THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF FR. CONCEICAO RODRIGUES COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# CRCE ROOTS





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As a group, we have always sought to provide students with meaningful, innovative, and authentic learning opportunities. Another step in that direction is being taken with this second edition of the Alumni newsletter, which we hope will help bring back not only those buried memories but also an introspective trip into the person they've become as a result.

The Alumni Association hopes to inspire and educate the future generation of engineers by sharing the experiences of your journeys since you left the Fr.CRCE.

"Roots" is the name of our magazine, which tells the stories of our most accomplished alums while also taking readers on a journey of personal and professional development. These stories of wisdom and loving words from our professors and mentors are meant to connect with everyone of you and shape your best selves in the process.

## COLLEGE REPORT 2021-22



#### **Greetings!**

College commenced in online mode this year but our hearts were filled with joy when college began in offline mode! From virtual to real, these activities took place in college this year:

The <u>Students' Council</u> organized its flagship inter-collegiate event "Conceicao Rodrigues Memorial Debate(CRMD)" from 8th to 10th October, 2021 with more than 30 teams participating, making it a huge success. "Crescendo" was organized in hybrid mode for the first time from 17th March to 20th March, 2022. The event saw a huge participation of students from all years and departments as it was the first day of normal college lectures after 2 years of being away from visiting college due to the pandemic situation. "Athlead" - Intra college sports event commenced on 19th February and sports day was conducted on 25th March with BE-IT taking the sports trophy home! The most awaited cultural event "Euphoria" began on 04th April with the theme 'Tardis' and ended on 08th April.

#### Let's have a look at our councils:

The <u>ACM-CRCE</u> council in collaboration with CSI-CRCE organized its most anticipated event "Unscript Rookies Hackathon 2k22" from 22nd March to 23rd March. The two-day event received participation from 1000 participants. They also conducted two webinars and organized an event "Just deal with it" in 'Crescendo'.

The <u>ASME-CRCE</u> council was revived this year once again and they successfully organized two webinars, out of which one was in collaboration with HPCL. They successfully hosted "Maze Tandem" in 'Crescendo' receiving huge participation and positive feedback from its participants.

The <u>Codelabs-CRC</u>E council successfully hosted their National Level Hackathon "Unscript 2k22" along with Mozilla Campus Club CRCE in January 2022. Binary Talks, Algoholic were some of their events where they received huge support and enthusiasm. They conducted two events in collaboration with IIC-CRCE as part of IIC's initiative.



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The <u>E-CELL CRCE</u> council conducted its flagship event "The Idea Competition" with more than 20 teams participating and presenting their ideas. They also organized several virtual events throughout the year and "Formula Unicorn" in 'Crescendo' this year.

The <u>IEEE-WIE CRCE</u> council conducted various virtual events and was the first council in college to organize the first offline event after the pandemic on Women's Day i.e. 8th March, 2022.

The <u>IIIExCRCE</u> council held 3 virtual events this year and organized "Engenius" in 'Crescendo' successfully. They also won the 'Best Student Chapter' in NHQ, Belapur. Several faculty members and students were awarded in their annual function.

The Mozilla Campus Club CRCE organized "Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues Memorial Hackathon" on 22nd and 23rd January 2022. A total of 250 participants registered out of which 60 teams were shortlisted. They also held several virtual events throughout the year.

The NSS-CRCE council started the year by welcoming 100 volunteers and successfully organized multiple events, documentaries and offline visits to places in this year. Their first offline event was a visit to a Vrudhashram in Uttan, Bhayander. NSS also painted the famous 'Euphoria Stairs', organized a blood donation camp receiving participation from students and faculty members. The annual camp was also organized in the first week of March in their adopted village-Tandulwadi, Saphale.

The <u>Rotaract Club of CRCE</u> started their tenure with their installation ceremony in September 2021. Their first offline event 'Beach clean up drive-Girgaum' in collaboration with 'Change is Us' was a huge success. They also organized their flagship event 'Footslog' on February 12, 2022 with a huge participation of 200 hikers. Their popular event 'Mic Drop' themed "Al-Fresco" for this year was organized on 06th April, 2022.



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The <u>TEDxCRCE</u> council successfully organised Ed-weekend on 23rd October, 2021. They then organized their much-awaited and flagship event 'Internship Expo' on 24th January, 2022 offering more than 600 roles in Technical and Non-Technical fields with more than 20 companies recruiting interns.

Let's move forward to our <u>Technical councils</u> Progress in this academic year:

<u>Team Abadha</u> secured All India Rank (AIR) 1 in the Memories challenge and an overall AIR 4 in Phase 2 organized by BAJA SAE India. They strive to win Phase 3 in Bangalore in the month of May.

Team CRCE Formula Racing(CFR) secured 2nd place in the Formula Bharat rulebook test, which is mandatory to clear, to qualify for the competition, and this was the best rank that the team had achieved, till date. The team participated in Formula Bharat Virtuals 2021, held in September-October 2021, and managed to achieve 5th position in business plan presentation event, 17th rank in engineering design presentation and an overall rank of 12th all over India, which is the best rank the team has achieved in all its history. Team CFR has now switched to the electric category and will be manufacturing its first-ever electric race car in the upcoming months to participate in Formula Bharat 2023.

<u>Team Project Cell</u> participated at Eyantra Robotics Challenge (2020-21) held at IIT Bombay and reached the Finals of the competition and secured an AIR 6 out of 470 teams.

<u>Team Robocon</u> has successfully completed Stage 1 of the competition with AIR 7 in their annual competition ABU Robocon.

<u>Team Vaayushastra</u> ranked 14th in the Design Report round and 11th in the Technical presentation round globally, even when they were unable to go physically for their competition.





The Alumni Association of Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering (Fr. CRCE) makes constant efforts to strengthen the bonds between the Alums and the current students of CRCE. The committee has organized various events such as the Alumni meet, the Alumni Spotlight series, Webinars which help to nurture the Alums and the current students of CRCE and the college indeed.

#### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

The CRCE Alumni Spotlight brings to the forefront the successful journeys of the iconic personalities who graduated from our Institute. The Alumni Spotlight is a series of videos from the distinguished alumni of CRCE which bring to the light their successful journeys with the intention to motivate and spark action from the student and alumni base.

These videos are uploaded every month on our YouTube channel, Instagram and LinkedIn Account. Our purpose is that these stories may encourage you to keep striving towards your dreams. We have featured Alumni who have made marvellous contributions in their field of interest. We have featured the following alumni –

Mr. Paresh Shetty, Electronics - Batch 1993 (President (Sales), Cloud4C)

Mr. Nirmal Topiwala, Electronics - Batch 2012 (Cofounder, Ajackus)

Mr. Sanket Jack, Information Technology - Batch 2009 (Cofounder, India's 1st Cricket Fantasy gaming platform)

Mr. Deepal Dass, Electronics - Batch 2002 (VFX Team lead, YRF)
Mrs. Rashmi Nath, Electronics - Batch 1995 (Technical Director (Sales),
INTEL)

Ms. Shivani Vartak, Production- Batch 2018 (Mechanical Engineer, Schlumberger)

Mr. Pavan Sawant, Production - Batch 1994 (Consultant CSR & Capacity building for NGOs, Visiting faculty with Management institute)
Mrs. Sonal Nangia, Electronics - Batch 1995 (Founder, Red Engine)



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#### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**



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Mr. Paresh Shetty
President, Sales at Cloud4C Services



Mr. Deepal Dass
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Mr. Nirmal Topiwala Co-founder & CBO, Ajackus



Ms. Shivani Vartak Mechanical Engineer. Schlumberger







Mr. Sanket Jack
Co-founder, Jackartoons & FantasyCult
VP, Technology & projects, Ka Enterprises



Mr. Pavan Savant
Consultant CSR 6 Capacity Building for NGOS 8.
Visiting Faculty with Management Institutes.







Mrs. Rashmi Nath
Technical Director - Sales Capatalities, Intel Corp



Ms. Sonal Nangia Founder of RED Engine





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#### **ALUMNI MEET 2022**

The Alumni Association of Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering (Fr. CRCE) organized its Annual Alumni Meet on Saturday, 26th February 2022. Since the restrictions imposed due to the COVID - 19 pandemic was subsided, the Committee was pleased to conduct the Alumni Meet offline after 2 years at CRCE Campus.

The Induction Ceremony was hosted by Ms. Mareena Fernandes, President of the Student Alumni Committee. The Alumni Meet commenced with a walkthrough video displayed on the screen. In that video, we presented our Alumni with the various developments that have taken place in our college all these years and also with a campus tour. The host then invited our Principal, Dr. Srija Unnikrishnan who highlighted the various milestones reached in the past years by the Institute. The Chairperson of the Alumni Association, Dr. Sapna Prabhu in her address expressed her gratitude for the overwhelming response from the alumni. She introduced her concise report of the Alumni Association, which revealed that several alumni have been contributing to their alma mater by instituting awards, joint projects, course sponsorships, and donations. She then petitioned the other alumni for their valuable contribution too. In conclusion, she revealed the front cover of the 2nd edition of the 'CRCE Roots' Newsletter. Our Alumni Mr. Suresh Balakrishnan (Stulz CHSPL Foundation), Production batch 1995 was felicitated for his financial aid to meritorious and deserving students.











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#### **ALUMNI MEET 2022**

The second milestone of the event was the felicitation of the 'Batch of 1996'. Mr. Kaviraj Easwaran, Operations Head of the Student Alumni Committee hosted the Silver Jubilee Celebration. This year three branches, Production Engineering, Electronics Engineering, and Computer Engineering were felicitated by the respective dignitaries with a memento. It was a very proud moment to hear about their success and achievements, and also feel their respect towards their home 'FR. CRCE'.

The Distinguished Alumni Awards were hosted by Mr. Kris Corriea, a Member of the Student Alumni Committee. This year, similar to the last, the distinguished alumni awards are divided into different categories, in particular, CRCE Young Achiever, CRCE Entrepreneurial Leader, CRCE Social Impact Leader, and CRCE Top Entertainer. Each category was awarded the 'Distinguished Alumni Award' by our respective dignitaries.

Mr. Mihir Joshi, 'CRCE Top Entertainer 2022' graced the occasion with a surprise performance of his new single release. The various other alumni also entertained the audience during the karaoke session. In the end, Mr. Yohan Mhatre, Alumni Head of the Student Alumni Committee concluded the celebration with a vote of thanks. Overall, the event at the college campus was a huge success in its prime motive of Connecting and Networking the alumni and the Institute.















#### **Our Vision**

To create a community of Alums which works towards the advancement of its Alma Mater.

#### **Our Mission**

To develop and strengthen ties between the Alumni, students and the Institute by providing tangible benefits including career services. networking opportunities, funding as well as the opportunity to connect

with and inspire students and graduates.

#### **OUR ROADMAP**

To collaborate efficiently and make the most out of our Alumni Network...

#### <u>Making Students Industry ready</u>

We have opportunities for alums to You can join our network and be a contribute back to our community through various avenues. students ourselves we looked out to our seniors for guidance and now it's your chance to pay it back to your juniors by mentoring them in any way you can:

- 1. Supporting Certification and **Sponsorship**
- 2. Tech and Non Tech Support to various Projects
- 3. Mentorship programs for promoting students Start-ups
- 4. Funding for projects and teams
- 5. Offering Placement opportunities, **Internships and Career Counselling**

#### Strengthening Alumni Network

student part of our community. Community activities and plans include:

- 1. Building strong Alumni Network by conducting Alumni Meets.
- Alumni 2. Stay updated about Progress through Almaconnect and our various Social media Platforms.
- 3. Connect with alums and ask them for job referrals-It is a proven fact that job referrals are more successful in landing jobs than regular avenues.
- 4. If you have a start-up or your organisation requires volunteersao no further!
- 5. Leverage the current student base to assist you via internships or volunteering programs.
- also 6. We will share your experiences, stories through our various social platforms through our Alma spotlight.



#### INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER INITIATIVE

The Alumni Association of Fr.CRCE is currently planning on building an International Alumni Chapters for connecting the CRCEites spread all over the world to their ROOTS. The primary target of these International Chapters is to create a channel of contact between the alum and the institute, and among the alums themselves. These chapters will be a platform for the CRCEites moving abroad, where they can seek guidance and help from fellow alums.

For the smooth functioning of the International Chapters the Alumni Association has formulated a 6 point program:

- 1. Each chapter would be based on a particular geographical location.
- 2.The members of these chapters would be the alums living in those particular locations.
- 3.The members of a chapter will stay connected via a common group, created on any social networking app suitable to the members of the chapter.
- 4. Each chapter will have a Chapter Representative responsible for the functioning of his/her Chapter.
- 5. Each chapter will be a growing community of CRCE alums.
- 6. These chapters would be self-functional.
- 7.Each chapter will stay connected to the institute via the chapter representative.



To get updates on Alumni Activity and Contribute get in touch with us!





#### **MILIND MEHERE**

**B.E. Production Engg. 1995** 

#### CRCE Entrepreneur Leader 2022



1) Could you tell us about your journey from being an Engineer to an Entrepreneur? What transferable skills did you take from Engineering to Entrepreneurship?

Building, testing, failing fast, and generally moving quickly are a few skills I see myself using as an entrepreneur. You can't change what you can't measure. As an engineering student, some of the lessons I learned were: "How can I do this better? How can I do this faster?" I find myself asking the same questions now decades later in building Yieldstreet.

# 2) What was your key driving force in becoming an entrepreneur?

Ever since my childhood, I've had an itch for entrepreneurship. I come from a family of entrepreneurs. I grew up in Bombay in the 90s, during a time when India was full of optimism and innovation. I loved math and tinkering when I was growing up so I studied mechanical engineering.





# 3) Great business ideas are normally tough to come by. Where do you draw inspiration from in ideating on new business ventures?

Like most entrepreneurs, I founded Yieldstreet to solve my own problem. I felt that I was too overexposed to the Stock Market so I spent time with my Financial Advisor and shared that I wanted access to income-generating investment opportunities. Unfortunately, the Financial Advisor told me that "I'd need a lot more wealth" to be able to invest in those types of investment products. Before Yieldstreet, these types of investment opportunities were available only to ultrahigh-net-worth investors. Fast forward to the 2008 US financial crisis, I and millions of others were left holding the bag.I had expertise in data, technology, and marketing but I needed a partner with private market/ credit expertise. I was introduced to my co-founder, Michael Weisz.

## 4) What advice would you like to give to CRCEITES who wish to follow your footsteps?

Remember the ABCDs of entrepreneurship too

A: Always be well-capitalized

B: Build and retain top talent

C: Communicate your vision often

D: Decide and Delegate

Don't romanticize entrepreneurship. Understand the commitment, hard work, sacrifice, and grit it takes to be a successful entrepreneur. But also remember, even on your hardest days of being an entrepreneur that the work is incredibly rewarding and that you are amongst the few that will change the lives of the many.





#### **MIHIR JOSHI**

## B.E. Electronics Engg. 2003

#### **CRCE Top Entertainer 2022**



1) Tell us about your journey from being an Engineer to a Singer, Commentator and a Talk Show Host? And at what point of your life, did you decide to pursue a career in entertainment? What challenges did you face then?

My journey began when I became the lead singer of my college band, and that was when I knew I wanted to build my career in music. To get a break, it was important to know people in the music industry. This made me venture into the outlet that was open – I joined FM Rainbow as an RJ in June 2004. I started interviewing indie artists and eventually formed my band – the Mihir Joshi Band. In 2014, we put out our first album, 'Mumbai Blues', which did well, and even won us the GIMA award for Best Rock Album in 2015. Meanwhile, after spending 5 years at FM Rainbow, I moved on to Radio One, where I continued to interview singers and artists under the banner of a talk show called "One Mumbai, One Music". In August 2013, I started my own talk show host called 'The MJ Show'. We've shot over 400 episodes of the show and I'm about to start my 9th season soon. I've also done a lot of anchoring for 18 years and I thoroughly enjoyed it. I've hosted events for the biggest brands and artists and even global



sports entertainment giant, WWE. That led to me becoming a Hindi commentator for Sony Sports India on their channel Sony Ten 3. The journey has most definitely not been easy. I've had to figure out my own path in this industry but I think that is what has made it even more fulfilling and satisfying.

2) Why did you decide to become a sneaker head and could you tell us something about your new show Sneakerverse.

I've been a collector of pop culture for over 2 decades. I have a massive collection of comics, statues, music, and movies but over the last couple of years I got into sneakers in a big way. As I dove deeper into the world of sneakers, I discovered the incredible stories behind some of the sneakers, the history, and the culture and that's when I figured I should start creating content around sneakers. I started by inviting some massive sneakerheads on The MJ Show and then moved on to creating a show called The Sneakerverse. The show helps me explore sneaker culture and connect with this ever-growing sneaker community in India and the world.

3) What advise would you give CRCEites to gain confidence to take to the big stage and perform or host? What piece of advice would you like to give to the CRCEites who wish to follow your footsteps?

This is a calling not just a career choice. It is an incredibly difficult industry to break into. Yes, it does help to know people and have contacts but at the end of the day, the ONLY thing that can help you succeed in this industry is your own talent. So my advise to anyone who wants to enter this space is, you have to be incredibly passionate about it and you have to be ready to face difficult times. The only reason you should get into this space is if you can legitimately not imagine doing anything else. This is how I feel about my work every day. I could not imagine doing anything else apart from this and that is why I'm still in this space after almost 18 years.





#### **ARVIND SUNDARESAN**

B.E. Production Engg. 1998

#### CRCE Corporate Leader 2022



1) Your experience in the corporate sector is astounding! Could you brief us about the key milestones on the path to your current position?

It was a crucial foundation to have started at the lowest rung at Infosys as all the students were given the same onboarding. Treating everything from assignments to projects with aspects of the bigger picture was the key leading to transition from technical role to business development and overall customer success has been key for my journey. Not giving in to the urge of running away from the challenges that came my way is nothing spectacular, I believe many CRCEites go through the same thing ,but we can overcome it by connecting with the leaders and managers.

2) What are the managerial skills you have learned are most important to meet team goals, expectations and deliverables?

Corporate world is a team sport where employees and associates bring different strengths into an organization by recognizing ,acknowledging everyone's strengths. At the same time employees will have some weaknesses so one needs to identify it and work on how to overcome it .





With this context the key skills are -

- A]Networking & Amplifying Benefits from "interpersonal" collaboration, Team Work
- B] Empathy- for Customers & Employees
- C] Identify Silos and Ability to breakdown or be the bridge
- D] Planning & Communication
- E] Leadership
- F] Change Management
- G] Conflict Management and above all
- **H]** Learnability

## 3) How should one effectively manage a good work-life balance?

When you love your job, things tend to blur even if you are enjoying every second of it. Corporate jobs of today are and have been demanding of one's time in the past 2 years. Planning weeks in advance and keeping aside personal time as well is equally important for "self development". Make your stakeholders aware of your preferences, availability as well as any commitments on your personal front. If one learns how to balance their work and life, they move forward with technology, since technology is ever evolving it's not far that one becomes irrelevant in the Corporate world.

# 4) How important is it to plan your career for the short term and long term? Could you advise our students on how they should think about this process?

I wanted to complete all my formal education before I joined the workforce,I didn't plan anything while starting out of CRCE. Pursuing a Masters/MBA/PhD can vary for each individual. I feared letting go of my path to pursue Masters full time. I would recommend having the term goal well thought through and if needed, then under guidance .Fall in love with the process of learning, it never disappoints. Foundation at CRCE is equipping and preparing you well for the journey ahead.





#### PRATHAMESH TENDULKAR

M.E. Mechanical Engg. 2017

## CRCE Social Impact Leader 2022



1) What was the defining moment which made you realize that you would want to incorporate 'social change' into your life?

In 2013 I completed my graduation. After that, on almost every sunday i visited one orphanage, to understand the need of orphan children. So, that moment, the incident motivated me to work for needy children, motivated me to help them in their education.

2) How has the impact your NGO has on. the lives of individuals impacted your own life positively?

Through Chaitanya this is our 8th year of working for needy. He was a college going students, & he and his friends wanted to donate some money. They saved some money from their pocket money & donated us..This incident tells us a lot that our message, vision motivates people to work for these needy children.

3) What challenges in leadership and management are unique in starting an NGO?

As we all are working professionals, we do not take any salary from NGO.As a leader it was very difficult to gather people for such work where you need to spend your time, need to give your efforts but will not get any salary or remuneration for that.



## 4) How has Chaitanya Social Welfare Foundation impacted the lives of the community in its current endeavours?

Our main challenge is to create awareness, then the next challenge is to convince them to send their students to the school & for that we are arranging many things like school kits for all students, renovation of classrooms etc.l want to share one impact example. After our efforts, the school strength is 150+ students, since last 4 years SSC school results were 100%, toppers from the school got 80+% marks & last year 2 students were selected in Maharashtra Police.

## 5) Can you tell us a bit about your educational project Akshay - Nyan?

In Project Akshaydnyan meaning the education which never ends we are working on 3 activities -

- 1) School Kit Donation Drive = Providing school kits (materials) to needy students of different tribal areas.
- 2) Digital School = Creating awareness of digitalization. Providing E-learning kit & training.
- 3) Cycle Bank = Providing cycles to students traveling to school approx 4-5kms from their home.

#### 6) What is the future plan for your NGO in the next 10 years?

Along with education, we are creating awareness on the medical front and women empowerment too.

In the next 10 years we want to create such a situation where pass out students will support their younger brother, sisters in their education.

## 7) What piece of advice would you like to give to the CRCEITES who wish to follow your footsteps?

My dream was to join the Indian Army, but I am glad because to serve the country in a different way. Many people want to join us as volunteers, all are welcome but my advice is you must visit our working areas, you can feel the need and the pain of the people. So those who want to join us are always welcome. Thank you





# GAURAV SEN B.E. Computer Engg. 2014 CRCE Young Achiever 2022



#### 1)Can you tell us something about yourself?

I am Gaurav Sen, founder and CEO of InterviewReady. I teach system design and algorithms on my YouTube channel, which has over 430k subscribers. I have been named LinkedIn Top Voice 2020 and CRCE Young Achiever 2022.

# 2) Tell us about your journey from being an Engineer to a Founder of InterviewReady?

As a graduate, I loved solving complex mathematical problems. However, I realized software engineering was about finding issues and corresponding solutions, not fitting solutions to problems. In 2016, I saw my mentees and interns struggling to keep up with technical jargon in team discussions, facing problems setting up their software environments and didn't understand how we built systems. I decided to make a set of videos that would thoroughly explain these technical concepts. That's how my YouTube channel got popular and my passion for teaching started. By 2019 I was convinced that I should do this full-time. That's when I quit Uber.





# 3) What motivated you to / How does it feel to achieve success at a young age?

I empower software engineers by helping them excel at work and accelerate their careers. That's what motivates me every day.

## 4) What inspired you to develop this idea of preparing software engineers, DevOps for an interview?

The online portals for software interviews are haphazard. There is too much content and little quality control or filtering. InterviewReady plans to change that by being an organized video platform that helps you prepare for your software interviews without wasting time going through poorly structured and low-quality content.

## 5) What advice would you like to give to the CRCEites who wish to follow your footsteps?

A lot of people will give you advice on how to work hard or how to be confident. But few will tell you that sometimes you are \*completely\* wrong. Your guesses will go wrong, and you will feel defeated then. The key is to see what went wrong and orient yourself accordingly.



## **ALUMNI ACHIVEMENTS**



#### MILIND MEHERE

**B.E. Production Engg. 1995** 



In May 2022 CEO & Founder of Yieldstreet, Milind Mehere, was awarded the Crain's New York Business Most Diverse Leaders in Banking and Finance award. This first annual award recognizes banking and finance executives for their career accomplishments as well as their broader community involvement, as key players in initiatives to modernize their industry.

"Honored to be included in Crain's New York Business list of diverse leaders in finance and banking- a very important topic on Wall Street. I am incredibly lucky to lead a unicorn fintech with almost 38% of our team members that are POC or minority, ~20% Asian, ~12% Hispanic. I hope this list can be a motivation for many to pursue their dreams."





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#### NARAYAN MOTIRAVE

**B.E. Production Engg. 2015** 



On the occasion of the Maharashtra Day, Mr.NARAYAN NAMDEV MOTIRAVE (23rd August 1991) an Artist of Mumbai, Maharashtra, made the Largest Portrait Paper Cut Art of "Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj" measuring 4.5 ft. x 3.5 ft. in total 15.75 square ft in size using Drawing paper (300 GSM) as well as Glossy paper (400 GSM) and set a New Record on 1st May 2022 at Borivali, Mumbai. The record was adjudicated by Sanjay Narvekar & Sushma Narvekar — Special Adjudicator of Maharashtra. He also made a Replica of "Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaja's Jagdamba Sword" measuring 122 cm in size using material mainly Teak wood, Meenakari, Kundan Art as well as Galvanize sheet and set a New World Record on 1st May 2022 at Borivali, Mumbai. Genius Foundation & World Records of India feel immensely proud and privileged to present a certificate in appreciation for their outstanding, dedicated service.



# Thankyou for contributing and engaging with our college FR.CRCE and staying true to our roots!!

Ms. Achal Shah (2013, Production Engineering) Mr. Aditya Joshi (2006, Production Engineering) Mr. Aditya Pundir (2013, Electronics Engineering) Mr. Akash Palghadmal (Computer Engineering, 2019) Mr. Alden Norohna (Electronics Engineering, 2021) Ms. Anisha Gharat (Computer Engineering, 2019) Ms. Anushree Gawad (IT Engineering, 2017) Mr. Ayush Jain (Electronics Engineering, 2013) Mr. Bharat Kumawat (Production Engineering) Mr. Chirag Poonawala (Electronics Engineering, 2016) Ms. Christina Michael (Electronics Engineering, 2020) Mr. Deepal Das (Electronics Engineering, 2002) Mr. Edwin Clement (Computer Engineering, 2019) Mr. Farhan Shaikh (Electronics Engineering, 2011) Mr. Gaurav Sen (Computer Engineering, 2014) Mr. Girish Ajgaonkar (Electronics Engineering, 1995)

Mr. Girish Batra

(Electronics Engineering, 1993)

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Ms. Prerna Tirodkar (IT Engineering, 2017)



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#### **SURESH BALAKRISHNAN**

**B.E. Production Engg. 1995** 



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#### **ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP**

The Alumni Association of Fr.CRCE also supports the very livelihood of the college – the students. The Alumni Scholarships are awarded by our alumni to help the deserving students of Fr. CRCE in their education.

This year also like the last, Mr. Suresh BalaKrishnan, co-founder and joint managing director of STULZ India awarded Monetary Scholarship up to Rs 7 Lakhs to many economically backward and meritorious students.

We are grateful for his consideration and generosity towards our students.

#### THANKYOU NOTES BY STUDENTS

I am truly grateful for the scholarship support I got. This scholarship allows me to focus more on my studies rather than worrying about my fee payment. Thank you for your wonderful support 'Stulz Foundation', I hope this generous work keeps continuing so that students like me always feel motivated.

-Shubham Gawri SE AI&DS

I am thankful to the Stulz Scholarship and I wish that in the future I will be able to stand in such a situation to pay this chance forward to another individual and make a variety in students' existences.

-Ritik Mehrotra BE Elex

I am sincerely honored to receive a Scholarship from the Stulz Foundation. Thank you for your generosity, which helped me to clear pending fees. Without this scholarship, students such as myself would be unable to pursue Engineering. I am very thankful for your support.

-Meet Parmar SE Computer





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I would like to thank you for your generosity as I am sincerely honored to be one of the recipients of this scholarship provided by STULZ-CHSPL FOUNDATION. Receiving this scholarship motivates me to maintain my grades and complete my graduation. I really appreciate your assistance and cannot express my gratitude enough for your continued support for my academic endeavors, Thank you again.

-Suryansh Purohit BE Computer

Since the time I had applied for a scholarship at the Stulz Foundation, I was curious if I would get it. As soon as I came to know that I have received the scholarship amount, I was elated. On behalf of my entire family, I thank the Stulz Foundation for providing me Scholarship and helping me financially in my academics. I also thank the Alumni Committee of CRCE for bridging the gap between students like me and the Stulz foundation.

-Vineet Solanki TE Mech

I am a final year student of Fr.CRCE 2022 batch and a proud recipient of stulz scholarship. The amount I had received helped me a lot in my education. During these tough covid times, it's a great relief for any student and their parents when we can study without thinking about the financial problem. Thank you so much to all members of the Stulz Foundation and the Alumni Association of CRCE.

-Rahul Pujari BE IT

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as one of the recipients of the Stulz Foundation scholarship. Thank you for your generosity, which has allowed me to pay my college fees. As I complete my education, I am very thankful for receiving your thoughtful gift. All this could be possible because of the Alumni Committee and Stulz Foundation. Thanking all the members, once again for making this a smooth process and giving students like me a great opportunity.

-Ashally Simon Tuscano BE IT





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I am honored to be one of the recipients of the stulz Foundation Scholarship. Thanks to your generous support.

-Akash Jadhav BE Prod

I would like to thank you for your generosity as I am sincerely honored to be one of the

recipients of this scholarship provided by STULZ-CHSPL FOUNDATION. This scholarship came as a blessing to me which will help me to continue my studies and get closer to my dreams. I really appreciate your assistance and cannot express my gratitude enough for your continued support of my academic endeavors, Thank you again.

-Sanath Shetty BE Computer

I would like to thank you for your generosity as I am sincerely honored to be one of the recipients of this scholarship provided by STULZ-CHSPL FOUNDATION. Receiving this scholarship reduces a lot of burden on my family which in return motivates me to maintain my grades and complete my degree. I really appreciate your assistance and cannot express my gratitude enough for your continued support of my academic endeavors, Thank you again.

-Ganesh Reddy BE Computer

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who in some way contributed to make it possible for me to receive this scholarship. I will forever be grateful to you for the scholarships that you have provided to not just me but all the students in need for the past so many years, because as I know how it has changed my life it has certainly changed the lives of many more scholars. This experience that I had as a scholar has brought a sense of maturity and made me believe in the saying "The best gift you can give someone is to educate them ". I will take this experience ahead in my life and will keep contributing to the education field in everything in my capacity.

-Amit Dubey BE Prod





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I am writing to express my sincere and genuine gratitude and appreciation to you for sponsoring my studies and making the Stulz scholarship possible. Your scholarship is priceless and will definitely help me in my educational endeavors. Words can't possibly measure the happiness I felt when I was informed that I'm chosen and sponsored by you to receive this scholarship. I am grateful for this opportunity to prove myself. It beyond doubt means a lot to me.

Thank you once again for your bounteousness, assistance and for having faith in me. I guarantee you that I will make use of this opportunity to study really hard, achieve my goals and be a successful person in life. You have inspired me a lot and your kind favor also motivates me to help others in need and will definitely do so in the future.

-Suryansh Purohit BE Computer

Thank you for giving me the scholarship and I am honored to have been selected as the recipient of the STULZ-CHSPL Foundation Scholarship. This scholarship has really lessened the burden on my family. It's been a great help, my parents are also thankful for your generosity.

Thank you again for your thoughtful and generous gift.

-Harsh Remje TE Mech

I am grateful for being selected as the recipient of the Stulz Foundation Scholarship. It has been of great help to me especially when I was at one of the lowest point at my life. It was like a ray of hope and taught me to help the ones in need so that they don't loose faith in the world. I would also like to thank the Stulz Foundation and our Alumni Mr. Suresh Balakrishnan, Production 1995, because of whom this was made possible.

-A Student from TE ECS



#### **ALMACONNECT**



#### **ALUMNI PORTAL**

The Alumni Association of Fr. CRCE works towards nurturing and fostering the CRCE Alumni Network through 'Alma connect' which is a private alumni network that helps all CRCEites network digitally. Alma Connect helps with a range of topics such as job referrals, career advice, recommendations, introductions, fundraising etc. AlmaConnect is a platform where students can interact with the alums and the current students of FR.CRCE.

#### AlmaConnect for Alumns:

- Alumns can also volunteer for the Mentorship Program on AlmaConnect.
- And most importantly alumns can also provide internship and job opportunities and also a scholarship.
- By connecting with us on almaConnect you would also stay aware of the many captivating, interesting activities hosed by us and by the alums all across the world.

#### AlmaConnect for Students:

- AlmaConnect is a platform where can interact with the alums, learn from their experience and also witness how diverse and world spread the CRCE alumni network is .
- And most importantly students may also find a mentor, job postings and internship opportunities.
- By connecting with us students can also stay aware of the many captivating, interesting activities hosed by us .



We urge all alums and students to join the network.

Link: frcrce.almaconnect.com



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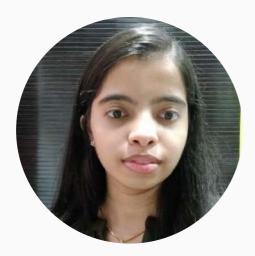




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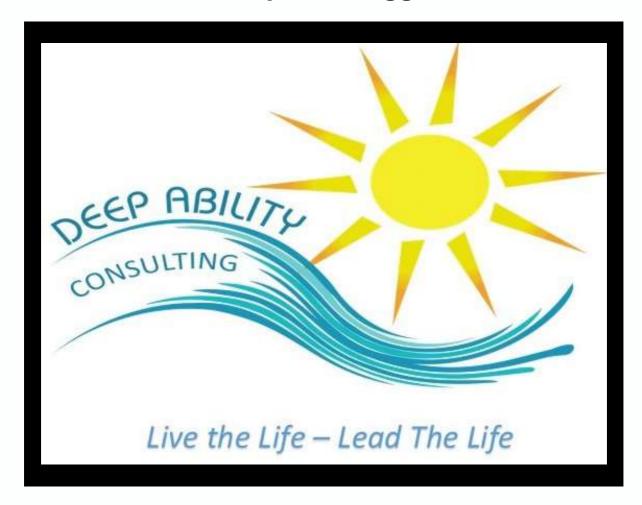
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#### **END NOTE**



We, the Alumni Association, hope to carry on this long-standing history of communication between the school and its former students by publishing a variety of themes in the future.

This edition of our newsletter would not have been possible without the help of our entire team of students, faculty, and most importantly our alumni. The Student Alumni Committee and all of their mentors deserve special recognition for their contributions to the conception and production of this first issue of the newsletter. These past 38 years have been made possible thanks to the support and contributions of people who have worked tirelessly to ensure the success of our institution.

With that, we conclude this issue and bid you to always be bold and stay true to your "Roots':



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