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Rang Mahotsav'23

Rang Panchami is an Indian festival celebrated in many parts of India, also known as Holi - the festival of colours. It falls on the fifth day after the first full moon of the Phalguna month, marking the arrival of spring. The day is celebrated by throwing colours and water at each other and indulging in traditional folk dances and music. It is an exuberant celebration of the triumph of good over evil and the renewal of life and nature.

The Hindi Club at VIT Bhopal celebrated the first-ever Holi event - "Rang-Mahotsav", on campus on March 7th, 2023. Over 300 students, faculty members, and staff participated in the colourful event. Dr. A Senthil Kumar (the pro-vice-chancellor), Dr. Anant Kant Shukla and Dr. Chandan Kumar Behera (the assistant directors of student welfare), and Dr. Sharad Chandra Tripathi and Dr. Rajeev Saxena (faculty coordinators of the Hindi Club), ignited the ceremonial lamp to begin the event.

The event began with cultural performances such as **singing**, **dancing**, **Kavya-Sammelan**, and a **skit** which highlighted diverse types of Holi celebrations in India. Attendees also enjoyed delicious Holi-themed **delicacies** and **Thandai**.



The much-awaited **DJ** and **Holi performance** was the highlight of the event. Participants, including the faculties and students, immersed themselves in the **colourful celebration** and danced to the beats of popular songs.

The VIT Bhopal **Hindi Club's Rang-Mahotsav** was an excellent way to **celebrate** the festival of **Holi** and bring the **VIT community** together. The event was a **resounding success** as it provided a platform for students to **socialise** and **bond** with each other, making it an unforgettable experience.

Women's day awareness program in Dabla Rai, Sehore

On March 6th, 2023, the NSS Unit at VIT Bhopal organised a women's empowerment-themed event, "Mai Bhi Shakti," in the village of Gawa Kheda. It was celebrated as a part of Women's Day and aimed to acknowledge women's empowerment. The club organised street plays in the nearby villages to create awareness about women's safety and rights.

The event started with a **Nukkad Natak** called "Mai Bhi Shakti", which included stories about **female fortitude**, **girl child education**, and **domestic violence**. The event concluded with a beautiful **speech** from the **sarpanch** of the village of **Dabla Rai**.

Following the speech, there was a gathering with the Hindi slogans - "main bhi chu sakti akash, mauke ki hai mujhe talash!" meaning, "I too can touch the sky, all I am looking for is an opportunity!" and "barabari ka sath nibhaen, mahilaen ab age ae!" meaning, "Support equality, women, now is the time to speak out!". The rally was a huge success and sent a strong message of equality and female empowerment.

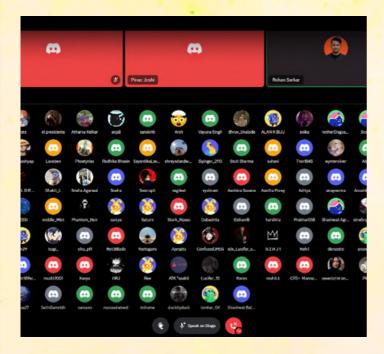
Dr. Vinod Bhatt and Dr. Neetu Kalra led the event, with student coordinators Anubhav and Rishabh Kabra. The event organised by the NSS Unit with the help of students was a huge success. It celebrated the contributions of women to society, emphasizing empowerment and safety.

The celebrations provided a great chance to promote **gender equality** and increase awareness of **women's rights**. People from different domains gathered to empower the **celebration** of **womanhood** and **femininity**.





Spring Bootcamp Al Club



The Al Club hosted a three-day online workshop and podcast event, Spring Bootcamp from 16th to 18th of March. The event aimed to assist students in obtaining internships by providing guidance and support to develop projects on AIML and Web Development. The event featured guest speakers who shared their expertise and experience, including Mr. Rohan Sarkar, an alumnus of the campus who successfully secured a placement offer of 35LPA.

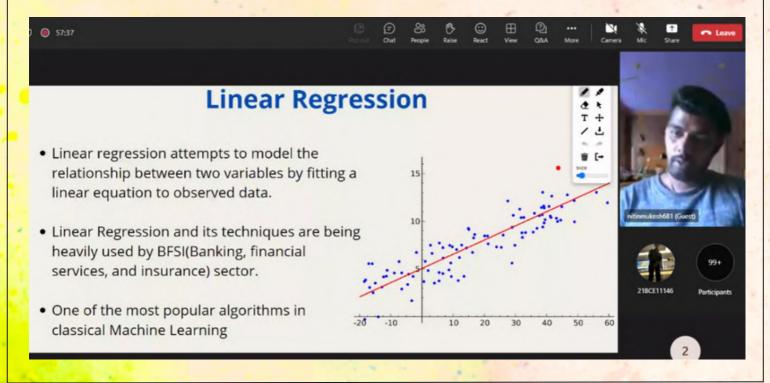
The AIML workshop saw Mr. Nitin Mukesh - an IITB postgrad and BHU gold medalist, as the keynote speaker. The workshop covered everything from understanding datasets and Kaggle to deploying the model on Jupyter Notebook through AWS/WML instancing. This hands-on experience allowed students to gain practical skills that help in the real world.

Mr. Piyush Karmhe - a SIH finalist, and Mr. Saksham Kathuria - a full-stack developer, hosted the Web Dev workshop.

The workshop focused on creating a recipe/ingredient-finding web application using only HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. The project also involved API fetching and GitHub, allowing students to gain a deep understanding of web development.

The event concluded with a **podcast** focused on **internships** and **placement opportunities**, featuring a **Q&A session** with experts in the field.

The Al Club's Spring Bootcamp provided an excellent opportunity for students to gain practical skills, develop their projects, and receive valuable guidance and support in obtaining internships and placements.



Data Analytics through SPSS: Basics to Advance

The VIT Bhopal University hosted a one-day workshop on data analysis through SPSS on March 26, 2023, at the Indian Coffee House in Malviya, Bhopal. The workshop started at 9 in the morning and aimed to provide participants with hands-on training and a thorough understanding of SPSS and its applications in research work.

Attendees included faculty members, consultants to higher education institutions, university administrators, industry training professionals, and researchers. A variety of topics were covered in the workshop, including Introduction to SPSS, Data Reading, Data Entry and Editing, Summarising Individuals, Recoding and Computing, Descriptive Statistics, Hypothesis Testing, Regression Analysis, Variance Analysis, and Factor Analysis, including a test case.

Dr. G Viswanathan, Chancellor and Founder of VIT, was the workshop's chief patron. Mr. Sankar Viswanathan and Ms. Kadhambari S Viswanathan served as patrons. The organising team included Dr. U Kamachi Mudali - Vice Chancellor of VIT Bhopal, Dr. Senthil Kumar Arumugam - Pro-Vice Chancellor of VIT Bhopal, Dr. Prasad Begde - Dean of VIT Business School (VITBS), and Dr. Abdul Rashid as the resource person. The VITBS organising committee comprised Dr. Bhakti Parashar, Dr. Manisha Singh, Dr. J Saravanan, Dr. Pankaj Kumar, Dr. Sonali Shrivastava, Dr. Yogita Dwivedi, Dr. Rajendra Mahanandia, and Dr. Humaira Fatima. The student coordinator for the event was Pankaj Gour, and the contact person was Dr. Hemlata Gangwar.

The workshop provided an **excellent opportunity** for participants to **gain hands-on experience** in **statistical techniques** and **their applications** in research work. The event made a valuable addition to the skill set of both students and professionals. Overall, VIT Bhopal University's one-day workshop on data analysis through **SPSS was a resounding success**.



Flutter Forward Extended



The GDSC Community at VIT Bhopal conducted an online event called Flutter Forward from 10th to 12th March, 2023.

The event aimed to cover various aspects of Flutter development, starting with Dart basics to developing UI with Flutter and backend with Firebase. From many engaging and informative sessions, attendees enjoyed learning about the Flutter Increment App, Stateful and Stateless widgets, and Firebase Authentication integration.

The Flutter Forward event was a success, with active participation from students throughout the three days. The attendees got hands-on practice and experiential learning from experienced tech professionals.

It provided them with the latest updates, trends, and best practices in the Flutter development ecosystem.

The organisers received appreciation for bringing together students from different backgrounds and fostering a sense of community among them. Overall, Flutter Forward was a testament to the growing popularity and importance of Flutter in the mobile app development industry.

Podcast - Dev Talks

The BitByBit (Coding blocks) Club collaborating with Dev Code Community, organised the highly anticipated event "Dev Talks March Session - Chat GPT and Google Bard" on 10th and 11th March 2023.

Chat GPT is a language model that generates human-like responses to text-based inputs. Meanwhile, Google Bard can generate text, translate languages, write creative content including lyrics, and poems and even generate music. Mr Praveen Kumar Purushothaman, a seasoned industry professional, led the inaugural session. During the session, Mr Praveen shared his insights on the new and emerging technologies in AI.



session hosted several participants, including freshers keenly interested in the topic. They brainstormed and received practical advice on the subject. On the second day of the GSoC (Google Summer of Code) Dev Talks, Mr Mayuresh Agashe took the stage as the **keynote speaker**, sharing valuable insights on how to crack Google Summer of Code (GSoC) 2023. During the session, Mr Agashe emphasized the importance of selecting the right organizations and how participants should apply for the program effectively and appropriately. The Dev Talks March Season enlightened attendees with valuable insights into emerging AI technologies and received guidance on GSoC.

Deleting your failure code

The Cognitive Mind Fitness Club at VIT Bhopal hosted an online workshop from March 20th to March 28th, 2023, named 'Delete your failure code.'

The workshop focused on **defining success** and **failure**, recognizing **failure codes**, comprehending the **role of emotions** in success and failure, and creating plans for accomplishing both short- and long-term objectives. The **nine-day workshop** aimed to provide students with **practical tools** and **techniques** for identifying and addressing their failure code.

The workshop was a **huge success**, as attendees **gained valuable knowledge** and skills for all their future endeavours.

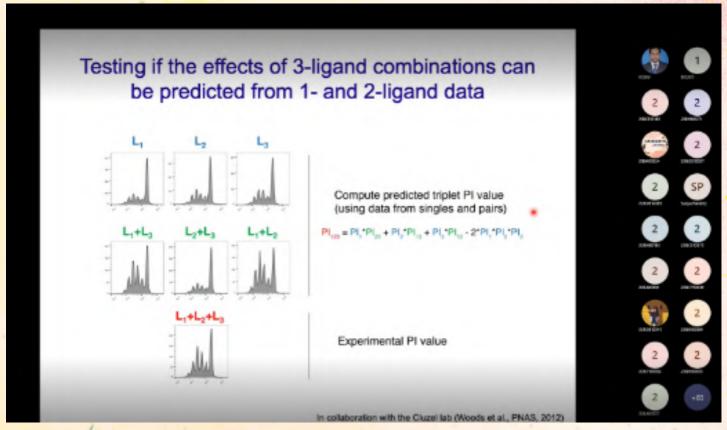


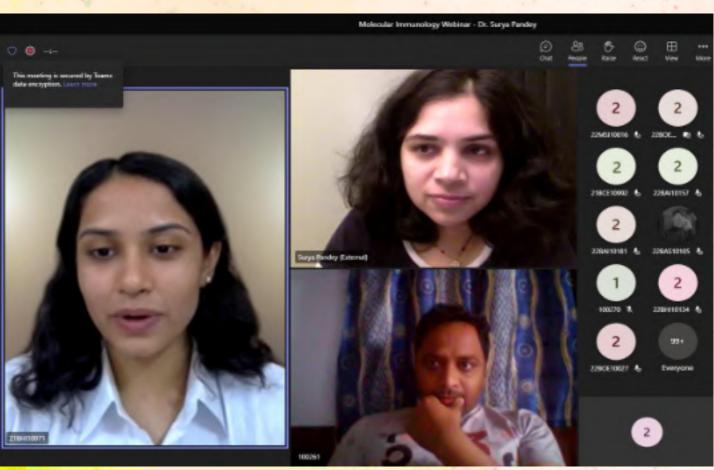
Molecular Immunology

On March 25th, 2023, the Health-O-Tech club at VIT Bhopal University hosted a webinar titled "Molecular Immunology". The webinar's keynote speaker was Dr. Surya Pandey, Director of Operations for the Immunotherapy Assessment Core at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine.

Dr. Pandey's presentation on molecular immunology was **inspiring** and **engaging**. It covered several topics like **Pathogen-sensing combinatorics**, **Microbial stimuli**, and **the mechanism of combinatorial sensing**. The lecture gave the audience a **new perspective** on molecules by immersing them in the realm of molecules. After the presentation, there was an open forum where students could ask questions and get their doubts clarified.

The webinar provided students with an excellent opportunity to interact with a renowned subject matter expert like **Dr. Pandey** and gain a **good understanding of molecular immunology** and its implementations. The event concluded with a note of appreciation from the Health-O-Tech club president to the speaker and participants.





Cloth Donation Drive



The NSS unit at VIT Bhopal recently organised a clothes donation campaign from 27th of February to 7th of March, 2023, to assist underprivileged individuals. Donation bins were placed in front of the university hostels. The campaign was led by Dr. Vinod Bhatt and Dr. Neetu Kalra, with student coordinators Anubhav and Rishabh Kabra.

Volunteers from the NSS at VIT Bhopal also contributed to the campaign by **inspiring other students** and faculty members to donate clothes. Students **contributed** a **variety of clothing**, including blankets and shoes, to provide warmth and comfort to the less fortunate. The donated items were a **true form of help** to people in need.

The campaign was a massive success, thanks to Dr. Vinod Bhatt, Dr. Neetu Kalra, the NSS Unit at VIT Bhopal, and all the students who donated their clothes.

With the substantial amount of clothing and accessories collected, underprivileged individuals will receive the necessary support.

Overall, the clothes donation campaign organised by the NSS unit at VIT Bhopal was an **excellent initiative**, showcasing the **compassion** and **generosity** of students and faculty members towards the underprivileged. Such campaigns provide an **ideal opportunity** to **contribute to society** and make a **meaningful difference**.

Union Budget

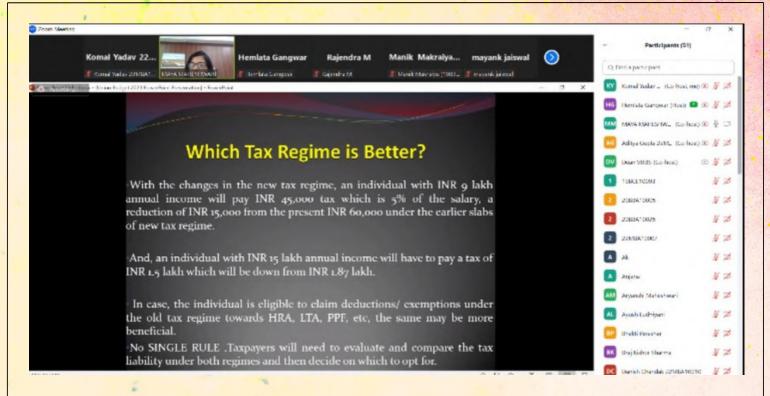
On March 2nd, 2023, VIT Business School (VITBS) at VIT Bhopal organised an online guest lecture on "Union Budget 2023-24 from industry and Employee Perspective" with the keynote speaker, Mrs. Maya Maheshwari, Income Tax Commissioner, Bhopal. The lecture aimed to help students understand the Union Budget using industry and employee perspectives.

The Dean of VITBS Bhopal, Dr. Prasad Begde, coordinated the event on Zoom.

The lecture began with an inaugural address by Vice-Chancellor Dr. U Kamachi Mudali and Pro Vice-Chancellor Dr. A Senthil Kumar, who emphasized the importance of the Union Budget. Mrs. Maheshwari then highlighted seven priorities of the Budget 2023-24 and

analyzed the measures taken under them for the country's development. The seven priorities included increasing agriculture productivity, empowering the poor and vulnerable, infrastructure development, innovation and R&D, skill development, promoting tourism, and environment and climate change.

A Q&A session followed the lecture, where students and faculty asked questions and clarified their doubts. Finally, Dr. Hemlata Gangwar, Assistant Professor at VIT Bhopal, gave the vote of thanks, expressing her gratitude towards Mrs. Maheshwari for her valuable insights and expertise. The session was an excellent opportunity for students and faculty to learn from industry experts and understand the Union Budget.



Insights Inquistadors

The Insights Club at VIT Bhopal held an article writing competition called "Insights Inquistadors" from the 6th of March to the 10th of March, 2023. Over seventy participants from different departments and cohorts submitted their written works on topics concerning science, technology, and their impact on society.

Students were offered a diverse range of topics including technical topics such as, Artificial Intelligence and its impact on the job market, Space programs as an alternative to environmental sustainability, and Virtual and Augmented Reality in education.

The Non-Technical topics consisted: The Role of Women in STEM and Entrepreneurship, International Day of Forests 21st of Marchits importance in education in wildlife and nature, and Genetic Modifications: Evolution and Future.

By creating a **platform for writers** to showcase their **writing skills** and **creativity**, the competition was highly successful in achieving its goal.

Each category's winners were announced following careful deliberation by the judges. Khushi Sharma, Aaditya Joshi, and Harsh Dayal emerged as the winners in the technical category. Krupa Mariam Thomas, Dakshita Motwani, and Soumyashis Sarkar won the non-technical category.



Rhapsody Rumble

The Insights club at VIT Bhopal conducted a poetry competition, Rhapsody Rumble, to celebrate World Poetry Day.

Students submitted their poem entries through a Google form open from March 21st to March 23rd. The top three winners of the competition were announced on the club's official Instagram handle after their submissions were screened and judged by an internal panel.

On March 29th 2023, the concluding event was held at the auditorium with the Director of Student Welfare – Dr. George Chandran, lighting the lamp. Dr. Rajeev Saxena and Dr. Dev Brat emerged as chief guests and keynote speakers. Dr. Rajeev, in his speech, highlighted the importance of poetry in our lives. He also highlighted how reading a simple poem can momentarily push some sorrow out of our lives. It also featured students reciting poems.

The event concluded with the announcement of the poetry competition winners. **Abhijeet Dutta** (20BCE10985) took first place, followed by **Shashmita Sanyal** (22BHI10034) in second place and **Ojaswini Mishra** (21BCE10469) in third. The event highlighted poetry's importance in an age of dying art forms.







Ram Navami & Gudi Padwa

The VIT Bhopal's Marathi Club celebrated Ram Navami and Gudi Padwa on the 31st of March, 2023, with a grand procession. Ram Navami and Gudi Padwa commemorate Lord Rama's birth and the beginning of a new year in Maharashtrian culture. The event began from the Multipurpose Hall and proceeded to the Academic block.

Before the procession began, Assistant Vice President - Ms. Kadhambari Viswanathan, Pro-Vice Chancellor - Dr. Senthil Kumar A, Director of Student Welfare - Dr. George C Chandran, and Faculty Coordinator - Dr. Manisha Jain performed the rituals to kick start the event.

Excitement filled the air as the **Dhol-Tasha** Pathak team took the stage. The electric beats of the Dhol and Tasha provided a true Maharashtrian feel to the event. The academic block witnessed a **DJ performance** that outshined the earlier Dhol Tasha performance and captured the attention of the entire audience.

Once the event concluded, both faculty and students were given **boondi** as **prasad**. The event celebrated **cultural diversity** and promoted **unity** amongst students from diverse backgrounds.



International Women's day celebration

On the 7th of March 2023, VIT Bhopal celebrated International Women's Day with much ardour and enthusiasm. The women empowerment cell at VIT held an online event to celebrate womanhood and acknowledge women's contributions to society. Dr. Kavita Khanna, who serves as the Campus Director of Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University in Dwarka, New Delhi, was the chief guest.

Dr. Khanna is highly renowned for her work in entrepreneurship and education. She discussed the challenges faced by women today and how education and empowerment can be potential solutions.



The event was a brilliant opportunity for VIT Bhopal students to interact with Dr. Khanna and gain valuable insights from her. She praised the participants' achievements and urged them to strive for success in various sectors.

The event was an enormous success and helped spread awareness of the need for education and female emancipation. It was a testament to VIT Bhopal's commitment to promoting gender equality and creating a more inclusive society.



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