

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



Hon'ble Chancellor's 85th Birthday Celebrations on 08th December, 2023

- Induction Programme for Fresh IR -2023 Foreign Studens
- Heritage Visit



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HERITAGE VISIT

The students experienced a cultural odyssey through Tamil Nadu's rich heritage on December 21, 2023. Students went to the Golden Temple in Vellore and the historic Vellore Fort. The Golden Temple, a spiritual heaven, with its shimmering gold architecture surrounded by water, offering a tapestry of experiences weaving spirituality and history.

The visit to the Golden Temple was a marvelous experience, delving into its history and Tamil Nadu's vibrant culture. The temple's stunning architectural style, adorned with gold, left an indelible impression, capturing the essence of Tamil Nadu's heritage.

Embracing the mesmerizing winter weather, the trip was truly memorable. They sought blessings at the statue of Sri Laxmi Narayani, praying for success in their upcoming endeavors. The tranquility and intricate design of the Golden Temple fostered a deep appreciation for cultural heritage.

Following the spiritual journey, they explored the historical richness of Vellore Fort, gaining profound insights into its architectural and historical significance. The visit allowed them to immerse themselves in a bygone era, making the excursion both educational and culturally enriching.

The group marveled at the captivating journey through time and culture, appreciating the blend of spirituality and history. The Golden Temple's breathtaking beauty, the historical significance of Vellore Fort, and the overall experience made our trip unforgettable, offering a holistic exploration of Tamil Nadu's cultural treasures.



In conclusion, the excursion to the Golden Temple and Vellore Fort offered a harmonious blend of spirituality, history, and cultural immersion. The shimmering gold architecture, coupled with the historical depths of Vellore Fort, created a multifaceted experience, leaving us with lasting memories of Tamil Nadu's rich and diverse cultural heritage.

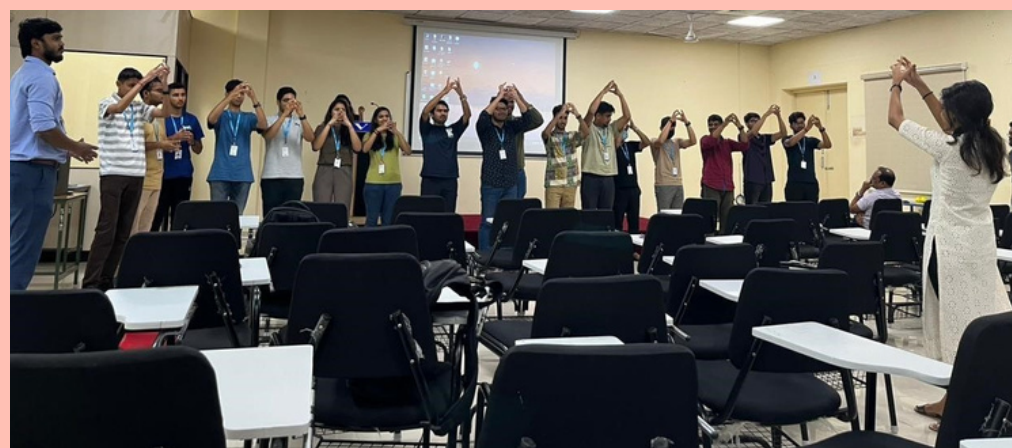


INDUCTION PROGRAM

The inaugural session for Induction Program of 2023 December foreign batch at Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) was marked by a warm welcome from Assistant Director of Students' Welfare, Dr. R. Sujatha. Students received valuable insights about the university and leadership information from the Director of Students' Welfare, Dr. CD Naiju, emphasized its commitment to student welfare and well-being.

Several key aspects of campus life and resources were introduced, starting with VTOP, a digital platform facilitating students throughout their campus journey. Assistant Director at SDC, Dr. Aju D., familiarized students with this platform. The meticulous examination system at VIT was discussed by the Controller of Examination, Dr. Sridharan TB. A library tour highlighted amenities and processes for students to benefit, presented by the Director of Library, Dr. Shanthi C.

The Assistant Director of the Directorate of Research and Innovation on Education (DRIoE), Dr. Monica Subashini M., explained the pivotal role of academics and research in achieving global rankings. Hostel norms and amenities were detailed by the Directors of Men Hostel (Dr. Shiva Shankar) and Ladies Hostel (Dr. Deepa Sankar).



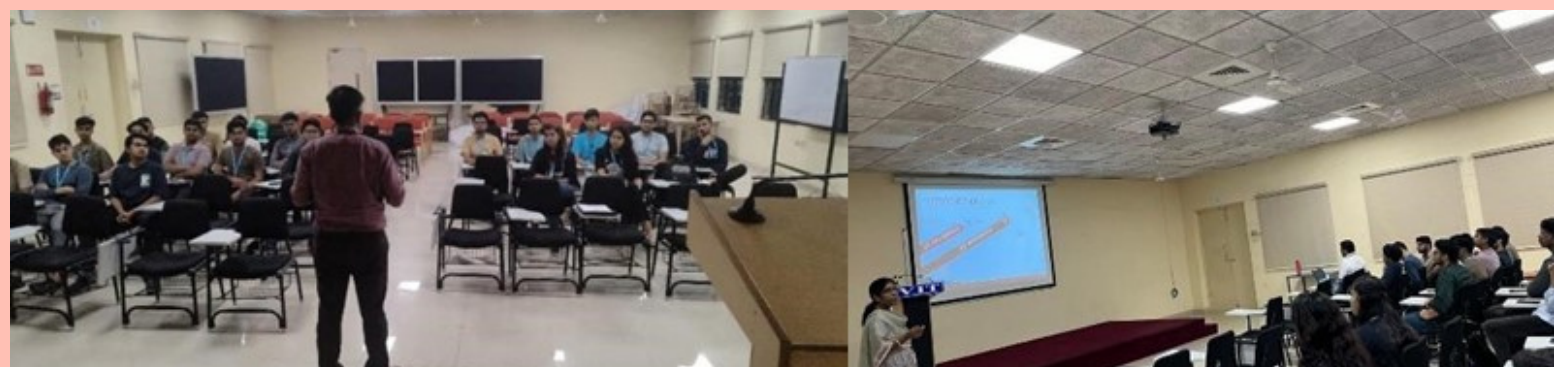
INDUCTION PROGRAM

The International Relations office, headed by Dr. Seenivasan R, was introduced to the students, emphasizing on the opportunities for international study. The students were oriented about the counseling division, led by Dr. Rita Bhattacharjee, aimed at promoting healthy functioning and addressing student distress.

Clubs and chapter activities were presented as avenues for students to cultivate leadership and team-building skills. Outreach activities, such as the Heritage Trip to the Golden Temple and Vellore Fort, provided cultural exposure to the students.

The Student Code of Conduct was discussed, emphasizing the importance of ethical behavior. Proctor Dr. Dhivyaa C R, along with heads of departments like Dr. Prabhavathy P, Dr. Kathiravan S, and Dr. Karthikeyan S, interacted with students, providing insights into their respective disciplines. The session concluded with an overview of sports activities and facilities by Deputy Director of Physical Education, Ms. Mangayarkarasi Arun P. The physical education department organized an energetic games on Kalpana Chawla lawn.

The inaugural session covered diverse aspects of campus life, from academic and research opportunities to student welfare, sports, and cultural activities, offering a comprehensive experience at VIT.



EVENTS OF THE MONTH

Empowering Ideas : Discourse for Change Debate Society

Debate Society presented a dynamic group discussion where diverse perspectives transformed into empowering ideas. Participants were given prompts to discuss and come up with solutions to real-world problems. Everyone was encouraged to listen, ask questions and build the dialogue. Through this discussion, we believed that we could nurture ideas that have the potential to shape a brighter future for all.

Book Bites: Your Top Nutrition Read NUTRITION CLUB (CLUB)

"Book Bites: Your Top Nutrition Read" was an exciting online event that invited participants to share a concise and captivating summary of their favorite nutrition-related book. Whether it's a groundbreaking guide, an inspiring memoir, or a science-backed exploration of food and health, this event celebrated the essence of your chosen literary gem.

Green Quest IEEE WOMEN IN ENGINEERING (IEEE-WIE) (CHAPTER)

Green Quest was an engaging and enlightening experience, a quiz-based event designed to test the knowledge and raise awareness about the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In this exciting quest, participants embarked on a journey of discovery, exploring the key principles and objectives that drive sustainable development globally. It was an opportunity to delve into the critical issues surrounding sustainability and United Nations 17 SDGs. Participants were challenged with thought-provoking questions.

SEEDBALL 6.0 Nature Club

On the occasion of World Soil Day, Nature Club organized Seedball 6.0. Participants made Seedballs in their home with the soil & seeds. They stored it in their home and brought it during the next seedball event organized on campus. Students were requested to send their geotag/ notecam pic via google form shared. The motto was Let's make the earth more greener in our own location!

Surya Namaskar YOGA CLUB (CLUB)

Surya Namaskar, also known as Sun Salutation, is a graceful sequence of twelve yoga poses designed to energize the body. Participants captured a video of their yogic poses which begin with a prayer pose, and seamlessly flow through various asanas. Emphasized the fluidity and precision of transitions to showcase a balanced and harmonious practice. Concluded with a final prayer pose, expressing gratitude and unity with the sun's energy.

Tech Niche 3.28 IEEE COMPUTER SOCIETY (IEEE-CS) (CHAPTER)

The legacy Event of Tech - Niche of IEEE CS, once again brought the opportunity to students to share their knowledge for a greater purpose. This time they went with: "Product Management"

EVENTS OF THE MONTH

Proteoblot THE BIOTECH RESEARCH SOCIETY INDIA (BRSI) (CHAPTER)

This was an online workshop event where the main theme was western blotting. The technique in proteomics helps one analyze the different polypeptide molecules present in any given sample. Good laboratory practices and awareness about common human error was imparted to all the participants.

Tech Tonight 1.3 AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (ASME) (CHAPTER)

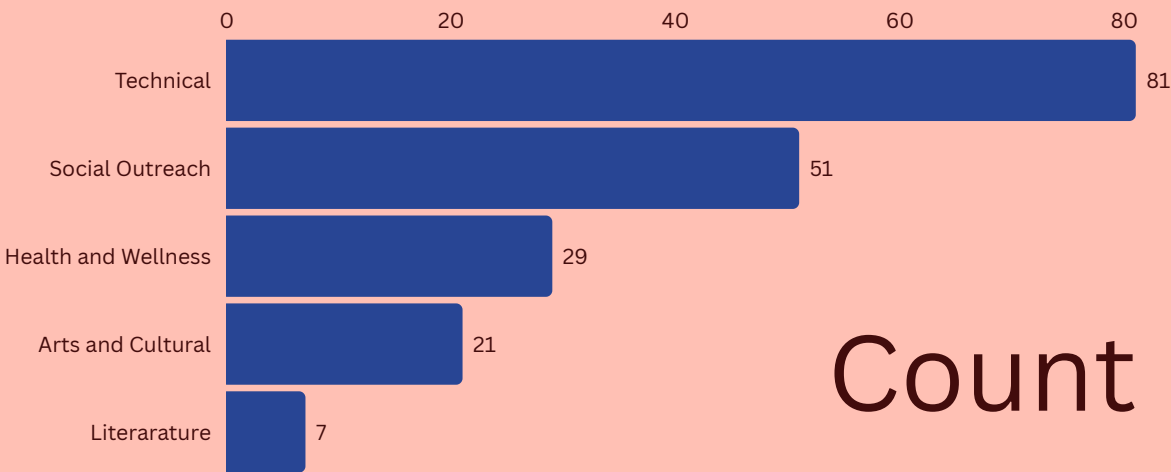
Webinar focused on the principles and practices of green building! This session delved into the various aspects of sustainable construction, emphasizing the importance of environmentally friendly architecture and design. Participants expanded their knowledge and contributed to a more sustainable future through green building practices. Many students joined us for this engaging discussion on sustainable architecture and its impact on our environment.

NexWave Nexus IEEE-MICROWAVE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES SOCIETY (IEEE-MTTS) (CHAPTER)

Participants discovered the future of communication as they invited the students to join at NexWave Nexus. Delve into the transformative event where breakthroughs in RF technology converge, shaping a new era of connectivity. Explored the nexus of next-generation waves and witnessed firsthand the exciting synergy of cutting-edge advancements. This was the opportunity to be part of a journey where innovation and connectivity intertwined, opened the doors to limitless possibilities.

BNB Sector Quiz - DefenceDynasty Quiz BULLS AND BEARS CLUB (CLUB)

The DefenceDynasty Quiz! Immersed the participants in an intense exploration of defense stocks like ones supplying components to ISRO. Students tested their defense knowledge in this fast-paced, exciting event. Whether they were a military enthusiast or strategic mastermind, each joined us in this market quiz based on top defense stocks from NSE & BSE.



EMINENT TALKS



DR. B. RADHAKRISHNAN

>>> FIFTH PILLAR

The event "**CASA: Substance Abuse A Global Concern**" featured **Dr. B. Radhakrishnan**, a seasoned Medical Research Scientist. The discussion highlighted the worldwide challenges of substance abuse, addressing associated stigma, and proposed preventive measures. Dr. Radhakrishnan, with 25 years of research experience, shared valuable insights on global health issues. The event aimed to raise awareness and empower individuals to combat substance abuse effectively.

Er. Indrani Radhakrishnan, an alumnus of the class of 1990 and one of the founding members of VITAA Washington DC Chapter, is now a Senior software engineer at Octo Consulting USA and was invited for **Memories From the VEC Days** in which she shared her significant insights into academics and industrial intricacies.

>>> FIFTH PILLAR

ER. INDRANI RADHAKRISHNAN



MS. BEULAH VALARMATHI CHANDRAN

>>> IEEE CS

CASA(Campaign Against Substance Abuse)- was graced by **Ms. Beulah Valarmathi Chandran**, who is a student counselor at VIT Vellore, guided students against the detrimental effects of substance abuse, offering valuable insights and strategies for a healthier and more resilient academic community, which aimed to create a platform where we can collectively address the challenges, and preventive measures associated with substance abuse.



MR. VAIBHAV CHOPRA

>>> VIT Blockchain Community

Vaibhav Chopra, alumnus of VIT Vellore, now a software developer at Microsoft, shared his experiences and knowledge with the students. **SOIREE : Echoes of Excellence**, helped the students to create a sense of community and provided insightful information for both academic and personal development.

Dr. Kuldeep Roy, Assistant Professor at VIT Vellore, led a session on "**Exploring Cav-Oc AOPs**", delving into opportunities and challenges in cavitation-based advanced oxidation processes. Students gained valuable insights into the potential of this phenomenon, enhancing their understanding and interest in research.

>>> IICHe-VIT

DR. KULDEEP ROY



>>> ASME-VIT

MR. AKSHAY PAHADE

Tech Tonight 1.3 event - a webinar centered on "Green Buildings" and sustainable development goals.

Mr. Akshay Pahade, Co-founder of Gratitude Synergy LLP, shared insights on how eco-friendly buildings reduce environmental impact, improve occupant health, and discussed practical implementations and challenges in adopting green building practices.

EMINENT TALKS



>>> E-CELL

MR. ALOK PANDEY

"ImpactLab: Social Entrepreneurship" was an engaging event graced by **Mr. Alok Pandey**, Founder and CEO of Itech Group and a Mentor of Change at NITI AAYOG, it was an event where entrepreneurial wisdom merged seamlessly with social impact and also shed light on its nuanced facets, Mr. Pandey addressed questions on social entrepreneurship and emphasized the pivotal role of mentorship, which has left an indelible mark on the students.

In the virtual event "**Navigating Careers**," **Ms. Vishakha Kumaresan**, a Vellore Institute of Technology alumna and current Amdocs software developer, shared her professional journey. The session included an interactive Q&A segment, enabling participants to gain valuable insights into her experiences, fostering a meaningful exchange of knowledge.

>>> Soft Computing

Research Society

MS. VISHAKHA KUMARESAN



MR. G. VEERABHADRA RAO

>>> Society of Manufacturing Industries

Mr. G. Veerabhadra Rao, an accomplished HR professional with 27 years of experience, shared insights on talent development in the event "**The Blueprint of Growth**". He emphasized the importance of multidisciplinary knowledge for success in the manufacturing industry. His anecdotes showcased the impact of diverse expertise in securing a stable job and positive industry image.



MR. CLINTON JOSEPH A

>>> AYUDA NGO

Ayuda NGO organized "**SoulfulSync: Counseling Cohesion**," an inspiring event with Student Counsellor **Mr. Clinton Joseph A** from VIT. Focused on love's transformative power, the session explored diverse relationship dynamics, emphasized self-knowledge, sacrifice, respect, and trust for successful relationships, offering valuable guidance on managing various relationship types.

Mr. R. Murlitharan, took an engaging session on relationships driven by social awareness in an event "**Managing Relationships**". Interactive and insightful, participants engaged with the guest speaker, gaining clarity on the importance, and nuances of relationships. The event's success was evident in resolving students' doubts with clear examples from the counselor.

>>> VIT Community Radio

MR. R. MURALITHARAN



>>> BRSI

MS. HIMANI ARORA

The event "**Extraction**" focused on DNA extraction using Magnetic Nano Particle (MNP) Beads, featuring **Ms. Himani Arora** from Cambrian Bioworks. She outlined the uses and approaches of DNA isolation, delving into the principle and benefits of MNP-based extraction, updating attendees on the latest developments in biotechnology.

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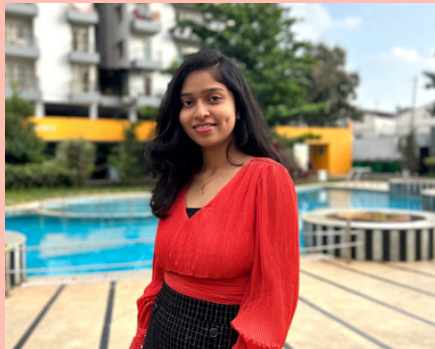
MR. BLESSING CALVIN

»» BRSI

"Mindful Hearts," a collaboration between VIT's Office of Students' Welfare and Counselling Division, focused on BRSI students' mental health. Led by **Mr. Blessing Calvin**, the session emphasized the importance of emotional well-being, guiding students on balancing mental health, facing challenges, and providing four practical steps for a balanced state-of-mind.

Ms. Meher Bhavana Ruthala, an Analyst at Flipkart, showcased her expertise at the **IEEE-TEMS Alumni Talks** in Bengaluru. Drawing from her SCM Design background and VIT placement experiences, she provided valuable insights on excelling in company exams and interviews, leaving a lasting impact with her blend of practical advice and personal narratives.

MS. MEHER BHAVANA RUTHALA
»» IEEE-TEMS



MR. YASHWANTH NADELLA

»» IEEE-TEMS

Mr. Yashwanth Nadella, a dedicated graduate student at Johns Hopkins University, presented at **IEEE-TEMS Alumni Talks**, offering valuable guidance on pursuing higher studies in the USA. Drawing from personal experience, he provided a comprehensive roadmap, from applications to successful relocation, making his contribution impactful and enriching for aspiring students.



MR. HARSHIT MISHRA

»» IEEE-TEMS

Mr. Harshit Mishra, a seasoned Software Engineer at Microsoft, Hyderabad, shared career insights at the **IEEE-TEMS Alumni Talks**. Drawing from industry experience, he provided invaluable tips for excelling in interviews at top companies, serving as a guiding beacon for attendees and fostering knowledge exchange and mentorship.

Mr. Amritya Dembla was a host in the event **Cyberforge**, a dedicated professional in the field of cybersecurity working with Grant Thornton. He provided excellent insight on the future of cybersecurity and job opportunities as well as resources and mathematical and analytical aspect of a career in cybersecurity through an interaction driven question and answer session.

MR. AMRITYA DEMBLA
»» SIAM-VIT



»» VIT Stellar

MR. DEEPAK SINGH
MR. KRITIK KUMAR

The "**FROM CLUB TO CONSTELLATION**" event, featuring VIT STELLAR alumni **Kritik Kumar** and **Deepak Singh**, unfolded successfully with reflections on college life and astronomy. A lively quiz added excitement, and stargazing under the night sky with Jupiter, Saturn, and the Moon made it an unforgettable experience.

EMINENT TALKS



MR. VINAYAK DUBEY

»»» RoboVITcs club

The RoboVITcs club organized 'VITAA:IoT Roboconnect,' featuring VIT alumnus **Mr. Vinayak Dubey**. His expertise in cloud applications, IoT, and self-hosting, showcased through engaging sessions and practical demonstrations, provided students with valuable insights and skills. The event concluded with an open forum for student queries.

Simran Shri International, led by **Ms. Geeta Tiwari** and **Mr. Vineet Sehgal**, is a transformative force in addiction therapy for women. With over three decades of experience, their evidence-backed approach, showcased in the event **CASA: Breaking Free from Substance Abuse**, focuses on abstinence, self-love, meditation, and personalized counseling, achieving remarkable success.

MS. GEETA TIWARI

MR. VINEET SEHGAL

»»» VIT LEO Club



MS. ISHWARYA S

»»» BRSI

"Healing Horizons - A Mental Health Symposium" emphasized the importance of mental health, featuring guest speaker **Ishwarya S**, a counseling psychologist with diverse experience. The seminar delved into ongoing research and genetic influences on mental health, showcasing Ms. Ishwarya's expertise. She provided guidance on improving mental health and introduced cognitive biotechnology, offering participants positive insights.



DR. SUDHAKAR

»»» Ayuda NGO

Dr. Sudhakar led Ayuda NGO's "Beyond the Smile" event, unraveling the link between oral health and overall well-being. Debunking myths and offering practical tips, his engaging presentation transformed dental health into a captivating topic, leaving participants informed and empowered to prioritize a healthy smile for a thriving body.

"BoardLegacy: Alumni Edition" event combined strategy and fun in board games, fostering camaraderie and competition. The highlight featured a talk by senior alum **Mr. Rohith R**, offering unique perspectives and experiences. This special alumni event celebrated the rich legacy of board games, creating an engaging and insightful evening via Google Meet.

MR. ROHITH R

»»» Board Gamers Club



»»» DigitsQUAD

MR. ABHINAV VADDIRAJU

MR. SHRIVATS PODDAR

At the "Digit SQUAD Alumni Event," guest speakers **Abhinav Vaddiraju** and **Shrivats Poddar**, along with other alumni, engaged in an interactive session on current and upcoming trends in the tech industry in 2024. The event provided valuable insights into pursuing Master's degrees, corporate culture, and experiences working or studying abroad.

EMINENT TALKS



Ms. Srilagna Majumder enchanted attendees at the **"Mishti Magic"** event, offering a delightful exploration of Bengali sweet traditions. With her divine presence, she shared insights and anecdotes, adding an extra layer of charm. The event seamlessly blended cultural appreciation with a sensorial experience, leaving participants with a deeper understanding and appreciation for our culinary legacy.

MS. SRILAGNA MAJUMDER

➤➤➤ **Bengali Literary Association**

VIT alumnus **Mr. Sugun Surya**, founder of Loyal Dreams Consultancy, shared valuable college experiences at the Sahiti Club's **Alumni Meet "అల్ఫ్యాన్యై సందడి."** Emphasizing work experience before pursuing a Master's, he highlighted the potential for earlier earnings. Concluding with a motivational message, Sugun inspired aspiring entrepreneurs to pursue their dreams passionately, leaving a lasting impact.

MR. SUGUN SURYA

➤➤➤ **Telugu Literary Association**



Tech Tonight 1.4, invited Dr. Mrunal Joshi who is a Associate Professor at IES's Management College and Research Centre, Mumbai. She covered approaches to problem-solving, innovation, and user-centric design methodologies tailored for mechanical systems to enhance efficiency, functionality, and user experience on "Navigating design thinking for mechanical excellence", the session was a great opportunity for all to know more about the concept of Design thinking.

DR. MRUNAL JOSHI

➤➤➤ **ASME-VIT**

Ms. Lakshmi A, with diverse experience in psychology and counseling across India, showcased expertise at the event **"Emotional Regulation in Relationships."** Starting as an intern counselor in Mumbai, her journey includes roles at wellness clinics, autism centers, and as a student counselor at VIT Vellore, offering a well-rounded understanding of counseling approaches.

➤➤➤ **Innovation and Creation Club**

The Rotaract Club of VIT organized the **"Zen over Quandary"** event on Google Meet at 7.30 pm, focusing on stress management. Keynote speaker **Ms. Lakshmi A**, a counseling psychologist and VIT student counselor, highlighted the importance of managing stress in a fast-paced world, emphasizing introspection. The event offered valuable perspectives for effective stress management.

➤➤➤ **Rotaract Club**

MS. LAKSHMI A



EMINENT TALKS



DR. ARUNAVA RAY

Dr. Arunava Ray, an expert in disaster management, shared insights on achieving SDG 4 (Quality Education) in the event **"Educate to Empower: Strategies For Achieving SDG 4-Quality Education"**. His exploration of innovative methods, policy insights, and technology highlighted tangible steps to bridge gaps, foster inclusivity, and empower learners as agents of change, fostering a convergence of ideas for universally attainable quality education.

»»» **IE(I)-VIT**

Dr. Arunava Ray, Assistant professor at the Centre for Disaster Mitigation and Management, VIT Vellore, who is an expertise in disaster management and engages in research contributing to sustainable development and resilience, presented the event

SDG: Sustaining Sphere, which fostered a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities associated with sustainable development goals, this session helped the students not only carry out the knowledge on this topic but also a renewed commitment to contribute to a more sustainable and resilient future.

»»» **INDIAN GEOTECHNICAL SOCIETY**



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Mr. Vishakh Garg (20BEE0012) represented VIT at the Times of India Torrent Public Speaking Contest 2023 and won the Second Runners Up position in the State Level with a cash prize of Rs.40,000/-. He had earlier competed at the Regional Level (Ahmedabad) and won the Second Runners Up position with a cash prize of Rs.3000/-.



IIT Bombay's Mood Indigo'23 hosted an online music production event, MI-XER, and VIT's Music Club member Mr. Gowtham S(21MIDO238) rocked the event, snagging a well-deserved third place!

Mr. Tarun (21BEC0359) participated in IIT Bombay's Techfest World Model United Nation Conference and secured 2nd position which is high commendation in terms of diplomatic award.





TALENT FORAGE

'Tis the time of the winter rains
The time that makes the green blush
That makes the blue dance
That makes the colors of the garden bloom

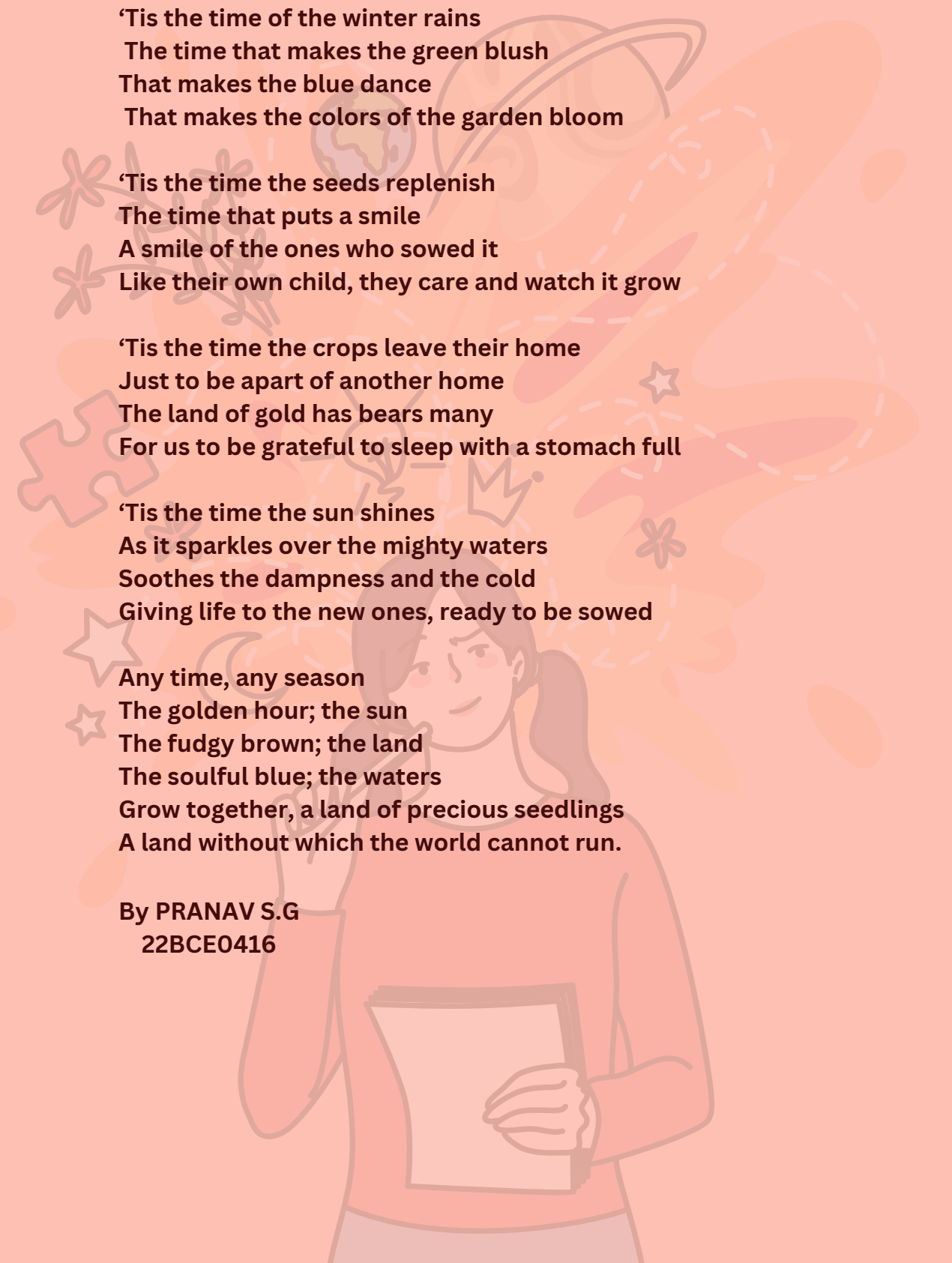
'Tis the time the seeds replenish
The time that puts a smile
A smile of the ones who sowed it
Like their own child, they care and watch it grow

'Tis the time the crops leave their home
Just to be apart of another home
The land of gold has bears many
For us to be grateful to sleep with a stomach full

'Tis the time the sun shines
As it sparkles over the mighty waters
Soothes the dampness and the cold
Giving life to the new ones, ready to be sowed

Any time, any season
The golden hour; the sun
The fudgy brown; the land
The soulful blue; the waters
Grow together, a land of precious seedlings
A land without which the world cannot run.

By PRANAV S.G
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SOCIAL OUTREACH



07-12-2023

SOCIETY FOR BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERING (SBE)
Williams Matric Hr Sec School
Kangeyanallur Road, Vellaikalmed



08-12-2023

IEEE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION
SOCIETY (IEEE-PCS)
St.Jude's India Child Care
Thendral Nagar , Vellore

08-12-2023

KANNADA LITERARY ASSOCIATION
(KANNADA KASTHURI)
Vallalar Aged Home
Velapadi, Vellore



09-12-2023

QUIZ CLUB (CLUB)
Bethel Institute of Basic Level Education
Thiru Nagar, Vellore

09-12-2023

CENTRE FOR SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP
DEVELOPMENT(CSED) (CLUB)
Karunalaya Children Home
Jaffarapettai , Senur Katpadi



10-12-2023

CODECHEF - VIT (CLUB)
Bethel Institute of Basic Level Education)
Thiru Nagar, Vellore





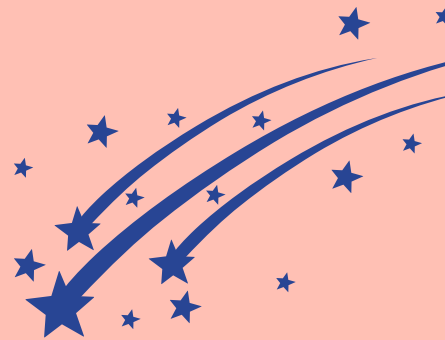
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Talent Forage: We invite all our students to showcase their talent and skills with their masterpieces. Submit entries by 31st January: designs /articles /artworks/ poems based on the themes: **Data Protection/ Making Every Vote Count.**



VIT Click: Click pictures inside/of the campus and mention date, time & location of the same to get a chance to be featured in the next SW Newsletter.



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