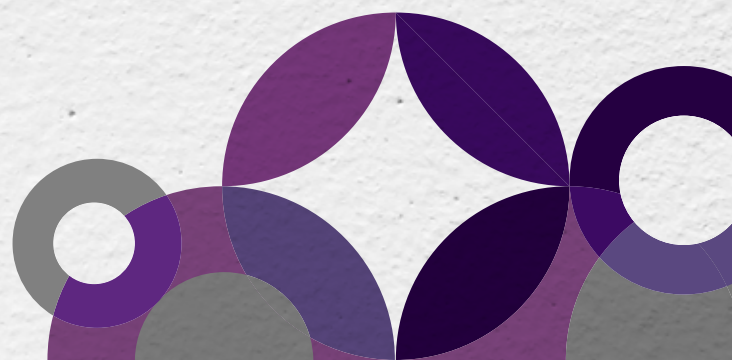




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EDITORIAL MESSAGE

Dear Readers,

Greetings!

March has been a month of significance and celebration at ADYPU, marked by innovation, camaraderie, and the spirit of progress. As we reflect on the past month's highlights, we are reminded of the significant events that bind us together.

Among the memorable events of March, both the continuation of the innovative #tech Event initiated in late February by the School of Engineering and the "Alumni Meet" stand out as beacons of innovation and reunion. Furthermore, the 4th National Moot Court Competition organized by the School of Law (SOL) added to the vibrancy of the academic rigour.

The #tech Event, a fusion of sports, technology, and culture, was Inaugurated by our esteemed Vice Chancellor, Prof. Hridaysh Deshpande. The event showcased an amalgamation of innovation and creativity. More than just a showcase, #tech provided a platform for students for unique learning paving the way for collaboration and growth.

Similarly, the Alumni Meet was a testament to the enduring bonds forged within our institution. Bringing together past and present members of the ADYPU family, the alumni meet was a heartening reunion, where alumni shared their journey and offered valuable insights to current students. It served as a platform for reunions, collaboration, and mentorship, reinforcing the sense of community and belonging that defines the ADYPU experience.

As we look back on the events of March, we are reminded of the collective strength and resilience of the ADYPU community. Together, we have embraced the spirit of innovation, collaboration, and lifelong learning, propelling our institution to new heights of excellence.

As we move ahead on this journey of learning and progression, let us carry forward the lessons and memories of March that motivate us toward success. With gratitude for the past and enthusiasm for the future, let us continue to strive for excellence in all our endeavors.

Warm regards,
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Academic Highlights

Space Frame Structures Workshop

The Third Year B. Arch – Studio 21 students, Ajay Dalvi and Dhanashri Kosru, recently participated in the Summer Winter School Program on **Space Frame Structures**, organized in collaboration with Manavkruti Architecture, Pune. Led by Ar. Poonam Solanki and Ar. Akash Shah, the 5-day program focused on hands-on experience in creating Space Frame Gates and Tensegrity Towers.

Key Highlights:

Design Concept: The students collaborated on designing a dynamic entry gate for the workshop, featuring a triangular grid form within a space frame structure. Emphasizing minimal ground support, they innovatively utilized bamboo as the primary material and steel for connectors, offering environmentally friendly solutions. The structure's dimensions were 26'X13'X11'."



Field Trip Report: Vector Active Systems Study

On January 29, 2024, Second Year B. Arch. - Studio 22 students embarked on a field visit to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Museum, Wadgaon Shinde Road. Led by Prof. Amit Shirke, the visit aimed to explore vector active systems as part of the Building Material & Construction – Sem IV curriculum. A total of 18 students participated in the excursion.

Key Highlights:

During the visit, students had the opportunity to observe eight distinct types of vector active systems spanning the past two decades. This hands-on experience provided valuable insights

into both conventional and contemporary construction methods. Additionally, the excursion enhanced their understanding of pre-engineering building structures, a crucial aspect of their second-year studies.



Green-Conclave Workshop -2024

The School of Architecture joined the national-level **GREEN CONCLAVE 24**, hosted by **ISHRAE** Pune and **NICMAR** University on February 3, 2024. Prof. Prathama Jhaveri and 3 Masters in Environmental Architecture students attended the conclave.

Highlights:

Discussions focused on carbon footprint and sequestration, including a masterclass on individual carbon footprint calculation.

Participants received certificates for completing the carbon accounting masterclass, marking GC 24 as the first Carbon Neutral Event.



SOA Excels at Build-Tech 2024: Wins 2nd Place

School of Architecture's fourth Year B. Arch - Studio 20 and Third Year B. Arch - Studio 21 students participated in the **"Build-Tech 2024"** competition on February 9, 2024, organized by Dr. D Y Patil College of Architecture Akurdi, in collaboration with Savitribai Phule Pune University. Guided by Prof. Poorva Sawai, two teams of 11 students showcased their skills and secured 2nd place, earning a trophy and Rs. 10,000 prize money.



International Students Conference 2024

D Y Patil School of Architecture Hosted 6th International Students Conference in Architecture 2024. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Sudhir Chavan from SKNCOA, Pune. The Inauguration ceremony was led by Chief Guest Dr. Kamaljeetkaur Siddhu, Director of D.Y. Patil Technical Campus, and Guest of Honor Mr. Raymond Paul, Registrar ADYPU. Participants included students of B. Arch and M. Arch along with their faculty guides. The Valedictory ceremony was graced by Chief Guest Dr. Eknath Khedkar, Vice President, ADYPG, and Guest of Honor Prof Jayshree Deshpande, Director, COA-TRC.



Director Dynamics Workshop at the School of Film and Media

On March 7th, the School of Film and Media hosted a workshop aimed at refining direction skills. Renowned for his work in films like **Dahaad**, **Pagalpanti**, **Tooth Pari**, and **Taish**, Mohit Punj shared insights with around 28 students, shedding light on on-set dynamics. The workshop delved into the multifaceted role of directors, emphasizing collaboration, communication, leadership, and adaptability.



Exploring Old Pune City: Photojournalism Photowalk

Journalism and Media Production students immersed themselves in the charm of Old Pune City during a Photowalk aimed at exploring Photojournalism subjects. Led by their faculty Kun Shrigondekar, five students ventured into the historic streets and heritage markets on March 15th. The walk provided insights into street photography, capturing live events, and honing photography skills essential for Journalism studies. Students learned to conduct research, engage with people, and uncover the stories behind their photographs.



Journalism and Media Production Students Visit "Amuk Tamuk" Podcast Studio

Students visited the **"Amuk Tamuk"** podcast studio, renowned for its offbeat content covering various social topics. With 222k subscribers on YouTube, the studio founders Shardul and Onkar Jadhav shared insights on podcast production trends. This interactive session provided valuable information for students studying Digital Media Production and Techniques. The visit, held on March 15th, allowed five students to experience the podcast production setup firsthand.



Director's Camera Perspective Workshop by Ritabrata Mitra

Students from the School of Film and Media's Film Making department delved into the Director's camera perspective in a workshop led by Ritabrata Mitra on March 18th. Around 30 BSc Film Making students participated, gaining insights into the creative and technical aspects of camera movement for cinematic storytelling. The workshop aimed to enhance their understanding of orchestrating camera movements to elevate narrative impact, offering valuable insights from industry experts.



SMAART Essentials Workshop by Dr. Rajesh Khade

Students in the Sound Engineering program at the School of Film and Media gained insight into SMAART essentials during a recent workshop led by industry expert Dr. Rajesh Khade on March 19th. With 36 participants, the workshop aimed to provide fundamental knowledge and practical skills for utilizing SMAART in live sound reinforcement. Through lectures, exercises, and discussions, students enhanced their understanding of optimizing sound quality in live events using SMAART. This workshop equipped them with valuable skills for delivering exceptional sound experiences across various live event settings.



School of Film and Media Students Attend Indian Gaming Show

Ninety-five students from the Game Art Design, Animation, and Visual Effects courses at the School of Film and Media visited the Indian Gaming Show in Pune from March 14 to 16. The event, held at Magarpatta, showcased India's gaming industry potential with innovative exhibits and interactive sessions. It served as a networking platform, connecting students with industry experts and providing valuable insights into gaming, animation, and infotainment trends. Students engaged in workshops, seminars, and explored industry opportunities, gaining practical knowledge and enhancing their academic experience.



Music Production Week

The School of Film and Media, in collaboration with Ableton, Arturia, Moog, and The Inventory, hosted a successful Music Production Week from March 11th to 15th, 2024. The event featured guest sessions by Ableton-certified trainers covering live performance, creative sampling, techno production, and advanced analog synthesizer usage. The highlight was a 24-hour music production challenge where 16 students showcased their talents by creating original tracks using Ableton and third-party plugins. The event was a testament to the student's dedication and passion for music production.



Global Career Seminar Delivers Insightful Opportunities for Students

The School of Hotel Management organized a seminar focused on Global Careers, which took place on February 8th, 2024. Mr. Parag Modi, Director of Global Career Advisers, Ahmedabad, addressed the audience. He explored career prospects in the USA and Australia, particularly emphasizing internship opportunities for hospitality students in the USA. The advantages of these internships, such as monthly remuneration and potential for savings, were highlighted, along with the opportunity for students to gain global exposure.



Seminar on Global Internship and Study Opportunities

On March 1st, 2024, School of Hotel Management hosted a seminar on International Internship and Placement opportunities, where Arise International showcased various options for hospitality students. The seminar aimed to raise awareness about short to year-long internships abroad and study opportunities in countries like the US, UK, Mauritius, and Australia. SOHM is considering collaboration with Arise International for future international opportunities.



European Higher Education for Hospitality Students

A seminar on Higher Studies Abroad Opportunities for Hospitality Students took place at SOHM Campus on March 21st, 2024, in partnership with EU Gateway. Mr. Sumit Rai, CEO and Founder, presented European higher education opportunities and their career implications. Key takeaways included educational opportunities abroad, steps to secure admission, English proficiency tests, costs and scholarships, study and post-study work options, benefits of studying abroad, choosing the right course and university, application process and timelines, visa procedures, and post-study salary indicators.



4th National Moot Court Competition, 2024

The 4th ADYPU National Moot Court Competition, held from March 13th to 15th, 2024, featured intense legal debates among 16 teams. Under the guidance of Adv Abhilasha Mane, participants showcased advocacy skills. Dignitaries like Mr. Rohit Pandey and Mr. Abhijeet Narayan graced the

inaugural ceremony, setting the tone for the event. The finals were won by the Indian Law Society's Law College, Pune. The event, supported by the ADYPU administration and Dean Dr. Sunny Thomas, concluded successfully, fostering camaraderie and excellence.



Innovative Poster Presentation

Exploring Engaging Teaching Methods for MBA Marketing Students showcased sustainable brands and strategies in creative posters, evaluated by industry professionals.



Students embarked on revitalizing a brand through innovative advertising, sales promotion, and branding strategies, blending theoretical knowledge with practical application. They gained insights into advertising industry dynamics, preparing for future roles in marketing, advertising, and brand management. The final presentation was evaluated by faculty, industry professionals, and international experts.



Guest Lecture on Plastic Waste Management and Hygiene Practices

In a riveting guest lecture, Mr. Vinod Bodhankar, co-founder of Sagarmitra Abhiyana, illuminated the audience on plastic waste management and hygiene practices. Drawing from his extensive experience and dedication to environmental conservation, he offered practical insights and actionable solutions to address the pervasive issue of plastic pollution.



Guest Lecture on Emotional Wellness

In a thought-provoking guest lecture on emotional wellness, students were guided on a journey towards understanding and nurturing their mental health. The speaker, Dipti Panhalkar with expertise in psychology and holistic well-being, provided invaluable insights into managing stress, cultivating resilience, and fostering emotional intelligence. She emphasized the importance of self-care practices and building supportive relationships to promote overall well-being.



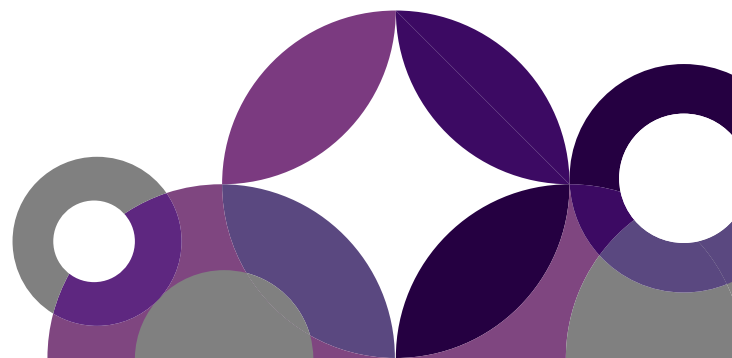
Guest Lecture on GRE and TOEFL by MYSTUDIA

A guest lecture on GRE and TOEFL was held where students received tips and strategies for excelling in these standardized tests. The speaker, an experienced educator with a deep understanding of exam preparation, shared insights on effective study techniques and test-taking strategies.



BAJA Contest

In the e-BAJA Contest, India, SOE students, guided by Dr. Biswajeet Champaty and Dr. Ipsita Swain, immersed themselves in designing and manufacturing e-karts. Collaborating seamlessly, they pushed the boundaries of electric vehicle technology, ultimately showcasing their dedication to sustainable engineering and the thrill of motorsport.



Campus Highlights

#tech

School of Engineering unveiled an innovative #tech Event, merging sports, technology, and culture for an unforgettable experience, inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Dr. Hridaysh Deshpande. It transcended boundaries, redefining traditional events with a blend of innovation and creativity, attracting enthusiasts from diverse domains.

#tech is an annual event organized by the School of Engineering. This dynamic gathering showcases the latest innovations and technological advancements through engaging exhibits, workshops, and competitions. It serves as a platform for students to explore cutting-edge ideas and network with industry experts.

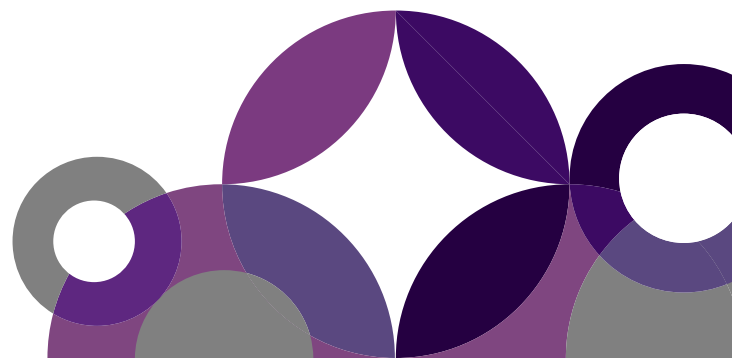
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Kridangan: The Sporting Highlight of #tech

Kridangan is more than a sports event; it's a fusion of technology, culture, and athleticism inaugurated by Dr. Biswajeet Champathy, Dean, SOE, on February 24th, 2024. Featuring drone races, virtual reality challenges, and interactive zones showcasing the latest in sports technology, Kridangan offers

an immersive experience where innovation meets sportsmanship. Beyond competition, Kridangan fosters a community spirit through workshops and collaborative projects, uniting students in their passion for sports, technology, and culture.



Sinfonica: A Cultural Symphony of Drama, Cinema, and Dance

Sinfonica, a cultural extravaganza seamlessly intertwined the enchanting realms of drama, cinematic storytelling, and rhythmic dance. This immersive event promised an evening of enchantment, where artistry unfolded in a symphony of expression. The drama segment ignited the stage with compelling narratives, guiding audiences through captivating plots and evocative performances, leaving a lasting impression. Complementing the drama, the movie screening added a

cinematic dimension with carefully curated films spanning genres and cultures. Amidst these, dance performances injected pulsating energy, Sinfonica celebrated culture, creativity, and the human spirit, fostering connection and understanding, and inviting audiences on a transformative journey of exploration and enlightenment. It is an ode to the power of art to inspire, uplift, and unite, leaving an indelible mark on all who experience its enchanting allure.



Tech-It-Out: Explore, Innovate, Thrive

Tech-It-Out was a vibrant technical extravaganza that brought together enthusiasts, innovators, and tech aficionados to celebrate cutting-edge technology and engineering brilliance. With exhilarating competitions like Line Follower and Robo Soccer, teams showcased their robots' speed, precision, and teamwork. Beyond competitions, Tech-It-Out hosted a Hackathon, where participants brainstormed and coded solutions to

real-world problems, leaving a lasting impact. It served as a platform for collaboration, learning, and inspiration through workshops, seminars, and tech talks.

Cutting-Edge Workshops Elevate #tech Event Experience

The workshops organized were integral components of #tech, a dynamic event showcasing the latest in technology and innovation. Participants delved into hands-on sessions, empowering themselves with practical skills and insights.

Hands-on Bioengineering Workshop:

Participants delved into the fascinating world of bioengineering, applying engineering principles to biological systems for potential innovations in healthcare and beyond.

Robo Tantra Workshop: Enthusiasts explored automation and robotics, designing, building, and programming robots to bring mechanical intelligence to life.

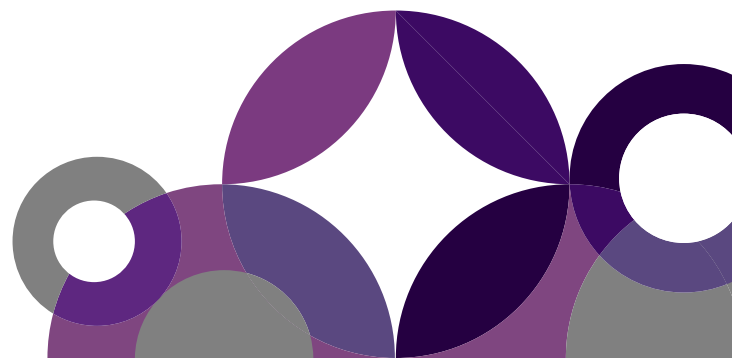


Cyber Rakshak Workshop: Students armed themselves with cybersecurity knowledge and tools, learning threat detection and risk mitigation strategies to safeguard digital assets.

RC AeroModelling Workshop: At the RC AeroModelling Workshop, students delved into the world of remote-controlled aircraft, mastering aerodynamics and flight dynamics. Under the guidance of experienced instructors, they honed their skills in building and piloting aerial creations, experiencing the thrill of flight firsthand.

RC AeroModelling Workshop: Participants took to the skies, mastering remote-controlled aircraft design and piloting skills, experiencing the thrill of flight firsthand.

These workshops provided invaluable insights and practical knowledge, empowering participants to embark on thrilling journeys of discovery and mastery in the world of technology and innovation.



School of Engineering Takes Action on World Cancer Day

The School of Engineering observed World Cancer Day with a mix of awareness and action. Students and faculty participated in various activities promoting cancer prevention, detection, and treatment. From seminars led by medical experts to workshops on innovative cancer research technologies, the day focused on education and empowerment. Fundraising initiatives were also organized to support cancer research and patient care, showcasing the school's commitment to combatting cancer.



Cycle of Care: Empowering Through Education on Menstrual Hygiene

The School of Management arranged a session on menstrual hygiene awareness tailored for ADYPU housekeeping staff, emphasizing its significance and the organization's commitment to staff well-being.



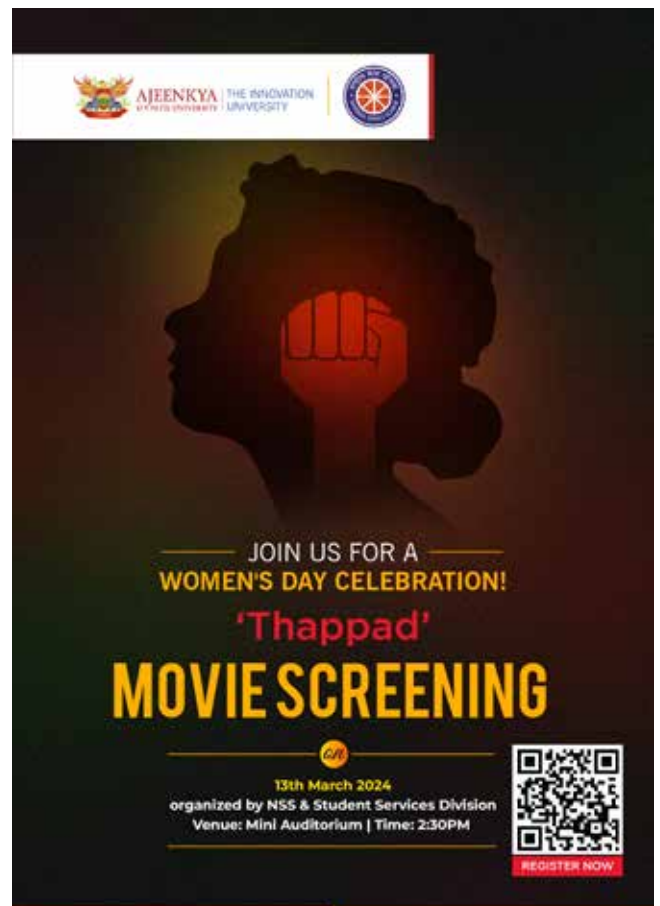
Visit to Mattruchhaya Orphanage

On March 2nd, students from the School of Management, as part of the CSR Club, visited the Mattruchhaya Orphanage in Dighi. They spent the day engaging with the children, donating stationery items, clothes, and funds to make a difference in their lives. The visit aimed to spread awareness and bring joy to the children, reminding everyone of the importance of human connection and simple pleasures.



movie screening "Thappad"

On March 13, 2024, NSS (National Service Scheme), in collaboration with the Student Services Division, organized a movie screening of "Thappad" to promote awareness of women's empowerment. The objective was to foster discussions on gender equality and empowerment, creating a supportive and inclusive environment.



Research Milestones

Prof. Nilesh Pore Presents a Paper on Sustainability at the International Architecture Conference

Prof. Nilesh Pore, Associate Professor at SOA, delivered a research paper at the Council of Architecture's International Conference on **Architecture Education in the Changing World: Reviewing & Rethinking the Way Forward**, at Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore.

The paper explored the implementation of United Nations Sustainability goals by different countries, regulatory bodies' approaches, and national adaptation

policies towards achieving sustainability goals.



Prof. Madhuri Patil Presents a Paper on AI in Sustainable Architecture

Prof. Madhuri Patil, Associate Professor at SOA, presented a research paper on the **Application of Artificial Intelligence in Sustainable Architecture** at the Council of Architecture's International Conference on **Architecture Education in the Changing World**, at Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore.

Additionally, Prof. Patil participated in an online presentation on discussing the application of Architectural Technology with Innovations in Sustainable Materials and Construction Methods for Floating Cities at the

Manipal International Symposium on Design (MISD) 2024, hosted by the School of Design & Architecture, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Dubai.





Prof. Prathama Jhaveri Publishes Paper on Architectural Education in Quaderns Journal

SOA's Prof. Prathama Jhaveri published "**Examining Informal Learning in Architectural Education**" in Quaderns Journal (Vol. 12, Issue 13, March 2024). The paper assesses students' event management tasks' efficacy for developing professional skills. Quaderns Journal is ISO:7021-2008 certified and UGC-Care approved.



Dr Sukhada, Assistant Professor as Panelist for Women's Day Symposium

Dr. Sukhada Khandge, Assistant Professor from the School of Film and Media was a panelist at a National Level Symposium organized at Coimbatore on International Women's Day. The symposium named **Women Empowerment in Folk and Tribal Culture** was conducted in the program Stree Srijan organized by the Government of India's Ministry of

Culture's Sangeet Natak Akademi and PSG College of Arts, Science and Commerce. Dr. Sukhada presented her research as on the topic "**Women Empowerment: Messages in Folk and Tribal Culture in Maharashtra**".



Dr. Ravi Gandhi, delivered a keynote speech on "**Reinforcement Learning based Control of Automatic Voltage Regulator System**" at the 1st International Conference on "ERA-Modern Science, Electronics, Robotics and Automation" in Belarus, Europe, in March 2024. His presentation received acclaim, contributing to the success of the conference. Additionally, he secured a Design Patent for Object Disinfectant Devices, furthering his reputation and scholarly contributions.



Dr. Kasture's recent publication of a SCOPUS-indexed research paper titled **"A Study and Technical Analysis of Polling Feature provided by Social-media Application Whatsapp: Functionality Advancements by introducing suggestive improvements"** in the Human-Computer Interaction e-journal.



Prof Ranjit from SOE has co-authored a book chapter with two of his students Ebaa Mubarak and Sanjana Pande. The chapter titled, **"Innovative methods for Optimizing Plant Nutrient Management"** in the book **"Alternative Approached of Farming for Agricultural Sustainability and Climate Resilience"**.



Dr. Champaty, Dr. Ravi Gandhi, and Ph.D. scholar Puja Pohakar of SOE published a SCOPUS-indexed book chapter titled **"Enhancing Grid Reliability and Renewable Integration through AI-based Predictive Maintenance."** Additionally, Dr. Champaty authored the book **"Textbook on Biomedical Devices,"** published by Scientific International Publishing House, which has provided groundbreaking insights into complex devices, earning him widespread acclaim in the academic community.



Dr Palani's , following research papers were published:

- a. AI Powered Predictive Analysis for pest and disease forecasting in crops (Feb)
- b. Optimising query performance in big data systems using machine learning algorithms (Feb)
- c. Optimising green-house operations through IoT integrated environmental control systems: A new era of computer-based farming (Feb)

d. Enhancing wireless mesh-network performance through AI-based routing algorithms (Feb)

e. Automated drone-based imaging systems for plant health monitoring using deep learning techniques (March).



Dr Susanta Das, Ms. Khushbu Trivedi, Asst. Prof. and Dr Debanjali Barman Roy, Asst. Prof, SOE, edited a book titled, "**Contemporary Research in Science and Technology**" published by ISBN.



Dr. Kirti Dang Longani, professor at SOM, has published a patent article titled '**Integrating AI and Information Literacy in a Smart Management System for Online Technical Learning and Training**' in the Indian Patent Journal. Additionally, Dr. Longani has achieved recognition for co-authoring the book '**Essentials of Social Psychology**.'



The School of Management hosted a 3-day research workshop led by distinguished speakers including Dr. Nagesh Sawant, Dr. Vijay Dhamore, Prof. Shiba Prasad Mohanty, Dr. Muthu Sankar Aathi, and Prof. S.V. Pradeepa. The sessions, held on March 12th, 13th, and 15th, 2024, focused on research fundamentals, literature review, hypothesis formulation, testing, report writing, referencing, and citation. Through interactive sessions, case studies, group exercises, and hands-on experience with SPSS software, students gained essential research skills and knowledge. The workshop was highly successful in empowering students.

Case Study: Enhancing Strategic Decision-Making

In response to the demands of a complex business landscape, Dr. Ashwini Sovani, Director of IQAC, facilitated a specialized session titled **"Mindful Analysis and Strategic Decision Making"** for MBA students. This session aimed to develop strategic thinking skills by utilizing case studies to emulate real-world scenarios.



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**"Mindful Analysis:
Case Studies in Strategic
Decision-Making"**

Date: 28th February 2024
Time: 10 am to 12 PM
Venue: S2 (4th Floor -ULC Building)

Speaker:
Dr. Ashwini Sovani
Director IQAC- ADYPU

Faculty Coordinator:
Dr. Kirti D. Longani &
Dr. Bina Sarkar

Student Coordinator:
Ms. Yashi Agarwal and
Mr. Sahil Munge

Enhancing Research Skills: Workshop on 'The Research Funnel' Conducted for Doctoral Scholars

A Workshop on **"The Research Funnel"** was held on February 28, 2024, by Dr. Manju Rughwani, Dean, Doctoral Studies with Prof. Anne Boddington, International Doctoral Advisor as the guest speaker. It aimed to address research problems, gaps, and objectives, attended by 50 scholars and supervisors, offering practical guidance and discussions on improving research quality and scholar support.



Cultural Chronicles

Xploria'24: A Vibrant Student Festival

On March 21st, 2024, the campus came alive with creativity and excitement during **Xploria'24**, a dynamic one-day student festival. The event featured diverse activities including live sketching, face painting, and a lively "Jam by the Tree" music session. The festival culminated in a pulsating DJ event, bringing students together for a night of dancing and celebration. Xploria'24 was a resounding success, fostering creativity, community spirit, and unforgettable memories. The festival also included the pre-Xploria event MisMatch Day, where students showcased their enthusiasm through mix-and-match attire and prepared for the upcoming annual festival, Xploria 2024.



SOHM's Fashion Fiesta Celebrates Cultural Diversity and Student Talent

On March 15th, 2024, SOHM hosted Fashion Fiesta as part of their Communication Session. Students showcased cultural diversity through vibrant costumes and performances, representing various communities and heritages. The event emphasized teamwork, conceptual expression, and event planning skills, leaving students with valuable takeaways.



FLARE 2024

A cultural extravaganza at the School of Management is a dynamic celebration of diversity, talent, and creativity. This grand event electrified the campus, providing a vibrant platform for students to showcase their skills in drama, dance, music, fashion, and visual arts. It fosters a strong sense of community, encouraging students to embrace their cultural differences and unite through shared experiences. This time **FLARE 2024** not only entertained but also educated, promoting cross-cultural understanding and unity among students.



Male Faculty Lead Women's Day Celebration at School of Management

For International Women's Day, the School of Management hosted a special celebration led by male faculty members, highlighting the importance of inclusivity and honoring women's contributions. The event ended with a heartfelt message from the male faculty, reaffirming their dedication to gender equality and acknowledging women's invaluable impact.



Students Corner

Alumni Reconnect: Celebrating Achievements and Connections

To cultivate pride, camaraderie, and lasting connections among alumni, enriching both their experiences and ADYPU's growth, the Alumni Meet began with a warm welcome to esteemed guests, including the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Deans, faculty members, student volunteers, and distinguished alumni. It served as a platform to celebrate shared experiences, achievements, and contributions, fostering reminiscence, networking, and recognition of outstanding alumni contributions.



Measure Drawing of Iskcon Temple

The School of Architecture organized an outreach program at Iskcon Temple, Viman Nagar, Pune on February 3, 2024. Mr. Toshan Nimai Das from ISKCON sought assistance from our school for constructing an extension to the temple due to the lack of drawings. Consequently, our students took on the task of measuring and creating 2D drawings of the temple using software.

Key Highlights:

Students from various years of BArch participated, with measurements conducted by first and second-year

students, and AutoCAD drawings completed by third-year students.



Writing & Communication Course

As part of the Writing & Communication II course, students showcased their teamwork through skit performances. The meticulously prepared skits, featuring stories like **"A Midsummer Night's Dream"** and **"Cinderella,"** captivated the students with their enchanting narratives. The event highlighted the importance of collaboration and planning in achieving success.



Students Present Exquisite Continental Spreads

MSc HA students curated a diverse array of Continental Spreads, showcasing flavors and techniques from Europe, South America, and Asia. These offerings provided guests with a departure from their usual lunch routines, available every Thursday from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM. Featuring five-course meals from Italy, Thailand, Britain, Pan Asia, and the Middle East, guests thoroughly enjoyed the unique delicacies served in the Tangerine Area throughout March.



Exploring Maharashtra: A Thrilling Journey by SOLA Students

Students at the School of Liberal Arts (SOLA) embarked on a thrilling three-day journey through Maharashtra's picturesque landscapes. Beginning with visits to the Mahaganapati Temple in Wai and Panchgani, where students enjoyed horse riding and subsequently ventured to Mahabaleshwar's Mapro Garden. After an overnight stay at Devbagh Beach, students indulged in water sports and scuba diving at Dandi Beach. A boat ride along the coast revealed stunning natural wonders, culminating in a visit to the historic Sindhudurg Fort. Throughout the trip, students and faculty bonded over shared experiences and the beauty of Maharashtra.



Educational and Adventure Trips: Delhi and Himalayan Excursions.

The educational trip to Delhi aimed to deepen students' understanding of India's history, culture, and landmarks, included visits to the Supreme Court, India Gate, Rashtrapati Bhavan, and museums. In Kullu, Manali, and Shimla, students experienced relaxation, adventure, and exploration amidst the Himalayan landscapes. Activities included temple visits, adventure sports, and exploring colonial-era architecture and scenic spots.



Visit to Mala's Food in Wai

On February 29, 2024, 15 students from SOHM embarked on an industrial visit to Mala's Food in Wai, Maharashtra. This visit offered practical insights into the food processing industry, enhancing their understanding beyond classroom theory.



Global Connections

Dr. Sachin Rajas, Dean of Academic Planning, recently participated in the India-Malaysia Academic Expedition Tour from March 2nd to March 8th, 2024. During the tour, he visited esteemed universities including UCSI University, University of Kuala Lumpur, University of Malaya, MHASA University, TAR University of Management and Technology, Asia Pacific University, and the University of Wollongong. An MOU was signed with TAR University of Management and Technology, initiating collaborative ventures such as joint programs, research initiatives, and student exchanges. MOUs with the University of Wollongong and MHASA University are also underway.



Recent Collaborative Engagements: Strengthening Global Partnerships for Educational Excellence

a. Strengthening Ties with Jose Rizal University

A productive collaboration meeting was held on February 22nd with Ms. Karen S. Guillermo, Director, and Dean Dr. Don Vicente Real from Jose Rizal University, Philippines. The focus was on joint programs and student exchange activities, with the final draft of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) initiated.

b. Exploring Collaborative Ventures: Meeting with German and Indian Representatives

On February 27th, we had the privilege of meeting Ms. Theresa Schopper, the Education Minister of Württemberg, Germany, and Mr. Schemaja Eisele, representing the Consulate of India in Germany, along with esteemed German industrial and institutional leaders. The gathering aimed to discuss potential collaborations and initiate talks on mutually beneficial partnerships.

c. Nurturing Global Collaborations: Meeting with Polish Consulate General and Lazarski University

Our campus hosted esteemed guests on February 29th, including the Consulate General of Poland in India and the President and Rector of Lazarski University Poland. With participation from ADYPU included School Deans, the meeting saw fruitful exchanges and insights, setting the stage for promising collaboration.

d. Exploring Opportunities: Meeting with MINTD Corporation

An important meeting was convened on March 5th, 2024, with Ms. Natalia from MINTD Corporation, Germany, to discuss potential internships and job opportunities for students, opening exciting prospects for practical experience within the corporation.

e. Collaborative Engagement with Albstadt-Sigmaringen University

On March 19th, a collaborative meeting was held with Ms. Betty and Dr. Sommer Lutz from Albstadt-Sigmaringen University, Germany, focusing on joint programs and student exchange activities, underscoring our commitment to global academic partnerships.

f. Strengthening Academic Collaborations: Meeting with the Rector of UMEF University Switzerland

A collaborative meeting took place on March 15th with Dr. Djawed, the esteemed rector of UMEF University Switzerland, discussing joint programs and student exchange activities to enhance educational opportunities for students.

g. Forging Pathways with Nottingham Business School UK

A pivotal meeting occurred on March 13th with Dr. Faye Taylor from Nottingham Business School UK, focusing on internship opportunities

and collaborations for our MBA Pro students, enriching their academic journey.

h. Expanding Horizons with Swanston Institute Australia

March 1st saw a significant collaboration meeting with Mr. Vipul Rastogi from Australian Trade and Mr. Shравan Rashali from Swanston Institute Australia, exploring joint programs and student exchange activities to enhance educational experiences for our students.



Career Pathway & Placements

Assistant Professor Kedar Kulkarni from School of Law conducted a seminar on Competitive Exam Preparation on March 20th, 2024, as part of the ACE initiative. Aimed at increasing students' awareness of various competitive exams, the seminar drew attendees from across ADYPU. Students gained insights into opportunities with UPSC, MPSC, Armed Forces, and Judicial Services, clearing doubts and feeling inspired to pursue competitive exam preparation.



The School of Management signs MoU with Inspire Group.

Dr. Kirti Longani and Dr. Vijay Kulkarni from the School of Management, signed an MoU with Inspire Group. Shweta Sharma, Dean of Corporate Relations & Placement, and Placement Coordinator Mr. Amol Marathe attended the signing ceremony.

The MoU aims to bridge the industry-academia gap by providing students with guest lectures, mentoring, internships, placements, and other opportunities.



Soft Skills Training Program for Management Students

The School of Management, in collaboration with Rubicon, organized a Three Day Soft Skills Training Program. Designed for MBA and BBA students. This initiative aimed to enhance essential interpersonal skills crucial for professional growth, bridging the gap between academic knowledge and practical skills required in the business world.



Industry-Academia Sessions: Presentations by Design Professionals

Design professionals from diverse industries conducted case study presentations, offering students insights into real-world design practices. Presenters included Amir Khan Pathan (Graphic Design), Shafa Rana (Fashion Design), Hari Khara (Industrial Design), and Yogesh Kumar (Transportation Design). These sessions took place every Friday throughout the month, exclusively for School of Design students.



Accolades and Achievements

On March 15, 2024, Dr. Vijay Kulkarni, professor at the School of Management, was honored with an award by the National Institute of Personnel Management (NIPM) for his notable contributions to the field of education.



Second Place Achiever: SIAM ADC-2023

At the Society of Indian Automotive Manufacturers (SIAM) annual design competition, Automotive Design Challenge – 2023, Vinayak Tiwari, a 2nd Year Transportation Design Student, secured the runner-up position. He was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 75,000, along with a trophy and certificate.



Media Outreach

School of Design Faculty Attend Lakme Fashion Week's Sustainable Day

Faculty members from the School of Design, Shehwar Mohibi and Pearl Lobo, participated in the Sustainable Day event at **Lakme Fashion Week**. This prestigious fashion event, held on March 14th at the Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai, showcased the trends for the Spring Season 2024. Their presence not only helped forge important industry connections but also opened doors to potential internships, expert sessions, and workshops beneficial for our students.



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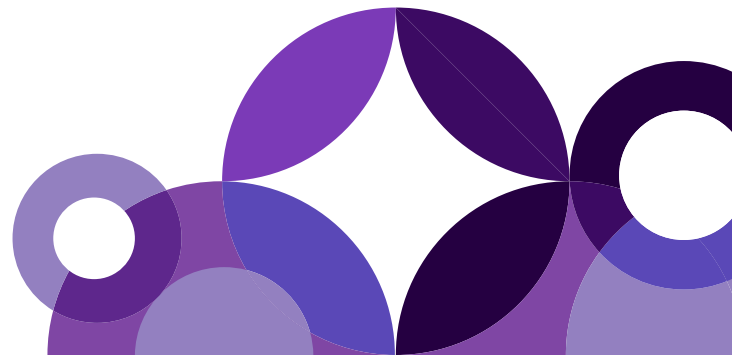
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