

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

VATCHAL

Be informed. Stay updated.



VATCHAL

SEPTEMBER EDITION

VOL.1, NO.1

VIT, PUNE

EST. 2016



Hey freshers!

The Vatchal Team on the behalf of entire college warmly welcomes the First Year Students. We hope you've started to get an idea of everything going on in VIT. If not don't worry, we're here for you! We assure you that the forthcoming 4 years will be one of the best years of your life. Study hard and make sure you live these years to the fullest!

F.Y. Welcome

••The first event of college life always holds a very sentimental value in a student's life. That is when he starts to think of his college as a new home, a place where they can forge new bonds, a place where they are truly on their own for the first time. And could there be a better way to kick start their college life than with a grand event such as the FY Welcome programme which was held on 27th September. Some amazing performances were put up like the musicals by the college band (VICULP), dance

performance by Zephyr and the rock band performance by Last Rituals. The cherry on the cake were the performances by the FY students where they showcased their various skills including both classical and modern contemporary. The students were also introduced to the student council, the different clubs in the college and the other activities that the college offers. After the performances, the students were in treat for a fantastic dinner. All in all, it was a great programme with memories which will be cherished by them for the rest of their lives.

Director's Address by Dr. Rajesh Jainekar

As is customary every year, on the first academic day for the First Year students, they were addressed by the Hon'ble Director Sir in the auditorium. They were given a brief account about what goes on in and around college through the year. Later, the Council members gave the FY Students a tour around the campus, telling them about the important places in and around the college.



Script Pujan of VICULP Team's Play



••The VICULP team from college was heading for competing in the Purushottam Karandak held in Pune every year. After the Independence day celebrations, Hon'ble Director sir along with the Deans & HoDs wished them all the best for the competition and carried out a traditional poojan of the script of their play.

Int'l Students Meet

••The international students were welcomed to the college. They introduced themselves and spoke about their country of origin. They were motivated to participate and engage in the college activities. Honorable Director Dr. Jainekar, Dean of Examinations Dr. Karthick, HoD DESH Prof. Kulkarni and Dean of International Relations Dr. Jabade were present in the function.

Independence Day 15th August

••The Independence Day Celebrations began with the Flag Hoisting Ceremony and the singing of the National Anthem. After this emphasis was given to a very noble cause of

Organ Donation, which was the theme for this year's Independence Day. The Hon'ble Director Dr. R.M. Jainekar delivered an inspiring speech on the noble cause of Organ Donation. Sudden rains did hinder the celebrations for a little while, but

nothing was able to break the spirit of VITians. Later, The Socials team performed an excellent street play stressing on the issue of Organ Donation. This was followed by a free health check-up function organised by Central Bank of India.





Student Council Formation

••The Students' Council for A.Y 2016-2017 has been formed. The Student Council conducts a major chunk of student activities taking place in the college such as Melange, Vishwakarandak, FY Welcome and much more.

Selections for 33 posts were done on the basis of merit of the students' application, work experience and interview. The new team of 54 secretaries comprises a good mix of students across all years and departments.

This year, two new posts - Clubs secretary and Student Training and Development Secretary were introduced.

After the secretaries were appointed, the interviews for Coordinators posts were taken. Coordinators assist the Secretaries with the ongoing of the respective committee.

The core Committee is as follows:

Hrushab Deshmukh:
General Secretary

Yash Kale:
University Representative

Aishwarya Boralkar:
Ladies Representative

Ajinkya Kaner and Roshan Jadhav:
Student Council Advisors

Kaustubh Kale:
Student Council Coordinator

Vrushabh Agrawal:
Function Execution Secretary

Sports

••While our girls brought us glory in Rio, our girls also weren't too far away from making us proud. The Badminton Girls team stood 2nd in Pune City Zonal Inter-collegiate tournament and stood 2nd in the sports summit organised in MIT Pune. VIT's Badminton Boys team also stood 2nd place in the Summit.

VIT's table tennis champion Anurag Gote was selected in Pune City Table tennis team to participate in Savitribai Phule Pune University inter group tournament. We wish him best of luck!

Ace swimmer Sandesh Malvankar brought laurels to the college in the Pune City Inter Collegiate Competition where he stood First in 200m Butterfly, Third in 100m Freestyle, Third in 400 m freestyle and Third in 100m Butterfly competition.

In all, VITians had a good time in the field and the college is proud of its Sportspersons.

4 Wheeler Ban

••Students will not be allowed to park their 4 wheelers in or around the college premises.

This major decision was taken by the Local Managing Committee of VIT Pune in their 25th meeting.

Election Awareness Program

••As per directive by the Savitribai Phule University of Pune, Student Council of VIT Pune had organised a few activities to promote awareness about the upcoming Local Self-governing Body elections. An Essay Writing Competition and an Elocution Competition was organised on the topic of 'Elections'. A Discussion session on upcoming Local Self-Governing Body Elections and General civic awareness was organised in VIT auditorium. The Chief Guest was Prof. (Dr.) Sunil Dhapte, Director, MDC and SIUD at

YASHADA (Pune). Prof. (Dr.) Bhatkande HoD - Chemical Department VIT Pune also graced the occasion. Both the guests of honours gave inspiring speeches and encourages the students to vote and play an active role in nation building. Nearly 150 students attended the function. The Program also included Prize Distribution for the 'Essay Competition' and 'Elocution Competition'.



Socials

The VIT socials team had a busy time as they organised quite a few activities aimed at helping society at large.

Police Mitra Campaign



••A large team of student-volunteers lead by the VIT Socials team is helping the police manage traffic and crowd during the Ganesh festival. The burden on the police force is reduced to some extent while the volunteers gain invaluable experience and a righteous feeling of having contributed to the society.

To support the noble cause of organ donation, VIT-Socials had organised a street play as well as a desk was set up for taking the oath. The street play convey the important message and gave vital information about organ donation. About 200 oaths were taken from students. The VIT socials team also performed the street in various other locations in the city.

Organ Donation Campaign



Socials Intro Meet

••VIT Socials had organised an intro-meet on 26th August in Seminar hall. Students were given information about various activities conducted by the socials team such as Police Mitra. Dean-Student Activities Dhake Sir was the chief guest for the program.

Health Check-Up Camp

••On 15th of August, a health check-up was organised by the VIT-Socials team in association with the Central Bank of India. A large number of students participated in this.

Speaker's Club

●●The intro-meet for the Speakers' Club of VIT Pune was organized recently. It is said that when great minds come together, they always end up with great ideas. That was evident from the ice-breaking session of the club. An impressive exchange of thoughts, ideas and opinions occurred amongst brilliant students, who had a lot to say. A discussion about "How to engage in a good debate"



was one of the highlights of the event. The session was decorated by the cheerful presence of Professor Mr. Umrani of Industrial and Production department of VIT Pune.

Ekasutram and Mirage Film Society

●●Eksutram, Mathematics club of VIT and Mirage Film Society collaborated for screening of "A Man Who Knew Infinity", a biopic of Pioneer Indian Mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan. The event was graced by the presence of Prof. A Raghuram, Mathematics Coordinator, IISER Pune. Raghuram sir presented an exquisite talk on "Importance of Mathematics" and enlightened all students. Prof. M. Kulkarni, Head DESH, and all faculty members of Mathematics Department also savoured the



program. With a huge response from students, the program was a success.

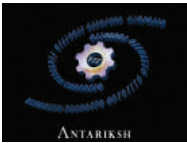
Contact Us

Have a flair for writing? Love Journalism? Wish to contribute to the newsletter?

Send a mail to vatchalvit@gmail.com with adequate details. If selected, your article will be featured in the next newsletter.

Interested in working for Vatchal? Fill out this form! <https://goo.gl/fuqX5L>

Antariksh



●●The Antariksh core committee members hosted an introductory meet whose goal was to introduce the club to students. Mrs. Mhetri, the staff in charge of Antariksh VIT and Mr. Jameer Manur, researcher from IUCAA, were present with the team members. Past activities of the club were highlighted and were followed by the discussion of activities planned for the following year. Jameer Manur sir showed various photos taken during the star gazing nights as well. The students then interacted with the team and the session came to an end.

Mr. and Ms. Fresher



Mr. Rushabh Baltoda Ms. Nikita Saner

●●As we all know, the Mr and Miss Fresher awards are awarded to deserving students each year during the F.Y Welcome. This year, Mr. Rushabh Baltoda and Ms. Nikita Saner were nominated as the Mr. and Miss. Freshers for the year 2016-17. We congratulate them and wish them the best for the future.

V-Click

●●V-Click, the college photography club initiated its activities in this semester on a positive note. An Intro-meet was held for the Freshers seeking to pursue their hobby and passion in the form of photography, and a workshop was organised on learning the basics of taking good photos. The participants sent their photos through the Facebook page, and they were told about how to click better pictures using



various important techniques. After a few more such workshops, a photo-walk will be organised where the participants actually employ these techniques.

Abhivriddhi

●●Vishwakarma Institute of Technology has introduced a 'Training And Development Cell' under the able guidance of our Students Activities' Dean. It aims at organizing professional training programs, primarily in behavioral and technical domains. Communication skills, Conflict Resolution, Strategic Thinking,

Interpersonal & Leadership skills, time management hacks and much more! Sounds exciting? Well, gear up for a whole range of fun activities which will be brought to you by

Abhivriddhi- Fostering change. Impacting lives.

For event schedule and more details, watch out for the next edition.

V-EDC

V-EDC activities organised till date in Academic year 2016-17:

●●Seminar by Mr. Parimal Merchant, from Asian Institute of Family Managed Business (AIFMB), on Second generation Entrepreneurship. (23rd Aug, 2016). Speaker ensured everyone understands what Entrepreneur is, and the importance of Entrepreneurship in today's era.

●●V-EDC Intromet - 7th Sep 2016. Speaker Mr. Laxmikant Kole, MD Balaji Enterprises. Speaker shared his Entrepreneurial Story which inspired every one. Also he shared the importance of Decision making, and overcoming the hurdles in life.



The Robotics Forum



●●The Robotics Forum (TRF) of our college held its annual inaugural meet on the 29th of August 2016. The Chief Guest for this event was Dr. Pradeep Kurulkar, Associate Director, R&D(E), DRDO, Pune. The meet was conducted for the first year students to get them acquainted with TRF and be a part of it. DR. Kurulkar, in his speech, put forth an inspiring idea of blending robotics in the field of military so that we, as budding engineers, do our bit for making their lives comparatively easier. The star attraction of the meet was a robot that came on the stage and welcomed the Guest with a hand shake! The details about how TRF works, its legacy and its participation in various events was given by the members of TRF.



Group of Competitive Coders

●●The Programmers' Hub officially started its first session of the Group of Competitive Coders (GCC) on Saturday, 10th September 2016. Recap of what GCC is and a glimpse of the activities that will be conducted throughout the semester was given. The core committee members of

Programmers' Hub interacted with the members and together solved problems on time-complexity, maze solving algorithms and data transfer to form good algorithms. Also Entrance Test doubts were solved and registration fee was collected.

VISHWAKARANDAK '16

sponsored by



Vishwakarandak Opening Ceremony

Every year, the theme for Vishwakarandak is revealed in a grand function by the hands of Hon'ble Director Sir. On 29th August, a very energetic and enthusiastic crowd gathered on the lawn at 3 pm, for the theme release ceremony of Vishwakarandak. At the Ceremony, Director Sir revealed the theme and dates for Vishwakarandak 2016.

Dates: 26-29th September 2016

Theme: Clash of the Superheroes

Also he reviewed the beautiful theme-based artworks created by the Aesthetics team. Everyone-looker was in awe of the work of the team.

As is customary, Zephyr performed an enthralling dance on the lawn. The audience enjoyed as the college dance group grooved to latest hits. Following this performance, everyone present had a great time dancing to a few songs were played on the speakers. The Theme Inauguration function also marked the start of the registration of a plethora of events that take place under Vishwakarandak. The publicity desk was crowded with curious students wanting to do their bit for the department.

Thus the ceremony served as a perfect start to the exciting build up to the Vishwakarandak. Everyone is now looking forward to the 'Clash of the Superheroes.'

These were the superheroes assigned to each department:

Batman: Indus-Production Department

Superman: Mechanical Department

Flash: Instrumentation & Control Department

Green Lantern: Chemical Department

Aquaman: DESH Department

Arrow: Electronics & ENTC Department

Cyborg: Comp & IT Department



A Carnival Called Vishwakarandak

With its theme being launched, Vishwakarandak has set up the air with all the fervours of gossips and excitement. Even with the tensions of first unit test standing in fierce tastes round the corner, no one misses to have a glance through the rulebooks of the fun events that we have this year.

When a champagne cork has to be tossed open, we don't see a leaking out there. But Vishwakarandak is a bomb that surely shows sparks before it shoots out to rule the sky with colours, brightness and fun-lined completion. This brings us to the very flavour of the fest. Vishwakarandak is an inter-departmental fest wherein all competitions held are to set in the departments at the plot of each other. The knowledge that your college has something so exciting coming up and lectures will be given a thug on the face, digs the pool of anticipation deeper.

It's clear enough that the fest is not only a great deal of thrill promised but rather an extravaganza. Every department starts its practice for various competitions very early. The dance and music teams are formed, dramas are set up with the plot,

instruments checked and practised in vigour and not the last but all hearts wanting for their department to clinch the peaks. The first years are grouped into a single department, i.e. they fight for the DESH department but there is always some hidden attachment to their respective departments. There's everything that chills the airs - the theme, the t-shirts, the sponsors and yes most exciting putting up their posters; one with each unfolding day. The publicity desks go crowded every day, with students forming teams for various group competitions and the collections reaching encouraging statistics. The four days of the head-rumbling and thrill are much awaited for. The dance groups, the choirs, the CS partners, the individual performers... all geared up and trying their best to oil every motor and boost off in the race.

With very impatient day towards the big affair, the excitement for Vishwakarandak always reaches new bars and the fireworks for four days brightens every happening involved. The must attend and 'like never before but ever again', gala comes your way. Vishwakarandak is on its way!

-Parth Mudey

Upcoming Events

Vishwakarandak

The annual inter-departmental fest where all departments battle it out for the coveted cup of Vishwakarandak. Grand events under Extra-curricular, Technical, Sports and Social fields are organized and a carnival ensues.

Ladies Meet

A meet is organized where the problems faced by Girl students are addressed and prominent speakers are invited to deliver speeches to motivate girls.

Aatmabodh

This is one of the biggest events conducted by VIT Socials. Student volunteers impart Computer literacy to underprivileged adults.



Brought to you by

The Student Council
&
The Pi Editorial Board
