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From the VC's Desk

As we close the chapter of 2024, Voice of Vignan reflects on the remarkable strides made by our vibrant university community. This year has been a testament to our unwavering commitment to academic excellence, cultural heritage, and societal impact.

Our students and faculty have consistently demonstrated that innovation is a cornerstone of Vignan's legacy. From the inauguration of the cutting-edge Spirulina Lab, focusing on sustainable nutrition, to industry collaborations with BPL Medical Technologies and Amara Raja Group, we continue to bridge academia with real-world applications. The success of UDBHAV 2K24 and the National Youth Festival underlined the spirit of creativity, teamwork, and leadership among our young Vignanians.

Cultural celebrations like Karthika Deepotsavam served as a beacon of tradition, blending spiritual essence with community participation. Meanwhile, events like Samvidhan Divas and the National Conference on Polymer Science showcased our commitment to fostering dialogue on critical societal and environmental challenges.

This year's Voice of Vignan also highlighted inspiring journeys, such as Keshav Kumar Ray's path from our classrooms to a leadership role in Bihar's

agricultural sector, embodying the transformative power of perseverance and education.

As global challenges, including climate change, loom large, Vignan remains steadfast in nurturing responsible citizens and innovative thinkers. The editorial and students' voice team takes immense pride in capturing these stories of success, resilience, and hope.

As we reflect on the milestones of 2024, we also recognize the collective efforts of every member of the Vignan community, whose dedication has propelled us forward. From academic excellence to social responsibility, Vignan continues to shine as a beacon of progress.

Let us step into 2025 with renewed determination, celebrating the achievements of today and embracing the opportunities of tomorrow. Together, we continue to elevate Vignan as a hub of knowledge, innovation, and inclusivity.

Here's to brighter days ahead and the unwavering spirit of the Vignan family. The year ahead is clear, and we walk it together, stronger and more united than ever.

Wish you all a very Happy New Year 2025

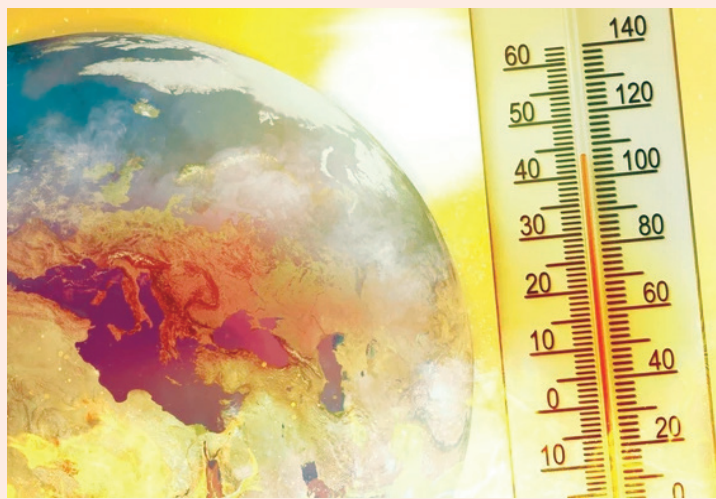
The Earth's Hottest Year Ever

2024 has become the hottest year on record, reflecting the deepening effects of climate change. This Unprecedented rise in global temperatures is primarily driven by human activities such as burning fossil fuels, deforestation, and industrialization. The heatwaves breaking records across the globe highlight the urgency of addressing climate change.

The 2024 heat has been exacerbated by the return of the El Nino phenomenon, which amplifies the effects of global warming. This interaction between natural climate events and human-driven warming have caused more frequent and intense weather events, deepened the climate crisis and highlighted the vulnerability of global ecosystems.

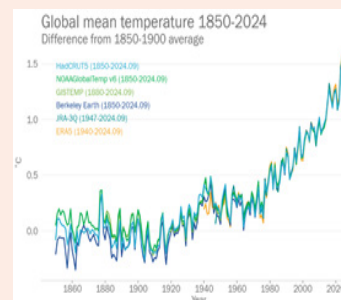
- 16 of the last 17 months have experienced high average temperatures
- November alone was the second-hottest November on record, with temperatures around 1.62°C above pre-industrial levels.
- Global temperatures have now exceeded the critical 1.5°C threshold

Greenhouse gases like CO2 and methane trap heat in the



atmosphere, causes global warming. These rising temperatures contribute to severe heatwaves, which pose significant health risks, particularly for people such as the elderly, children, and outdoor workers, leading to increased instances of heat-related illnesses and deaths.

Agriculture, water supplies, and energy systems are also heavily impacted by the ongoing heat. Crop yields are decreasing, water resources are dwindling, and many regions are facing severe droughts. This disproportionately affects developing nations where agriculture plays a key role in the economy, further exacerbating food insecurity and poverty.



N. S. N. B. Nihari
II CSE



UDBHAV 2K24

The Department of Management Studies at Vignan University successfully organized UDBHAV 2K24, a highly anticipated National Management Meet, on 16th November 2024 at the university's Convocation Hall. This flagship event continues to grow in stature, with this year's edition attracting over 800 participants from various institutions across the country, reflecting its increasing popularity and significance.

The primary objective of UDBHAV 2K24 was to nurture and showcase the managerial skills and talents of young students, fostering a spirit of competition, creativity, and teamwork. Designed to cater to a wide spectrum of interests, the event featured a dynamic mix of formal and informal activities, providing a platform for participants to test their mettle in diverse areas.

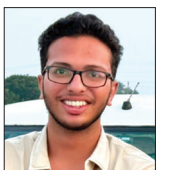
A highlight of the day was the array of competitions, which included engaging events such as group dance, solo dance, singing, and photography. Participants also vied for the prestigious Mr. and Ms. UDBHAV titles, showcasing their unique talents and charisma. For those with a flair for business and management, events like mock trading, the business plan competition, paper presentations, HR events, team-building activities, market makers, and the Vignan Premier League offered opportunities to display strategic thinking and leadership abilities. The day also saw exhilarating activities



like the treasure hunt, business quiz, and short film contests, blending creativity and intellect with fun and enthusiasm. One of the most sought-after competitions, the Young Manager event, tested participants' problem-solving and decision-making skills under pressure, emphasizing the qualities needed for future leaders.

UDBHAV 2K24 stood out as a vibrant confluence of talent, teamwork, and innovation, creating an inspiring atmosphere for students to grow both personally and professionally. The event not only celebrated the spirit of competition but also highlighted Vignan University's commitment to holistic student development and its role in promoting managerial excellence. With its growing reputation, UDBHAV continues to be a premier platform for students to explore their potential and build connections, leaving a lasting impact on the academic and managerial community.

Naga Sreekar
Bandaru
II CSE



From Vignan's Agricultural Engineering to Bihar Agriculture Service

Have you ever heard the quotation "Practice makes man perfect"? If not, this article will serve as the perfect example of it. The quotation perfectly fits the journey of Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray (Agricultural Department, Batch of 2023), whose dedication and hard work have led him to remarkable success. We are proud to celebrate his achievements, which serve as an inspiration to all.

After completing his B. Tech in the agricultural department from our university, Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray went on to pursue his M. Tech at IIT Kharagpur (IIT-Kgp), where his dedication earned him high recognition. At the 2023 Convocation, he was awarded the Chairman's Gold Medal for his exceptional academic performance.

Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray was recently appointed as the Assistant Director in the Bihar Agriculture Service, marking a significant step in his career. This role highlights his commitment to improving the agricultural sector and contributing to Bihar's development.

Throughout his academic journey, Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray was honored with several prestigious national invitations. One of



the highlights was his invitation from the Ministry of Education to witness the Republic Day Parade in New Delhi, where he had the rare privilege of being in the presence of our Hon'ble Prime Minister. He also had the opportunity to attend the historic inauguration of the New Parliament Building, an experience that broadened his understanding of India's political and administrative landscape.

Now, as Assistant Director, Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray is already making a tangible impact on Bihar's agricultural sector. His genuine passion for research, technology, and sustainability continues to drive

him to create positive change. His journey not only inspires his peers but also motivates students to follow their own paths toward excellence and contribute meaningfully to society.

We are incredibly proud of Mr. Keshav Kumar Ray's achievements and eagerly look forward to witnessing his continued success and the positive impact he will make in the future.



P. Vijaya Raghava
III AIML - A

Samvidhan Divas Celebrating the Spirit of Indian Constitution

On November 23rd 2024, Vignan Institute of Law commemorated Samvidhan Divas which celebrates the foundation stone of Indian democracy. The event took place in Sangamam Seminar Hall, 5th Floor, A Block that engaged numerous eminent gatherings from the legal profession, academia, and many eager students and members of the faculty across the campus.

It was an honour to have Hon'ble Justice Sri G. Ramakrishna Prasad, Judge of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, Amaravathi, as the chief guest of the occasion. Justice Ramakrishna Prasad's strong presence and time with the audience encouraged him to provide a fantastic presentation outlining the role of the Constitution in a democratic society and the promotion of rights of every Indian. He helped the audience understand how relevant these ideals remain.

The presence of the Chairman, Registrar, Vice Chancellor and Dean of VIL from Vignan University, also added to the dignity of the occasion and appreciation of the school which is in the forefront of promoting constitutional culture.

Focusing on practical aspects of the law and the Constitution students and faculty of VIL enhanced their role and took part during the event, which



increased the chances of success of those objectives.

The Constitution Day 2024 event was an eloquent reminder of the Indian Constitution's relevance in ensuring and nurturing the citizens' belief in democratic values and binding all people together with a sense of duty.



G. Tapaswi VNSL
II CSE

SPIRULINA LAB INAUGURATION

A Leap Forward in Biotechnology and Nutrition:

Vignan's University proudly announces the inauguration of its cutting-edge Spirulina Lab at the School of Biotechnology & Pharmaceutical Sciences. This facility is poised to revolutionize health and nutrition research by focusing on the immense potential of Spirulina, the acclaimed superfood.

Innovative Applications for a Healthier Future:

Spirulina, celebrated for its dense nutrient profile, is now the focus of advanced research at the lab.

The team will explore its incorporation into diverse products, such as:

- Spirulina powders
- Protein bars



Nutrient-rich snacks

By developing these products, the university aims to address global nutritional challenges while setting a benchmark for innovation in food science.

Empowering Rural Communities

Beyond research, the lab's efforts are expected to create meaningful opportunities for rural employment. By fostering partnerships with local communities for Spirulina cultivation

and processing, the initiative seeks to support sustainable livelihoods and promote economic growth in rural areas.

Turning Waste into Wealth:

Bio-Waste Composting Initiative

In line with its commitment to sustainability, the university also launched a bio-waste composting initiative. This program aims to



transform organic waste into valuable compost, contributing to eco-friendly practices and sustainable agriculture.

A Vision for a Sustainable Tomorrow

The inauguration of the Spirulina Lab is a testament to Vignan's University's mission to integrate science, innovation, and sustainability. It reflects the institution's dedication to addressing pressing global challenges while fostering a culture of research excellence.

Stay connected for updates as Vignan's University continues to lead the way in innovation and societal impact.

Together, let's pave the way for a healthier, greener future!



D. Varsha
BT



Faces & Voices

S. Hasini
I CSE



I chose Vignan University for the engaging learning environment which it provides. It helps me stay disciplined and focused, avoid bad habits, and become more independent. I'm passionate about anchoring and feel inspired by Anya Reddy's self-taught success in UPSC. I'm fortunate to have friends who share the same mindset and care for me, but I am often unable to spend as much time with them as I would like. Balancing academics, sports, and extracurriculars is tough, but I manage my time well, even if it means sacrificing family time. I focus on learning from my mistakes and always strive to do my best. Through hard work, I earned the "Star Volunteer" title and take full responsibility for my tasks.

- G. Sivamani, II CSE



On my first day, I was excited and curious, and enjoyed a lot during the orientation class. It helped in changing my perspective on how to interact with others. Passionate about anchoring, I chose the literary stream. I do not have any stage fear, and over time, anchoring became my passion. Despite initial nervousness, I learned a lot and eventually enjoyed it with the support of my team. Balancing sports, academics, and extracurriculars was tough. I faced stress, time management, and travel challenges, but I never thought of quitting. I overcame these obstacles because I love what I do and always strive to give my best, motivating myself to improve especially when I don't perform up to the mark.

- T. Srivalli Katyayani, I CSE



"My interest in dance grew over time, turning into my passion. Initially, sessions in T-crew were strict, but later became friendly with supportive leads. Though I feel nervous before performances, immense practice helps me overcome stage fear. Dance reduces my stress, though I take a break during exams, especially during Dussehra. Despite health issues and occasional losses in competitions, my teacher motivates me. Facilities at Vignan University are good, and I value mingling with my team. Yoga helps me manage irritation, but I still feel something missing in life."

- Vysnnavi Veerisetty, I CSE



Orientation helped me communicate with others confidently. Writing and music are my passions, and I joined stage and management, where I learned teamwork and collaboration. I'm inspired by Atal Bihari Vajpayee's ideology and leadership skills. His principles guide me in shaping my own values. Through stage-management, I learned the importance of communication, teamwork, and how to make thoughtful decisions. I've improved my time management and feel confident in handling my responsibilities. I enjoy exploring new opportunities and am committed to continuous growth.

- Santhosh Singh, I CSE

Bibliophile

The Kite Runner

- by Khaled Hosseini

Khaled Hosseini's Debut book *The Kite Runner* is an elegant tale of friendship, betrayal, and redemption set against the backdrop of a tumultuous Afghanistan. The story revolves around Amir, the privileged son of a wealthy Kabul merchant, and Hassan, the son of his father's servant. Societal divisions, personal failures, and the violent upheavals of Afghan history test their bond throughout the story while capturing their turbulent childhood experiences along with the changes a person can undergo while visiting their past once again.

What stands out in this novel is Hosseini's powerful storytelling. His writing accurately captures the emotional depth of human experiences, let alone a child's, making the reader empathise with Amir's guilt and Hassan's unwavering loyalty. The vivid imagery of Kabul before the Russian Soviet invasion is both nostalgic and heartbreaking for me, creating a sharp contrast with the city's later descent into war and ruin. I particularly appreciated how Hosseini explored deeper emotional themes like the weight of guilt, the search for redemption, the consequences of having privilege and how certain power dynamics impact the other. Each page of the book is filled with raw emotions, drawing me into Amir's conflicted world.

The plot follows Amir's journey from childhood to adulthood, marked by a life-defining betrayal in the story. After a painful incident involving Hassan, Amir's

silence fractures their friendship and changes their lives forever. Years later, Amir, now living in America, returns to Taliban-ruled Afghanistan to confront his past and seek redemption. This journey is filled with danger but offers a chance for Amir to find peace and honour Hassan's memory.

Hosseini's first-person narration gave a more detailed look into Amir's thoughts and feelings. His honesty about Amir's flaws makes him a relatable and human protagonist. The narrative is laced with cultural nuances, offering insight into Afghan traditions and the impact of historical events on individuals' lives. However, some readers might find Amir's early selfishness frustrating, though it underscores his eventual growth and transformation.

Overall, *The Kite Runner* is a deeply moving novel that masterfully intertwines personal stories with historical events. It is a tale of heartbreak and hope, reminding us of the enduring power of love and forgiveness and how it can transform a person, throughout their life. While some moments are emotionally heavy, they add to the book's authenticity and impact. *The Kite Runner* is a must-read for anyone who appreciates literature that explores the intricacies of human relationships and moral struggles.

Dharmasastha
III BE



Karthika Deeposthavam



Karthika Deeposthavam is a grand festival celebrated annually at Vignan University, blending tradition with community participation. The event is organized with great enthusiasm, highlighting the spiritual and cultural significance of the Karthika month. The university campus comes alive with vibrant decorations, and thousands of oil

lamps illuminate the surroundings, creating a mesmerizing atmosphere.

The event is usually inaugurated by the Chairman, Dr. Lavu Rathaiah, whose speech focuses on the importance of preserving cultural values while embracing modern education. His words inspire students to find harmony between tradition and progress. Rukmini Mam, another notable speaker, emphasizes the spiritual essence of Karthika Deepam and its role in fostering unity and enlightenment among students and faculty.

Students actively participate in the celebrations, contributing to the decoration, organizing cultural programs, and lighting lamps as a symbol of hope and prosperity. Their performances often include devotional songs, traditional dances, and skits that showcase the essence of

the festival. Faculty members and staff join hands with the students, making the event a community-driven initiative that strengthens bonds within the university.

The highlight of the event is the lighting of deepam, which symbolizes dispelling darkness and ignorance. The serene ambiance and devotional activities leave the attendees with a sense of spiritual upliftment. As the evening progresses, the glowing lamps reflect the collective efforts and unity of the Vignan community.

The success of the event is a testament to the university's commitment to holistic education, where cultural heritage is celebrated alongside academic pursuits. Attendees leave inspired by the speeches and enriched by the experience, cherishing the memories of this divine celebration.



T. Srivalli Katyayani
I CSE



Vignan's Online MBA Convocation 2024

Honouring Acheivements, Inspiring Futures



On November 7, 2024, Vignan University hosted its Online Education Convocation, an event graced by prominent dignitaries including Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor of NALSAR University of Law, Dr. Lavu Rathaiah, Chairman of VFSTR, Lavu Sri Krishnadevarayalu, Vice Chairman of VFSTR, Prof. P. Nagabhushan, Vice-Chancellor of VFSTR, Dr. M.S. Raghunathan, Registrar of VFSTR, along with members of the board, executive council, academic council, deans,

and faculty. The occasion was a joyous and memorable celebration of the graduates achievements, marked by traditional attire that reflected India's rich heritage. The atmosphere buzzed with excitement as students captured the moment through selfies and group photos, creating memories to treasure forever.

Degrees were given to 860 students, including 670 MBA and 190 MCA graduates, who successfully completed their programs via online and distance learning.

Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao praised Vignan University for its dedication to nurturing innovative and skilled professionals. In his address, he underscored the transformative power of education as a cornerstone for personal and societal progress. Reflecting on the evolution of learning, he described how education begins with curiosity and ambition, eventually blossoming into a thriving tree of knowledge and skills.

Col. Prof. P. Nagabhushan highlighted VFSTR's commitment to an

inclusive and innovative approach to education, particularly through its online learning platform. He commended the graduates' sacrifices, dedication, and resilience, emphasizing that their achievements symbolize not only personal milestones but also significant contributions to societal progress.

Dr. Lavu Rathaiah delivered an inspiring speech, emphasizing that education goes beyond acquiring knowledge; it is about giving back to society through service. He encour-

aged graduates to remain adaptable, embrace lifelong learning, and align their efforts with sustainable development goals.

Lavu Sri Krishnadevarayalu, Vice-Chairman of VFSTR and a Member of Parliament, delivered a thought-provoking speech encouraging optimism and resilience. He cited Ratan Tata's philanthropic initiatives, such as the Tata Nano and Tata Swach, as examples of impactful innovation that address community needs. His words deeply inspired the graduates, urging them to uphold values of service, integrity, and societal impact as they embark on their personal and professional journeys.



A. Jyothirmai
II BME

A gathering of scholars, researchers, and students unfolded as a profound exploration of how emerging literary voices are shaping the cultural and societal landscapes of our times. The event was graced by keynote speakers Dr. Indu Menon and Mrs. Mahi Jabeen, whose compelling insights illuminated the transformative power of literature, the enduring significance of women's writing, and the nuanced art of poetic expression.

Dr. Indu Menon, a celebrated author and literary critic, delved deep into the role of contemporary literature in challenging societal norms and fostering inclusive dialogue. She emphasized how writers today act as both chroniclers and catalysts of change, painting vivid narratives that provoke thought and inspire action. "Literature," she noted, "is not merely a mirror to society but a torchbearer guiding us toward equity and empathy. The emerging voices, especially those of marginalized communities, are reshaping how we perceive identity, belonging, and justice."

Complementing this perspective, Mrs. Mahi Jabeen, an acclaimed poet and advocate for women's empowerment, articulated the pivotal

National Level Symposium

Exploring Emerging Literary Voices : A Gateway to Societal Transformation



role of women's writing in today's literary sphere. She highlighted how women authors and poets are boldly reclaiming their narratives, dismantling patriarchal constructs, and celebrating the essence of individuality and resilience. "Through the lens of poetry and prose," she said, "women are rewriting histories and scripting

futures where their voices resonate unbound." The event also featured readings from works by new and established writers, interspersed with panel discussions. These sessions examined the interplay between tradition and innovation in literature, the influence of technology on creative expression, and the enduring

relevance of storytelling in uniting diverse cultures and communities.

Audience members were particularly drawn to the discussions on poetic expression, where Mrs. Mahi Jabeen's poignant verses served as a reminder of poetry's power to connect hearts and inspire introspection. Dr.

Menon's critical analysis of how literature can dismantle stereotypes left participants reflecting on their own roles as readers and writers in fostering societal change.

The event sparked meaningful dialogues, igniting curiosity and inspiration among attendees. It underscored how literature, as a universal language, has the ability to challenge deeply entrenched norms, heal divides, and foster a sense of shared humanity.

The audience left invigorated, carrying with them newfound perspectives and a deeper appreciation for the potential of literary voices to drive transformation. The resounding applause and the post-event discussions echoed a unanimous sentiment: the event was an unqualified success, offering profound learning and lasting inspiration from the eminent speakers.



T. Srivalli Katyayani
I CSE

National Library Week

The first National Library Week was celebrated in 1958, with the theme "Wake Up and Read!" It was a response to the growing concern that Americans were spending too much time watching TV and not enough time reading. National Library Week is an annual celebration that highlights the essential role libraries play in our communities. It encourages people to explore the wealth of resources available at their local libraries, from books and digital media to educational programs and community events. It serves as a reminder of the importance of libraries in fostering literacy, lifelong learning, and access to information for all. Throughout National Library Week, libraries across the country host a variety of activities designed to engage patrons of all ages. From author readings and workshops to special exhibits and community outreach, these events aim to showcase the diverse offerings of libraries while promoting the message that libraries are vital hubs for knowledge and connection.

As we review events and activities that happened this year, we look at how libraries can continue to empower and inspire their communities. In honor of National Library Week many libraries offer free movies, music, audiobooks, and e-books. All you need to access these resources is a library card. In some libraries Scavenger hunts,

which require participants to search for books, authors, or genres within the building, are a great way to peruse the library and discover new publications. Other libraries test patrons' knowledge about books, authors, and library history by organizing online quizzes or trivia nights during National Library Week.

Sri. Kiran Prabha started the program at 11 a.m. The topic of this national library week was announced at the outset of the ceremony, presided over by Sri. S.V.S. Lakshmi Narayana. Our chancellor spoke to the students about the Vignan Library. All dignitaries signed the inaugural book of Koumudi Kinranalu. The celebration was followed by Sri Peddi Sambasiva Rao's lecture, which discussed the value of literature in our life. Our distinguished guest of honor, Smt. Kantikiran, a prominent member in the Telugu literary community, addressed the audience. Our honored chief guest, Sri Kiran Prabha, addressed the audience by recalling the magnificence of Yellapragada Subbarao's poems. Our dignitaries congratulate Kiran Prabha garu, Kantikiran garu, Peddi Sambasiva Rao garu, and Lakshmi I Narayana garu. The program ended with gratitude.



G. Priyanka
I Bioinformatics

National Pollution Control Day 2024



He is an environmental scientist addressing the issue of microplastic pollution, which is to become a significant concern for humanity-environment health. A speech delivered by Dr. M. Malakondaiah Garu inspired many during this celebration. The speech focused on the need for sustainable practices for a cleaner, greener tomorrow.

This gain touched the audiences and could successfully echo into the future of generations rather than today. The active participation of students in the day's celebrations was demonstrated via an impactful awareness video portrait and a placard contest.

Creative talents manifested by students, featuring the various types of pollution, in exhortation towards action. These compiled activities realized an aura of hope and determination, framing awareness into action. The celebration thus became a vibrant memory to remind VFSTR's National Pollution Control Day 2024 that every individual plays a key role in the movement for a clean and more sustainable world.



V. Sriteja
II CSE

US Education Fair 2024 A Gateway to Global Opportunities



The highly awaited US Education Fair 2024, conducted by the Department of Industry Relations, was a huge success. It has taken place at the N Block and created a huge gathering of more than 1,500 attendees, with students, teachers, and delegates from 25 top colleges and universities. The event provided an amazing venue for engaging discussions surrounding scholarships, academic pathways, and international career opportunities, offering attendees an experience of great value. The event provided

students with a unique chance to interact directly with university representatives, allowing them to gain valuable insights into higher education in the United States and explore the diverse opportunities that await them.

A notable highlight of the event was the special visit from the registrar, who addressed the audience and underscored the significance of global education in shaping students' futures. His address emphasized the significant potential that arises from the partnership between industry and academia, paving the way for a

multitude of career opportunities and academic progress. The US Education Fair 2024 marked a significant achievement in bridging the gap between students and their prospective educational and career trajectories, leaving a lasting impression on everyone who participated.



V. Sriteja
II CSE

Polymers Paving the Path to a Greener Future

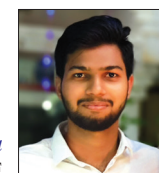


The National Conference on Frontiers in Polymer Science & Technology (NCFPST-2024) proved to be a great symposium at Vignan's University wherein the polymers will play a revolutionary role in the future concerning sustainability. The forum saw the congregation of brilliant minds, such as Prof. C.V. Avadhani of Pune and Dr. K. Vijayakrishna of IIT Bhubaneswar, who deliberated on how biodegradable and smart polymers are transforming industries, particularly medicine, energy, and environmental sustainability. Polymers can be more crucial than ever in waiting for miracles against escalating environmental challenges worldwide. These polymers would help to create a new

universe in pollution reduction since it is biodegradable that degrades naturally instead of staying like moths for thousands of years.

The conference further sheds its light on these polymers' ability to break them down in the environment-replacing conventional plastics, which reside for centuries. It also excitedly ventures into the testing edges of creating smart polymers that can be programmed to respond to external stimuli like temperature, pH, and light. These would then become futuristic materials that would promise not only environmental benefits but also solutions to a more significant issue impacting global health-energy supply concerns-with transformation

in drug delivery systems and energy storage devices or even remarkable new self-healing materials. It is no longer a futuristic vision-the polymer science sustainable integration effort is an urgent reality of today. Such initiatives, robustly built on advanced research and collaboration, promise polymers as an influential ally in addressing some of the most pressing environmental issues confronting our world. The NCFPST-2024 is now the hallmark of what polymer science so promises: a cleaner.



V. Sriteja
II CSE

DISTRICT LEVEL YOUTH FESTIVAL COMPETITIONS

The District Level Youth Festival competitions were held on 8th November 2024 at Vignan University, Vadlamudi, Guntur. These competitions were organized by our Andhra Pradesh Government to encourage students to showcase their talents in culture, life skills, and thematic projects. It was a grand event where students participated with great enthusiasm.

The festival began at 9:30 AM in the Sangamam Seminar Hall at Vignan University. Students from different areas participated in various events. The main aim of this youth festival was to promote creativity, skills, and innovation among young people.

The competitions were divided into three main categories: Culture, Life Skill, and Thematic. Culture Events

The cultural events showcased the rich traditions and heritage of our state. Students participated in:

1. Group Folk Dance
2. Group Folk Song
3. Solo Folk Dance
4. Solo Folk Song

The performances were colorful, vibrant, and full of energy. It was a joy to watch young talents presenting folk songs and dances with great dedication.



Life Skill Competitions

In the life skill category, students had a chance to display their creative and intellectual abilities. The competitions included:

1. Poetry
2. Story Writing
3. Painting
4. Declamation

These activities gave students an opportunity to express their ideas

and emotions. The poetry and story writing competitions were filled with thoughtful words and meaningful messages. The painting competition brought out the artistic talents of many students, and the declamation contest displayed their speaking skills and confidence.

Thematic Events

The thematic category was focused on Innovative Projects in Science and Technology. This section was all about creativity and innovation. Stu-

dents presented new ideas and projects that could help solve real-world problems. The projects showed their hard work, research, and deep interest in science and technology.

Encouragement and Rewards

The winners of this District Level Youth Festival were promised a chance to compete at the State Level Competitions. This gave the participants even more motivation to perform their best. The audience, which included teachers, friends, and fami-

ly members, cheered and encouraged all the participants.

Conclusion

These competitions were conducted in Vignan University and were organized by our AP Government. It was a wonderful platform for students to learn, grow, and showcase their abilities. Events like this help young people develop confidence, teamwork, and leadership skills.

Students returned home with happy memories, certificates, and appreciation for their talents. The event was a huge success, and everyone enjoyed the day filled with culture, art, and creativity.

For more details or registrations, contact details were provided on the poster. Students were encouraged to participate in such festivals to explore their hidden talents.

“Skills are the bridge between knowledge and success.”

“Folk art is the mirror of our traditions, reflecting the soul of the land.”

“Dream, innovate, and celebrate - the future belongs to you.”

G. Sivamani
II CSE



Drive Positive Change in Society

Mr. Balamurugan Ramasamy, Executive Vice - President, HCL Technologies Limited, India.

Q. *What are the key skills and competencies that companies like HCL Technologies expect from the freshers?*

A. Typically, fresher hiring by companies like HCL Technologies follows a standard assessment approach. The initial focus is on core technical skills, particularly proficiency in programming languages and software design principles. Strong communication and soft skills are equally important. Academic performance from 10th grade to graduation also serves as a key qualifying factor for selection.

Q. *How can students stay updated with rapidly changing technologies and industry trends while still in college?*

First, I'd like to acknowledge that inviting industry experts to interact with students is a great initiative by the university. Many institutions have a Board of Studies (BoS), which includes industry experts who periodically review and update the syllabus to align with current industry demands. During a recent discussion



with your chairman, I learnt that he is exploring innovative ways to further enhance this alignment with industry trends. His visionary approach shows strong leadership intent to bridge the gap between academic learning and industry requirements. I believe he is the best person to share more about these upcoming initiatives. It's promising to see this level of commitment from university leadership to prepare students for today's dynamic tech environment.

Q. *How can internships or real-world projects enhance a student's prospects of securing a job in top tech firms?*

A. Internships offer invaluable

exposure that can greatly strengthen a student's job prospects, especially with top tech companies. When you undertake an internship at a company like HCL or another multinational corporation (MNC), you are immersed in real-world projects and directly experience industry standards. This hands-on involvement allows you to work with the latest technologies, processes, domain knowledge, tools, and skill sets that meet current industry expectations.

Q. *What are some of the most significant technological innovations you've been part of during your time at HCL?*

A. I began my career at HCL as an R&D engineer in the manufacturing division, where I was involved in launching new products, including a product known as the Thin Client, which remains a proud milestone for me. After spending 13 years in product development, I transitioned to the services division at HCL Technologies. In this role, I led teams collaborating with global medical technology firms on

both new product development and product-sustaining engineering, applying various advanced technologies.

Q. *What leadership qualities do you believe are critical for driving growth and innovation in today's competitive tech industry?*

A. Leadership in today's tech industry hinges on a strong sense of responsibility toward society and a commitment to human-centered innovation. I'm reminded of a powerful message from Abdul Kalam, who emphasised that the core quality needed, regardless of one's role, is to serve as a human being dedicated to the welfare of others. Whether you're developing a medical device, designing a banking application, or constructing infrastructure, the end goal is to solve meaningful problems for society



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Q. *This is your first visit to Vignan University. How do you feel about being here? Are you happy with the accommodations and conference arrangements provided by the university? How well do they meet your needs?*

A. I feel very grateful and welcomed here. Everyone has been so friendly and kind, and I really appreciate it. The more I learn about your university, the more I admire it. You are lucky to be part of such a wonderful place. I love the spirit and philosophy of this university. You have excellent facilities for studying, sports, and personal growth. The messages around the campus encourage not just academic and career development but also growth as individuals. Being at this university gives you a chance to make a difference, no matter how small. Everyone has a role to play, and it's important to remember that. The spirit here emphasizes kindness and having mentors who care for you.



I believe it's important to be grateful and, in some way, give back by doing good in your own way. You are truly fortunate to be here, and I feel lucky to be part of it too.

Q. *Did you feel any language barrier or difficulty understanding us, our culture, or the facilities here?*

A. Not really. This is my fourth time in India, and I've been here before for research

collaboration, so I'm quite used to it. Everyone has been very kind and helpful. There's no language barrier because even if English isn't our first language, we find ways to communicate effectively.

Q. *What do you like most about research, and what drives you to do it?*

A. I love discovering new things and thinking out of the box. It's exciting to explore ideas that seemed impossible before, especially with new tools and collaborators. Turning ideas into reality and convincing students to believe in them is fulfilling. Sometimes things work as planned, and sometimes they don't, leading to unexpected discoveries. This creativity and problem-solving make me happy.

Q. *What advice would you give students who want to pursue higher education abroad, especially in France or Germany?*

A. Both countries are very welcoming to international students, so don't worry about paperwork—it's manageable. Choose a place that fits your academic goals and where you'll feel comfortable living. Research the options and reach out to the right people for guidance.

Q. *What is your final message to students?*

A. Do what makes you happy and follow your passion. Believe in yourself, and don't be afraid to fail. Failure is part of the journey, but it's important to learn from it and keep going. Everyone faces challenges, but persistence and determination will lead you to success.



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Letter to the Editor



Dear Voice Team,

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation for your exceptional work on the "Voice of Vignan" magazine. Your dedication to providing a platform for students and faculty to share ideas, achievements, and campus news is commendable. The magazine is more than an information source; it fosters a sense of community and pride among students. Your commitment to delivering an engaging and relevant content is clear. As a devoted reader, I eagerly anticipate each new edition for its fresh insights. Thank you for your hard work and dedication. Your efforts are truly inspiring. I am looking forward to many more inspiring issues of "Voice of Vignan".



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