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Hope Foundation's International Institute of Information Technology (I²IT)

July - Dec
EbuZZ 2018

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1. International Yoga Day 2018

3rd International Yoga Day (2018) was celebrated on campus. Ms. Ankita Dhone (Physical Director, I²IT) and Mayur Surkar (I²IT student and Yoga exponent) demonstrated the “asanas” for the team to follow. Dr. Subrata Ghoshal, Professor Emeritus, oversaw the entire event.



2. National Level IEEE Women in Engineering Symposium 2018

The national level IEEE Women in Engineering Symposium 2018 was hosted at I²IT. Attended by Mrs Lila Poonawala, Founder of the Lila Poonawala Foundation, Dr. Sivaji Chakravorti, Chairman, IEEE India Council, Dinanath Kholkar, Chairman, IEEE Pune Section, the Symposium was meant to attract women scientists, technocrats and engineers to rejoin the workforce. The 1st Late Shri Pralhad P Chhabria Awards (presented by Hope Foundation and Research Centre, established by IEEE India Council and Women in Engineering Affinity Group, IEEE Pune Section) were given away. The winners for the year 2018 were Dr. Soma Biswas (Best Woman Engineer – early career) and Ms Jayati Vargiya (Best Outgoing Female Student). The winners received a prize of Rs. 1,25,000/- each, a medal and a citation.



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3. "Lathe Joshi" - Marathi Movie

The production and casting team of the Marathi movie "Lathe Joshi" visited I²IT campus for promotion of the movie. The cast and crew, interacted with students, faculty members and staff.



4. U.S. Consulate General Visit

The U.S. Consulate General Mumbai, Mr. Edgard Kagan and the Economic Specialist Ms Hina Rao visited I²IT, to pay homage to the Founder President of Hope Foundation and Research Centre, Late Shri Pralhad P Chhabria and catch a glimpse of his contributions towards higher education and research. Mrs. Aruna M Katara, President (HFRC), Ms. Amrita Katara Managing Trustee along with the core team members showcased the campus. The dignitaries visited Pralhad P Chhabria Research Centre and interacted with the researchers who explained their ongoing individual projects.



5. FE Orientation Day

The Inaugural Program for the First Year Engineering – Academic Batch of 2018 – 19 was held on August 1, 2018. The Chief Guest on the occasion was Vishwas Mahajan, Co-founder & CEO of Compulink Systems Ltd, and member of Global Board of Trustees of TIE. He addressed the young students and spoke about the three pillars to a successful career – Knowledge, Skills and Attitude.



6. Independence Day

I²IT Celebrates Independence Day on Campus. “It is the youth of this country, it is you students who have to carry forward the values, the passion and ethos that our freedom fighters have shown us” said Dr. Vaishali Patil, Principal I²IT. Students and faculty members also participated in the celebrations.



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7. I²IT Get Together

Once a year, the I²IT family gets together, spends time with colleagues outside the campus for some R&R. This year, the team shared an evening of fun and relaxation over coffee and light snacks.



8. Workshop on Universal Human Values

“Workshop on Universal Human Values” was hosted by the Department of Applied Sciences & Engineering. Conducted by Ms Heena Chhabria who is a corporate trainer and an active member of Helpdesk. The interactive workshop gave the students opportunity to contemplate, express themselves and internalize ethical concepts that could help them become better professionals and better individuals.



9. Center of Excellence in Geoinformatics

Inauguration of Center of Excellence in Geoinformatics at I²IT, Pune was done by Prof Venkatesh Raghavan, one of the founding members of Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo). The Center of Excellence in Geoinformatics at I²IT is an initiative aimed at promoting education, research and support services for Information Communication Technology (ICT) enablement of Geospatial applications using open source solutions. The key resource persons for the International Workshop were Prof. Venkatesh Raghavan, Ex-President, OSGeo Foundation, Osaka City University, Japan, Mr. Gerald Fenoy, Founder & CEO,



GeoLabs SARL, France, Mr. Ravi Kumar Vundavalli, Secretary, OSGeo India, Prof. Natraj Vaddadi, Principal Consultant, U Vee Infosystems, India, Mr. Vivek Saxena, DTRL, DRDO, India and Mr. Harish Solanki, (National Institute of Rural Development) NIRD, India.

10. #HackWithInfy

I²IT students attended the Grand Finale of the first edition of #HackWithInfy. They witnessed exceptional talent and stellar performances by some of the most creative and ingenious engineers.



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11. Dnyanacha Karyakram

I²IT Cultural Team presented, 'Dnyanacha Karyakram', a classic one-act play, featuring fine theatre and skilled acting backed with exhaustive lights, music and stage setup. The cultural team took this event across various theatre competitions in the city.



12. Workshop on Signal & Systems

I²IT Society for Electronics and Telecommunication Students conducted a One Day Workshop on Signal & Systems Using MATLAB[®] the workshop was designed to give the participants hands-on experience which helped them understand mathematical description and representation of continuous and discrete time signals and systems. The chief resource person for this workshop was Dr. S. Mohan Mahalakshmi Naidu who holds a Ph.D. (IIT Bombay), M.Tech (Cont. & Inst. -MNNIT Allahabad). He is also the HoD- Dept. of Electronics and Telecommunication at I²IT.



13. Teacher's Day Celebration

It is an honour to be a teacher as there can be no greater calling than shaping and nurturing the future of the young. A joyous and momentous Teachers' Day celebrated on campus!



14. India Business Literature Festival

The first edition of the India Business Literature Festival co-founded by Sameer Dua – Best Selling Author, Anurag Batra – Chairman & Editor in Chief of BW Business world, Aruna M Katara, President, Hope Foundation and Research Centre was held at CoEP. The festival was well-appreciated, acknowledged and praised for being innovative and unique.

15. I²IT Diwali Lunch

The Hope Foundation and Research Centre (HFRC) Family enjoyed the annual "Diwali Lunch". Faculty members, staff members of I²IT, the R&D team of PPCRC as well as the administrative & management team of the HFRC, sat back, enjoyed the lunch and spent quality time with one another.



16. Rashtriya Ekta Diwas

I²IT celebrated Rashtriya Ekta Diwas on campus in honour of the endeavours of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel (also known as the "Bismarck of India"). The Students, Faculty and Staff celebrated this day by taking a pledge followed by a run for unity. Students also participated in an elocution competition on Life of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel.



17. Energy & Environment Day

I²IT's FESA (First Year Engineering Students Association) -Department of Applied Sciences and Engineering, organized a Poster Presentation on "Energy & Environment". The event was to encourage students to come up with ideas for conserving the environment and integrate environmental aspects into their work as engineers and as citizens.

1st prize : Rishabh Karmakar, Pratik Patel, Anurag, Nikhil Bastiya

2nd prize : Amey Potnurwar, Himanshu Tijare, Nachiket Patil, Mahesh Patil

3rd Prize : Sakshi Buchade, Ajinkya Ghotankar, Asit Raut, Rujula Shinde



18. ASK Placement Workshop

I²IT students participated in a 'Corporate Placement Workshop' hosted on campus. The workshop was conducted by ASK Corporate and it gave the students a first-hand experience of selection processes conducted by top companies in the IT industry. The participants faced interviews (similar to those conducted by corporates) followed by written aptitude test, group discussion and finally Technical Quiz.

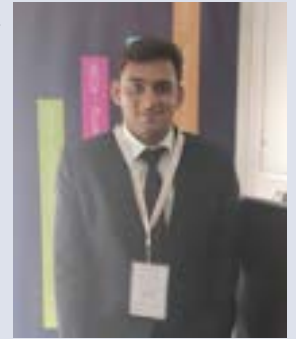


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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Adarsh Agrawal Paris

Adarsh Agrawal-TE E&TC was in Paris to present his paper entitled "A Conceptual Model for Peer to Peer Energy Trading using Blockchain" with Paper ID "ACCN-18-255" at the "Eighth International Conference On Advances in Computing, Control and Networking - ACCN 2018"



2. Adarsh Agrawal Thailand

Adarsh Agarwal TE E&TC attended the 15 Day AIT-Tiger Leong International Innovation and Leadership Camp held at the AIT Campus, Thailand.



3. Priyanka Singh Rank

I²IT student Priyanka Singh bagged three Gold Medals for First Rank in Computer Engineering with 85.33%. Priyanka is currently pursuing her Masters and aspires to continue a career in research.



4. Uttkarsh Shastrakar Photography

Uttkarsh Shastrakar from First Year Engineering won the First Prize at the IndSearch Photography Competition at the Athang 2018. The themes of the event were "Explore Pune" and "Vintage".



5. Appar Thoosu Hackathon

Appar Thoosu (BE E&TC) wins the night long Pune Hackathon'18. The theme for this event was Blockchain for good. He won the first prize for Blockchain in the Finance category. The event was hosted at eZest Hinjewadi.



6. Shivani Rajhance Karate

Shivani Rajhance, S.E. Information Technology won the Gold Medal and the Bronze Medal at the KSI State Level Karate Tournament held at Titwala, Mumbai. The event was organized by the Kimura Shukokai International India. Shivani also won the Grand Championship Trophy. An exponent of Karate for many years, Shivani has also won many state level and national level tournaments previously.



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7. Akshay Talke Rank

Akshay Talke secured All India 1st Rank in the Technical Graduate Entry into the India Military Academy.



8. FE students Barclays

FE students Kamal Varma, Vendant Shinde, Sumit Jain, Ritu Swain & Aditi Kanade bagged the 3rd Prize at the Barclays Tech Innovation Challenge 2018. This competition was about presenting Innovative ideas to resolve given socio-economic problems. Our students presented a business plan that could turn agriculture into a profit venture.



9. Nikhil Kothari & Janhvi Patil IEEEXtreme

Nikhil Kothari & Janhvi Patil-TE E&TC were among the top 100 teams at the IEEEXtreme 24-Hour Programming Competition conducted by the I²IT IEEE Student Branch on campus.



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10. Sriram Subramanian Award Winner

The winners of the 3rd Sri Pralhad P Chhabria Memorial Award to young entrepreneurs is our alumnus, Sriram Subramanian, Founder, Thotaka Technologies and Mr Akshit Gupta, Founder, YesssWorks & FundTonic.



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SOCIAL

1. Technical Training Institute for Blind Visit

I²IT Yi Students visited the Technical Training Institute for Blind, Hadapsar-Pune on 30th June 2018.



2. Independence Day Celebrations

I²IT CII YI (I²IT Chapter) shared the Independence Day celebrations at the Mahatma Phule Apang Shaala in Maan Village. They spent time with the differently-abled students and faculty members there. Our students distributed sweets and shared stories with them.



3. Yi MoU

Mr Vedant Shetty - Yi YUVA Chair & Ms Shreya Shrivastava from the CII-Yi team visited I²IT. Besides signing the MoU with I²IT for the CII-Yi, I²IT Chapter, they addressed the students and shared with them details of CII Yi. Young Indians (Yi), is an integral part of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), a non-government, not-for-profit, industry led and industry managed organisation playing a proactive role in India's development process.



4. Poona Blind Men's Association MoU

I²IT and the Poona Blind Men's Association sign MoU. The idea is to set up a "Technical Training Institute" in Hinjawadi where the visually challenged can be given vocational training that could help them become independent and self reliant. This project will be driven by Social Venture Partners Pune, I²IT and PBMA equally.



5. Kerala Flood Relief

In support to the relief work during the Kerala floods, the students, faculty members and staff members came forward to contribute essential items like grains, pulses, blankets, bed sheets, pillow covers, diapers, detergents, emergency medicines and non-perishable food items. Some also contributed in cash which was sent to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund.



6. Rakshabadhan Celebrations

I²IT students of the CII Yi Chapter celebrated Rakshabadhan with the students of the Mahatma Phule Apang Shaala in Maan Village. They also distributed sweets and on this special occasion, they held the first of many English Sessions for the students of the batch of 2018-19.



7. Blood Donation Camp

The NSS unit of I²IT organized a one-day blood donation camp. This camp was organized in association with Acharya Anandrishiji Pune Blood Bank. In all, 53 bags of 350 ml blood were collected.



8. Interaction with Tina Ambani

The members of the I²IT CII-Young Indians participated in an exclusive interaction with Ms Tina Ambani, Chairperson of CSR, Reliance Group at Creaticity (Ishanya Mall), Pune. This event was hosted in association with Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisans Fair.



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9. Electrical Company Visit

The new members of the I²IT's CII-Yi group Dipanshu Gupta, Aayou Mangwani, Kritika Singh, Payal Pagariya Siddhant Bhope, Mayur Madiwalal and Aditya had the opportunity to visit an electrical company and see each and every process – starting from manufacturing of raw materials to packaging. They also visited the design processing unit, where the students learnt about the use of various software to design products.



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GUEST LECTURES

1. Narendra Goidani, Founder, Life School

A session on Values and Ethics by Narendra Goidani, Founder, Life School, Pune and Advisory Council Member of Hope Foundation and Research Center, Pune held in our institute on 10th July 2018.



2. Nilesh More, Founder CEO-Trigya Technologies

On 11th July a NASSCOM Session by Nilesh More, Founder & CEO-Trigya Technologies Pune was hosted on campus. The topic was 'Aspects of Cloud Computing – Migration, Services, Big Data, Security'.



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3. Dinanath Kholkar, Vice President TCS

Dinanath Kholkar, Global Head of Business Process Services and Vice President at TCS addressed the young engineers on campus about Industry 4.0. Mr. Kholkar is also the Chairman of the IEEE Pune Section. The event was jointly organized by



Tata Consultancy Services & IEEE Students branch. He also interacted with the students and audience. Mr. Shankar Tagad, Brij Kathuria and Jagdish Chaudhari from Tata Consultancy Services also shared their project ideas related to agricultural area.

4. Dr Yogesh Shouche, NCMR, Pune

Application of Information Technology in Life Sciences - this was the theme of the talk delivered by Dr Yogesh Shouche, Principal Investigator-NCMR (National Center for Microbial Resource), at I²IT. He also encouraged the students to think about applications and use of technology in inter disciplinary domains.

**5. Challa Prabhu, MVP Capgemini, Pune**

Challa Prabhu is a Microsoft Most Valuable Professional (MVP), and this award is given by Microsoft to "Technology Experts who passionately share their knowledge with the community". He inspired our students about latest Microsoft Technologies.



1. Table Tennis

I²IT Table Tennis Team secured 3rd Position at the Inter-collegiate Tournament. The team included Gaurav Soni (B.E. E&TC), Ritikesh Bhatt (F.E. Comp), Omkar Menkundale (T.E. Information Technology) and Harshal Fegade (S.E. Computer).



2. Chess

The I²IT Chess team (Women) won the first runners up at the University Inter-collegiate Chess Tournament. The team included Sanskriti Oza (TE IT), Varsha Patil (TE Comp), Shraddha Pawde (BE E&TC) and Minakshi Chilme (TE Comp). The men's team also played very well and secured the 4th position out of 60 competing teams. Indraneel Degaonkar (BE E&TC), Karan Gadhave (BE E&TC), Kamal Kant Sahoo (SE IT) and Ritikesh Bhatt (FE Comp) were the members of the team.



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INDUSTRIAL VISIT

1. Lavasa City

I²IT First Year Engineering students visited Lavasa City as part of their Industrial Visit for Civil Engineering. They studied the engineering techniques implemented in construction of the Dam at Lavasa. The students also got an insight into the different brick structures used in construction.



2. VEDA Azam Campus

The I²IT Students' Cultural Committee participated in the "Entering in Film, Media & Entertainment" Workshop at VEDA on the Azam Campus, Pune. During the 3-hour workshop they learnt about Animation, creation of breakdowns, VFX concepts and they also got the opportunity to watch videos and showreels created by students of PAI College of VEDA as well as they sketch live portraits of themselves.



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