# SCE e-NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL OF CIVIL ENGINEERING (SCE)

## VIT - A Place to Learn; A Chance to Grow



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#### **VISION**

 To be internationally recognized in Civil Engineering through groundbreaking contributions and exceptional leadership for sustainable development of the society.

#### **MISSION**

- To pioneer the emerging technology in Civil Engineering.
- To address the complex societal scale challenges in areas of resilient infrastructure, smart and sustainable cities, water and energy security, climate change, mobility of goods and people, and environmental protection.
- To inspire and nurture innovative leaders and entrepreneurs.

### **DEAN'S MESSAGE**

It is my immense pleasure to welcome you all to view the Fifteenth issue of SCE e - Newsletter by the School of Civil Engineering (SCE), Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India. This issue brings out the accomplishment of VITians which include the students and faculty of SCE that has transpired between April - June 2023. This issue highlights the active participation and contribution in various outreach activities by faculty members and the achievements of undergraduate & postgraduate students and Ph.D. research scholars.

I hope you all enjoy reading the updates and achievements of students and faculty members of SCE and extend your co-operation and support for all our future accomplishments.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY WEEK 2023**

School of Civil Engineering has organized "Environmental Sustainability Week" from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023, on the occasion of World Environment Day (#Beatplasticpollution). Mr. Dharanipathy, Chief Engineering Manager, EDRC, L&T Chennai was the Chief Guest of the Inaugural function. The next day, a team from SCE and CSRD conducted an awareness programme about plastic pollution, at Serkadu Village, Katpadi. Also, saplings were given to local people during this programme. On 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Dr. Ketheesan Balachandran, Head, Department of Civil Engineering, Jaffna University, Sri Lanka gave a Guest Lecture on various wastewater treatment processes. Later, on the same evening, a Poster Presentation competition was conducted for our VIT students. On the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the Environmental Sustainability Week, kids of VIT faculty and staff members participated in the Elocution competition which was followed by the Valedictory function.



### NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL EVENTS ORGANISED

Dr. G. Mohan Ganesh, Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. N. Senthil Kumar, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering organized Three day Workshop on "Analysis and Design of PSC T-beam and PSC Box girder bridges using MIDAS CIVIL" from 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

Dr. A.S. Santhi, Professor and Dean, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. J. Visuvasam, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering organized Training Program in association with Makeintern – E-Cell (IIT Kharagpur) & Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore on "Bridge Design using STAAD.Pro" from 17th to 19th April, 2023. Total of 35 students participated from both B.Tech Civil Engineering and M.Tech Structural Engineering. As an outcome four students were shortlisted for bridge design competition.

Dr. T. S. Viswanathan, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering organized an event on "STUDENTS - TEACHER BOND AND MANAGING 21 ST CENTURY LEARNERS" on 28 April 2023. A total of 22 people attended the event.





## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LECTURES

- 1. Mr. B. Suresh delivered a lecture on "Sustainable Cement for Futuristic Constructions" organized by Dr. Shanmuga Priya T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Senthil Kumar N, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 26 April 2023. A total of 93 students participated in the Eighth Module lecture.
- 2. Ms. Aastha Maniar delivered a lecture on "Private & Public Infrastructure for New Age Electric Vehicles" organized by Dr. Vasantha Kumar S, Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 15 April 2023. A total of 52 students participated in the Eighth Module lecture.
- 3. Dr. Askar Zhussupbekov delivered a lecture on "Geotechnical Construction and Testing of Pile Foundations on Problematic Soils of Kazakhstan", organized by Dr. Divya Priya B, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 6 April 2023. A total of 60 students participated in the General lecture.
- 4. Prathap Muniyappa delivered a lecture on "Urban Tunnelling Techniques & Overview of Underground Metro Project" organized by Dr. Divya Priya B, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 5 April 2023. A total of 60 students participated in the Eighth Module lecture.









5. Dr. Anil Joseph delivered an industry expert lecture on "Demolition of High Rises by Implosion Technology - Case Studies," organized by Ms. Aiswarya S, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 5 April 2023. A total of 69 students participated in the General lecture.



6. Mr. Prabhanjan Bhalerao delivered a lecture on "Introduction to Midas CIM (Bridge Information Modelling)" organized by Dr. Mohan Ganesh G, Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Senthil Kumar N, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 5 April 2023. A total of 18 students participated in the lecture.



7. Mr. S. Dharanipathy delivered a lecture on "Sustainability Water Solutions for Buildings" organized by Dr. Saravana Kumar M P, Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Uma Shankar M, Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 5 June 2023. A total of 53 students participated in the Eighth Module lecture.



8. Ms. Gowri Ramanathan delivered a lecture on "Automating BIM Workflows for Construction" organized by Dr. Shanmuga Priya T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Prasanna Venkatesan R, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 22 May 2023. A total of 31 students participated in the General lecture.



9. Mr. Murali Jaganathan delivered a lecture on "Formation of Contract - A Legal Perspective" organized by Dr. Shanmuga Priya T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Prasanna Venkatesan R, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering on 19 May 2023.



# LECTURES DELIVERED

1. Dr. Parimala Renganayaki S, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "Groundwater Augmentation through Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR)" at the College of Engineering, Anna University, Chennai, India.



2. Dr. Meena T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "SPECIAL CONCRETE & CONCRETING TECHNIQUES" at Marri Laxmi Reddy Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, India.



3. Dr. Prasanna Venkatesan R, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "Lean Curriculum" at the Institute for Lean Construction Excellence, Chennai, India.



4. Dr. Malathy J, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "Soil Mechanics - an overview" to Undergraduate students of Civil Engineering at Fatima Michael college of Engineering and Technology Madurai, Madurai Tamil Nadu, India.



5. Dr. Jagadeesh P, Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "The Role of Ergonomics in Occupational Health" at Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore, India.



Dr. Venkadavarahan M, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "Application of Statistics and Hands-on section in R - Language" at A Veeriya Vandayar Memorial Sri Pushpam College, Thanjavur, India.



7. Dr. Bhaskar Das, Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture as session speaker on " Energy Systems and Modelling" at NIT Calicut, Kerala, India.



8. Dr. B. Srimuruganandam, Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture as session chair on "Innovative Materials and Smart Technologies for Sustainable Development (IMSTSD-2023)" at Sri Krishna College of Engineering and Technology, Tamil Nadu, India.



9. Dr. Uma Shankar M, Professor, School of Civil Engineering delivered a lecture on "Predicting Groundwater Quality Using IoT Techniques" at S. V. University College of Engineering, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, India.



# **INDUSTRIAL VISITS**











Dr. Bala Murugan S, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering; Dr. Senthil Kumar N, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Suganya OM, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering coordinated a visit on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to the S&T Boys Hostel Building Construction site by ELITE Construction in Vellore, India. The event witnessed the participation of 41 students.

Dr. Shanmuga Priya T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Senthil Kumar N, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering.on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023, an industrial visit was conducted to SR Flyash Bricks in Chennai, India, with 93 students to understand the manufacture of flyash bricks.

Dr. Shanmuga Priya T, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering; Dr. Prasanna VenkatesanN R, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Jayaprakash J, Professor, School of Civil Engineering coordinated the industrial visit on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 50 students explored the operations of VME Precast Private Limited, Chennai..

Dr. Suganya OM, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Visuvasam J, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering engaged 46 students in an industrial visit to Vellore Institute of Technology in Vellore, India to demonstrate the construction practices at Pearl block, VIT on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dr. Vignesh Rajkumar L, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering Dr. Malathy J, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering and Dr. Hareesh M, Assistant Professor, School of Civil Engineering took 32 students of Global warming and Natural disaster mitigation and management on an Industrial visit to Regional Meteorological Centre in Chennai, India on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023.

# **FACULTY OUTREACH**



Dr. P. Sasanka Bhushan, Associate Professor, School of Civil Engineering had undertaken a consultancy project titled "Accident Risk Reduction Strategies at Road Sites with High Accident Risk in Ranipet District" for the Superintendent of Police, Ranipet District, Tamilnadu. The project was valued at a fee of Rs.58,700. Research Scholars Biswajit Mohanty and V. S. Meganathan and B.Tech Students Suravarapu Abhiram and Singareddy Om Prakash Reddy coordinated with the project.

Dr. S.Vasantha Kumar, Professor, School of Civil Engineering has done a testing work on "Aggregate Impact Test, Crushing Test, Los Angeles Test, Shape Test, Specific Gravity & Water Absorption Test, Bulk density test and Sieve Analysis" for SUNBLUES, Vellore on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.

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