, Bombay High Court)**

During the question and answer round, the speakers cleared the doubts of the audience. Thus, the need to uphold the dignity of women and end gender stereotypes to encourage more and more women to participate in economic activities was enlightened to around 80 attendees.

**Dr. T. Rajani Mangala** (Professor, Department of Electronics Engineering) concluded the session by saying "I am grateful for Madam Smita Gharge and Madam Janki Hemnani, who took out time from their busy schedule for this impactful session where Madam Smita explained the PoSH Act and how women can get protection if suffering from sexual harassment and violence. And on the other side of the same coin, Madam Janki deftly explained how men can get protection if women take advantage of their benefits and file a possible fake case. Lastly, I thank the coordinators for arranging this session."

# SoRT-VESIT Organizes Quiz on 'Samvidhan Diwas'

~ Nínad Joshi

**S**amvidhan Diwas, also known as 'National Law Day' or 'Constitution Day', is observed on November 26. On November 26th, this year's Constitution Day was observed with the theme "India-The Mother of Democracy."

SoRT-VESIT circulated the link to online reading of the Preamble to the Constitution in English and 22 official languages, and also shared a link of the web portal for the participation in an online quiz on 'India-the Mother of democracy' via email. A copy of the concept document prepared by the 'Indian Council of Historical Research' was also enclosed.

Many students have given the quiz on the web portal and have also read the Preamble, and have been awarded with an e-certificate after completing the quiz. It was an excellent opportunity for everyone to understand the history behind the making of the Constitution.

Tejas Soni (D8) said, "The quiz was really interesting. I learnt many new things from it and had fun answering the ones I knew. It didn't take up too much time and was engaging. The quiz covered various topics and was very informative. I am looking forward to more such interesting quizzes."



**E-certificate was awarded to one of the participants**

## Know Your Worth

~ Anagha Kulkarni

**K**now your worth was an initiative taken by SoRT-VESIT to increase interaction among students and make the freshers familiar with other college students. It was also an initiative for students to know their worth and promote self-love. Students had to post their favorite pictures with their friends or family and mention the hashtag **#knowyourworth** on Instagram. Many students took part in this fun activity which made them realize that every moment with their loved ones is special.

Arya Banavali (D7A), Junior Deputy Secretary of SoRT, said, "Through this hashtag

activity, we tried to bring happy moments back into their lives which are often forgotten in this stressful life."

Aradhya Ingle (D7A) posted his pic with the hashtag **#knowyourworth** and gave a beautiful message "Self-respect and self-happiness should be one of the top priorities for a person as it keeps the person confident. Similarly, knowing our worth means knowing what we are capable of and where our happiness lies which is necessary for a person's upbuilt."



Sharing their happy moments with best people with **#knowyourworth**

## A Warm and Enthusiastic Welcome to the FEs by SoRT-VESIT

~ Sneha Tanna

**O**n **National Integration Day** i.e on the 19th of November, SoRT-VESIT arranged a webinar exclusively for first year students. This webinar was conducted online on the Google Meet platform, from 11 am onwards.

The speaker of the webinar was **Mrs. Sumita Mishra**, who is working in education sector for more 21 years. She has also worked in Chetana Publications, and is currently a career counselor at LaunchMyCareer.

The speaker started the session by explaining exactly what Integration Day

means with the help of a presentation. As it was the very first webinar for FEs, they were excited and also made the session interactive.

Ishwari Dehadray (D2B) shared her experience with us. She said, "The session was very interesting and useful. As it was the first webinar for FEs, we all were really excited. We understood the meaning of Integration Day and came to know why it is celebrated. We got the opportunity to interact with Mrs. Sumita Mishra and also with the seniors, it was overall a good session."



Speaker of the Session: **Mrs. Sumita Mishra**

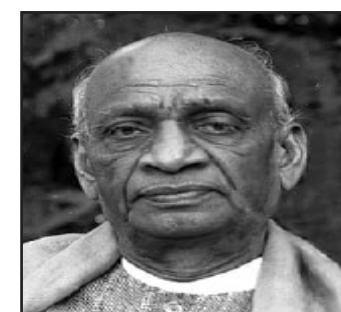
## Lit up Your Knowledge with VESLit

~ Nikita Kumavat

**S**ardar Vallabhbhai Patel is known as the Iron Man of India. He is also called the great unifier of India as he was responsible for uniting the princely states with the Indian territory. Since 2014, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's birthday on 31 October is celebrated as 'National Unity Day'. This year, on 31 October 2022, VESLit Circle celebrated '**National Unity Day**' with an online quiz, which was sent to all students through mail.

This quiz had 11 questions which described some details on the life events of Shri. Vallabhbhai Patel. Being an e-quiz, conducted with a motto of providing knowledge about his life and events, there were no certificates issued.

Prachit Paralakar (D10A) said, "I am glad I participated in this quiz, it was very informative, all questions were briefly answered later, overall got to know a lot about Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel."



**Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**

## Visions are Realized Through the Use of Multiple Eyes

~ Gargi Angne

**O**n the occasion of Sardar Vallabhai Patel's (who had a major role in the political integration of India) birth anniversary, the VESIT Sports Council initiated a pledge to celebrate '**National Unity Day**' on October 31st, 2022. A Google form was sent out through the mail to take the vow. The form consisted of the pledge: "I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure the internal security of my country."

The official statement for National Unity Day by the Home Ministry of India cites that National Unity Day will provide an opportunity to reaffirm the inherent strength and resilience of our nation to withstand the actual and potential threats

to the unity, integrity, and security of our country.'

On the day, a pledge is read out in government offices, "I solemnly pledge that I dedicate myself to preserving the unity, integrity, and security of the nation and also strive hard to spread this message among my fellow countrymen. I take this pledge in the spirit of the unification of my country which was made possible by the vision and actions of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure the internal security of my country." 31st of October is also celebrated as Rashtriya Sankalp Diwas or National Pledge Day as it marks the day of assassination of Indira Gandhi.

The pledge was shared through Google forms



# Hola Freshers

The auditorium buzzed with excitement as VESITConnect greeted the freshers to its very first “**Connect-ing VESIT**” event on the 14th, 15th and 16th of November, 2022. The first year’s divisions were invited in slots from 10:30am to 12:30pm and from 2pm to 4pm. The event was organised to serve as an induction for the newly admitted students of our college.

The freshers were welcomed and the event was inaugurated by VESITConnect’s very own Student Chief Editor, **Tanya Dubey** (D19B), Design Head, **Palak Garg** (D17B), Senior Reporter, **Hridesh Kamal** (D17B). Then, the freshers were given a brief about the college’s decorum, councils, elections, by **Yash Bhise** (D19B), General Secretary of our college.



(L-R): Design Head, Palak Garg (D17B), Student Chief Editor, Tanya Dubey (D19B) and Senior Reporter, Hridesh Kamal (D19B) from VESITConnect inaugurating the induction



General Secretary, Yash Bhise (D19B)

The next stage of the event brought in all the councils and technical societies of the college to apprise the freshers about them. VESITConnect (VC), the reporters and ‘all knowers’ of the college, introduced their team and enlightened the audience about the monthly newsletter published by them as well as the college’s yearly magazine ‘Vishwakarma’. Then **Dr. (Mrs.) J. M. Nair** (Principal, VESIT) welcomed the first-year students and encouraged them with her words of wisdom to participate in events and enjoy their college life.



Dr. (Mrs.) J. M. Nair (Principal, VESIT) welcomed the first-year students

The VESIT Music Council (VMC) struck a chord with its musical documentary about the council and the secretary of the music council, **Swaraj Patil** (D11), acquainted the freshers with the events of the council, such as ‘Octaves’, ‘Bliss’ and ‘Musical Misfit’. The council members introduced other events where they collaborated with the other councils and explained about the VESIT Music Academy.

The Social Responsibility Team (SoRT) showed the socioethical mindset of the college to the new family of VESIT, under the guidance of the SoRT secretary- **Soniya Deshmukh** (D14B). A glimpse of the team’s community service, through a short video, showed their dedication to the council. The freshers were filled in about the various events like ‘Spectral’, ‘Dental Camp’, ‘Talent Aid’, ‘Umeed’ and ‘Blood Donation’.



(L-R): Music Secretary, Swaraj Patil (D11) and SoRT Secretary, Soniya Deshmukh (D19B)

VESIT Literature Circle (VESLit) delivered an ‘actions speak louder than words’ notion to the audience by showcasing their achievements at the intercollege level. **Kaushal Jagasia** (D17C), the head of the circle, spoke about the various literary events like the ‘Vigilance Awareness Week 2022’ that VESLit conducted in collaboration with the Union Bank of India, as well as the intercollege events they participate in.

VESIT Photo Circle (VPC) captured the freshers’ attention with the moments they paused with their shots. **Tejas Mahajan** (D17A), the secretary of the ‘camera crew’ of the college, familiarised the newbies with the workshops and events like ‘Photo-walk’ conducted by the circle.



(L-R): VESLit Head, Kaushal Jagasia (D17C) and VESIT Photo Circle Head, Tejas Mahajan (D17A) acquainting freshers with their events and workshops

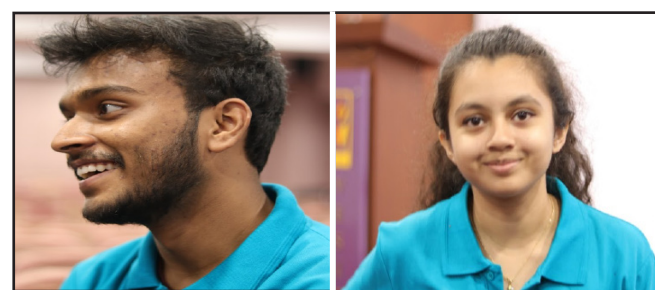
Then, the event pulled out the big guns, **Yash Raje** (D20A) and **Raghuttam Parvatikar** (D20B), who helped the audience relax by indulging them in fun games like ‘Hook step tu kar lena’, ‘Propose & Oppose’, ‘Click a picture’, ‘Guess the song’ and

impressed the newcomers with a terrific jamming session with VMC.



(L-R): Yash Raje (D20A) and Raghuttam Parvatikar (D20B) conversing with the audience

VESIT Language Circle (VESLang) gave the newcomers an assurance to help build confidence and communication skills through a mini-game of ‘Battle of talks’. **Vaidyanathan Natarajan** (D18), the head of the circle, and **Anushka Kulkarni** (D11AD), the vice head, enlightened the audience about the workshop ‘P&PA’ conducted by them. They explained how they bring in alumni so as to help the participants.



(L-R): VESLang Head, Vaidyanathan Natarajan (D18) and VESLang Deputy Head, Anushka Kulkarni (D11AD)

VESIT Sports Council brought in a lot of energy and boosted the first years’ with the announcement of various sports events and a peek of ‘Sphurti’, the flagship event of the council. **Prathamesh Gudame** (D11), the secretary, briefed about the events along with the other members of the council and promised the newcomers a wholesome experience of the sports events.

VESIT Cultural Council hyped the rookies by giving them a glimpse of the previous offline ‘Prarambh’ through a video along with a few details. **Sejal Bishoyi** (D11), the secretary, introduced the whole team. They went on to notify the audience about the upcoming event ‘Illusion’, which is taking place after a long time and about the various communities like Aesthetics, Drama, Visual Arts, VESIT Dance Crew (VDC), etc.



(L-R): Sports Secretary, Prathamesh Gudame (D11) and Cultural Secretary, Sejal Bishoyi (D11)



The technical societies- ISA (**Yash Chavan** (D14A), **Nachiket Suryavanshi** (D11)), IEEE (**Aditi Bombe** (D14B) and **Hitesh Kapure** (D14B)), ISTE (**Sahil Kodwani** (D15A) and **Divisha Gupta** (D15A)) and CSI (**Sakshi Bhojwani** (D12B) and **Harsh Rane** (D12C)) showcased the hard skills they help impart through their innovative workshops.



ISA-VESIT (L-R): **Yash Chavan** (D14A) and **Nachiket Suryavanshi** (D11) explaining the significance of the knowledge they would get by attending their workshops



IEEE-VESIT (L-R): **Aditi Bombe** (D14B) and **Hitesh Kapure** (D14B)



ISTE-VESIT (L-R): **Sahil Kodwani** (D15A) and **Divisha Gupta** (D15A)



CSI-VESIT (L-R): **Sakshi Bhojwani** (D12B) and **Harsh Rane** (D12C)

The host for the games started with basic info like asking the freshers their name, their hobbies, and their alma matter. The best to

make interact with freshers and to make them comfortable with the new environment was by playing games. The following games were played: 1) Propose and Oppose: Our college has made eloquent debaters for many years. To acquaint the freshers with debating culture a game was organized. A random object was displayed on the screen. Two group of 3 were formed by randomly selecting the freshers from audience. One team had to speak in proposition and the other in opposition. One group had speak for and the other against it. 2) Guess the song: 3-4 freshers from each class present in auditorium were called upon the stage. Tunes of various songs were played. Participants were supposed to guess the song and the team with maximum correct answers was declared as winner. 3) Hook step tu Kar lena- Random students picked up. Then a song was played. They were suppose to do the hook step of the song played.



A glimpse of freshers playing the games enthusiastically

4) This/that sports edition: This was a quiz for all sports enthusiast. An interesting quiz was setup by VESITConnect which consisted many questions from the sports world. The event was concluded with question and answer session.



Participants applying their musical expertise to guess the song

Ishwari Dehadray (D2B) shared her experience with us. She shared, "The induction helped me get acquainted with the various college councils. I enjoyed it because I got to meet and engage with our seniors. Also, the event gave me a glimpse of what I should expect for in the next 4 years."

Atharva Deore (D2C), one of the attendees, also said, "The orientation was well-organized, and I was made to feel at ease. Not only was I introduced to my classmates fluently, but I also had the opportunity to connect with seniors, which would not have been possible without such events. I was given the opportunity to add questions freely, and all of them were well answered by the VESITConnect team and by senior council members. I got a glimpse of what my college life would be like and am extremely grateful to VESITConnect for organizing an induction that exceeded our expectations."



Team VESITConnect

*"We live in an age of unprecedented opportunity: If you've got ambition and smarts, you can rise to the top of your chosen profession, regardless of where you started out."*  
~ Peter F. Drucker



# Societies

## ISA-VESIT brings BE & Beyond's Season 2

### Episode 1

After a successful season 1, ISA-VESIT begins another journey, as they return with their informative season of **'BE & BEYOND' Season 2**. The first episode premiered on the 10th of October 2022 on ISA-VESIT'S YouTube channel. The theme for the session was 'Core Placements' as we had a guest speaker, an alumni, **Mr. Siddharth Choudhari** (INST - 2015) who graduated from the department of Instrumentation, and is working as an Executive Engineer at ThyssenKrupp Industrial Solutions. He is also the webmaster and social media chairperson at ISA Maharashtra.

The host for the session was **Rajnandini Verma** (D13), the second-year coordinator at ISA-VESIT. The session began with a brief introduction of the guest speaker. Mr. Siddharth Choudhari then continued the session by remembering his experience and sharing his memories at VESIT as a student. He enlightened the session by sharing what role VESIT had in his journey from a student to a successful corporate engineer. He later highlighted the importance of skill sets that students must acquire as instrumental students, he even advised focusing on conceptual learning, not theoretical.

He later shared his placement journey of how he got placed into ThyssenKrupp Industrial Solutions. He highlighted that the process was more based on your logical reasoning in the aptitude test and your conceptual knowledge of core



Host of the session: **Rajnandini Verma (D13)**

instrumentation subjects in consecutive technical and HR interview rounds.

He joined ISA-VESIT when he was in his second year and later became the Public Relations Officer in his third year. According to him, ISA will always stay very close to his heart as he got exposure to various technical workshops and industrial practical experience, and even got mentorship from industrial experts. He even joined ISA Maharashtra and was also an integral team member, who designed the website for them.

The session then had discussions on the importance of doing projects and courses, while you are in your second and third year. He also advised us to figure out the interest you have in a specific domain and do a few internships related to your interest area which will help you in your placements.

During his fourth year, he was even appointed as a placement coordinator. He said

that was a lifelong experience for him as the position enabled him to connect with many HR professionals which in turn helped him to hone his communication skills. The session ended with his simple advice to juniors to focus on their basic concepts irrespective of their branch and to keep on learning new skills to keep themselves updated with the latest technologies.

One of the attendees of the session Vivek Yadav (D8) said " I am from the instrumentation branch and I got all the insights and key points on how to study and prepare yourself for core companies. Some of my basic doubts got cleared, too. I would like to thank ISA- VESIT for organizing such an informative and learning session for us".



Speaker of the session: **Mr. Siddharth Choudhari (INST-2015)**

### Episode 2

The series **BE & Beyond's** second episode premiered on ISA-VESIT's YouTube channel at 8 pm on 21st November 2022. The theme for this episode was "Pursuing a Master's degree from a prestigious university abroad" and the guest speaker of the session was **Mr. Varun Gokhale** (ETRX-2022). He is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Nanotechnology from Purdue University. He has been an honor and presenter at the International Astronautical Federation (IAF). He is also a team member of space generation advisory councils.

This interview was conducted by **Avantika Narvekar** (D14A), Jr. Editor at ISA-VESIT. The discussion began with the speaker reminiscing about his days at VESIT and how the lockdown made him try out different things and move out of his comfort zone. He then spoke about the scope of a Master's Degree in Biomedical Engineering and what attracted him to pursue the same.

Mr. Varun then spoke about the academic aspects that a student needs to fulfill to get into a top university. He beautifully explained the three steps to decide the course and the university in which a student wants to pursue his Master's. Varun said, "There are three simple steps that I followed to choose the university for post-graduation. First, recognize your area of interest and then narrow down on the universities course outcomes. After searching for the universities that provide your interested course, select the country in which you want to pursue your Master's, mostly US or UK."

~ *Rushikesh Sarak and Anglia Kulkarni*

He also explained the selection criteria of top universities and how an appropriate project, even if it's BE project can help have an edge over the selection.

He also shed some light on the scholarships provided in foreign universities and how to avail them. He then mentioned the organizations of which he is a part of, like the space generation advisory and the International Astronautical Federation, and also spoke about his contribution to these councils.



Speaker of the session: **Mr. Varun Gokhale (ETRX-2022)**

He also spoke about his research paper titled "Nanofluid-based active thermal control system for spacecraft" which he presented at the Global space exploration conference in Russia. He even mentioned some of the amazing YouTube channels that provide insights into the new technologies, how they work, and the research work behind that technology.



Glimpse of a session where **Avantika Narvekar (D14A)** taking an interview of **Mr. Varun Gokhale (ETRX-2022)**

The session concluded with Mr. Varun talking about the advantages of pursuing a master's degree in foreign universities. He also spoke on why a master's degree has become important these days as it gives a better understanding of how the industry works and provides plenty of opportunities and the salary hike that one gets if he passes out from one of the top universities.

One of the viewers, Nikhil Gore (D13), said, "This episode turned out to be very informative as Mr. Varun shared some essential tips to get into the top universities abroad. His work experience motivated us to come out of our comfort zone and gain knowledge in various domains. I am sure, many viewers have benefitted from this episode and we are looking forward to more such enlightening sessions."



# #TalkToConnect

## VESITConnect



Tanya Dubey (D19B) - Student Chief Editor

VESITConnect brings to you its most awaited series "Talk To Connect '22.' Kickstarting with our most anticipated series, we have the Student Chief Editor **Tanya Dubey** (D19B) 'connecting' us with her journey throughout VESITConnect and dropping some hints about the newsletters and the annual magazine.

"When I reflect on what VESITConnect means to me, I realize that it has been an enthralling journey that I will cherish for the rest of my life. It let me experiment and explore my potential while gaining an overwhelming experience.

I joined VESITConnect in my first year and had four wonderful years working with exceptionally talented people every year. I had an amazing time working in a team full of creative and

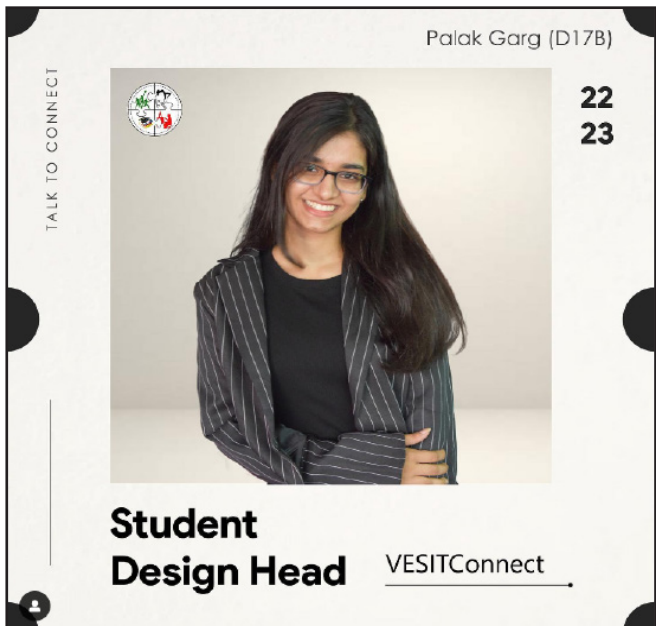
talented people. VESITConnect provided me with a platform to write, design and publish my work. It gave me an opportunity to collaborate on new ideas and think outside the box.

Being a part of VESITConnect, you have to devote a lot of time and effort around the clock throughout the year because you work to keep everyone connected. And so has been my team pulling off issues, covering every event conducted in college, interviewing faculty members and keeping our social media up-to-date. Very soon, we will be on our feet for our annual magazine Vishwakarma. Every year we try to level up the designing of Vishwakarma to make it more visually appealing and reader-friendly. This year, we are also hoping to conduct some fun events to bring out hidden talents and "connect" VESIT.

It takes a lot of time, hard work and teamwork to get where we are and I am proud of this team. I wouldn't have achieved a lot of what I did if it weren't for this absolute gem of a team that I have - responsible BEs, creative TEs, and the over-enthusiastic SEs."

'Connecting' and beautifying everything from newsletters and magazine to instagram posts, let's hear it from the Student Design Head **Palak Garg** (D17B) on her walkthrough with VESITConnect over the years.

"Glancing back at the three incredible and fulfilling years of VESITConnect, I realize, for me, VESITConnect has always been about its PEOPLE, all those amazingly talented and beautiful souls I got to meet. It has been a journey full of fun, creativity, and a little hassle ofcourse.



Palak Garg (D17B) - Student Design Head

I still remember how the introvert me joined VESITConnect as a reporter and found my love for designing and content creation. We made almost every college-life issue into a fun Instagram post for VESITConnect.

Right from "Hi, I'm from VESITConnect, can I ask you...." to "Hey you're from VESITConnect, can you...", it has been a great learning experience for me, but it not only skilled me in designing and writing but also helped me understand how to work, manage and now lead the whole team.

I look forward to my final OFFLINE year and the annual magazine, Vishwakarma to be curated by the highly ingenious and aesthetic team of VESITConnect."

## VESLang Circle

Providing the key points for enhancing your soft skills through various workshops and Instagram posts, let's hear it from the head of VESLang Circle, **Vaidyanathan Natarajan** (D18) about his journey.

"VESLang's motto is 'We rise by lifting others'. Ever since my childhood, helping was something that was important to me. This, combined with my passion to learn and improve my communication skills made me join the VESLang circle. It is a platform that helps me hone my skills and opens new avenues for bettering myself.

Talking about leading the circle, when I was offered the opportunity to lead, I was overwhelmed. I have worked under a variety of gifted leaders along with some of the best talents our college has to offer. Leading a team of such interesting and capable characters was something that appealed to me and made me interview for the position of the circle head

I am blessed to have a team of highly

enthusiastic and energetic people who constantly keep pitching new ideas to keep the circle up to date with the trends of college life. The team meets on a regular basis to discuss upcoming events and new initiatives that may help VESITIANs. The senior team constantly engages with the juniors and encourages them to come up with out-of-the-box ideas.

The onboarding of juniors can be a difficult task. They need to be well acquainted with what the circle stands for and what it exactly does. I give the senior team and the Deputy Head, Anushka Kulkarni, all the credit for bringing in the new members. We encourage the junior members to take up initiatives and display their true talents to the world.

We even have a bunch of events in the works for the incoming first-year students as well as the senior students to improve their communication and soft skills. The flagship P&PA (Personal and Professional Achievement) workshop will also be

conducted over the period of January to March 2023."



Vaidyanathan Natarajan (D18) - Circle Head



## VESLit Circle

A paradise for thinkers, readers and speakers, here's to always putting 'LIT' in LITerature, we have the VESLit Circle's Student Head **Kaushal Jagasia** (D17C) to let us know what they have in store this year!

"I joined VESLit Circle as a Junior Member of the MUN Division in my second year of engineering. I had a good experience in Debates and MUNs, in fact, I even came up with the idea for a Youth Parliament to be conducted on the topic of mob lynching in May 2020. My fondest memory of my first year in the Circle was designing a creative writing event, The Mystery of Tracy Johnson, with my closest friends (Mihir and Sneha), which was one of the highlights of VESLit Week.

I served as the Deputy Student Head of VESLit Circle in the past year. I believe I've got a lot to give back to the juniors in terms of experience as I've participated and won in various inter-collegiate events. It was my dream since I first stepped foot into this college to be the Head of the Literature

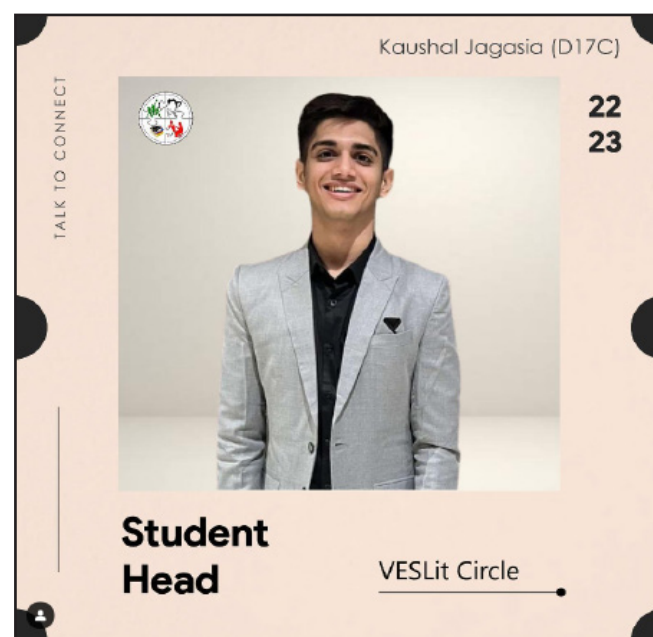
Council. And luckily, I got this opportunity through VESLit Circle, where I found like-minded people and made a place for myself to grow and develop.

I want to know every single thing that goes on in the heads of my Circle members. Discussing ideas and suggestions with my peers, who have different levels of experience and come from different walks of life, helps me to expand my creative horizons.

We like to emphasize the fact that VESLit Circle is the gateway for inter-collegiate events. Recently, we left our mark in Jai Hind College's Business and Economics fest called 'Arthanomics'. I believe the most significant advantage of being a part of VESLit Circle is that one gets to explore a lot via inter-college fests.

To keep it simple - Offline events. There is a different level of intensity to an offline debate when compared to an online one. I want VESIT to be recognized as a serial winner in Debates, MUNs, Quizzes, Elocutions, Filmmaking, and a lot

more. We will be conducting workshops by VESLit Alumni whenever possible. The goal will always be to evolve, grow and maximize our potential."



**Kaushal Jagasia (D17C) - Student Head**

## VESIT Music Council

After conducting a lot of amazing events, let's now hear it from the Music Secretary **Swaraj Patil** (D11) to know about all the 'Musical' events planned by the VESIT Music Council this year!

"My experience with the Music Council has been really exciting and ever-evolving. When I first joined the Music Council, I had no orientation about how a particular event is managed. But working with VMC and organizing a plethora of events in both online and offline modes made me understand the nitty-gritty of planning and execution. Managing any event, small or big, is tiring and stressful, but with a hardworking and ever-enthusiastic team, it becomes a cakewalk. And luckily I am blessed with both of those.

Yes, music truly heals and soothes every pain. As we know, 'Where words fail, music speaks'. I have been playing tabla for more than 7 years now and guitar for more than 2 years. And truly, there

is no other time I feel a complete sense of calm and harmony than when I do my riyaz. Music can lift one's spirits. Especially when we are living in a time where students of our age face a lot of mental health issues like anxiety and stress. Where music can help them to deal with these mental health issues.

The Music Council has recently started its own classes, which are conducted in the music room itself. These classes are going on very smoothly, and a lot of students are learning new things. We will be having BLISS'23, which is the musical talent exhibition, with a whole new face. And the final and most awaited event of the music council, which is OCTAVES, is being planned, so to get marveled all over again get ready! The Music Council has never failed to amaze the audience with its melodious events. And in the future, there will be a lot of events that meet the expectations of the VESIT audience."



**Swaraj Patil (D11) - Music Secretary**

## VESIT Sports Council

Never failing to charge us up with their 'SPHURTI'-filled events that keep everyone on their toes, let us now hear it from the Sports Secretary **Prathamesh Gudame** (D11), sharing with us his connection with sports and his plans with the Sports Council this year!

"My journey with the Sports Council dates all the way back to the first year when 'E-sports' was the only way to enjoy sports. In my second year, we went on to build one of the biggest online events conducted by our college, Ingenuity. Later, when colleges were reopened, we conducted Sphurti within a span of 2 weeks!

My favorite sport is football. I have represented my school for the same in different tournaments. In my opinion, participating and conducting an event are different, but at their core both have the same underlying values, that is teamwork, collaborating and working towards achieving a collective objective and that is what me and my council look upto

My vision for the Sports Council firstly has

to be bringing back the spirit of sportsmanship and unity, through our flagship event, SPHURTI, and also conducting VPL (Vesit Premier League) and VCL (Vesit Cricket League) for which our students have been waiting for the past 2 years.

I want to introduce some new events as well like we did with VTL (Vesit Tennis League), but at the same time, I also want to continue on the legacy left behind by the past secretaries. If things go as planned, we might even get to see a Carrom League this year. For this year's Indoor sphurti, we reintroduced Darts, which was last played in 2017. Other than that, we were planning to have Kabbadi and Athletics this year in Outdoor Sphurti which we were not able to conduct last year.

After getting elected as the Sports Secretary of the college, things haven't changed much, the passion and the will is still the same from when I started off as a participant but the motivation is higher than ever to make events which create an impact on everyone. My aim is to give a fair chance to each and every student to showcase their

potential and enjoy the events conducted by the council.



**Prathamesh Gudame (D11) - Sports Secretary**



## SoRT-VESIT

Following the quote 'do whatever you can with what you have and where you are' and always striving in bringing it to practice through various social drives and events, we have the Secretary of SoRT VESIT **Soniya Deshmukh** (D14B) sharing her experience of SoRT council and ideas to help the needy!

"When I heard about SoRT for the first time during my induction, that was the point where I knew what I wanted to do here in college and that was when I had made up my mind that I wanted to become the Secretary in my third year. It was as simple as that. Obviously, elections were not that easy, but honestly, it was another fun experience.

I've always loved to teach kids and before SoRT, getting to kids in my nearby village area

was the best thing that ever happened in my life. Furthermore, I would really like to do something for the underprivileged kids around me.

The most memorable experience through SoRT is the NGO visit and I don't think any other experience would match up to the experience you get after visiting NGOs & seeing the million-dollar smile on so many faces.

Recently, we did a fundraiser for the Khushiyaan foundation. Talking about further plans, I would like to keep it a surprise. Why spill the beans and spoil the fun?

I would like to conclude by saying keep doing your part however you can to help the society. Even helping one human being, that one smile can give you the satisfaction nothing else could give."



Soniya Deshmukh (D14B) - SoRT Secretary

## VESIT PhotoCircle

A camera is a 'save' button for the mind's eye and thus is the VESIT Photo Circle. Let's get the picture of the Student Head **Tejas Mahajan** (D17A) leading a 'picture perfect' team to capture the best moments of our life when we are busy enjoying them!

"I am a big fan of photos that depict stories and unique compositions. You know when you see a photo and it stays with you for quite a long time! That's what qualifies as the #BESTPHOTO! As a personal preference, cloud photos can easily melt my heart.

Developing a penchant for photography during my junior college years, I joined VPC in my second year amidst the pandemic. I was really captivated by the fact that I can capture moments and memories in a really beautiful manner so that they stay with us forever. Taking part in ILLUSION '20 during my 1st year not only exposed me to big cameras and gimbals but also got me the opportunity to work with the best talents of our college. My determination to be part of the best

photographers in VESIT inspired me to join VPC.

VPC has always strived to be the best by regularly assessing the feedback and quickly implementing the needed revisions. Currently, we are working on streamlining substantial reforms inside and outside of VPC. From setting up standards for the photos taken to delivering the photos in less than 4 days, we are aiming to take this PhotoCircle to the next level!

This year is the first time that we are functioning to our maximum capacity for offline events. My plan is to get my team proficient with their tasks so that we do not leave any event unattended. Moreover, we are stepping up our game by Editing the photos we take, before delivering them to the respective council. Along with our annual photography workshop, I'll also make sure that we conduct a Photowalk on the streets of Mumbai with a maximum participation allowance.

'Even though there exist multiple obstructions, don't forget to look past them as you have the entire universe to explore and conquer.'

This quote depicts my journey and also reminds me to keep hustling even more every single day."



Tejas Mahajan (D17A) - Student Head

## CultVesit

Culture and creativity manifest themselves in almost all social and other activities. CultVesit has always been on their upfront in promoting of all forms of art and culture, both tangible and intangible. Let's hear it from the Cultural Secretary **Sejal Bishoyi** (D11) on their action plan for this year!

"Cultural Secretary is a tag that I think not everyone can handle and standing for the post was a huge task for me. My motive to become the secretary was to bring a good change and give the college the events they have never experienced before. I wanted to take everything, be it fun games to enthralling events and lift them a notch higher, so everyone could enjoy their college life and take good memories with them.

The Cultural Council takes the charge of organizing and managing all the Cultural events in the college around the year. To sum up everything, the Cultural Council makes sure that all the events are carried out smoothly and we try to level up the events year by year.

Our Council has organized 2 events and 4 workshops of each community associated with the council. Our 1st event was a collaboration event with VMC, an Independence day event, where we had dance and drama performances from our council which was a great hit. Our 2nd event was Engineer's Day event where we organized a treasure hunt for students, which was also a success looking at the huge participation from the students.

Out of the three main events, Prarambh, Illusion and Utsav, ILLUSION'23 is our main aka flagship event. This is the most grand event that our college experiences. We cover all the different 7 portfolios- dance, drama, music, sports, visual arts, aesthetics and literature. Our motive behind this is that no person from our college is left behind and also that everyone can participate in this grand event.

This event has lots of twists and turns over various parts of time and it goes on for 3-4 months given the preparation time and pre-events for the teams. This is an event where the entire college

from FE's to BE's come together to have a huge blast and have the most fun out of it."



Sejal Bishoyi (D11) - Cultural Secretary



# MCA-VESIT

After talking to the respective heads of the councils and circles, we had a voluble talk with **Ashvita Salian** (MCA2B), a humble, ambitious and enthusiastic personality who is a supportable friend to her fellow mates, a passionate leader to look up to, and someone who has a passionate desire to achieve something. Let's have a walk through the memorable journey lane of our MCA Representative. So, voilà!!

"I've been the MCA Representative for almost a month now. It has encouraged me to interact with more people and has definitely pushed me out of my comfort zone. It's a great feeling to be part of the college council and to be able to contribute to the process. I'm considerate of the opinions of the people involved. I have a practical and optimistic approach toward anything that comes my way. I tend to take charge willingly and keep myself motivated through challenges.

The three words that describe my personality are diligent, dynamic, and friendly. I have been

a constant motivator to my fellow classmates to achieve maximum participation in college events. I have also volunteered as a moderator for 2 alumni sessions organized by V-REACH and other events. The unforgettable memories that would stay along with me during my journey includes joy in planning events, interacting with talented people, and expanding my horizons beyond expectations.

I firmly believe that building a good team needs developing coordination between the team members with open-ended conversations and commitment of each member towards the common goal. The future event that we are going to organize is looking forward to planning a fresher's event for the juniors who will be joining us soon. I'm also planning to have a 3-day fest where all councils can come together and organize the fest.

Finally, as an MCA Representative, all I can say is don't restrict yourself, challenge yourself and explore the areas out of your comfort zones.

Participate as much as possible because these years won't come back."



**Ashvita Salian (MCA2B) - MCA Representative**

## General Secretary

A charismatic leader, a keen decision taker, the one responsible for coordinating between all student bodies, for whom student council is always a top priority. In this last chapter of TTC, let's hear from our General Secretary **Yash Bhise** (D19B) what he has to say to the VESIT family.

"I was always enthusiastic about being the General Secretary of the college. I have been preparing for the contest since my first year. My biggest motivation was seeing Somesh Sidhwani (Ex GS, 2019) work and put his utmost effort into making the most out of each event. As a fresher, I imagined myself in those shoes and kept working hard towards it.

My vision for this year will be fairness, integrity and humility, simple! I've observed three different General Secretaries work in their ways, and each time I made sure I learnt something from where they missed out. I also want to bring transparency into the Student Council to ensure smooth functioning.

There was some tussle among the councils

as it was five strangers coming to take up such a big responsibility. I had a very simple approach to this situation, open talk. We set up a meeting in person and sat down to discuss what was at hand and how to make the most out of it. This way we knew what each of us had to say and felt about the situation. It was always us as a team of five versus the problem, not individuals against one another. This greatly helped and now we have the best team!

Speaking about the major challenge I faced up till now was time management. It was extremely difficult to manage lectures, self-study, events, and other administrative work. Eventually, I made a timetable and set up my work on an "urgent-important" matrix to deal effectively with this issue.

My ability of 'problem-solving' is something I boast about. I love to analyze problems and find solutions utilizing whatever is given to me. I believe that the only way to make a change in something is to do it yourself. The one quote I've always lived up to was by Thanos as he said, "Fine, I'll do it myself." These two things greatly distinguish me from other General Secretaries."



**Yash Bhise (D19B) - General Secretary**

## Placements

### The ITC Infotech Company Welcomes You

~ *Rushikeshi Sarak*

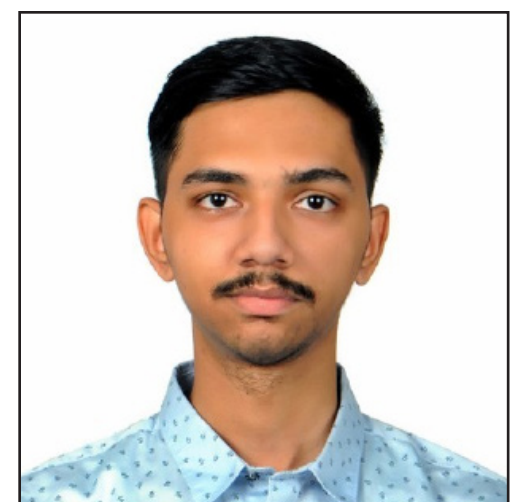
The placement drive was successfully conducted for the students of batch 2022-23 in VESIT. We had several reputed and dream companies for our students who visited our campus to recruit the bright students of VESIT. One of the companies which visited was **ITC Infotech** which recruited 7 bright students offering them an enormous CTC of **Rs. 4.25 LPA**.

VESITConnect reached out to one of these students, **Shravan Shanbag** (D19A) from the Department of Electronics and Telecommunication.

ITC Infotech is a leading global technology services and solutions provider, led by Business and Technology Consulting. ITC Infotech is a wholly owned subsidiary of ITC Ltd. ITC is one of India's

leading private sector companies and a diversified conglomerate with businesses spanning Consumer Goods, Hotels, Paperboards and Packaging, Agri Business, and Information Technology.

Company offered the role of Associate IT Consultant to the students. The eligibility criteria were not so high, students of all branches with 6 or above pointers till the last announced results with no active backlogs were allowed to appear for the aptitude test conducted by the company. MCA students were not eligible for this company. Also, minimum aggregate marks of Class X, Class XII, and Diploma (if applicable) should be greater than 60%. The company conducted its recruitment remotely. Pre-placement talks were held online where everything about the process was cleared.



**Shravan Shanbag (D19A)**



There were 4 rounds of assessment.

The first is the aptitude round. It was an AMCAT exam with sections like English Comprehension, Logical Ability, Quantitative Ability, and Automata Fix. The total duration of the test was 72 mins and the total number of questions was 57. Around 89 students applied for the job. Out Of which 9 were able to clear the first round. Shraavan Shanbag said, "The test was not so difficult but Automata fix was something new for me which had questions on finding errors from the given sample programming code. I was able to clear this round and in the evening of the same day, I was asked to give my SpeechX assessment."

Then in the second round which was the SpeechX assessment, 7 students were selected and all 7 were given offers at the end. So no elimination

happened in interviews. Technical interview was not very hard. The interviewer just asked about some basic concepts of data structures and asked about the projects present on the student's resume. The interview lasted for around 15-20 mins. The next day, all the selected students were sent the link for an HR interview.

The HR interview was easy, students were gauged on their projects, confidence, and technical and communication skills. All students were selected for a CTC of Rs 4.25 LPA.

In the preparation for the placement, he said, "I started my placement preparation early. I prepared aptitude questions from Indiabix and also watched some random videos on YouTube, especially from Prepinsta and Talentbattle, where previous years' questions of companies' assessment



Placement Statistics for ITC Infotech Drive 2022

## The Journey to FYND

One of our very own students, **Paarth Pramod Rane (D19A)**, bagged a placement in **FYND**, his dream company and India's largest omnichannel platform helping retail businesses accelerate growth. We congratulate Paarth on this feat! Paarth belonged to the Department of Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering and had a CGPA of 8.47 (up to Sem 6). The CTC Offered was **13.50 LPA**. The drive was held on the 22nd of August, 2022, with BE (departments: Computer, Information Technology, Electronics, Electronics and Telecommunications) and MCA being the eligible branches. The designation was graduate engineer. Here's what Paarth had to say about his experience:

The eligibility criteria was 6 and above CGPA out of 10, no Backlogs, not more than 1 year of gap in education and being good in programming languages.

The interview process had three rounds- online Test, in-person HR round of interview and in-person technical Interview

Round 1 consisted of an Online Test (aptitude and technical). The test was divided into 2 sections- an aptitude section which had quants and logical questions, and the technical section. Shortlisting was based on time taken by students to complete the test and the total number of questions answered correctly. Another test was conducted on the FYND Platform (a product from Fynd) for the students shortlisted from the 1st round. This was also an elimination round consisting of aptitude and technical questions.

Time limit was a constraint for this round. Round 2 consisted of an in-Person Technical Interview. There were 6 panels for the technical Interview. Different panels asked different sets of questions. This round examined one's knowledge in different fields like Networking, Programming, Database Management, and the Projects mentioned in one's resume. My interview lasted for about 30-35 mins. Following are some questions asked during my interview.

- Tell me something about yourself.
- Which programming language do you prefer?

- What do you mean when we say that a language is Object Oriented?
- What is an object in JavaScript?
- Some questions related to databases.
- Why Indexing is used while working with databases?
- What and why are there different types of IP classes and their corresponding addresses?
- Write a program to reverse a string.

Round 3 consisted of an In-Person HR Interview. The coordinators appointed by the company initially called it Lead Round. Again, there were 6 panels and the type of questions asked entirely depended on the panel to which you were assigned.

My entire interview was based on the projects that I have done and it lasted for about 30- 35 min. At first the interviewer asked me to explain the project and then the questions followed. As I had my projects done in Django, the questions asked were:

- Explain the entire idea and flow of the project.
- Why is Django used in your project?
- Describe and explain the file structure of Django.
- Which architecture is used by Django?
- What did you extensively work on in these projects?
- Few networking questions were asked.

My experience of the process was that you should work on building your profile with good projects and internships. The company gives importance to the experiences that you get by working in different places on different projects. Being able to show your technical knowledge and skills is important. Apart from that, the interviewers were kind and approachable, and that made me relax.

Few tips I would like to give would be- do a thorough background check on the company you're applying for. Once you've got an idea about the company's background and what they are seeking, you'll understand their interview pattern and what type of questions they'll throw at you during the grilling session. Begin your preparations in coding

and programming languages as soon as possible. A solid grasp of technical tools and skills positions you to answer any inquiry, no matter how challenging. Interviewers do not only search for correct answers throughout the technical interview process. They also assess the ability to confidently answer the questions, as well as one's attitude in handling the questions. If you can't answer a question, be honest and transparent with your interviewer; it shows your honesty and confidence.



Paarth Pramod Rane (D19A)



Placement Statistics for FYND Drive 2022



# VESIT Voice

-Tanya Dubey

The Library Department of VESIT, under the guidance of the Internal Quality Cell (IQAC) and in association with the Institution's Innovation Cell (IIC), organized a national-level quiz on the occasion of 'Samvidhan Diwas'. Kaushal Jagasia (D17C), Noel Dason (D15A), and Ananya Pandey (D12C) representing VESIT bagged the position of Runners-up in 'SPCE Annual Debate 2022' and they received a cash prize of Rs. 8,000. As directed by AICTE and the initiative of the Government of India, the 'Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace' workshop was arranged by VESIT's Women Development Cell (WDC), Internal Complaint Committee (ICC), and Social Responsibility Team (SoRT) to spread awareness among the teaching and non-teaching staff about the provisions of the PoSH Act. SoRT-VESIT circulated the link to online reading of Preamble to the Constitution in 22 Official Languages and English, and also shared a link of the web portal for the participation in an online quiz on 'India-the Mother of democracy'. Know your worth was an initiative taken by SoRT-VESIT to increase interaction among students and make the freshers familiar with other college students. On National Integration Day, SoRT-VESIT arranged a webinar exclusively for first year students. VESIT Circle celebrated 'National Unity Day' via an online quiz. On the occasion of Sardar Vallabhai Patel's birth anniversary, the Sports Council initiated a pledge to celebrate 'National Unity Day'. VESITConnect greeted the freshers to its very first 'Connect-ing VESIT'. ISA-VESIT began with 'BE & BEYOND' Season 2. VESITConnect brings to you its most awaited series 'Talk To Connect '22.'

In the Placement section, we have 'ITC Infotech' offering a CTC of 4.25 LPA and 'FYND' offering a CTC of 13.50 LPA.

In the Life Outside VESIT section, we have the VESIT Music Council organizing a jam session at Marine Drive, Mumbai on a Sunday morning.

In the Diaries section, we have Mr. Anish Vaidya, who graduated from the Department of Computer Engineering in 2021. He is currently working as a Software Analyst at JP Morgan Chase and Co. He talks about his college life, his personal life, his career, and much more.

The VESIT Sports Council conducted 'Indoor Sphurti', the biggest indoor sporting event of VESIT. The events began on 19th September 2022 and ended on 4th October 2022.

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## Life Outside VESIT

# VESIT Music Council Performs a Musical Jam on the Sunday Streets of Mumbai

~ Sai Thikekar

On November 13, 2022, the VESIT Music Council organized a **jam session** at Marine Drive, Mumbai in the morning. Since it was Sunday, the streets of Mumbai and Marine Drive were packed with people enjoying a number of activities, which is becoming a popular culture in Mumbai known as 'Sunday Streets.' Marine Drive is a well-known promenade in Mumbai. It is situated along the Arabian Sea and is well-known for its stunning views of the sea and the city skyline. The promenade is a popular destination for tourists and locals alike and is often crowded with people enjoying the views, walking, jogging, and relaxing.

Members of the VESIT Music Council gathered at Marine Drive with cajons and guitars and began jamming. They drew large crowds, as many stood around snapping photographs and films. They later joined another group and began jamming with them on Bollywood and Hollywood tunes. They ended the jam session by cutting a cake and performing the birthday song for one of their council members, Gaurav Ambartani (D12C).

Nikhil Chhabria (D13) shared his

experience with us. He shared, "The experience was fantastic! Although we started the session a bit late than planned, we were able to gather a lot of people vibing to many of the iconic Bollywood songs we sung! Each and every moment we spent over there felt very wholesome! Infact, another group of musicians too joined us, and we were jamming together, having loads of fun!"



Members of VESIT Music Council at Marine Drive



Members of VESIT Music Council attracting the crowd by their performance



# Musings and Expressions

## Musing of the Month

### Winter Blues

WINTER BLUES

Walking down the snowy streets I remembered the night,  
When your icy cold words pierced through my heart like the obsidian knife.  
And how the brutal storms struck my wrecked ship time and time again,  
But it stood straight in the sea of baren love and pain.

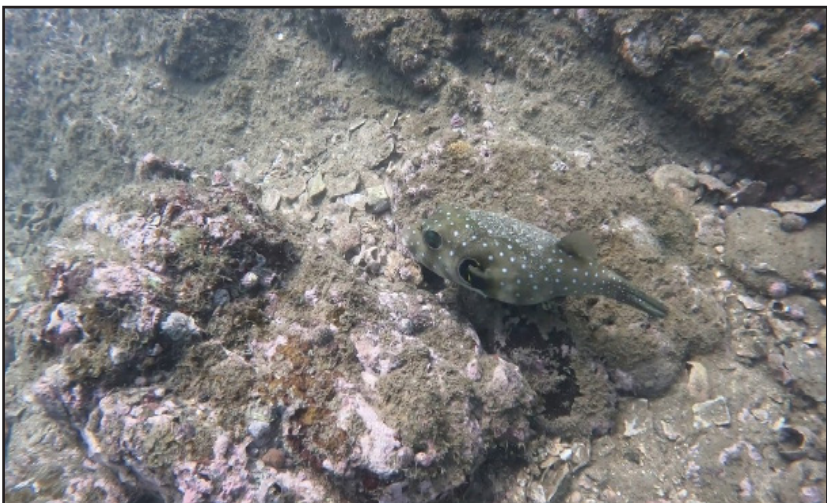
I see vivid flashbacks, our tragic tale imprinted in the back of my mind.  
Our love flamboyant as autumn hues, you left me with winter blues, I turned colorblind.  
Your swift talks, golden streetlights sparkling up midnight walks.  
Your hand wrapped around my neck, warm as muffler knitted by cashmere thread.  
My smile as wide as the Atlantic coastline, your frivolous face flooded with moonlight.  
You and me, clearing the air of melancholy, weaved a fantasy as dreamy as snowfall.  
Never knew I was lodging in a fool's paradise, guarded it with a ringing horn like Heimdall.  
My castle covered in ice, crushed by your hailstorm disguised under the cloak as snowflakes.  
Your thundering curses stirring the outbreak of calamities, you stomping feet anticipating dreary earthquakes.

now you're long gone, waited on my toes hoping your fleeing footsteps would be drawn back to me by dawn.  
Oh! the moonstone bracelet you fastened on my bony wrist turned out to be a shackle, a torturous gift.  
Left me stranded on that haunted street, looked for you like a helpless kid.  
We laughed together till the sundown, but when the sun sank twas me who ended up as a clown.  
you barricaded every route leading to your heart, your barbed wire fences tore my skin apart.  
You named me your lover, now I am a gaunt gate crasher, a defamed trespasser.  
I return home empty handed, Half hearted,  
head hanging down in retreat, bleeding all along the crosstown street.  
Cycle keeps spinning, blue birds perching, days lasting longer, I stay buried under the covers.  
Seasons switched, spring knocking on my door, outburst of gaily colours.  
I am still strolling in those Chelsea boots 'cause I am still feeling the winter blues.

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Shraeyaa Dhaigude (D5A)

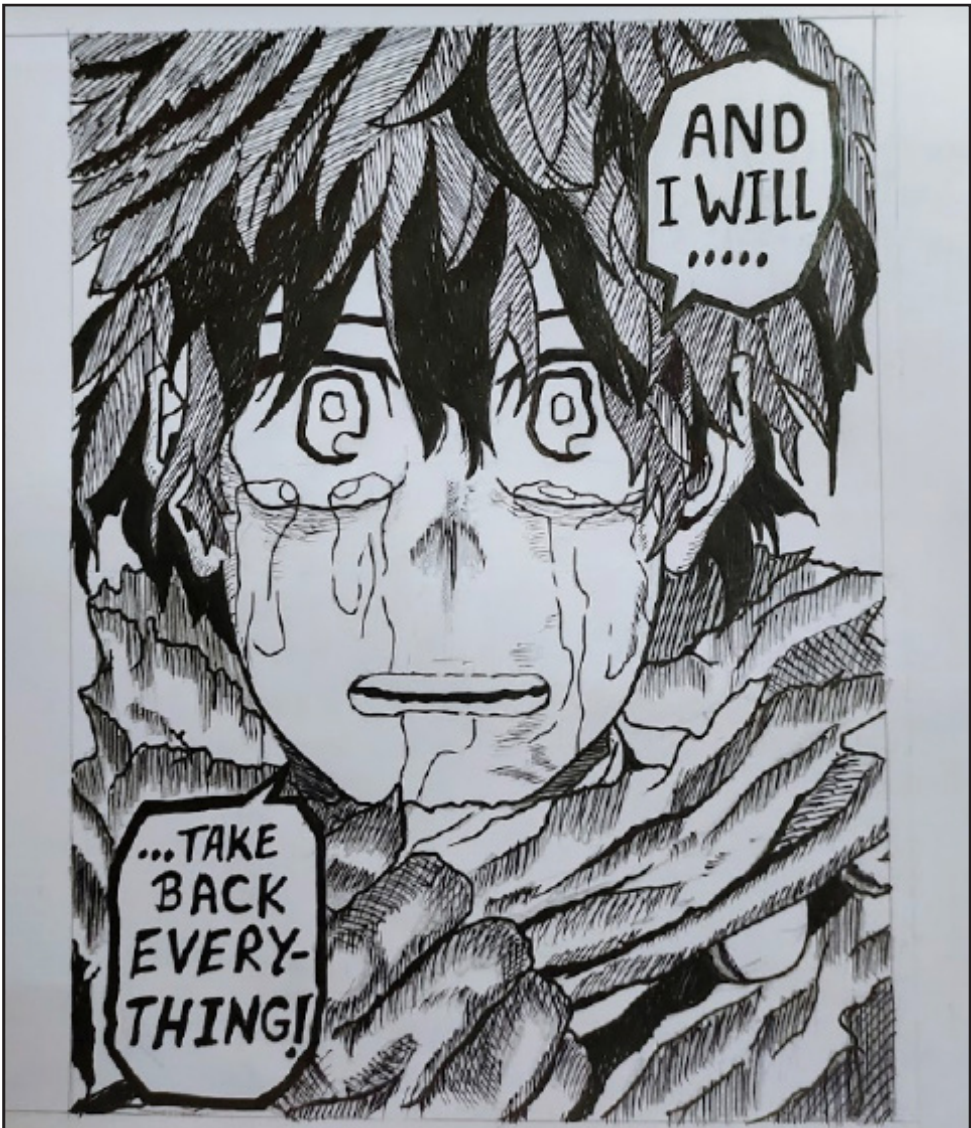


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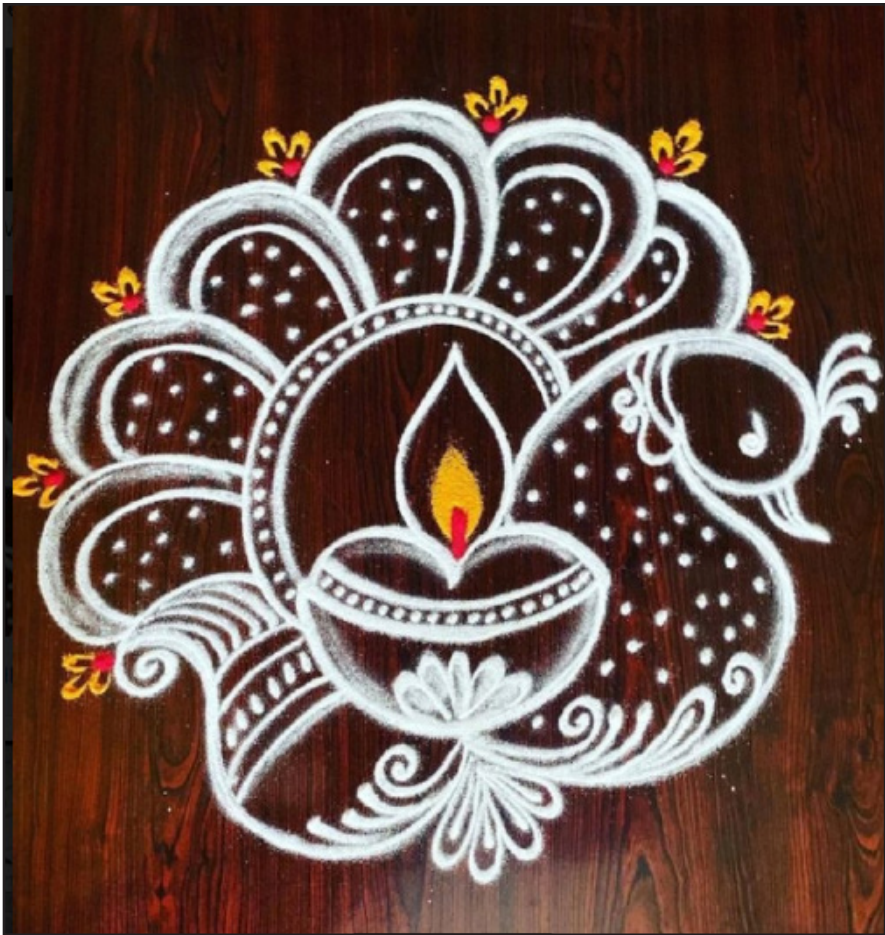


Vaibhav Singh (D14A)

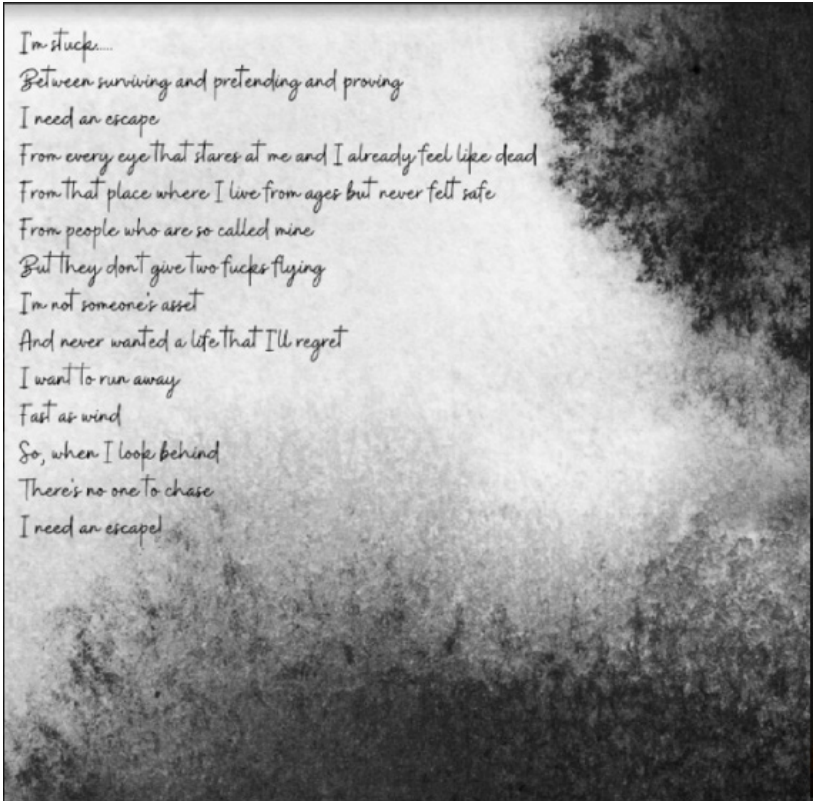


Shreya Kamble (D13)



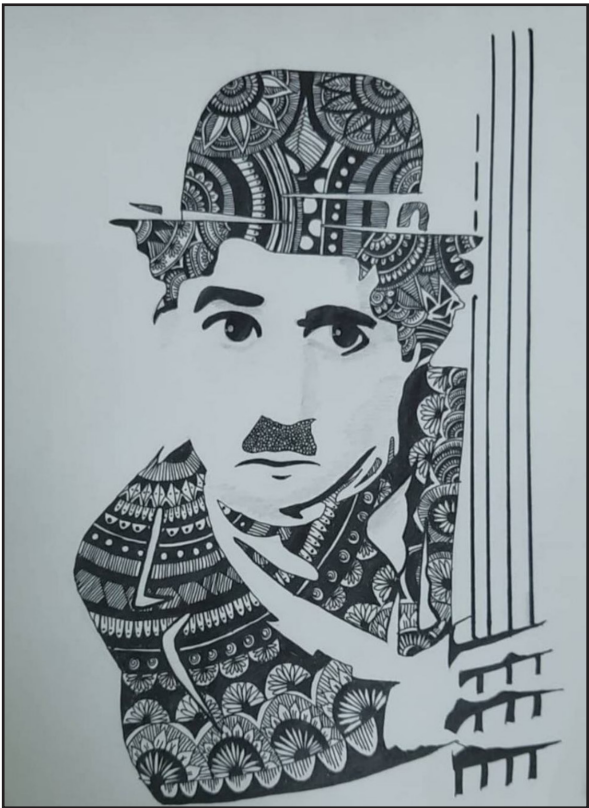
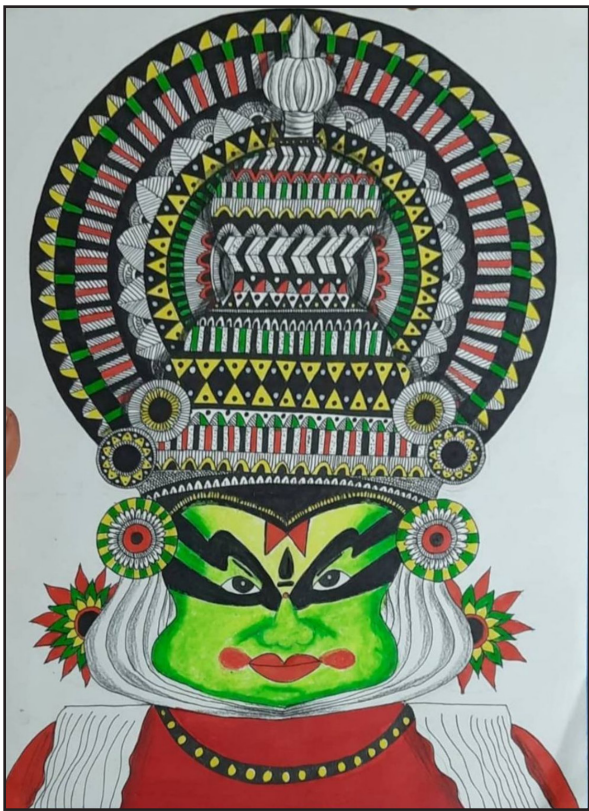


Sai Thikekar (D7A)



Shreya Singh (D11AD)





Tithi Jhamnani (D12B)

# VESIT Diaries

~ Tanvi Kate

For the month of November, we had a chat with **Mr. Anish Vaidya**, who graduated from the Department of Computer Engineering in 2021. He is currently working as a Software Analyst at JP Morgan Chase and Co. He talks about his college life, his personal life, his career, and much more.

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

College life at VESIT has been one of my most memorable journeys. It started as an amazing in-person experience and concluded with virtual memories to treasure. The most memorable moment was the Industrial Visit to Bangalore.

**2. Which extra-curricular and co-curricular activities were you involved in? How do extra-curricular activities prepare one for the corporate world?**

I was actively involved in activities like Chess volunteering, Industrial Visit coordination, Class Representative work, Praxis event organization, Main website and VReach development work. Participation in such extra curricular activities helps an individual to manage multiple tasks simultaneously and handle pressure situations. This is an important aspect from the corporate point of view.

**3. Can you tell us more about your job at JPMorgan Chase & Co.? What are the day-to-day responsibilities of the role?**

I am a Software Engineer at JPMorgan Chase &

Co. My role is to modernize the Payments platform by migrating the existing infrastructure to AWS Public Cloud.

**4. What technical skills and soft skills should a budding engineer work towards to best prepare for placement interviews? How does one stay on top of new technology?**

To prepare for placement interviews, one should have basic technical knowledge about programming languages like Java, Python and stacks like Web Development, Application Development, AI and ML. Additionally, speaking English with a polite and honest attitude would be a good soft skill to possess. One should keep learning the latest technologies and never get into a comfort zone.

**5. What is your mantra for keeping cool during COVID '19? What was the most challenging aspect of the lockdown?**

In our day to day routine, we do not get enough time to spend with our families but due to COVID'19, I was able to get this which helped me keep my cool. The most challenging aspect was not stepping out of my house for such a long time.

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

I am a travel loving person. Whenever I get time from my office work I like to explore new places and travel with friends and family. Chess is my hobby and I prefer to play this game often. I am also passionate about driving my car.



Mr. Anish Vaidya (CMPN - 2021)

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

I have been a sincere follower of the Armed forces of India and the LOC Kargil movie based on the 1999 India-Pakistan war has inspired me the most. It makes me respect our country and its armed forces and value whatever I have.

**8. What was your proudest personal or professional moment?**

My proudest moment was saving the lives of my fellow schoolmates from a road accident. I was in class 7 when our school bus met with a deadly accident. I managed to save my mates and get them out of the bus just in time bringing them out of harm's way.

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



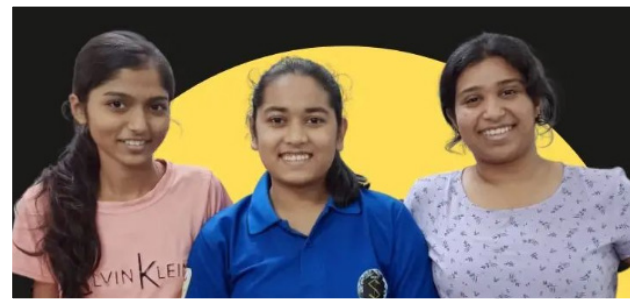
# VESIT Sports

## Indoor Sphurti '23

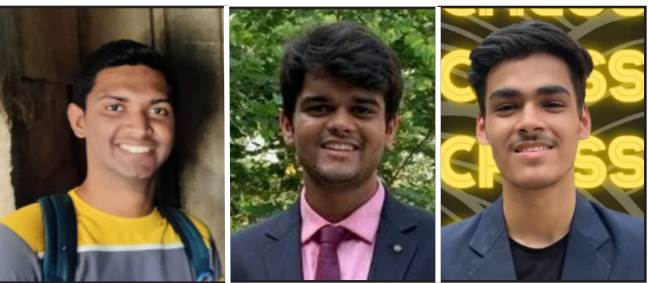
Sports are an integral part of human life and there is great importance of sports in all spheres of life. Apart from keeping our body fit, Sports help to build the character and personality of a person and enables strong relations between teammates and opponents. The VESIT Sports Council conducted ‘Indoor Sphurti’, the biggest indoor sporting event of VESIT. The events began on 19th September 2022 and ended on 4th October 2022. There were matches conducted in a number of exciting indoor sports including chess, table tennis, carrom, darts. Sphurti was also organized for the faculties. All the faculties enjoyed playing every game , especially darts.

The event provided a platform for all sports enthusiasts to showcase their talent. The students as well as faculty showed fervor and great sportsmanship in every game they played. Darts was reintroduced after a long time and quickly became the most beloved addition to the event.

The event was an enticing combination of rage-inducing as well as adrenaline-inducing moments for the players as well as the audience. Students as well as faculties had a great time playing and competing with their fellow classmates and colleagues respectively. At the end, the players that scored highest were honored with the 'Most Valuable Player' title.



Winners of Chess-Girls (L-R): Sakshi Gawale (D9A), Aditi Boob (D9B), Anoushka Menon



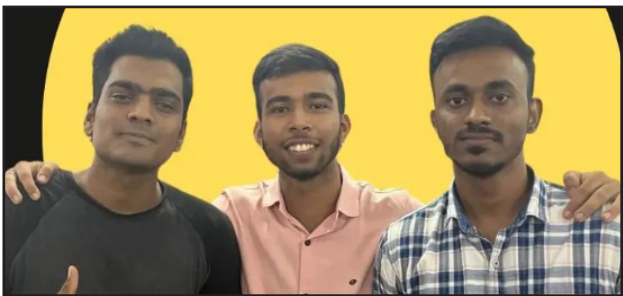
Winners of Chess-Boys (L-R): Siddhant Dongare (D11AD), Om Gaydhane (D11AD), Govind Tiwari (D11AD)

Game	Chess
Boys	Winner: (D11AD) Siddhant Dongare (D11AD) Om Gaydhane (D11AD) Govind Tiwari (D11AD)
Girls	Winner: (D9) Sakshi Gawale (D9A) Aditi Boob (D9B) Anoushka Menon (D9B)

Arya Banavali (D7A) shared her experience with us. She shared, “The event was beautifully managed by the sports council. As a winner, it was a lot of fun and a proud moment for me and my class D7A and overall it was a great experience”.

Gaurang Desai (D15A) also shared, "The sports council had taken great efforts in organising this event. We had a lot of fun playing together as a team."

Sports Secretary Prathamesh Gudame (D18) said, "Arranging the indoor sphurti after two years of lockdown was quite intriguing for me and the council. The participants were just as excited as the council members. The enormous willingness of students to participate was quite encouraging. Everyone enjoyed it. Carrom, ludo, chess, and darts were among the games offered. The finals were thrilling to witness as the finalists competed for a single point to win. We didn't know which class would win until the very end. Students, faculty, and lab assistants all liked the indoor sports. It felt great to see the BCR crowded with people cheering on their friends after two years of online sphurti. We, as the sports council, have missed organizing offline events and can feel the excitement dripping from all the sporty souls."



Winners of Carrom-Boys (L-R): Gauran Dhande (D16B), Atharva Mauskar (D16B), Abhishek Sharma (D16B)



Winners of Carrom-Girls (L-R): Janhavi Khanvilkar (D11AD), Surabhi Tambe (D11AD), Shruti Devlekar (D11AD)

Game	Carrom
Boys	Winner: (D16) Gauran Dhande (D16B) Atharva Mauskar (D16B)
Girls	Winner: (D11AD) Shruti Devlekar (D11AD) Janhavi Khanvilkar (D11AD) Surabhi Tambe (D11AD)

~ Sai Thikekar, Anagha Kulkarni and Ninad Joshi

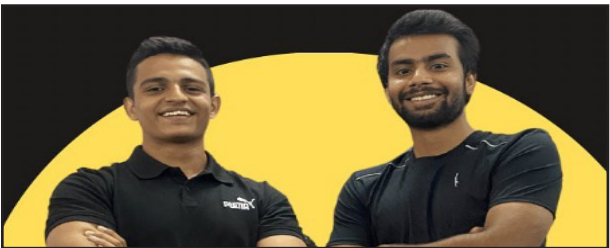


Winners of Darts-Boys (L-R): Vaibhav Kambar (D15A), Gaurang Desai (D15A), Suleman Mathekar (D15A)



Winners of Darts-Girls (L-R): Sakshi Ganjewar (D6), Mitalee Shirsat (D6), Kadambari Dalvi (D6)

Games	Darts
Boys	Winner: (D15) Vaibhav Kambar (D15A) Gaurang Desai (D15A) Suleman Mathekar (D15A)
Girls	Winner: (D6) Sakshi Ganjewar (D6) Kadambari Dalvi (D6) Mitallee Shirsat (D6)



Winners of Table Tennis Doubles-Boys (L-R): Aniket Sangle (D14A), Harsh Ranjan (D14A)



Winners of Table Tennis Doubles-Girls (L-R): Jessica Biju (D7C), Aarya Banavali (D7A)

Games	Table Tennis Doubles
Boys	Winner: (D14) Aniket Sangle (D14A) Harsh Ranjan (D14A)



Games	Table Tennis Doubles
Girls	Winner: (D7) Jessica Biju (D7C) Aarya Banavali (D7A)



Winners of Carrom Mixed (L-R): Gaurav Dhande (D16B), Smriti Karn (D16A), Atharva Mauskar(D16B), Kiran Ramgiri (D16A), Saritha Tharakan (D16A), Abhishek Sharma (D16B)

Games	Carrom Mixed
Boys	Winner: Atharva Mauskar (D16B) Abhishek Sharma (D16B) Gaurav Dhande (D16B)
Girls	Winner: (D16) Smriti Karn (D16A) Kiran Ramgiri (D16A) Saritha Tharakan (D16A)



Winners of Table Tennis Singles (L-R): Aarya Banavali (D7A), Tanmay Shinde (D16A)

Games	Table Tennis
Boys	Winner: (D16) Tanmay Shinde (D16A)
Girls	Winner: (D7) Aarya Banavali (D7A)

The Most Valuable Players



Most Valuable Players Carrom (L-R): Atharva Mauskar(D16B), Sakshi Gattani (D20)



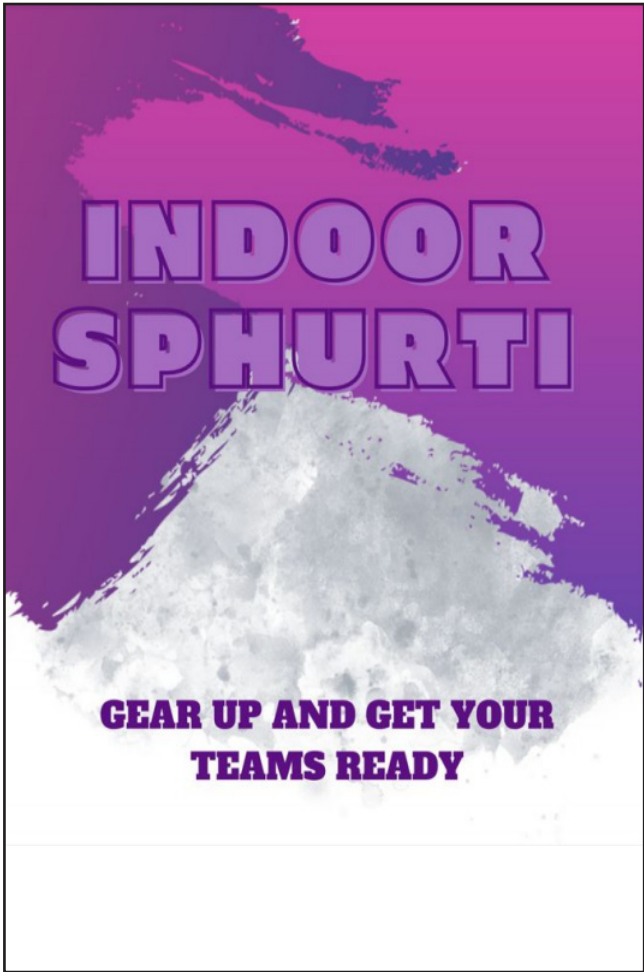
Most Valuable Player Darts (L-R): Aashish Rawat(MCA2B), Mitalee Shirsat (D6)



Most Valuable Player Chess (L-R): Govind Tiwari (D11AD), Aditi Boob (D9B)



Most Valuable Player Table Tennis (L-R): Tanmay Shinde (D16A), Aarya Banavali (D7A)



Event poster

Most Valuable Players

GAMES	CHESS	CARROM	TABLE TENNIS	DARTS
BOYS	Govind Tiwari (D11AD)	Atharva Mauskar (D16B)	Tanmay Shinde (D16A)	Aashish Rawat (MCA2B)
GIRLS	Aditi Boob ((D9B)	Sakshi Gattani (D20)	Arya Banavli (D7A)	Mitalee Shirsat (D6)

Class Standings

Position	Class	Points
1.	D16	69
2.	D11AD	55
3.	D7	50
4.	D14	48
5.	D12	44

“All Birds find shelter during a rain.  
But Eagle avoids rain by flying above the Clouds.  
Problems are common, but attitude makes the difference!

~ Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam