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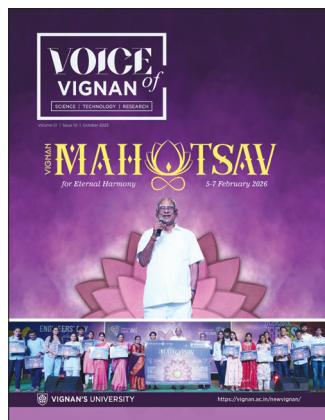
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## From the Editorial Desk

# "Excellence is not a skill, it's an attitude"

- Ralph Marston

At Vignan's University, excellence is not merely an act - it is a culture that thrives through intellect and inspiration. The October chapter of our journey celebrates powerful stories of brilliance, strategy, and festive spirit - from prestigious research honors to dynamic events, insightful guest lectures, personality and placement triumphs, thought-provoking talk series, and the eagerly awaited Mahotsav 2026.

When six of our distinguished faculty members were named among the World's Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, it was more than a moment of global acclaim-it reaffirmed Vignan's enduring research ethos. Their pioneering work across biotechnology, pharmacy, computer science, chemical, and mechanical engineering exemplifies a spirit of inquiry that transforms classrooms into innovation hubs.

The 62<sup>nd</sup> National Chess Championship was a remarkable event that celebrated the deeply rooted culture of chess in our nation. At Vignan, where talent and academics go hand in hand, this prestigious tournament became a true reflection of our Hon'ble Chairman's visionary leadership. His generous support and unwavering commitment to nurturing India's young talents transformed our campus into a grand arena of intellect, focus, and resilience. By providing world-class facilities and fostering an encouraging spirit, he reaffirmed Vignan's belief that education extends beyond traditional boundaries. As grandmasters and prodigies strategized across the 64 squares, the championship mirrored the academic journey itself - one defined by patience, planning, and precision. Grandmaster Iniyan P.'s victory perfectly embodies a value we cherish deeply: while triumphs may be fleeting, the spirit of thinking ahead, adapting, and evolving remains eternal.

From our research labs to our arenas of strategy and student-led initiatives, these milestones define the essence of Vignan: a space where innovation, quality, and leadership converge to inspire every learner to think deeper, aim higher, and achieve beyond boundaries.

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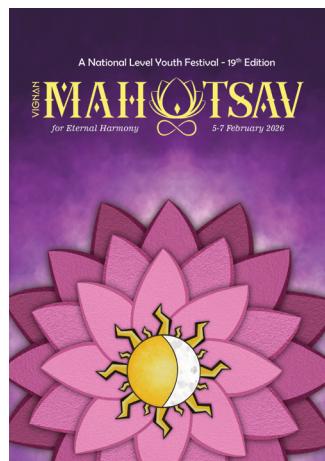
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# University Achievement

Vignan's University Shines Globally

## Six Professors Among World's Top 2% Scientists



**Prof. Ambati Rangarao**  
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Vignan's University has achieved a remarkable milestone as six of its distinguished faculty members have been ranked among the World's Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA. This prestigious recognition marks a moment of pride for the institution and highlights its growing impact in the fields of research, innovation, and academic excellence.

The honoured faculty members include Prof. Ambati Rangarao and Dr. K. Chandrasekhar from the Department of Biotechnology, Dr. Rudrapal Mithun from the Department of Pharmacy, Dr. Jyotsna Devi Bodapati from the Advanced CSE Department, Prof. T. Subbayya from the Department of Chemical Engineering, and Dr. Rahman from the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the Hyderabad Off-Campus. This recognition is based on their

Vignan's University achieved global recognition as six of its faculty members were ranked among the World's Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University. This honor highlights their exceptional research and academic contributions while reinforcing Vignan's commitment to innovation and global research excellence. It stands as a proud moment inspiring students to pursue knowledge and excellence in science.

outstanding research contributions, quality publications, and consistent academic achievements that align with global standards. It reflects not only their individual excellence but also Vignan's strong commitment to fostering a research-driven environment that encourages innovation and critical thinking.

The achievement brings immense international recognition to Vignan's University and reinforces its vision of setting global benchmarks in higher education and research excellence. It also stands as an inspiration for

students and young researchers to pursue scientific excellence with dedication and passion. With this global acknowledgment, Vignan's University continues to prove that world-class research and innovation thrive where knowledge meets commitment and vision.

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# University Achievement

## 62<sup>nd</sup> National Chess Championship @ VFSTR

The 62<sup>nd</sup> National Chess Championship, held at Vignan University in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, concluded with Grandmaster Iniyian P of Tamil Nadu emerging victorious. The event, organized by the Andhra Chess Association and the All India Chess Federation, featured 395 participants, including 14 GMs, 30 IMs, and 15 FIDE Masters. Total prize pool of ₹30 lakhs concluded with the following winners:

Name	Prize
GM Iniyian P. (Tamil Nadu)	₹6 Lakh
IM H. Goutham Krishna (Kerala)	₹5 Lakh
GM Krishnan Sasikiran (PSPB)	₹4 Lakh
IM Ayush Sharma	₹3 Lakh
IM Aronyak Ghosh	₹2.5 Lakh
GM Abhijeet Gupta	₹2.5 Lakh
Vighnesh A. Vemula	₹2 Lakh
GM M.R. Lalith Babu	₹2 Lakh
GM J. Deepan	₹1.5 Lakh
IM Viani Antonio	₹1.5 Lakh



The 62<sup>nd</sup> National Chess Championship, hosted at Vignan University, concluded with Grandmaster Iniyian P. of Tamil Nadu clinching the title. With 395 participants and a prize pool of ₹30 lakhs, the event showcased India's top chess talent. Inaugurated by Koneru Humpy and Koneru Ashok, the tournament celebrated not just victories but the deeper lessons of strategy, perseverance, and intellect that define the game of chess.

Winners likely employed various techniques, including opening theory, middle game strategy, and endgame theory, to outmaneuver opponents. They controlled key squares, managed pawn structure, and exploited tactical opportunities to gain advantages. The championship demonstrated the importance of positional play, prophylactic thinking, and the art of exchange in achieving success. Players' ability to anticipate and respond to opponents' plans was crucial in determining the outcome of games. Overall, the event highlighted the complexity and

depth of chess theory, with winners showcasing their mastery of various strategic and tactical concepts

The event, which ran from September 21 to October 1, 2025, featured a total prize pool of ₹30 lakhs. The championship was inaugurated by chess legend Koneru Humpy, with her father Koneru Ashok as a chief guest. "Chess is not just a game in my life; it is a school of life." - Koneru Ashok, Dronacharya Awarde.

Dr. Lavu Rathaiah, Chairman of Vignan Institutions, praised the event, saying "Victory is a sentence, but defeat is a school." The championship showcased India's top chess minds and celebrated brilliance, resilience, and sportsmanship



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# Beyond the Bin Rethinking Our Plastic Habits

The call to action is clear and urgent: say NO to single-use plastic, and YES to sustainability. It's time to move beyond the convenience of throwaway culture and embrace choices that nurture our planet. Building a truly plastic-free, greener future isn't just an aspiration; it's a necessity championed by a global movement echoing the essential truth that our health and the Earth's vitality are inextricably linked.

The widespread use of single-use plastics, from flimsy shopping bags to takeaway containers-has ushered in an environmental crisis. This movement highlights the profound and harmful effects of plastics on soil, water, and health. When plastics degrade, they don't disappear; they break down into microplastics, which contaminate our agricultural land, infiltrate our drinking water, and enter the food chain. Toxins leached from these materials affect ecosystems, marine life, and, ultimately, human well-being. Every discarded piece is a silent threat to the ecological balance that sustains us.

The great news is that opting out of plastic doesn't mean sacrificing modern life; it means choosing smarter, planet-friendly materials. The campaign actively promotes alternatives that are both practical and sustainable:

- **Cloth Bags:** Durable, washable, and easily foldable, these are the perfect reusable substitute for plastic grocery bags.



- **Jute Products:** This natural fiber is strong, biodegradable, and renewable, making it an excellent choice for everything from shopping totes to storage solutions.

- **Biodegradable Products:** From compostable cutlery to packaging made of plant-based materials, these innovations ensure that materials naturally return to the earth without leaving a toxic legacy.

A sustainable future is built on a foundational philosophy that empowers every individual:

### 3Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

1. **Reduce:** This is the most critical step. Challenge yourself to actively reduce the consumption of unnecessary items and packaging. Refusing a plastic straw, bringing your own coffee cup, and buying in bulk are powerful acts of reduction.

2. **Reuse:** Before you toss something, think about how you can reuse it. Jars can become storage containers, old t-shirts can become cleaning rags, and durable containers can

replace single-use packaging for leftovers.

3. **Recycle:** While the least effective of the three, recycling ensures that materials that can't be reduced or reused are processed into new products, conserving resources and minimizing landfill waste. Knowing your local recycling rules is key to making this process effective.

Let's build a plastic-free, greener future is more than a slogan-it's an invitation to participate in a collective movement. The transformation begins with conscious choices made daily. By embracing the 3Rs and championing sustainable alternatives, we can halt the flow of plastic pollution and foster a vibrant, healthy environment for generations to come. Make the switch today; your choices are the seeds of a greener tomorrow.



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# Bridging Knowledge: The Farmer-Student Nexus



Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR) continues to strengthen the bond between education and agriculture through its Rural Agricultural Work Experience (RAWE) Programme, a flagship initiative of the Vignan Institute of Agriculture and Technology (VIAT). As part of this program, final-year B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture students organized a Rythu Sadassu and Agricultural Exhibition at Kolakaluru Village, Guntur, turning the rural landscape into a vibrant hub of knowledge sharing and innovation.

The event served as a dynamic platform for students and farmers to exchange ideas, experiences, and innovations in agriculture. It brought together traditional wisdom and modern technology under one roof, showcasing sustainable and advanced farming practices. Students displayed a range of technologies and techniques, including Integrated Farming Systems, Climate-Smart Agriculture, Hydroponics, Nano Fertilizers, and Natural Farming methods. Each exhibit highlighted how environmentally conscious and cost-effective methods can boost productivity while ensuring long-term food and environmental security.

Over 210 participants, including enthusiastic farmers, dedicated faculty, and motivated students,

Vignan University's RAWE Programme connected students and farmers through a Rythu Sadassu and Agricultural Exhibition at Kolakaluru Village. Showcasing sustainable farming innovations and interactive learning, the event strengthened the bond between education and agriculture. Students gained real-world insights, while farmers benefited from modern techniques - reflecting Vignan's vision of empowering rural India through knowledge and collaboration.

took part in the event. Around 75 students from eight villages under the RAWE Programme played an instrumental role in organizing the exhibition, ensuring that it was both educational and engaging. Their teamwork demonstrated the essence of experiential learning - bridging classroom concepts with on-ground realities.

A special highlight of the event was the felicitation of host farmers who supported the students throughout their rural work experience. Their guidance, patience, and invaluable practical insights helped students understand the day-to-day

challenges faced by farmers, from soil management and water use to market linkages and sustainability. The interaction between students and farmers reflected a genuine partnership between academic learning and traditional expertise, reaffirming that the future of agriculture lies in collaboration.

The Rythu Sadassu also became a space for discussing rural innovation, government schemes, and the role of youth in transforming agriculture into a more sustainable and profitable profession. Farmers shared their experiences about adapting to climate change and adopting new methods, while students presented creative solutions inspired by scientific learning and innovation.

Through such initiatives, Vignan University not only promotes sustainable and smart farming but also nurtures future agri-leaders and entrepreneurs who can bring about meaningful change in rural communities. The event was a powerful reminder that knowledge truly grows when shared, and when science meets soil, innovation blossoms.



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VFSTR's NSS team conducted a Cleanliness Drive in its adopted villages - Vadlamudi, Veeranayakuni Palem, Vejandla, and Selapadu - promoting hygiene and sustainability. Students and villagers worked together to clean public spaces and spread awareness on waste management. The event fostered unity, social responsibility, and environmental consciousness, reflecting Vignan's ongoing commitment to rural development and a cleaner tomorrow.

Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR), under its National Service Scheme (NSS) initiative, organized a large-scale Cleanliness Drive across its adopted villages - Vadlamudi, Veeranayakuni Palem, Vejandla, and Selapadu. The event brought together NSS volunteers, students, faculty, and villagers in a united effort to build cleaner and healthier communities. With brooms, gloves, and unwavering enthusiasm, participants took to the streets, schools, and public spaces, embodying the true spirit of social responsibility and environmental care.

The drive went beyond the act of cleaning; it became a movement to inspire change in thought and behavior. Volunteers not only removed litter but also educated the local community about waste segregation, recycling, and sustainable waste management. Through engaging talks and live

## Cleanliness Drive in Adopted Villages: Spreading the Message of A Cleaner and Healthier Tomorrow



demonstrations, they explained the long-term benefits of maintaining hygiene - from preventing diseases to improving overall well-being. Their message was simple yet powerful: cleanliness is not a one-time act, but a daily habit that reflects our respect for nature and for each other.

The initiative was guided by the motto "Clean Village, Healthy Village," capturing the essence of how cleanliness contributes to both physical health and community pride. Villagers actively participated, cleaning alongside the students and joining in discussions about how they could continue the efforts. This collaboration strengthened the bond between Vignan's University and the local communities it serves, reinforcing the idea that progress begins at the grassroots level.

For the students, the cleanliness drive was more than a social activity - it was a lesson in empathy, leadership, and teamwork. Working

closely with villagers gave them firsthand experience of rural realities and the importance of civic engagement. Many students expressed that the experience inspired them to take up more community-based initiatives in the future.

As the day concluded, the villages stood noticeably cleaner and more vibrant. But the greater success of the initiative lay in the awareness it created - the spark of responsibility it ignited in every participant. The event became a reminder that small, collective actions can lead to meaningful change when guided by purpose and unity.

Through such efforts, VFSTR continues to demonstrate its commitment to sustainable rural development and environmental stewardship, proving that education extends far beyond the classroom. With every broom swept and every smile shared, the message echoed loud and clear: a cleaner environment begins with each one of us.



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# MAHOTSAV

2026

## A Celebration of Eternal Harmony

It was the beginning of Mahotsav lead selections around 4:00 p.m., and the start of one of the most anticipated events on campus. The interested candidates of every department were present and there was an excitement in the air. The theme of Mahotsav was yet to be released on the Fresher's Day making the students grow with excitement.

Initially the Lead selections started near steps of Dean SA. But as the number of students turned large and overwhelming, it was moved to Samskruthi Seminar Hall for larger space and better management. Students enthusiastically pitched their proposals and ideas, demonstrating creativity, leadership and team participation.

Team PR&DM was last to complete their selections according to the schedule successfully on Day-1. The other verticals in the same seminar hall at A Block, ground floor on the following day. Approximately 6:00 PM, the lead selections for Mahotsav officially came to a close and the preparation for this festivities began here after.

Finally, the event ended with an announcement that Mahotsav's first event will be 'Korean Film Festival' on Sept 11<sup>th</sup> which definitely set the mood for what to expect from this cultural festival next. The buzz increased when Mahotsav 2026, the 19<sup>th</sup> edition of our university's

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**Vignan University unveiled Mahotsav 2026, its 19th edition of the national youth festival, under the theme "For Eternal Harmony." The event promises over 80 competitions with prizes worth ₹15 lakhs, celebrating creativity, unity, and student talent. With great enthusiasm from leadership and students, Mahotsav continues to stand as a symbol of togetherness and youthful energy.**

largest youth festival, was officially announced. It was a festive atmosphere at the campus with "For Eternal Harmony" an enthralling theme representing peace, unity and the spirit of togetherness being unveiled.

Dr. Lavu Rattaiah Garu, officially launched Mahotsav 2026 by unveiling the poster and announcing the theme "For Eternal Harmony" joined by Vice-chancellor, Dignitaries and Internal Dignitaries were accompanied in this occasion.

Addressing the gathering, Chairman Sir said,

"Mahotsav is not just a festival, but a celebration of our students' ideas and creativity. The theme 'For Eternal Harmony' reflects our belief in unity and togetherness. I encourage every student to participate wholeheartedly and make this Mahotsav a memory of a lifetime."

This year's Mahotsav will have 80+ competitions across arts, sports, and gaming just to name a few with prizes worth over ₹15,00,000. The National Youth Fest will be held from 5th to 7th February, 2026, turning the campus into a hub of music, hues and innovation.

"Mahotsav is more than a festival, it's an emotion; it's a platform to explore the talent, to make friends and lifetime memories. Under the motto "For Eternal Harmony", Mahotsav 2026 is a celebration of unity that starts within each of us and helps create an atmosphere of harmony globally.





# Vibrant Navaratri 11 Days

## A Fusion of Culture, Devotion, and Festive Spirit

Vignan University had magnificently celebrated Navaratri, marking eleven days of devotion, culture, and joy. The campus had been illuminated with vibrant colors, echoing the rhythms of tradition as students came together to celebrate Dasara, Bathukamma, and Garba Night with immense enthusiasm.

### Day-wise Importance and Celebrations

**Day 1 - Shailaputri Devi Puja:** The celebration had begun with prayers to Goddess Shailaputri, symbolizing strength and determination. Students had participated in a special Pooja and decorated the stage with flowers and diyas, invoking positivity for the days ahead.

**Day 2 - Brahmacharini Devi Puja:** The day had been devoted to Brahmacharini, representing peace

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and wisdom. Cultural clubs had organized devotional songs and group chanting, creating a serene spiritual ambiance.

### Day 3 - Chandraghanta Devi Puja:

The third day had highlighted courage and valor. A short skit performed by students had depicted the triumph of good over evil, receiving wide appreciation.

### Day 4 - Kushmunda Devi Puja:

This day had been celebrated with rangoli and art competitions. The goddess, symbolizing creativity and light, had inspired students to express their artistic talents.

### Day 5 - Skandamata Devi Puja:

Students had conducted a group dance performance dedicated to Skandamata, representing motherly love and protection. The performances had been graceful and spiritually uplifting.

### Day 6 - Katyayani Devi Puja:

On this day, Bathukamma celebrations had taken center stage. Female students had beautifully arranged colorful Bathukammas and danced joyfully around them while singing traditional Telugu folk songs. The celebration had reflected



Telangana's rich cultural heritage and unity among students.

**Day 7 - Kalaratri Devi Puja:** The seventh day had been marked by an awareness rally themed around "Victory of Light over Darkness," spreading messages of courage and righteousness.

**Day 8 - Mahagauri Devi Puja:** The eighth day had been filled with devotion and grace. Students had participated in a fasting ritual and later offered prayers for peace and prosperity.

**Day 9 - Siddhidatri Devi Puja:** The penultimate day had been celebrated as Garba Night, where students dressed in colorful traditional attire and danced to the beats of Garba and Dandiya music. The night had been filled with joy, laughter, and togetherness, making it one of the most memorable events of the celebration.

#### **Day 10 - Vijayadashami (Dasara):**

The grand finale of Navaratri had been celebrated as Dasara, symbolizing the victory of good over evil. A cultural evening had been organized featuring classical dances, songs, and a short drama depicting the story of Goddess Durga's triumph over Mahishasura. The management had appreciated the efforts of all participants and organizers.

**Day 11 - Cultural Showcase & Closing Ceremony:** The last day had concluded with felicitation of winners from various competitions held throughout the 11 days. The campus had been filled with pride and happiness as everyone celebrated the success of the event.

#### **Hon'ble Chairman's Charitable Act:**

During the celebrations, our Hon'ble Chairman distributed traditional clothes to the boys from Bihar who

participated in the puja and the priests, highlighting the significance of mutual respect and cooperation. Students and staff appreciated his kindness and active involvement in the event.

The Navaratri 11 Days Celebration at Vignan University had been a vibrant blend of devotion, tradition, and culture. The active participation of students, staff, and faculty had turned the event into a symbol of unity and joy. It had truly showcased the university's spirit of celebrating Indian culture with grandeur and reverence.



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# Gandhi Jayanti

A Day to Reflect, Remember and Reignite his Values

The Gandhi Jayanti celebration at Vignan's University was a heartfelt tribute to Mahatma Gandhi's timeless principles of peace, truth, and non-violence. With inspiring speeches, cultural activities, and reflections from dignitaries, the event reminded everyone of the relevance of Gandhian values in modern times. It encouraged students to not only remember Gandhi but to live by his ideals every day.

Gandhi Jayanti event began at 2:15 PM with inaugural speeches recalling the life, principles, and contribution of Mahatma Gandhi towards mankind. It began with a Prayer at 2:20 PM, and then with an inspiring Audio-Visual presentation comprising intra-level and extra-level activities like Mock Parliament, Quiz, and Elocution, organized on the occasion.

The dignitaries' presence was a significant milestone with Honourable Vice Chancellor present as a special guest in the seminar hall. The lamp lighting ceremony was done by the dignitaries and internal guests as a symbol of enlightenment and peace. The event was also enriched by the presence of our Chairman, who came to join the celebrations in paying respects



to the Father of the Nation. Some of the speeches during the Gandhi Jayanti event truly stayed with me. Ms. Poojitha spoke on "What Gandhi would do if he were at Operation Sindoor," linking his ideas with situations we face today. Our Chairman's talk was equally



memorable; he mentioned Gandhi's friendship with Einstein and how both men believed deeply in peace.

He also spoke about Lal Bahadur Shastri's honesty and humility, reminding everyone that such values never go out of date. Ms. Roshitha raised a tough but honest question - do we still follow Gandhi's principles, or do we simply remember his name once a year? That question made the whole hall go quiet for a few seconds.

There was even a reference to Nelson Mandela and the way he carried forward Gandhi's message across continents. Ms. Srindhi shared warm thoughts about Kasturba Gandhi's constant support in every phase of Gandhi's life.

When the Honourable Chancellor spoke, he talked about Kasturba Gandhi and how much she supported Gandhi all through his life. He also thanked all the young people who had taken part - you could really see he appreciated how involved everyone was. Then he mentioned Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and how honest and strong a leader he had been. Seeing everyone getting their prizes was kind of inspiring, honestly. And then the event finished with a vote of thanks. Walking out of the hall, it just felt clear how Gandhi's ideas about truth, peace, and non-violence are still important today.



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## REMEMBERING GANDHIAN VALUES For A Young Individual

Compliments of the day to you all, I would like to start by acknowledging the presence of our chairman Dr. Lavu, our VC, our Vice Principal and all the staff members (Deans, HoDs' and lecturers) and students of this wonderful institution, all protocol observed.

What gathering this is more 10 nationalities, about 30 dialects, a congregation of intellectuals at which point we begin to ask to what common pursuit are all these great effort aimed towards.

At the very core of what drives us to wake up every morning and demands that we show up, the very oil that keeps the cogs turning ,the intrinsic motivation that keeps us afloat. Maybe our senior citizens here might be out of touch with the current setup that exists in status quo, let me bring up to speed everything in our world (gen z) is instant every need to ever exist can

be fulfilled in seconds. You might have grown up with sense of privacy and discretion well we kinda thought we could improve on that and created spaces like Instagram where just let the cat out of the bag.

Welcome to the age of the individual, everything is tailored to my preference, hey even my leisure time has an algorithm that bends to my demands. I don't have to be a social scientist to say that the most said word is ME. What a mundane way of living of the constant absorption into the idol of self, yet everything we have including the innovations that facilitate that immersion into self are a by product of observation and outward focus. That is why we have days like Gandhi Jayanti, to ground us back when the words of our forefathers linger in our minds and we reminisce the timeless wisdom contained in within those utterances. "The best way to find

yourself is to lose yourself I the service of others", NEWSFLASH the progression of technology didn't bring with it the transformation of what is ideologically fulfilling to humanity. We can only be the best we are, when we seek harmony and the pursuit to serve others. As we bask in the light of our luminaries, the Gandhis', the Mandelas', the Luthers'.

May the smaller unit of self, dissolve into the greater interest of us.

They call me ANCHOR where I come from may you grounded in truth and unmoved by deception.



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# The role of Kasturba Gandhi in Mahatma Gandhi's Life

A warm greetings to everyone. I'm Sudha Sreenidhi from CSE, 2<sup>nd</sup> year. We all know a popular saying, "There's a woman behind every man's success". This means, there's a woman who stands firm behind every man, supporting him through his thick and thin, so that he'll be able to achieve his dreams and goals, Just like Kasturba Gandhi. She is the wife of Mahatma Gandhi, the father of our nation, and she's also a person who played major role in Mahatma Gandhi's success. Let's take a glance at some of the things done by her, which transformed Gandhi, Mohandas to Mahatma.

Kasturba was his lifelong partner, who maintained a simple life and managed the ashrams, which served as the operational base for the freedom movement. She

cared for him during his numerous illnesses and supported his life-altering decisions, including his vow of Brahmacharya (celibacy).

Kasturba played a prominent role in the Satyagraha movement. Albeit Gandhi credited her quiet strength, resilience, and occasional but firm resistance to his early attempts at control as a key, unwitting lesson in the practice of non-violent non-cooperation. He acknowledged that his own philosophy of Satyagraha (truth-force) was first practiced on her and was a reflection of her inherent qualities. She was also one of the first women to join the non-violent struggle, also participating in protests in South Africa against ill treatment for Indian immigrants. Today's women can draw inspiration from her spirit-her courage to join a movement, her refusal to break a prison fast for better food, and her ability to hold her own ground-while

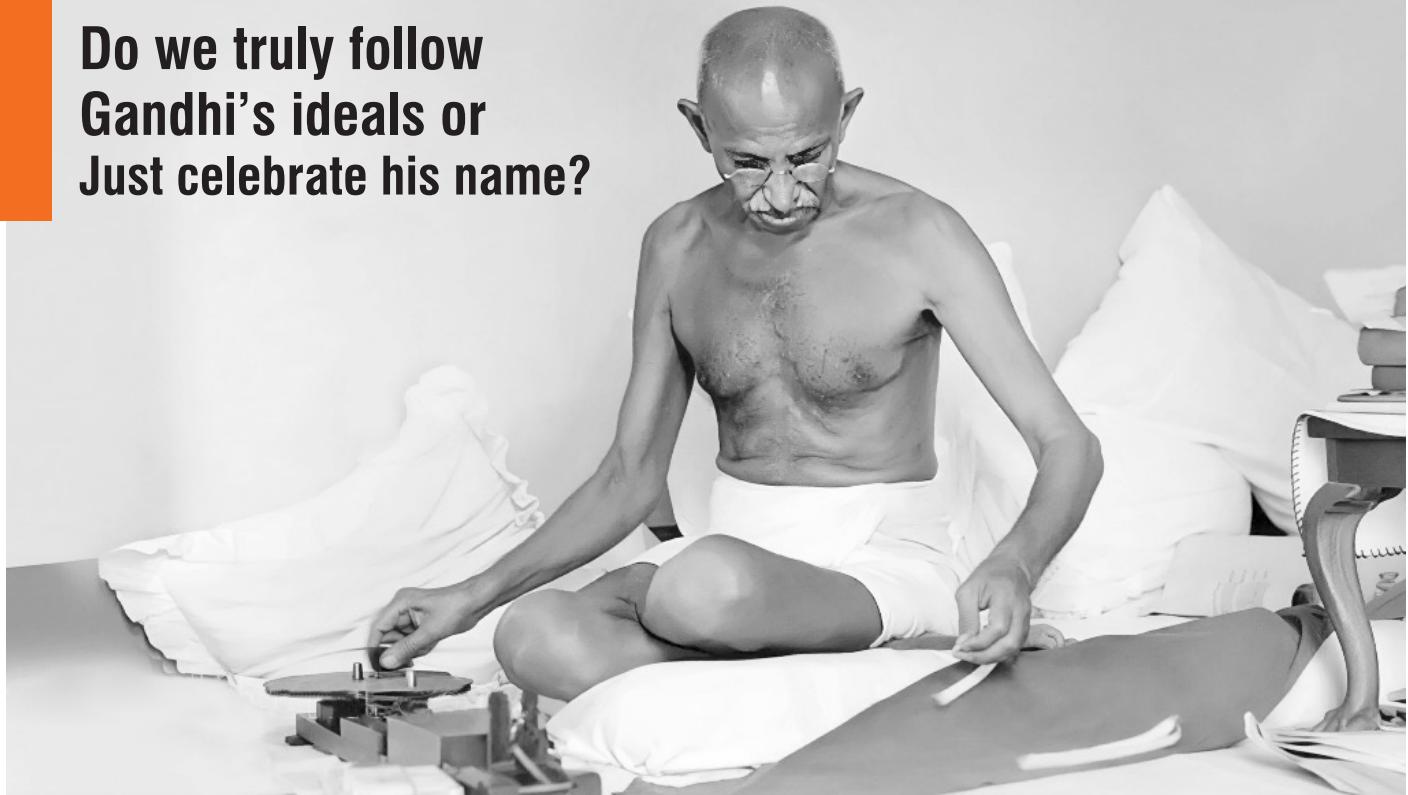
also embracing the opportunities for education, career, and personal freedom that were unavailable to her. Her legacy is one of empowerment through principled action and moral strength, regardless of formal background or public recognition.

In conclusion, Kasturba wasn't just the wife of Mahatma Gandhi, she was the pioneer of strength, core philosophy of Gandhi, and a powerful political activist. Her unwavering strength and support for Gandhi lead him not only as a leader, but as the father of the nation.

by  
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## Do we truly follow Gandhi's ideals or Just celebrate his name?



A very good morning to respected dignitaries, beloved faculty members, and my dear friends. I'm Roshitha. Today, as we gather to celebrate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi I would like to share my words, one question always echoes in my mind , "Do we truly follow his ideals, or do we just celebrate his name once a year?"

Every Gandhi Jayanti, we post quotes of peace and non-violence on social media. We share his picture with captions like "Be the change you wish to see in the world." But when someone disagrees with us, our patience fades. We talk about simplicity, yet we chase brands, status, and competition more than ever. We say truth is powerful, yet we often bend it for comfort.

Gandhiji's idea of education was never about marks or degrees it was about building character and conscience. But in today's world, parents are pressured by

ranks, students are burdened by expectations, and somewhere in between, values are slowly slipping away.

He taught us that progress is not only about science and technology it's also about kindness and integrity. If Gandhi were alive today, he wouldn't be disappointed that we have smartphones or social media. He would simply ask, "Are these things controlling us, or are we using them for good?"

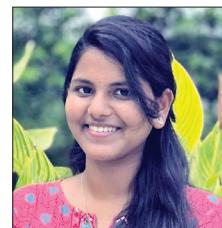
We often think following Gandhi means wearing khadi or walking barefoot. But it's much deeper than that. It means speaking the truth when it's inconvenient, being kind when it's easier to ignore, and staying humble even when success comes our way. Gandhi once said, "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." Yet today, we are more focused on what we get than what we give. We've learned to build powerful

machines, but we sometimes forget to build peaceful minds.

So, as we celebrate Gandhi Jayanti, let's not make it just a ritual of speeches and garlands. Let it be a reminder that Gandhi still lives through every honest decision, every act of patience, and every peaceful choice we make.

The true tribute to Mahatma Gandhi is not in the quotes we post or the photos we share it is in our actions, our empathy, and our courage to live by what he stood for.

**Let's not just celebrate his name  
let's live his message.**



by  
**B. Roshitha**  
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# What would Gandhi do, if he was part of Operation Sindhoor in the Present Day...

A very good afternoon, everyone, I'm Sai Poojita, and today I speak not a history but of what Gandhi might do in our present.

If Gandhi were alive today, standing among the soldiers of Operation Sindhoor, I wonder would he still preach peace? Would he still believe in silence when bombs roar across our borders? Would he still stand unarmed, when innocent blood has already been spilled?

We call him the father of our nation, but what would he call us, a generation that speaks of peace but scrolls past pain? Maybe, he would not raise his hand in blessing...maybe, he would raise a question. Because the truth is Gandhi's path was never

easy. He fought an empire without a sword, but he also fought an age that still listened. Today, we live in a world where peace is mocked as weakness and compassion is crushed under politics. So, if Gandhi were part of Operation Sindhoor, I think he would walk with our soldiers not to fight, but to remind them why they fight. He would say, "Strike if you must but never forget, every act of violence costs a piece of your own soul."

He would understand that defending peace sometimes demands power but he would still ask: when will power learn mercy?

Maybe Gandhi would not choose the bullet... but he would not ignore the wound either. He would remind us that peace without protection is naïve, and protection without

conscience is dangerous. So yes, if Gandhi were here today, he would walk into the fire, not to stop it, but to humanize it.

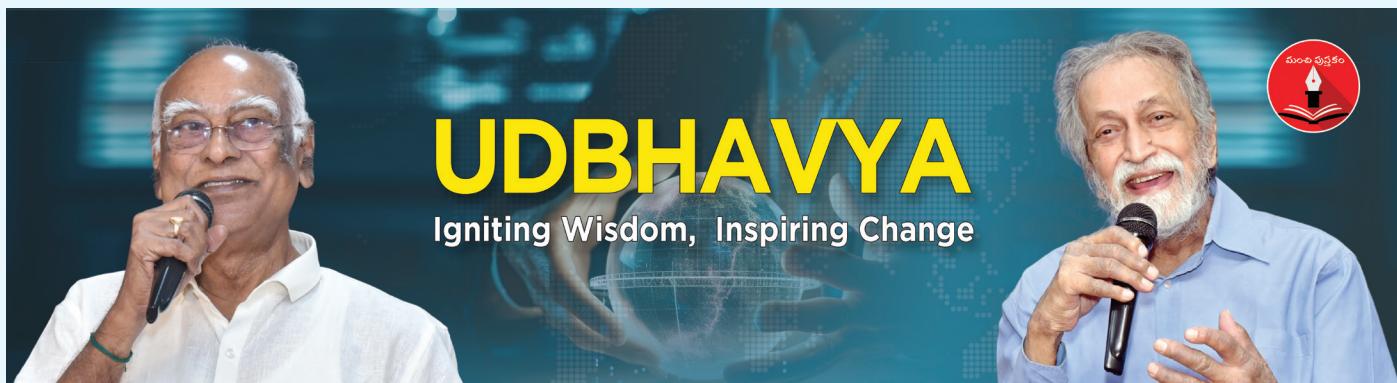
And perhaps that's the real question he'd leave for us Have we become so focused on defending the nation that we've forgotten to defend our humanity?

Because Gandhi would not tell us what to do... he'd force us to ask why we do it.



by  
G. Sai Poojita  
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The Departments of Social Sciences & Humanities and English, Other Indian and Foreign Languages at VFSTR (Deemed to be University) launched a prestigious intellectual initiative, Udbhavya - Igniting Wisdom, Inspiring Change, on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at the Sangamam Seminar Hall, marking a defining moment in the university's journey toward intellectual vibrancy.

The inaugural chapter, "Voices of Wisdom - Conversations for a Changing World," began with the ceremonial release of the Udbhavya poster and brochure, symbolizing the birth of a movement for deep, meaningful dialogue and reflection. The event witnessed the gracious presence of the Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. Lavu Rathaiah, Deans, Heads of Departments, faculty members, and a packed audience of enthusiastic students.

Mr. Ravi Kiran Ch., Assistant Professor of Political Science, delivered the inaugural address, explaining the genesis and

philosophy of Udbhavya as a platform that celebrates the emergence of new ideas and honors the feminine creative spirit as the foundation of knowledge. He emphasized that Udbhavya will grow into a distinctive intellectual brand under the legacy of Vignan.

Dr. K. Srinivas, Assistant Professor of English, introduced the Chief Guest, Prof. Prabhat Patnaik, Professor Emeritus, Jawaharlal Nehru University, who delivered the inaugural lecture on "Freedom in the Age of Globalization." Prof. Patnaik's insightful address examined the challenges of neo-liberal capitalism, the erosion of social equity, and the contradictions of economic liberalization. Drawing from his book Beyond Liberalism, he urged students to understand how economic systems shape freedom and social justice. His powerful talk received a standing ovation from the audience and inspired lively student interaction during the Q&A session.

In their reflections, the Heads and Deans highlighted the importance of

such intellectual forums in fostering interdisciplinary understanding, global awareness, and lifelong curiosity. Dr. Lavu Rathaiah, Hon'ble Chancellor, commended the initiative, emphasizing that the ability to listen, reflect, and read deeply transforms one's outlook on life.

The session concluded with the felicitation of the Chief Guest, the release of a book on Sitaram Yechury by the Chancellor, and the announcement of upcoming Udbhavya activities - including panel discussions, podcasts, and future lectures aimed at creating a vibrant culture of ideas on campus.

With Chapter-2 focusing on Innovation and Sustainability and Chapter-3 on Society and Technology, Udbhavya promises to evolve into a signature VFSTR platform - igniting wisdom, inspiring change, and nurturing a new generation of thoughtful minds.



Convenor  
Mr. Ravi Kiran Ch.  
Asst. Prof.  
Political Science.



Convenor  
Dr. K. Srinivas  
Asst. Prof.  
English.



## Faculty Development Program on Student Mental Health Empowering Educators to Nurture Well-Being

Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR), Guntur, organized a Faculty Development Program (FDP) on "Student Mental Health: Faculty Role and Approach" from 19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The program was conducted by the Academy for Faculty and Staff Development (AFSD) in collaboration with the Dean, Student Affairs, and the Department of Social Sciences and Humanities. This initiative reflected Vignan's deep commitment to building a compassionate academic environment that prioritizes both intellectual and emotional well-being.

The FDP aimed to equip faculty members with the knowledge and sensitivity required to identify and respond to the mental health challenges students face in modern academic life. With rising stress levels, peer pressure, and digital distractions, the need for mentally healthy campuses has become more critical than ever. Recognizing this, Vignan's took a proactive step to empower its educators as the first line of support for students.

A total of 48 faculty members participated in the six-day program, including attendees from Vignan's Pharmacy College and Vignan's Nirula College. Renowned psychologists such as Dr. Neeraja Padigapati, Dr. Sivasankar Mandal, and Dr. Vijay Bhaskar led insightful and interactive sessions. The discussions spanned key areas such as stress management techniques, effective student-teacher communication, emotional intelligence, and strategies to create psychologically safe classrooms.

Participants were encouraged to view themselves not just as instructors, but as mentors who can guide

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students through both academic and personal challenges. The sessions highlighted how even small gestures—listening patiently, showing empathy, and creating inclusive spaces—can make a significant difference in a student's life. Faculty members also learned practical approaches to recognize signs of anxiety, burnout, or depression, and how to guide students toward professional help when needed.

The FDP concluded with reflections from participants, who expressed deep appreciation for the university's initiative. They emphasized that the knowledge and skills gained would help them foster more empathetic, inclusive, and resilient classrooms. Many also shared that the program reshaped their understanding of their role as educators—reminding

them that teaching is not just about imparting knowledge, but about nurturing the whole individual.

Through this initiative, VFSTR once again affirmed its vision of holistic education, one that values mental wellness alongside academic excellence. By investing in the emotional well-being of both students and faculty, the university continues to create a learning environment where compassion and understanding are as important as intellect and innovation.



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# Shaping Tomorrow's Leaders

## Guest Lecture Series by the Department of MBA

The Department of MBA at Vignan's University organized an engaging Guest Lecture Series on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025, featuring industry experts from Mahindra, Cholamandalam Finance, and the Logistics Sector Council. The sessions covered consumer behavior, sustainable finance, and leadership development, offering students valuable insights into real-world business challenges. The event successfully bridged academia and industry, inspiring future managers to lead with skill, vision, and responsibility.



The Department of Master of Business Administration (MBA) at Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR), in collaboration with the Office of Industry Relations and the School of Law & Management, organized an insightful Guest Lecture Program on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The session aimed to bridge the gap between academic knowledge and real-world business expectations, empowering students with essential managerial, analytical, and employability skills required in today's evolving corporate landscape.

The program featured three distinguished industry professionals who shared their rich experiences and practical insights into business management, consumer behavior, and leadership.

The first speaker, Mr. Uday Kiran, Institutional Business Manager at Mahindra Truck & Bus Division, Hyderabad, delivered an engaging talk on "Luxury vs Utility: Decoding Consumer Choices in the Present Competitive Scenario." He encouraged students to think deeply about what drives

consumer decisions and how modern businesses balance functionality with aspiration. His discussion emphasized the need for future managers to understand consumer psychology, market segmentation, and the art of decision-making in a rapidly shifting economic environment.

The second session was conducted by Mr. Murali Potagani, Regional Manager (Deputy General Manager) at Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Ltd., Hyderabad, who spoke on "Financing the Future: Innovation and Sustainability in the Automobile Industry." He highlighted how financial literacy and green innovation are becoming core to sustainable business growth. By sharing real-world industry examples, he inspired students to think about how finance professionals can contribute to building eco-conscious and socially responsible enterprises.

The final session was led by Dr. Jitendra Gowrabhatini from the Logistics Sector Skill Council, Chennai, who delivered an inspiring lecture on "Building Future Managers." His talk focused on developing leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills, which he described as

the foundation of success in the corporate world. He also discussed how adaptability and emotional intelligence distinguish great leaders from ordinary ones.

Throughout the program, the students interacted actively with the speakers, gaining fresh perspectives on industry dynamics, career readiness, and managerial adaptability. The discussions not only reinforced classroom learning but also provided a realistic understanding of what it takes to succeed in today's competitive job market.

The event concluded on a high note, with students feeling motivated to refine their professional skills and embrace the values of lifelong learning, innovation, and teamwork. The Guest Lecture Series truly embodied Vignan's vision of creating competent, ethical, and future-ready business leaders.



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## Guest Lecture on Consumer Behaviour

Vignan's University recently hosted an inspiring guest lecture on "The Invisible Hand of the Consumer: Behaviour That Shapes Markets" on 30<sup>th</sup> September. The event was graced by Mr. Sridhar Aranala, Vice President of Sales and Distribution at The Hindu Group, who captivated the audience with his insights into the world of consumer behaviour and market dynamics.

The session began with a warm welcome from the faculty, followed by an engaging introduction to the speaker's professional journey. Drawing from his vast industry experience, Mr. Aranala explained how every consumer action, no matter how small, silently influences the direction of businesses and markets. He pointed out that every purchase decision, online view, or social media scroll contributes to shaping the strategies of companies worldwide. Through relatable examples, he helped students understand the invisible link between consumer behaviour and business growth.

Mr. Aranala also encouraged students to reflect on their own digital habits. He reminded them that "every scroll builds someone else's business," urging them to be more conscious about how they spend their time online. This simple yet powerful message left a strong impact on the audience, prompting them to think about how awareness and choice play a role in personal and professional success. In addition to his insights



Vignan's University hosted an enlightening lecture by Mr. Sridhar Aranala from The Hindu Group on the unseen influence of consumer behaviour in shaping markets. Through real-world examples, he urged students to understand their digital habits and develop discipline, awareness, and purpose in their careers. The session blended industry insights with life lessons, inspiring students to think critically and act responsibly.

on consumer psychology, Mr. Aranala shared valuable life lessons for aspiring professionals. He spoke about the importance of focus, self-discipline, and purpose in building a successful career. He highlighted five essential qualities that every young professional should nurture, attention, discipline, application, purpose, and trust, explaining that these values form the foundation of long-term growth and leadership.

Throughout the lecture, Mr. Aranala blended real-world examples with motivational thoughts, making the session both informative and inspiring. Students actively participated in the discussion,

expressing their curiosity and appreciation for the practical knowledge shared. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as attendees connected the concepts discussed to their own academic and career goals.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks, where the organizing team expressed gratitude to Mr. Aranala for taking the time to share his expertise and wisdom. The session left a lasting impression on everyone present, inspiring students to think critically, act responsibly, and strive for excellence in all aspects of life.

Overall, the guest lecture on consumer behaviour was a remarkable learning experience that combined academic understanding with real-world insights. It reminded students that success is not only about knowledge but also about awareness, discipline, and purpose. The session truly reflected Vignan's University's commitment to shaping well-rounded individuals ready to make a meaningful impact in the world.



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## Cultivating Ethical Business Leaders National Seminar on Sustainable Development and Indian Knowledge Systems

The Department of Management Studies at Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University) organized a two-day National Seminar on "Cultivating Ethical Business Leaders: Embedding the Vision of SDGs and the Indian Knowledge System" on October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. The seminar served as an intellectual platform bringing together academicians, researchers, industry professionals, and students to explore the confluence of ethics, sustainability, and traditional wisdom in shaping future business leaders.

The seminar addressed a critical contemporary concern—ethical leadership in a rapidly evolving corporate world. As businesses strive for global competitiveness, the sessions emphasized the need to align modern management practices with moral principles, social responsibility, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The event commenced with an inspiring inaugural session led by Dr. Phani Kumar Katuri, who highlighted the deep relationship between integrity and profitability. He asserted that organizations built on ethical foundations not only earn trust but also sustain long-term success. The Convenor, Prof. Bandaru Srinivas Rao, welcomed the delegates and elaborated on the seminar's objectives, stressing the importance of ethical education in nurturing responsible and value-driven leaders.

Vignan University's Department of Management Studies organized a two-day National Seminar on Ethical Business Leadership and SDGs, bringing together experts from academia and industry. The discussions focused on integrating Indian knowledge systems with modern management, emphasizing moral integrity, sustainability, and responsible leadership as keys to a better future.

The seminar was enriched by the presence of eminent guests and speakers. Chief Guest Prof. B. Sudhakar Reddy, Director of ICSSR - Southern Region, commended the initiative, expressing optimism that such academic engagements would encourage institutions and business leaders to re-evaluate their ethical and social roles. The keynote address by Prof. A. Suryanarayana, former Dean of Osmania University, explored ethical dilemmas faced by organizations while balancing idealism with real-world challenges. He urged participants to view ethics not as limitations but as guiding principles that enable sustainable, people-centered growth.

Adding philosophical depth, Prof. Yariagadda Srinivasulu from Pondicherry University discussed how ancient Indian scriptures and traditions provide timeless insights into moral leadership and decision-making. He emphasized that leadership grounded in compassion, truth, and service fosters inclusive and sustainable organizations. Offering a modern perspective, Dr. M.P. Ganesh from IIT Hyderabad spoke on integrating ancient wisdom with contemporary development strategies, promoting sustainability as a holistic approach to human well-being. Prof. B.M. Rao further elaborated on the global relevance of Indian knowledge systems, emphasizing the enduring importance of harmony, balance, and duty in today's interconnected business environment.

With participation from over 100 delegates representing universities and industries across India, the two-day seminar featured paper presentations, case studies, and discussions. The event successfully created a platform for academia and industry to collaborate in promoting ethical, socially responsible, and globally conscious business leadership.



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## Robotics and Composite Materials Shaping a Smarter, Stronger Future

The fusion of robotics and composite materials is revolutionizing modern engineering. Lightweight, durable composites enhance robotic efficiency, while robots improve the precision and speed of composite manufacturing. This powerful synergy drives innovation in aerospace, healthcare, and automotive sectors, paving the way for a sustainable, high-performance future in technology and design.

The intersection of robotics and composite materials is driving a new era of innovation in modern engineering. Both fields complement each other in remarkable ways—robots are becoming more efficient, lighter, and precise thanks to advanced composites, while robotics is revolutionizing how those composites are manufactured. Together, they are redefining the possibilities of design, performance, and sustainability across multiple industries.

Modern robotics demands materials that are lightweight yet strong, energy-efficient, and capable of maintaining accuracy under stress. This is where composite materials, such as carbon fiber-reinforced polymers (CFRPs), play a crucial role. Known for their exceptional strength-to-weight ratios, corrosion resistance, and adaptability, composites enable robots to perform with greater agility and reliability. Lighter robotic arms, for instance, can carry heavier payloads while consuming less power, making them ideal for industrial automation,

space exploration, and even delicate medical operations. On the other hand, robotics is reshaping the manufacturing landscape of composites. Techniques like automated fiber placement (AFP), filament winding, and robotic layup have streamlined production by ensuring precise fiber orientation and uniform quality. These processes eliminate human error, reduce production time, and make it possible to create complex geometries that were once difficult to achieve by manual fabrication. In essence, robots are making composite manufacturing faster, smarter, and more cost-effective.

The synergy between these two fields is creating a ripple effect across sectors. In aerospace and automotive industries, lightweight composites integrated into robotic assembly lines lead to stronger yet lighter structures—enhancing fuel efficiency, reducing emissions, and improving overall performance. In healthcare, medical robots made with advanced composites are being used to create biocompatible prosthetics, surgical

tools, and wearable exoskeletons, offering patients enhanced comfort and mobility. Even in renewable energy and defense, this integration supports the development of durable, high-precision systems that can operate in extreme environments.

As technology continues to evolve, the collaboration between robotics and composite materials will only deepen. Future innovations may include self-healing composite structures, AI-powered robotic assembly, and fully automated manufacturing ecosystems capable of producing sustainable products with minimal waste.

Ultimately, this partnership represents the future of intelligent engineering—one that combines strength with precision, efficiency with sustainability, and creativity with technology.



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# If AI Can Do the Job, Do We Still Need Humans?

Imagine a world where computers draft essays, predict market trends, compose music, or even negotiate business deals - all within seconds. What once sounded like science fiction is now everyday reality. Artificial Intelligence (AI) is transforming the way we live, work, and think. From healthcare and finance to art and education, AI's ability to analyze enormous amounts of data, detect hidden patterns, and even create original content is changing the face of human progress.

Take the story of Riya, a university student struggling to collect research material for her thesis. Using an AI-powered assistant, she found key research papers, identified crucial insights, and even received help structuring her arguments. Yet, the AI didn't write her thesis - Riya did. She made the judgments, drew the conclusions, and shaped the final narrative. The AI simply amplified her abilities. In that sense, AI became her collaborator - not a replacement, but a guide through a sea of information.

In other fields too, AI's impact is remarkable. In finance, it predicts stock movements and detects fraud within seconds. In art, it composes music and generates paintings that mirror human creativity. In classrooms, AI tutors personalize learning, helping students focus on their weak areas while assisting teachers in understanding class performance better. Across every domain, AI excels at doing what it

AI is transforming every aspect of life - from education to business - by handling data and complex tasks efficiently. Yet, true creativity, ethics, and empathy remain uniquely human. The future lies in collaboration, not competition - where AI assists, and humans lead with wisdom, imagination, and heart.

does best - processing information, performing repetitive tasks, and spotting trends faster and more accurately than humans ever could.

But here lies the catch - for all its intelligence, AI lacks the heart, intuition, and emotion that define humanity. A machine can create a melody, but it cannot feel it. It can produce a legal document but not argue a case with empathy or moral awareness. True creativity, ethical judgment, and compassion remain uniquely human traits - the core of what gives our actions meaning and purpose. Experts now talk about a new concept called "centaur intelligence," where humans and AI work together - like two halves of one powerful mind. Machines handle large-scale data and logic, while humans interpret results, question assumptions, and add creativity and ethics. For instance, in journalism, AI might generate quick summaries or first drafts, but journalists still add the human touch - shaping stories with context, emotion, and

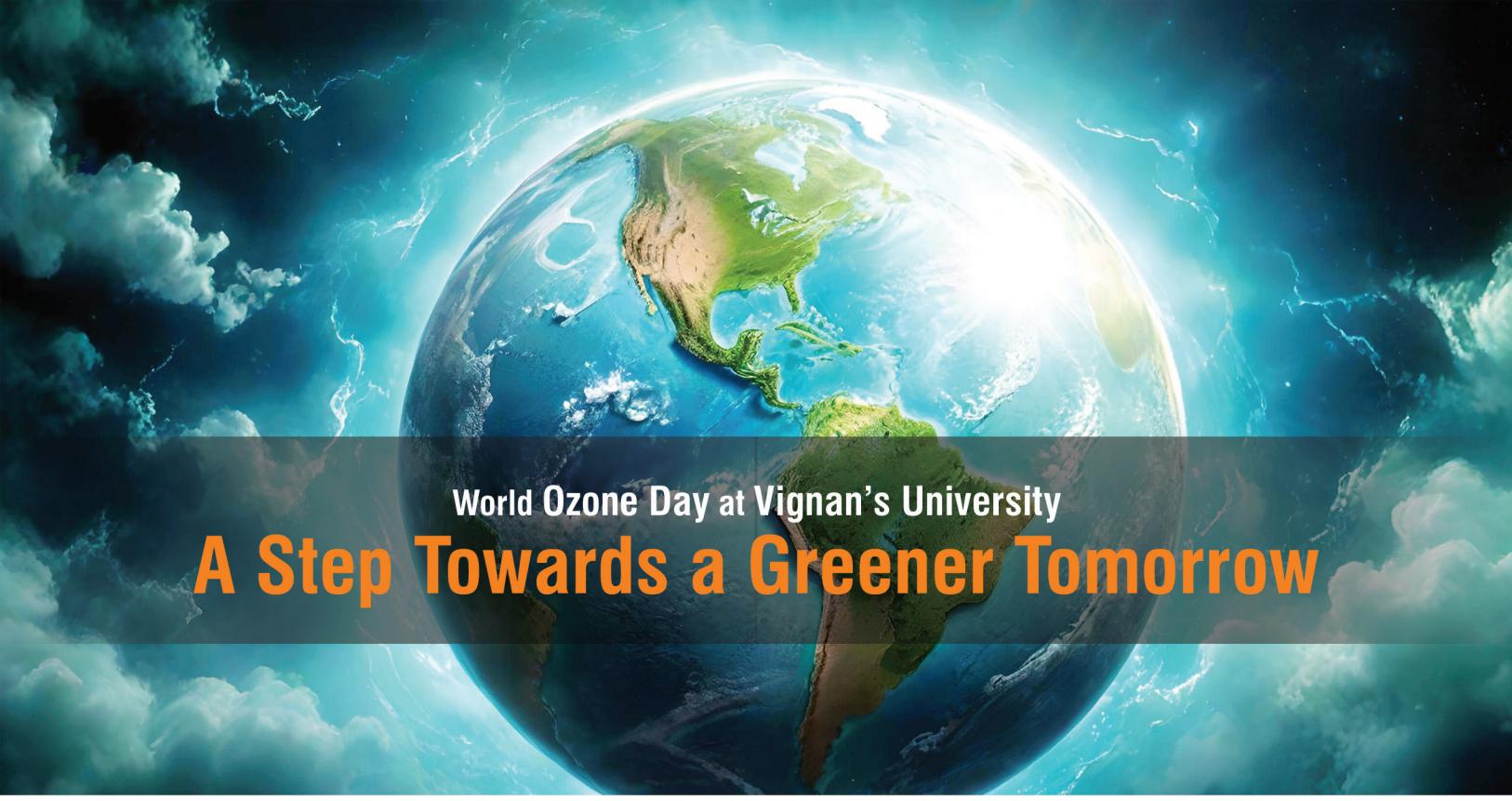
truth. In scientific research, AI may process complex datasets, but it's the scientist who asks "why," designs experiments, and imagines what's next. However, this partnership also demands caution. Overdependence on AI could make people passive, reducing critical thinking and problem-solving skills. There are also deep ethical concerns - data bias, misinformation, lack of transparency, and threats to privacy. As AI systems become more capable, it becomes even more important for humans to stay accountable, informed, and responsible.

So, do we still need humans? The answer is an unquestionable yes. AI can enhance efficiency, but it cannot replicate human curiosity, emotion, or moral reasoning. The future will not be a competition between humans and machines - it will be a collaboration. When humans use AI thoughtfully and ethically, they can amplify creativity, make smarter decisions, and solve challenges once thought impossible.

In the end, the real question is not whether AI can do the job, but how we can use AI to make our work - and our world - more intelligent, humane, and meaningful.



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## World Ozone Day at Vignan's University

# A Step Towards a Greener Tomorrow

Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR) observed World Ozone Day with a vibrant three-day celebration from 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September, organized by the Centre for Environment Protection and Climate (CEPC) in association with the Department of Chemistry. The event was held under the global theme, "From Science to Global Action", and aimed to raise awareness about the importance of the ozone layer and inspire collective responsibility for its protection.

The celebrations began with a painting competition, which drew enthusiastic participation from more than a hundred students across various departments. Each artwork creatively reflected the theme of ozone preservation, climate action, and environmental protection. The colorful display not only showcased artistic talent but also revealed the deep concern young minds hold for ecological sustainability and global well-being.

Following the competition, students and faculty organized an awareness rally at Tenali bus stand, where they interacted with the public to spread messages on protecting the ozone layer. Holding placards, banners, and slogans, the participants emphasized small but significant lifestyle changes that can reduce pollution and safeguard the

Vignan's University celebrated World Ozone Day (16-18 September) through creative competitions, a public awareness rally, and a guest lecture by Prof. P. Sankar Ganesh of BITS Pilani. The event emphasized the role of the ozone layer in protecting life and inspired students to take scientific and social action for a greener, sustainable future.

atmosphere. This rally extended the spirit of World Ozone Day beyond the university campus, making the local community a part of the cause.

A key highlight of the event was an enlightening virtual lecture by Prof. P. Sankar Ganesh of BITS Pilani, a distinguished academician known for his work in environmental chemistry and green energy. His session focused on the role of biomethane in ozone protection and the broader applications of scientific innovation in combating climate change. Prof. Ganesh's talk encouraged students to think beyond textbooks and to view environmental protection as a space for creativity, research, and real-world impact.

The celebrations concluded on an inspiring note, leaving students more informed about the crucial role of the ozone layer in shielding life on Earth from harmful ultraviolet rays. The awareness drive and interactive sessions reminded everyone that environmental protection is not a one-day effort but a shared, lifelong commitment.

The ozone layer acts as Earth's invisible guardian, absorbing most of the sun's ultraviolet radiation and preventing severe health and ecological consequences. Its preservation is essential not only for human health-by preventing conditions like skin cancer and cataracts-but also for maintaining the planet's delicate ecological balance. Through education, creativity, and community engagement, Vignan's University once again proved its dedication to sustainability. The World Ozone Day celebrations were more than just an event-they were a call to action, urging every student and citizen to take part in protecting our planet for future generations.

by  
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## Bridging Innovation and Engineering Practice : Workshop on Design Thinking and Engineering Orientation

The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE) at Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology & Research (Deemed to be University) organized an insightful workshop on "Design Thinking and Engineering Orientation" on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The program was coordinated by Dr. A. R. Vijay Babu, Associate Professor, Department of EEE, as part of the curriculum for II Year B.Tech students pursuing the course 24EE299 – Design Thinking and Engineering Orientation.

The primary objective of the workshop was to bridge the gap between theoretical understanding and industrial innovation by introducing students to the mindset and methodology of design thinking, an essential component in modern engineering problem-solving.

The session was graced by the presence of Dr. Shriram Vasudevan, Lead – Technical, Asia Pacific and Japan (AI, GenAI, Software Tools Ecosystem Specialist) at Intel Technology India Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru. With over 18 years of distinguished experience in industry and academia, Dr. Vasudevan is widely recognized for his contributions to Artificial Intelligence, Generative AI, and design thinking in technology-driven organizations. He is also a renowned mentor for Design Thinking Learning Initiatives across Intel's innovation ecosystem. In his engaging address, Dr. Vasudevan provided an industry-oriented perspective on how design thinking principles can be integrated into real-world engineering challenges, emphasizing empathy-driven innovation, rapid prototyping, and iterative problem-solving.

Through a series of case studies and interactive discussions, he inspired students to think creatively while aligning their solutions with societal needs and sustainability goals.

The workshop included practical demonstrations, collaborative



The Department of EEE organized a workshop on Design Thinking and Engineering Orientation, led by Dr. Shriram Vasudevan from Intel. The session emphasized empathy-driven innovation, hands-on problem-solving, and aligning technology with human needs. Students gained valuable industry insights, reinforcing Vignan's commitment to nurturing creative, design-oriented engineers for the Industry 4.0 era.

exercises, and open discussions that encouraged students to ideate beyond conventional problem-solving frameworks. Students actively participated in group activities that involved identifying real-world problems and designing human-centric solutions by applying the five stages of design thinking - Empathize, Define, Ideate, Prototype, and Test. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. A. R. Vijay Babu highlighted the importance of integrating industry-oriented design approaches into the engineering curriculum. He noted that "Design thinking is not just about creativity; it's about structured innovation. It empowers students to become solution designers who can connect technical skills with human needs."

The event was well-received by the participants, who appreciated the exposure to contemporary industrial practices and the opportunity to interact with a leading technologist from the global semiconductor industry. Dr. Y. Ravi Sekhar, School Dean, Dr. Polamraju V S Sobhan, Head of the Department, Faculty

Members, and Students of EEE expressed their gratitude to the University Management for their support in organizing this enriching session, which successfully merged academic learning with practical insight.

The workshop concluded with an interactive Q&A session, followed by a felicitation ceremony recognizing Dr. Shriram Vasudevan's valuable contribution to nurturing innovation-driven learning among young engineers.

This event reaffirmed the department's commitment to fostering a design-oriented engineering culture, preparing students to meet the evolving challenges of the Industry 4.0 era through creativity, empathy, and innovation.

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# Every Mother is the First Line of Defense...

## An Exclusive Interview with IPS Officer Ake Ravi Krishna

**Head of EAGLE Task Force, Andhra Pradesh**



**Q.** Thank you, sir, for taking the time to speak with us. To begin with, could you please tell us a little about yourself and how your journey into the Indian Police Service began?

**A.** My name is Ake Ravi Krishna, and I belong to the 2006 batch of the Indian Police Service. I come from Rajahmundry, a middle-class family. I pursued my M.Sc. Tech in Applied Geology from Andhra University. It was during my university days that I decided to prepare for the Civil Services. That's where my journey began.

**Q.** Sir, you have also served under the Central Government. Could you tell us about your experience there?

**A.** Yes, for about six and a half years, I worked under the Ministry of Home Affairs on deputation. My work took me

In an inspiring conversation, IPS Officer Ake Ravi Krishna, Head of the EAGLE Task Force, shared insights on the mission to eradicate drug abuse in Andhra Pradesh. Through technology, awareness, and youth engagement, EAGLE aims to build a drug-free society. His message to students - discipline, awareness, and self-control are the strongest shields against addiction.

to several parts of India - and even abroad, including a stint in Beijing. It gave me invaluable experience in internal security and coordination between agencies.

**Q.** You currently lead the Special Task Force "EAGLE." Could you explain what EAGLE is and how it functions?

**A.** Certainly. EAGLE stands for Elite Anti-Narcotics Group for Law Enforcement. It's a special task force set up by the Andhra Pradesh government to tackle

the growing drug menace and spread awareness among youth.

Our work follows a four-pronged approach: **Source, Transportation, Destination, and Demand (STDD).**

**Source:** Our main focus was ganja cultivation in ASR district. Through drone surveillance and satellite imagery, we identified around 375 villages and launched awareness and crop substitution programs. With

<p>government support, 46 lakh saplings were distributed as alternatives to ganja, helping farmers shift to legitimate crops.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Transportation:</b> Despite zero cultivation in AP, ganja from Odisha was entering the state. So, we established 80 interstate check posts to stop trafficking.</li> <li><b>Destination:</b> We track where the drugs are reaching and dismantle dens.</li> <li><b>Demand:</b> Demand is highest among youth, particularly students. So, we've formed nearly 40,000 EAGLE Clubs in schools and colleges, reaching out to about 70 lakh students through awareness programs.</li> </ul> <p>We've also been using strict legal tools under the NDPS Act, 1985, seizing properties of smugglers and detaining repeat offenders under PIT NDPS provisions. Through operations like <i>Operation Garuda</i> and <i>Operation Safe Campus Zone</i>, we've raided medical stores, curbed opioid abuse, and fined over 15,000 shops selling tobacco near educational institutions.</p> <p>Our motto is simple - to protect the youth and dismantle the drug network from its roots.</p> <p><b>Q. That's remarkable. Could you share any specific success story or case that shows EAGLE's impact?</b></p> <p>A. There are many. One case that moved us deeply involved a boy named Vijay. He was a topper in 2019, but by 2020, he was addicted to ganja and completely lost direction. His story is now used in our campaigns - to show how a promising life can change because of one wrong choice. Another example is a B.Tech student caught with drugs just days before his job interview. He ignored his mother's warnings and is now in jail. These stories are painful</p>	<p>reminders of how drugs destroy futures.</p> <p>At EAGLE, our mission is to ensure no other family goes through such pain.</p> <p><b>Q. What are the major challenges your team faces in this mission?</b></p> <p>A. The biggest challenge is that many key players operate from other states. Coordinating with interstate task forces to track kingpins and networks takes time and effort. But we are determined - no matter how far the trail leads.</p> <p><b>Q. Sir, you mentioned narco-terror. How serious is this issue for India?</b></p> <p>A. It's a major threat. Narco-terrorism funds crime and violence. India's geographical position between the <i>Golden Crescent</i> (Iran–Afghanistan–Pakistan) and the <i>Golden Triangle</i> (Laos–Myanmar–Thailand) makes it vulnerable. Drug money can even fund terrorism. We educate youth that buying drugs may indirectly support weapons or crime.</p> <p><b>Q. What social or economic factors push young people toward drugs?</b></p> <p>A. Peer pressure, curiosity, and lack of discipline are key factors. Awareness and self-control are essential. We urge students to report peddlers through our <b>1972 helpline</b> or anonymous WhatsApp channels. It's not just a law enforcement issue—it's a social responsibility.</p> <p><b>Q. How effective are rehabilitation efforts in Andhra Pradesh?</b></p> <p>A. We have 56 centers across the state, some of which have been upgraded. Three world-class centers are being planned in Vizag, Vijayawada, and Tirupati. Anyone in need of help can reach out - we ensure support and follow-up.</p>	<p><b>Q. Sir, how does EAGLE use technology in its operations?</b></p> <p>A. Technology is at the heart of our work. We use data analytics, drone mapping, and surveillance systems. A centralized data center is being set up, and soon we'll establish a dark web lab to monitor illegal online transactions.</p> <p><b>Q. What inspired the name "EAGLE"?</b></p> <p>A. The eagle symbolizes strength, focus, and courage - exactly what our mission stands for. We aim to be as sharp and fearless in protecting our society.</p> <p><b>Q. Could you tell us a little about your UPSC journey?</b></p> <p>A. (Smiles) It wasn't easy. I studied in a government school and faced financial hardships. In college, seniors introduced me to the concept of civil services. That changed my life. I worked hard, faced failures, cleared six bank exams, joined Canara Bank, and finally achieved my dream in my fourth attempt.</p> <p>My advice to aspirants - stay disciplined, write every day, and never give up. Remember, you're preparing to serve the nation.</p> <p><b>Q. What message would you like to give to students today?</b></p> <p>A. Stay aware, stay disciplined, and stay away from drugs. Peer pressure is temporary, but your future is permanent. And remember - every mother is the first line of defense. Protect your home, protect your mind, and protect your nation.</p>
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# Poetic Elegance in Life

## The Transformation of Life Trishank Vutla's Poetic Odyssey of Self-Discovery

Every soul embarks on a unique journey of learning and self-transformation, and Trishank's path reflects this universal quest. His book, *The Transformation of Life*, serves as a mirror to that journey - capturing the stages of change and growth that shaped his inner world over time. More than a collection of poems, it is an emotional saga tracing the author's evolution from heartbreak to healing, from darkness to self-discovery.

Written by Trishank Vutla, a young poet and storyteller, the book reveals raw honesty in pain and the quiet strength born from embracing it. At just twenty, Trishank's reflections show wisdom beyond his years - deeply personal yet profoundly relatable. Through his words, he offers comfort to readers facing their own silent battles, demonstrating how understanding pain can spark personal growth. His journey from "a broken boy to a healing young man" forms the emotional core of this work.

Trishank begins with empathy, describing how writing became his lifeline and addressing the reader as

a "Fellow Warrior," creating a tone of solidarity and shared struggle. The narrative captures the confusion and emotional turmoil of adolescence, powerfully conveying the move from despair to self-discovery - especially in lines like "pain was my enemy" and later realizing that "pain doesn't just make us depressed - it teaches us life lessons."

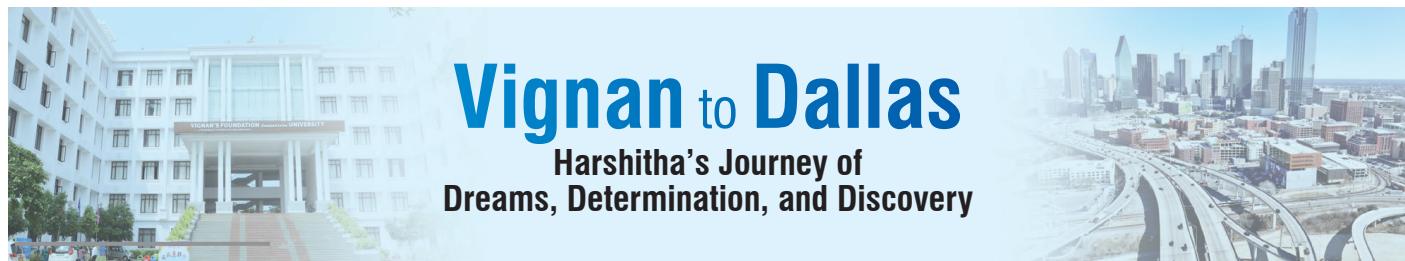
This empathetic tone underpins the book's central message: transforming suffering into strength. Metaphors such as "my wounds became words; my breakdowns became breakthroughs" beautifully express healing through creativity. In his "Letter to the Reader," Trishank reinforces this belief, reminding us that hardship, while feared, is also a teacher - shaping resilience and igniting purpose.

Beyond its thematic depth, Trishank's prose flows like poetry. The language is tender yet strong, with a rhythm of sincerity in every line. The tone feels encouraging and conversational, as if the author is speaking directly - not from authority, but as a companion. Italicics highlight emotional and

philosophical insights, while short, impactful sentences like "I was wrong." add dramatic weight. Ultimately, *The Transformation of Life* is a journey of hope. It assures readers that no pain is wasted and that through art, empathy, and courage, even the darkest experiences can be transformed into light. Trishank's debut stands as a powerful testament to the healing power of words - for writer and reader alike. This emotionally charged narrative lays a foundation of growth, self-discovery, and empowerment. It engages readers, offers comfort, and inspires reflection. It is a must-read for anyone seeking insight into the resilience of the human spirit.

The book was released by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Col. Prof. P. Nagabhushan, in the presence of university dignitaries. Trishank fondly describes the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor as a friend and credits the counselling system at Vignan for helping him discover his true self. This support, combined with his introspective journey, shines through every page of *The Transformation of Life*.

# Student Success Story



## Vignan to Dallas

### Harshitha's Journey of Dreams, Determination, and Discovery



SUCCESS STORY

From Vignan University to The University of Texas at Dallas, Harshitha's journey is a powerful story of determination and growth. Through hard work, resilience, and self-belief, she transformed her dream of studying abroad into reality, now thriving as a Software Engineer in Dallas. Her journey reminds students that with vision and perseverance, dreams truly can take flight.



From the classrooms of Vignan to the cityscape of Dallas, Harshitha's journey is one of courage, resilience, and the relentless pursuit of dreams. What began as curiosity and ambition soon evolved into a remarkable tale of growth and self-discovery.

After completing her intermediate studies, Harshitha joined B.Tech at Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (VFSTR). Though the transition felt daunting at first, Vignan soon became her second home - shaping her aspirations, building her confidence, and preparing her for the world beyond.

Driven by her love for technology and computer science, Harshitha dreamed of studying at a world-class university and exploring global opportunities. During her third year at Vignan, she began preparing for GRE and IELTS while balancing academics and extracurriculars. Through perseverance and focus, she successfully navigated the rigorous application process.

Her efforts paid off when she received admission to The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD), one of the top universities in the U.S. She vividly recalls the excitement and anticipation that came

with this milestone. Beyond academics, Harshitha was an active member of the Student Activity Council (SAC), where she contributed to student-led initiatives that enhanced her teamwork, leadership, and communication skills - qualities that would later define her career.

In August 2022, soon after completing her final project, she flew to Dallas to begin a new chapter. Adapting quickly to UTD's diverse and rigorous environment, she thrived academically and professionally. After her first year, she earned a summer internship at CCC Intelligent Solutions, where her performance led to a full-time Software Engineer role.

The path wasn't easy - living alone and adapting to a new culture tested her resilience. Yet, she embraced every challenge as a learning opportunity.

Though she missed her convocation in India, Harshitha remains deeply grateful to Vignan for shaping her journey. Today, she stands as a confident professional and an inspiration to students who dream beyond boundaries - proving that with preparation, persistence, and courage, even the boldest dreams can come true.



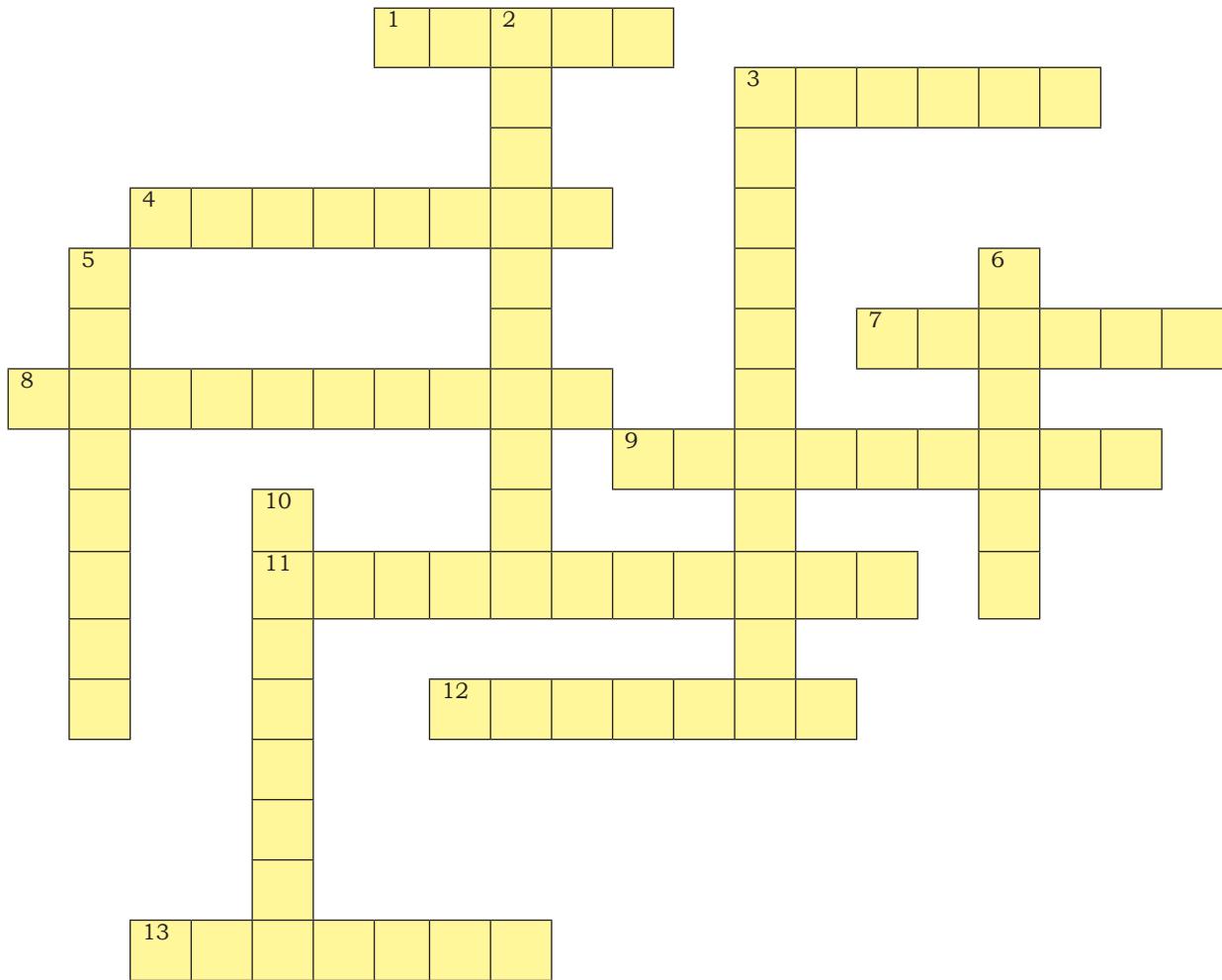
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## PUBLICATIONS

### Publications - High Impact Factor Journals in October 2025

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1	Ajay Kumar Botcha., Yemineni S L V Narayana	Chemistry	Synthesis and characterization of thiol-stabilized gold nanoparticles appended to bis(pyrazole) pyridine for fabrication of rectangular nano/microstripes and their spin crossover and SERS studies	RSC Advances	3.9	SCIE
2	Atiqur Rahman., Abhinav Adarsh., S M Mozammil Hasnain., Prabhu Paramasivam	Mechanical & CSE	Review of solar-powered reverse osmosis desalination systems: structure, performance, and efficiency	Water Science and Technology	2.5	SCIE
3	Damala Madhuri Devi., Pillalamarri Anita Kumari., Madunuri Chandrasekhar, Nune Satya Vijaya Kumar	Chemistry	Tetragonal Phase, Optical Properties, and Dielectric Spectroscopy of Zn Substituted Aluminum Copper Titanate Nanoparticles	ChemistrySelect	1.9	SCIE
4	Annie Mande., Malothu Narendra., Chakravarthi Guntupalli, Kakarla Ramakrishna., Sathish Kumar Konidala	Pharmacy	Rhizophora apiculata extracts improved memory function through inhibition of acetylcholinesterase and oxidative stress in scopolamine-induced memory deficits in rats	Avicenna Journal of Phytomedicine	1.9	Scopus & ESCI
5	Mahabub Subhani Pathan., Annapurna Kunchaparti	ECE	Particle Swarm Optimization-Based Multimetric Route Optimization Towards Quality of Service Enhancement in Vehicular Ad Hoc Networks	International Journal of Communication Systems	1.7	SCIE
6	Srivani Javvaji., Neha Anchal., Lakhsingh Kowachi., Srinivas Rao Pathipati., Pachineela Rambabu	Physics	Ab Initio Study of Thermoelectric Transport Properties of Zintl Phase Nitride Ca2ZnN2	Physica Status Solidi (B): Basic Research	1.5	SCI
7	Gnanasekaran D., Gandhimathi R., Mohana Vamsi Nuli., Pavan Kumar Jaini., Ramanjaneyulu Seemaladinne., Lalitha Repudi., Kumaraswamy Gandra	Chemistry	Quality by Design-Guided LC-MS Method for Simultaneous Bioanalysis of Montelukast, Theophylline, and Etofylline in Synthetic Plasma	Chromatographia	1.3	SCIE
8	Rvnr Suneel Krishna., Mr. Sambaiah Pelluri., A Krishna Chaitanya., S Yuvaraj	ECE	Compact Dual-Band Bandpass Filter Using QMSIWC with Wide Upper Stopband for 5G Sub-6 GHz Frequencies	IETE Journal of Research	1.3	SCIE
9	Nidhi., Rakesh Kumar Gupta., Preeti Thakur	MBA	Theoretical framework and conceptual model on teenagers involvement in family purchase decision	International Journal of Management Concepts and Philosophy	-	
10	Sravana Jyothi Doddapaneni	English	Folk, Myths, and Resistance: A Feminist and Queer Retelling in Ruskin Bond's Narratives	Language in India	-	
11	Sr Koteswara Rao., Naresh T., Vinay Krishna A., Dhurua S., Abhijit Kar., Vaibhav D Lohot., K K Sharma	Agriculture	Occurrence Of Lac Insect And Its Host Plants In Andhra Pradesh, India	Plant Archives	-	
12	Vamsi Kala Passla., Venkateswara Rao Podile., S Durga., Visalakshi Narapareddy	MBA	The Influence of Financial Leverage on Firm Value Through Investment Decisions: Empirical Evidence from Oman's Food Sector	Journal of Applied Economic Sciences	-	

# **Learning and Innovation at Vignan's University**



## **Across**

- 1) Togetherness and mutual support among individuals
  - 3) The grounds and buildings of a university or college
  - 4) Deep faith or dedication to a cause or deity
  - 7) The strength or power required for sustained activity
  - 8) The ability to produce imaginative and original ideas
  - 9) Long-established customs or beliefs
  - 11) Application of science for practical solutions
  - 12) A state of peace and balance among differences
  - 13) Traditions and customs passed through generations

**Down**

- 2) Creative thinking leading to new ideas or methods
  - 3) A joyful event marking a special occasion
  - 5) A training session focused on skill or concept learning
  - 6) A planned structure or creative layout
  - 10) A grand celebration bringing people together

**ANSWERS**

Across : 1) UNITY 3) CAMPUS 4) DEVOTION 7) ENERGY  
8) CREATIVITY 9) TRADITION 11) ENGINEERING  
12) HARMONY 13) CULTURE

Down : 2) INNOVATION 3) CELEBRATION 5) WORKSHOP  
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ANSWERS



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The human stories featured in the magazine how students transform challenges into strengths and dreams into achievements are truly inspiring. Faculty involvement in research, in computer science and related fields, further strengthens our confidence in the education we receive.

I look forward to reading more behind the scenes insights, student perspectives, and stories of transformation and innovation. Voice of Vignan is much more than a newsletter, it is a mirror reflecting who we are becoming as students shaped by this institution of learning, achievement, and experience.

## Office of Dean Research & Development

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1	Dr. Nelapati Nagendra Reddy	ECE	13.09.2025
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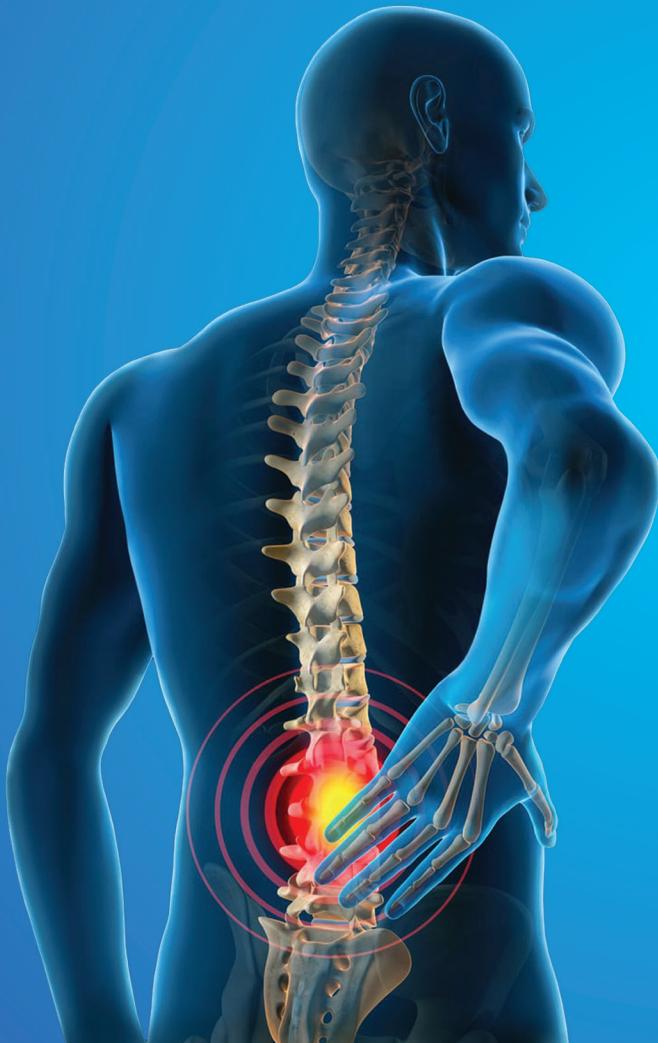
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