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Vision

Excellence and
Service

Mission

CHRIST (Deemed to be) University is a nurturing ground for an individual's holistic development to make effective contribution to society in a dynamic environment.

Core Values

Faith in God
Moral Uprightness
Love of Fellow Beings
Social Responsibility
Pursuit of Excellence

Editorial.

The elucidation of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus's magazine 'Karwaan' can be best portrayed as a misconstrued persona found hiding along the verses of Urdu Poetry. The ever-so-sensitive Urdu poetry sympathises with the agonies of the misread word, affirming its reality by defining it as a 'vehicle that accompanied a harmonious group of individuals on their voyage'. Grasping the illusionistic spectacle offered by Urdu poetry, Christites shuffled into the pages of their first-ever magazine.

The first-years of our campus entered as half-dazed insomniacs fueled by caffeine and validation, roaming the halls desperately trying not to lose their marbles getting caught up in the symphonies of the Daedalian orchestra titled 'university'. Karwaan attempts to articulate and illustrate every orchestral interlude of our campus.

The Department of Media Studies, a bunch of equally befuddled first years' were entrusted with the curation of it all. Standing at the gates of our campus, they were asked to abridge the campus in all its glory, extracting its essence. We tirelessly scrounged every nook of our campus, attempting to narrate the tales of everyone that came under the mighty wing of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus.

In the midst of it all, we saw our department and its students fall into place much like a jigsaw puzzle waiting to be solved. The reporters went above and beyond in search of stories with flavour and characters with panache, the editors critiqued every word that made it to the pages with a sieve for perfection, the photographers aligned to capture the most palatable shots of the stories brewed and the designers delineated the enticing anecdotes onto the salver. Every slice of Karwaan was carefully picked to be the most delectable to serve the reader and its legacy shall remain unmatched for the years to come.

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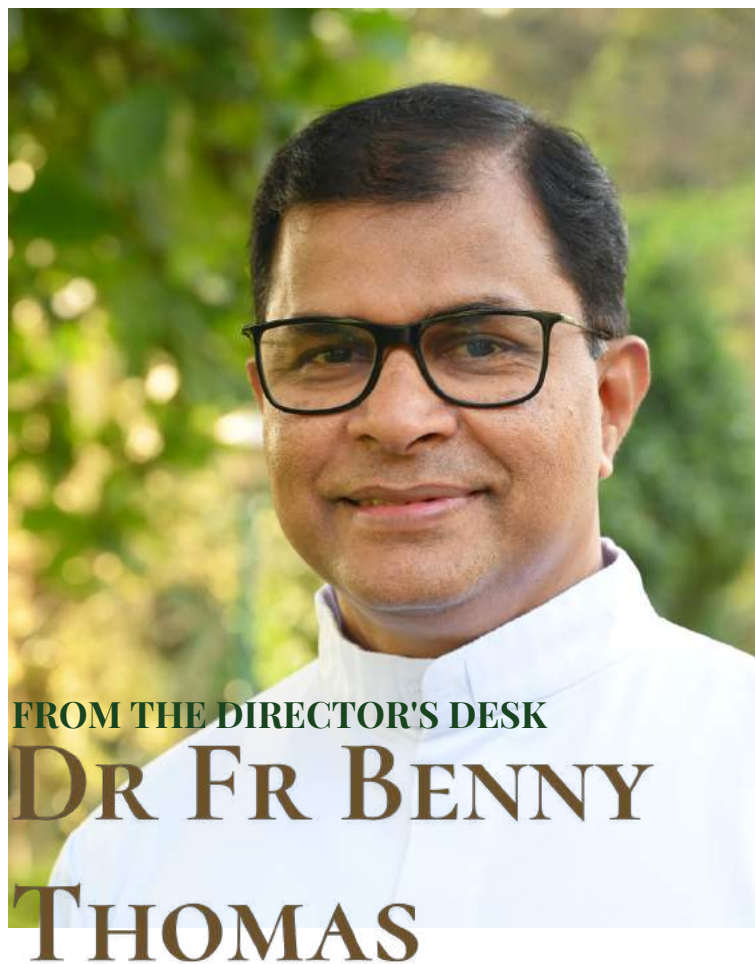
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Yash Kashyap (BACP-B)

Father Dr Benny Thomas has been a part of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University for almost 20 years. His constant support and expertise have been a pillar of strength, not only for the Yeshwanthpur campus but across other campuses as well. His knowledge of Computer Science and Technology has immensely contributed to the growth of the University. Owing to his major involvement with the process, he was able to brief us about the history of our campus. It is the second biggest campus of CHRIST University and is still growing. The land was brought from the St. Paul Society by the former Vice Chancellor Thomas C. Mathew and his team. The land and sale deed was registered on 24th April, 2017. The foundation stone of this campus was laid on 19th June 2020 in the presence of Chancellor Father George Edayadiyl. The inauguration of this campus was held on 15th August, 2022 by the esteemed Chancellor Father Paul Achandy.

On 18th August 2022, a new journey began and the campus was set in motion for its academic start.

It was inaugurated by former Vice Chancellor Thomas C. Mathew. This was a joyous occasion for all, filled with aspiration and hope.

Father Benny elaborated that this campus is formed to adhere to the New Education Policy and implement the dual-major programme. Establishing the campus near the industrial area also facilitates an academic and industrial connection giving students exposure through fieldwork and internships.

Every campus has a vision and a goal that they wish to achieve. The connivance of every faculty member and student gives this process of decision-making a sense of belongingness. Father Benny believes this goal is not something that is set in stone but is rather dynamic. As a result, the vision for the campus is still being formulated and nurtured through constant brainstorming.

Father Benny also shared with us his favourite part about the whole campus. It is the delightful smiles of the students that make his day. He also has a special place for the faculty who are willing to commute to the unconventional location of the campus and was delighted to mention how everything has been working in harmony and is coming together cohesively.

According to him, every Christite has a few qualities that make them distinct from others. He said, “I can recognize a Christite 100 metres away, just from the way they present and hold themselves in a crowd”. The values that make us unique and set us Christites apart are:- Faith in God, Moral Uprightness, Love of Fellow Beings, Social Responsibility, and Pursuit of Excellence. Father was also ecstatic while telling us about the constant inaugurations and celebrations on campus like “Magnificat”, a Christmas-themed event held in the month of December with the campus being decorated beautifully with lights and a crib. It was an uplifting and heart-warming conversation. Learning about our campus and what it holds for us in the future was illuminating.

"One can never define the boundaries of excellence..."

Fr Vinod Michael

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- By Kashvi Jain (BACP-A) and Zarina Azhar Mather (BACP-A)

Back in the 14th century, there lived an emperor in Delhi whose actions accused him of being an "inhuman eccentric." He went by the name of Muhammad Bin Tughlaq and was indubitably, one of the most enigmatic characters in Indian history. Reverend Father Vinod Micheal, a man we know to be one with a solemn persona and narrow pensive eyes, had once upon a time played the mighty character on stage. The profound yet dynamic individual that he was seemed to remain a mystery at the start.

During his childhood, he indulged in sports and photography, and stumbled upon theatre as well. All of which moulded him into the man he is today. From his experience, it is evident that extracurriculars were synonymous with the role played by a deuteragonist in the convoluted play we call life. That being said, one cannot ignore the subtle verdicts given by their academic performances. Interestingly, we hold the power over those verdicts.

His childhood had directed him toward a degree in Communication, English and Psychology. While the first two subjects had resorted to the backseat, psychology thrived during then. But time interrupted his rhythm and led him toward the world of English and Literature. Somewhere along the way, he found himself educating children in Uttarakhand. Realizing that English was a subject without enough educators in the rural nooks of the country, he took it upon himself to become one, setting an example to all the students that would later come under his wing.

'Excellence and Service' wasn't just a time-old tale told by CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, its alumni and students have evidently adopted its doctrine into their legacy. To him, literature extended beyond the gates of spirituality, far and wide into eclecticism. He had arrived in front of the paperback door only to be greeted by the melodramatic yet grandiose 'Classics', and invited in to exchange pleasantries with the rest of the humble characters within the walls of literature. He met and pondered upon the meaning of life with the wide and wistful 'Philosophy', contemplated the subtle paradoxes of the human mind with 'Psychology' and made it his point to have a chat with everyone that walked those halls. Reading wasn't just a mindful activity, it was the art of building relationships with the theories and characters that resided within those pages.

When asked how he managed his stressful career, he took a long pause and replied with the word "Community", a time-old solution to share the weight of the world with others so one wouldn't fall into a state of despair. While individuals of different backgrounds and statuses roamed the halls of CHRIST, the question as to how we ought to bring everyone under the umbrella of the 'CHRIST community' remained unanswered. Confronting the unsettling diversity seemed to act as a hurdle in the process, but was simply articulated by Father Vinod as a tactic to build relationships if only one were to emerge confidently. With time, Christites would fall into place like the pieces of a puzzle, ever so slowly yet steadily. They would emerge as a community with nothing short of gumption.

While commenting on the vision of the campus, Father Vinod touched upon the volatile theory that everyone evolved with time. One can never define the boundaries of excellence because "What may be considered best today, may not be the best tomorrow". But one must make sure that he throws on his best performance regardless of the critic that sit across.

From the Dean's Desk

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"I do not consider teaching as just my profession, it is my vocation"

-By Nisha Kumar (BACP-A) and Kashvi Jain (BACP-A)

"How could I be more relevant for the student community? is what I ask myself every day as I punch in to enter the University", says Dr Joby Thomas, Dean of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus, Bangalore. "I draw my relevance from the vision and mission statements of the University. I firmly believe that my presence should facilitate effective contributions to society." By making conscious efforts to connect with the students, he constantly tries to impart in them the values and skills unique to a Christite.

Dr Joby Thomas embarked on his teaching journey in 2001. "It was a dream come true when I got a job as an Assistant Professor at CHRIST", he says reminiscing the time he developed his fascination towards CHRIST when he accompanied students during his time as a guest lecturer at Mangalore University. Coordinating and executing placement activities, department and college level events, participating in the curriculum development committee, and being a holistic education trainer at CHRIST, aided not only the students but also him in amplifying his leadership qualities.

The new Yeshwanthpur campus too, he claims, would open up a wide arena of opportunities for the students. "It is true that the locality of our campus is not as developed compared to the other campuses. But that won't curb the development of our students in any way," he says. This wonderful rural-urban blend would, in fact, expand their knowledge and give the students a better understanding of the marginalized section of the society. The aim is to expedite the upliftment of the adjoining community through various academic activities.

His vision for this campus is to provide all the students equal opportunities and build an environment to practice excellence and contribute to the service of society despite the existing barriers.

"I was in the first batch too. We did not have seniors to guide us," he says recalling his undergraduate years at Pazhassi Raja College, Kerala. Along with his peers, he had then published a manuscript called "AYANAM, a travel magazine. They would hold regular meetings and devote time towards improving vocabulary by reading Reader's Digest and having intellectual discussions. With library books being limited in number, he resorted to CDs of Encarta, a digital encyclopedia. "Constructive utilization of technology is important for students," he remarks.

According to him, college life moves beyond the boundaries of a campus. Dr Thomas, an ardent travel enthusiast, toured various places during his college days and funded the same from cash prizes he won from quiz competitions. "I won the South Indian regional quiz competition held on the occasion of the 50th Independence Day," he says with a tinge of pride in his eyes.

Nostalgia washes over him, as he walks us through his student life. While pursuing his master's from Indore, Madhya Pradesh, the linguistic barrier was an eminent problem he faced, much similar to what students in Bangalore are currently facing. To overcome these hurdles, he suggests the students talk to local vendors and connect with the community. "The presence of this institute should be cherished by the locals here," Dr Joby Thomas says.

The campus undeniably lays out a list of challenges for both the students and the faculties. But overcoming those challenges, as the Dean suggests, will unlock the dormant creativity in the students and pave the way for improvement. "I firmly believe that the students from the first batch of the Yeshwanthpur campus will come out as confident and responsible individuals who are also considerate towards society and strive to constantly seek innovation in every field they go in," he states with utmost conviction.

Eighteen years in the University and his enthusiasm to come to college has never dampened. One can always find Dr Joby Thomas in the morning with a bag in his hand and a smile on his face, cheerfully walking toward his cabin, greeting everyone on the way.

The Birth of Yeshwanthpur Campus

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– By Ami Masurkar (BACP-B)

The CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus, the latest addition to the CHRIST fraternity is situated in the quaint little townlet of Nagasandra, Bangalore. Though expeditious, the herculean task of creating the campus dealt with an enormous amount of groundwork. Yeshwanthpur, Nagasandra was chosen as the prime location for this campus, keeping in mind the industrial connections it would provide to the students.

In a conversation with Father Dr Benny Thomas, he walked us through the timeline of the creation of this university. The land on which the magnificent campus sits was bought from St. Paul Society by the former vice-chancellor Dr Thomas C. Mathew and his team. The sale deed was registered in the month of April 2017. With the foundation stone being laid on the 19th of June 2020; the inauguration ceremony of the campus was graced by Father George Edayadiyl, who was the Chancellor then. The reason for the creation of this campus can largely be attributed to the New Education Policy that was introduced in the year of 2020. As per this policy, students are given the opportunity to opt for dual majors, which the new campus offers.



The beloved Yeshwanthpur campus was solemnly inaugurated on the 15th of August by Chancellor Father Paul Achandy marking history in the lives of two thousand-odd students. This momentous occasion was observed by the enthusiastic students of Yeshwanthpur Campus who were eagerly waiting to start classes and commence their college life. The days that followed the inauguration witnessed orientation sessions for all the new Christites, where they were briefed about their respective courses and classes.

On the 18th of August, the academic beginning of the campus was officially inaugurated by prior general of CMI congregation and former Vice Chancellor Fr Dr Thomas C. Mathew. Ever since, the campus has been lit up with the smiles of the students who, as Father Benny rightly remarked, bring life to this campus. The rest is now upon us Christites, to create legacy as the first batch of this newly established campus.

Cele Fiesta

-By Yash Kashyap (BACP-B)

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As someone who attended the entire event and was witness to all the festivities, I can confidently say that after two challenging weeks of CIA, this was exactly the thing we needed. The positive and upbeat atmosphere that surrounded these events and the relief from a monotonous schedule with the bonus of tasty food and beverages was a great way to relax and have some fun.

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An event that captured everyone's attention, Cele Fiesta was a sight to behold. Cele Fiesta was held on 20th October and was an expressive conduit for talent and a fun fest to cure CIA fatigue. SWO organized numerous dance and music performances to keep the energy levels high and have all eyes on them.

Ever wondered if you could find delicious cupcakes, fun games, yummy pani-puris and more in a single place? Cele Fiesta managed to do just that. The key factor in having a successful fest is the amount of participation. We saw students from all departments rallying up to participate in the event. It was fascinating to witness everyone interacting and becoming more at ease with one another.

Teachers' Day

- By Samriddhi Srivastava (BACP-A)

The years we spend at college will live on in our memories for the rest of our lives, and they are undoubtedly some of the best ones. When mornings evolve into evenings and friends become family, we remember the friends we make and the time we spend hanging out in the canteen discussing everything from class notes to gossip. Who do we turn to, though, when times go tough? Without a doubt, our teachers, yes. They do have a significant impact on how we navigate the emotional rollercoaster we call "college life." It's been said that professors can transform a student's life with the perfect combination of challenges and chalk.

The Yeshwanthpur campus students celebrated their maiden Teachers' Day with astounding dance performances, mind-blowing shows, and melodious musical medleys with songs from nearly every state. The basement was brimming with happiness when everyone joined in with the university music club's rendition of "Koi Mil Gaya". And that's not all, "picture abhi baaki hai mere dost". Our teachers added to the evening's entertainment by performing on stage with us, from Thirunarayana Murthi sir making the whole crowd tap their feet in glee with his groovy dance to Krishna ma'am mesmerizing everyone while singing "Mere Dholna". The event, to put it mildly, was a magnificent success. Christites radiated utmost respect and cheerful zeal that day.

Darpan '22

A PROFUSION OF TALENTS

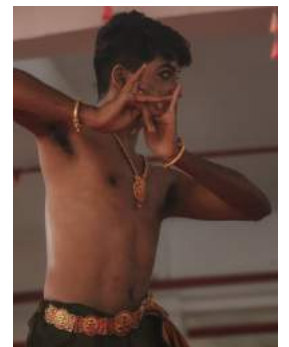
- By Swati Bhatnagar (BACP-A)

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DARPAN is the mirror that reflects the true potential of every Christite. An intra-university fest, conducted by the Student Welfare Office (SWO), it is a boiling pot of culture and an exceptional opportunity for all Christites to be; well, in Harry Potter terms, *the chosen one*. It is a talent search where undiscovered student talents are sought for. The winners make up the cultural team of the university, with so many platforms where they can compete either individually or in groups. It is a fusion of several courses showcasing their talents. This year, CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus hosted its first-ever large-scale event, DARPAN 2022, comprising multiple memorable events that kickstarted on a scholastic note with Debate and Photography being its inaugural events, on 19th September while events like Collage and Quiz took place on 20th September. The argumentative contestation during the debate competition supplemented the creative photography event that ran parallel. Collage making and quizzes added the much-needed zest to the day. Continuing with the scholastic theme, Creative Writing along with artistic events like Indian Classical Singing (Solo) and Mandala Art were organized on 21st September and were, as usual, an absolute hit among the students.

22nd September saw some more creative and colorful events like Painting and Mime. Subsequently, fun and thrilling events like Dumb Charades and Cartooning were organized on 23rd September, providing much-needed excitement among the not-so-fun CIA routine.

We all know there have been no fests in history that lacked dance as an event, and DARPAN was no exception. Indian Dance Solo (Classical and Folk/Film) took place on 24th September, accompanied by Sketching. With Navratri starting on the 26th of September, the Indian Duet Dance added more joy and festivity to the whole event while being complemented by Junk Art. Be it photography or quiz, Mandala Art or Debate, Dance or Mime, Painting or Dumb Charades, DARPAN had the best of all worlds. Further, the rest of this 11-day fest shall be nothing but thrilling, extraordinary, and fantastical. Firsts always do matter; looking back to the very first DARPAN of Yeshwanthpur campus, it was unarguably a mega-hit.



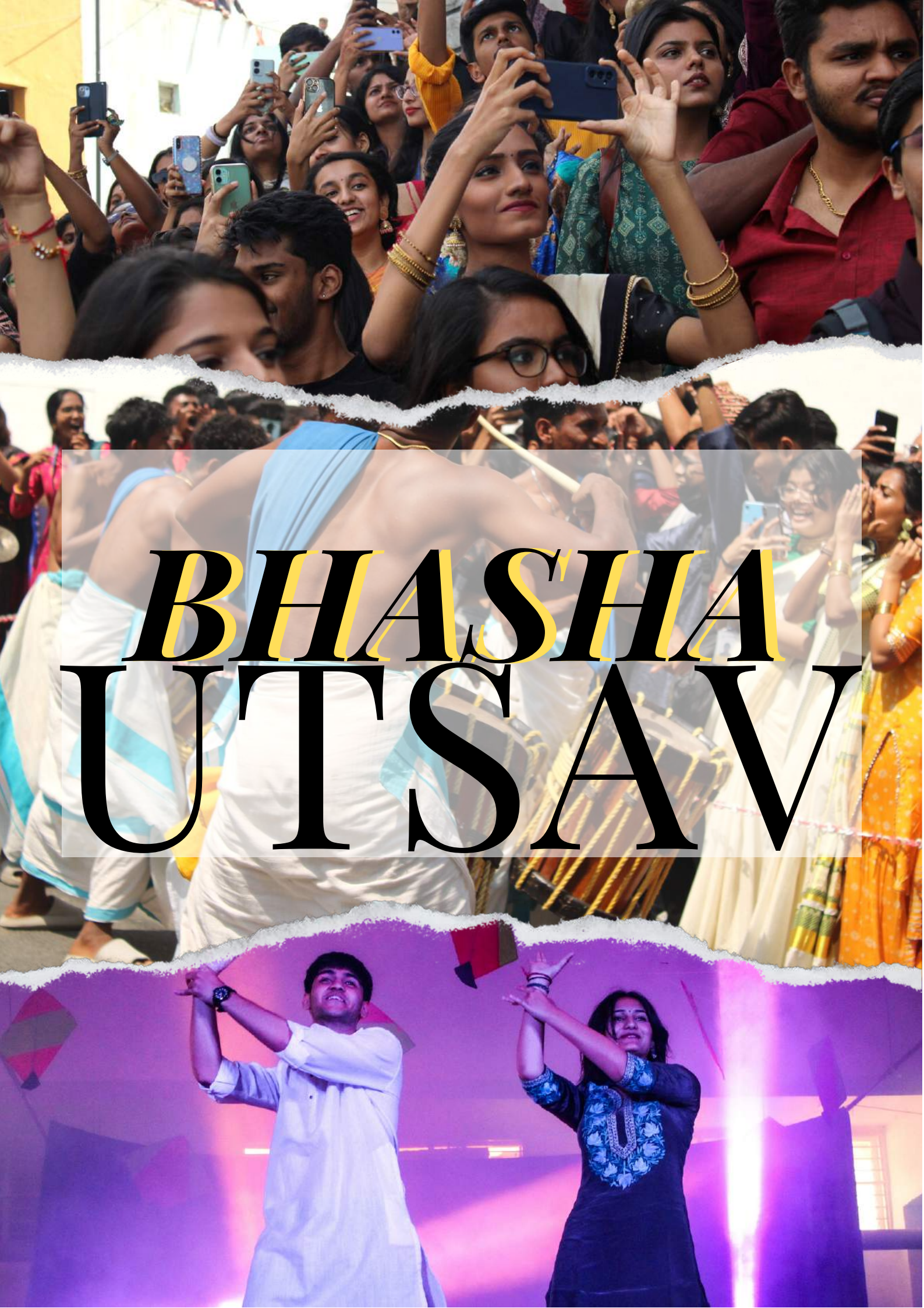
The first ever CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus's event was held on 3rd September, '22. 'Christites Got Talent' was an open mic event organized by the postgraduate students of the English Department. A variety of dance, musical, and slam poetry performances were presented at the event.

Students from various faculties and classes took part in various musical performances.



There were three primary dance performances: one to the rhythm of a devotional song, one by the postgraduate students of the department of English and Cultural Studies, and one combining all departments to a Bollywood theme.

A speech by the English Department's Programme Coordinator, Arun Sir, and a note of gratitude from the MA English with CS Class Representative, Suravi Mishra, marked the event's conclusion.



BHASHA UTSAV



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I wish for every student to become responsible global citizens by discovering the purpose of their lives

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Dr Vineeth M

PROGRAMME COORDINATOR,
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

– By Simran Bhattarai (MA AE)



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Dr Vineeth M, the Program Coordinator of the Department of Economics, was always interested in public policy and administration. When he was in school he had initially planned to pursue MBBS. But his concerns about social issues like poverty alleviation, his empathetic and generous nature, his exposure to the plight of common people, and the advice of his then District Collector, influenced him to take up economics in his higher studies with the ambition of becoming a civil service officer. However, life had other plans, and he took up academics after falling in love with economic research and econometrics. Economics is considered an important part of social science, and according to him, it has immense potential in every field due to the fact that a fundamental understanding of economics is required for civil services, public policy-making, market analysis, financial consultancy, banks, and even start-ups.

When asked about the Department of Economics, he remarked that it is one of the oldest departments of the university and has created a legacy of providing quality education, which is reflected in the students' achievements like getting admissions into the world's leading educational institutes, placements in leading MNCs, and winning numerous laurels, namely the Best Researcher Student Award, the Young Economist Award, and the Best Research Paper Award. The exceptional faculty, skill development classes, fests, and various co- and extracurricular events, along with opportunities to conduct their own independent research, help the student's holistic development. Dr Vineeth wants every student to become responsible global citizens by discovering the purpose of their lives, expanding their strengths, working on their weaknesses, and thereby transforming into better versions of themselves.



Upon the inception of the Yeshwanthpur campus, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore, the students of the Economics department immediately went through a series of orientation programs that took place throughout August. On the 26th of August, the department conducted an alumnus meeting with Harshit Garg, who spoke about dissertations, research basics, and ethics. This was immediately followed by another alumnus meeting on August 27th with Shubham Anand, who gave valuable insights into placements, skill enhancement courses, and internships.

MA students attended an online expert talk on “Basics of Difference-in-Difference Approach with Two Time Periods,” delivered by renowned Econometrician Professor Jeffrey Wooldridge. A webinar on 'Climate Change Impacts and Vulnerability of Rainfed Farming System in South India,' was conducted by the Central Campus, delivered by Dr. S. Nedumaran (Principal Scientist, ICRISAT, Hyderabad) for M.A. Students. A webinar on 'Research Process and Experiences,' conducted by Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), and delivered by renowned professor and researcher Dr. Bisaliah, was executed for M.A. Students.

Another event worth mentioning, the 'Krishi Mela,' occurred at the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru, Hebbal. The department witnessed the reality of dryland farming and the different types of crops that fall under it. The entire Mela (fair) was divided into various sections like Agricultural equipment, Agricultural start-ups, and Organic farming. It had multiple varieties of food stalls, followed by the distribution of several samples and pamphlets.

Cognoscere



- By *Simran Bhattarai* (MA AE), *Aparna M* (ECOH B) and *Aastha Nair* (ECOH A)

The Economics Association- COGNOSCERE was set up in the month of November with Dr. Yogeshwari S as the president and faculty in charge. Rituparna Kashyap was selected as the Association Secretary. Suzzane Heber Pulikkottil and Ishita Sharma were designated as the association's Joint Secretaries. The Economics Association comprises students from the departments of BA Economics (Hons) and MA Applied Economics. The association was finally inaugurated on the 3rd of November, preceded by a flash mob on the 2nd of November. The inauguration ceremony was graced by our esteemed chief guest, Dr. M Govinda Rao (former director, NIPFP, New Delhi, member of the 14th Finance commission, currently the chief economic advisor, Brickwork ratings).

The Economic Association arranged for the invited lecture on “The Achilles heel of Indian Public Policy: Diagnosis and Prescription Sans Methodology” by Dr. M.H Suryanarayana (Retd. Professor of Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research Mumbai).



Dr Kavitha Desai

HEAD – DEPARTMENT OF
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

– By Harshitha Talasila (BBA F & A)
and Diva Kaur (BBA F&A)

“ *The graduates of this department are sure to be successful as they are not only strong academically but also recognize the need to take an active role in giving back to society.* ”

The Department of Professional Studies offers a unique set of integrated programmes with the focus on the comprehensive and holistic growth of each student. These programmes produce excellent professional profiles for students that prepare them for exceptional employment prospects. The department emphasizes not only on academics but also on co-curricular activities and other extracurricular pursuits that aid in the holistic growth of the students. The members of this department excel in every pursuit since they are made adept at balancing their academics with the many other opportunities that the university offers. The graduates from the programmes of DPS are encouraged to be both socially sensible and ethically responsible. Each programme under of the department have a mandatory course on ethics, so ensure the same.

Overall, the emphasis is on the all-inclusive development of individuals, who is exposed to a variety of opportunities including internships and organization studies, as early as the first semester, that provides an exposure to the corporate world and its functional areas. The graduates of this department are therefore very successful since they are not only strong academically but also recognize the need to take an active role in giving back to society. This department's mission is to encourage each and every person, offer them the tools they need to succeed, and help them discover who they are and what they are genuinely capable of.



Insurgence

- By Harshitha Talasila (BBA F & A)

Insurgence, an event, was conducted by the Department of Professional Studies (DPS), was conducted on 24 September 2022. The event commenced with a mesmerizing dance performance and euphonious singing performances. The students of DPS were all set to make the event a grand success. Conducted in the Audi block of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) from 11:30am onwards,

Insurgence marked the onset of many magnificent events which DPS aims to organize. Hosted by Kris and Joanne, the event was inaugurated by Shashwata announcing the various clubs under DPS- such as the Art, Debate, Theatre, FIC, etc. which were the results of months of unyielding efforts by the students of DPS.

Following this, Dr Kavitha, the Head of DPS, spoke of the various achievements and programs offered by the department. She talked about the history and principles behind the evolution of the department. The love and respect she has for DPS were evident, and she captured the audience and enthralled them with department's success stories.

Next, there was a traditional dance performance by the students of BBA F&A and BCOM F&A. The audience was awestruck by the energy and grace shown by the performers. Afterwards, There was a business quiz too. A large number of students participated enthusiastically, turning it into a huge success. The department's theatre club also showed their best efforts. Their dedication towards putting on a fabulous performance was shown by their witty dialogues and colourful costumes. Dr Hridhya, Dr Bhagyalakshmi and Dr Kavitha congratulated the team special for their excellent coordination.

Their efforts and constructive criticisms were a huge reason for the success of the stellar event. The event was put together meticulously; every single nuance was taken care of by the students in a well structured manner. It was a true representation of the magnificence of the Department of Professional Studies.



DR SHRINIVAS

Programme Coordinator, School of Business and Management

- By Teresa Kuruvila (BBA FIB B)

“ *Business is a field
which anyone can pursue, regardless of
their prior knowledge and background.* ”

Dr Shrinivas wanted to pursue business, so he took his BBM and then his MBA. He went on to work in the corporate sector for a couple of years before discovering that teaching is what satisfied him the most. So, he switched career paths and has been teaching professionally for over a decade. He shared his personal story as a lesson to all those students joining the department who are not from a business background to persevere and work hard. “I’d encourage them to know that business is a field that anyone can pursue, regardless of their prior knowledge and background,” he advised. He believes that one only needs interest, innovative thinking, and an entrepreneurial mindset to become successful in the management field. There is also a provision for bridge courses in integral subjects like math and accounting for students who are unfamiliar with them.

Business and Management is a highly-demanded course in the nation and one of the most reputed courses that the university offers. In addition to the successful flagship programmes of the Central Campus such as BBA, MBA, B. Com, BBA Honours, and B. Com Honours, this Campus also offers the BBA FIB course, a course which was initially started in the Central Campus and was transferred to the Bannerghatta Road Campus later on.

Despite the pandemic, there was a continuous demand for BBA and MBA courses, which proves the undeniable scope of the department. Along with professional training in the subject, there is also a major focus on the holistic development of an individual, which adds to their character-building and employability.

“It is important to note that it is students, not mere buildings, that make a difference,” he responded when asked about his thoughts on the campus still being under development. The students are growing alongside the campus. He looks forward to teaching the students in the upcoming years.

CUSBMA unleashes future business leaders at NOVICE '22

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By Teresa Kuruvila (BBA FIB B)

The legacy of CHRIST University's School of Business and Management Association (CUSBMA) remains intact at Yeshwanthpur, beckoning aspiring business, marketing, and finance enthusiasts to make their mark at its flagship event, NOVICE- Beyond All Limits, held from November 8th-10th.

Staying true to its theme, events ranging from start-up pitches, cricket auctions, business quizzes, treasure hunts and stock meetings have soared above limitations and truly encapsulated the vigour of participants deciphering the realities of the corporate world.

After a grand inauguration led by Guest Speaker Mr Gopi Rengan of Avtec Ltd, it was time to kickstart the highly-anticipated fest that boasted a total of 700+ participants engaging in the events. To say that NOVICE was a success would be an understatement. Within a span of just three days, students took on roles of brokers, managers, marketers, and entrepreneurs of unmatched energy to unearth their true business leaders. With a powerhouse of a committee led by the support of faculty, the journey of CUSBMA inspiring towards the path of innovative, unique business solutions and ideas has only begun.

The Events :

- **Trivia:** The Business Quiz: The ultimate business questionnaire, invited members to test their know-how on the latest events that unfurl the world of business. Inquisitive participants were kept on their toes when asked about the latest and greatest in business, finance, and more.
- **Marketing Mayhem:** This event invited 20 teams to market unique ideas to customers and challenge the typical segments, prospects, and approaches in the field.
- **The Uncharted Trove:** The campus-wide treasure hunt saw some 250 students showcasing their problem-solving and data interpretation skills as they took on 60 teams spanning across multiple campus locations to search for clues.
- **IPL Auction:** Top-rated cricket players were up for grabs in this simulation of the Indian Premier League's famous auction, while testing the analytical and negotiating abilities of participants.
- **The Capital Pitch:** This event adorned novel ideas brought forth by aspiring entrepreneurs seeking to take their businesses to the next level while adhering to a specified financial plan that facilitated their incubations.
- **Hot Seat:** How businesses stay afloat during unforeseen events and remain competent under the right management was the objective of the event, which allowed participants to test their skills in mock trials.
- **Stock Event:** Decked in their office best, participants trading in forex, crypto, and commodities were a sight to behold in this rapid 15-minute event that saw bulls and bears formulating sound financial decisions for markets.
- **Best Manager:** Perhaps the most-anticipated event of NOVICE, this superlative best describes the figure who is a culmination of all the traits of the ideal business head.

BEHIND THE LENS -

The Directors

Department of Media Studies

- By Zarina Azhar Mather (BACPA)

The new-fashioned Department of Media Studies in CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanathpur Campus is nothing short of a humble atelier dedicated to tailoring the amateur candidates who would one day be the future of mass media. Having been acknowledged by India Today as the first among the “top emerging colleges of this century” in their 2020 survey, CHRIST has set its standards quite high. Under the tutelage of three adept couturiers, who are well-versed in their field right down to industrial experience, the students work to bring out their creative best to the catwalk. Led by a woman, Dr Nirmala M.N and her teammates Dr Rajashekar and Anto P. Cheerotha indoctrinate a group of young media professionals into nothing short of what can be metaphorically compared to ‘Haute couture. With a bountiful background in research, print and digital journalism; they carry a whole slew of needles and threads in their pocket with the aim of sewing together individuals capable of journalistic perfection.

As the first dual major course in CHRIST (Deemed to be) University the curriculum is sculpted with armature built on the grounds of the NEP model. With an excellent media lab, up its sleeve, and a library which aims to accommodate resources illustrating the gusto and fervour of the media world; the Yeshwanthpur Campus’s media course is adroit, to say the least.



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Working in an academic setting is quite new to me. But in the Department of Media Studies, with faculties being very cooperative and students being considerate, I feel like I belong here.

- Dr Rajashekar D, Assistant Professor

Every day in this department is a learning experience for me. The students are already very perspicacious and media-savvy that they motivate me to brush up my own skills

- Anto P Cheerotha, Assistant Professor

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With eclectic seminars and activities, they never failed to go the extra mile. In the very first week of the first semester, the students were accompanied by their teachers to the central campus for the much-awaited Media Meet where they mingled with diversity and talents across campuses. The Media Meet of 2023 shall begin its journey in the Yeshwanthpur campus all the while witnessing its charms in the process.

The students of our department can be best compared to a colour palette; with each shade distinct from one other. Writers, editors, videographers, cartoonists, photographers and artists co-existed harmoniously within the walls of our classrooms. Adding to the already colourful palette, India exists, from head to toe in all its glory. As the voice of our campus, we ensure that no tale goes untold.



INIKAAS

- By Sakshi Pandey (BACPA)

The Department of Media Studies at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus never sleeps. From the very first week of the semester - we lived the experiences that we dreamt of.

After months of running around, hour-long meetings, sweat and tears came the inauguration of INIKAAS - the Press Club at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University. On 30th September 2022, INIKAAS was inaugurated by Ms Afshan Yasmee, Senior Assistant Editor of The Hindu, Bengaluru. The event was followed by a logo and promo video launch accompanied by a theatre performance and a musical. The media department did not fail to awe the audience with their witty jokes, dance moves, and soulful singing. The day marked the beginning of a chapter for the Media Department at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur.

The upcoming week was headed by a guest lecture for the students of the Media Department. The occasion was graced by Ms Smitha Venkatesh and she spoke about the ideologies of the Father of our Nation, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi. The event concluded by presenting her with a beautiful hand-made paper bouquet.

On 14th November, another enthralling event followed- a media literacy workshop. The workshop was conducted by Mr Yash Pariwal, and Ms Valairose Perera, both PhD students of Media Literacy at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University. The three-hour-long session was informative, and innovative and kept all the students constantly involved and entertained with games, Q&A sessions, etc.

National Press Day is observed on 16th November every year to commemorate the establishment of the Press Council of India. It focuses on the importance of having a free press in a democratic nation. CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur observed the day by collaborating with the Library and Information Centre as well as by organizing a guest lecture by Prof. Balasubramanian on the topic of 'Media Freedom'.



The whole Department of Media Studies comes alive during the Media Meet - it is the most awaited, bone-chilling event for the students of the department. CHRIST (Deemed to be) University provides this platform to meet and interact with people from the industry and academics. Media Meet creates a forum to share ideas and opinions on topics around the field of media. It was a three-day program conducted in the CHRIST Central and Bannerghatta Campuses and was focused on the topic of 'Media Technologies'.

The event began with a keynote address by Thodur Madabusi Krishna, a Chennai-borne author, activist, vocalist, and Ramon Magsaysay awardee. This was accompanied by panel discussions, guest talks, webinars and workshops, and cultural performances for entertainment.



DR RAGHUNANDAN G

PROGRAMME COORDINATOR, SCHOOL OF COMMERCE

-By Manaswee Patwari (BCOM A)

A learned intellectual and the department Head of Commerce, He possesses a display of degrees.

“*It’s always what you give back to society that matters.*”

Dr Raghunandan, while being an all-encompassing teacher, mainly specialises in Finance especially International Finance, Strategic Management, Information Systems and Risk Management.

With an undergraduate degree in Chemical Engineering he went on to pursue MBA in Finance and finally completed his PhD in Information Science. With 8 years of corporate experience and 8 years of academic experience he brings both theoretical and practical knowledge to the classroom.

Being an expert in various fields, he explains the significance of commerce and how it never ceases to exist. “No Country, business or individual can survive without it”, he says. He expands on the various sectors besides accountancy, asset management and banking that are thriving with Commerce students, including but not limited to Data Science, Data Analytics, Entrepreneurship, Interior Designing, Algorithm Trading and Research.

The students of Commerce can venture into many fields, he elaborates, because of the multi-disciplinary curriculum, allowing them to be well-versed even in the basics of coding and much more. He very much enjoys teaching Strategic Management, real-life case studies and how to generate intellectual discussions in a classroom space. “Think about channelising your energy into one place and eventually but surely, you will reap benefits from it”, he advises. Planning and perseverance are important. He explains the misconceptions about how the need for planning and execution is misunderstood in their vice-versa format. Planning should be 90% and execution should be 10% and not the opposite, he corrects. Most importantly he underlines the importance of believing in oneself and having a focused and strong mind in the face of distractions and hardships.



inauguration

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
FINANCE AND ACCOUNTANCY

– By Manaswee Patwari (BCOM A) and Indrani Pathak (BCOM H B)

The much-awaited inauguration of the CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Commerce Association began with the hosts welcoming the esteemed chief guest Dr Karthigai Prakasam, the head of the Department of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy, the respected Dean, Dr Joby Thomas, and Dr Father Benny Thomas, the Director of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus. The coordinator of the Department of Commerce, Finance, and Accountancy, Dr Raghunandan G, was welcomed alongside them. The dignitaries then lit the lamp in accordance with the University's auspicious tradition, followed by Dr Fr Benny Thomas, our Campus Director, and the Dean, Dr Joby Thomas, addressing the audience. Dr Karthigai Prakasam addressed the crowd and proclaimed the association's formal inauguration as well as the inauguration of the clubs within the association.



The core team committee members who will play an important role in the foundation of this prestigious association were introduced by Dr Sushin M. The event drew to an end with a vote of gratitude from Dr Sudha E, the CUCA Faculty Coordinator.

The students then had the chance to express their thanks to everyone who had contributed in any way to the success of the program and this organization. The Commerce Association of the Yeshwanthpur campus got off to a lively start thanks to its inauguration.

**“
The most
crucial aspect
of computer
science
is problem
solving.”**

I met Vinay Sir in the university cafeteria. As always, Sir was prompt, appropriately dressed and professional. He gave me a wide smile when he saw me, which immediately put my mind at ease.

We talked for a while and then began our interview. The first question I asked was about the significance of the field and the employment opportunities that come with it. He replied that the most crucial aspect of computer science is “problem solving”. Students study the design, development and analysis of software and hardware to solve problems in various business, scientific and social contexts.

Computational thinking & interaction with industry legends and hands-on training in advanced skills will be beneficial to them later in their career.

Upon enquiring about what had inspired him to choose this field as his major and later, his career when he was younger, he explained that when he was in High School, they were not allowed to touch the computer system installed. This created a curiosity in his mind. Questions like “how does it work? What’s inside? Who is answering our questions?” ensued in his mind and motivated him to know more about computers. Games like “Prince”, “Mario”, and “road-rash” also influenced him.

When he could solve the basic programs and puzzles from friends, he gained more confidence to learn computer science. Looking back at his interest in this domain, his teachers too helped him pursue a career in it. According to him, Computer Applications, Digital Skills, Online Tools, Training and Technology Implementation, and

Mobile App Development inform the legacy of the subject.

I probed further about the strengths that students shall gain through this course. He replied that apart from the subject knowledge and problem-solving abilities, soft skills and technical skills which are demanded by the industry shall be gained as well.

Towards the end, I asked if he had any tips for students to successfully complete the course and reap its maximum benefits. He gave the following pointers- believe in yourself, organise and plan your work, find your area of interest, master core concepts by reading more and practising, update your knowledge, be up to date with current trends and technology, and interact with teachers.

KARWAAN



- By Bhagyashree Roy (BCA A)

Department Buzz

- By Bhagyashree Roy (BCA A)

Samagra, the brand new club initiated by the Department of Computer Science offers a variety of programs for all students. It provides an opportunity for everyone to learn and grow together. It was inaugurated on 5th November, in the basement of the academic block.

Dr P. Nandhakumar, UI/UX Designer at ZOHO Technologies graced us with his presence as the Chief guest of the event, accompanied by Father Dr Benny and Dean Dr Joby Thomas. The event lineup included a spectrum of the Welcome speech, Club logo reveal, Club teaser display, Address to the gathering, and a Technical talk by the chief guest.



All thanks to the Program Co-ordinator Dr Vinay M, Co-ordinator Dr Deepa S, and the core members of the club, the event turned out to be a grand success.



SPECTACLES, SCREENS AND BCA-B

- By Ayush Maheshwari (BCA B)

We are the computer science department's Bachelor of Computer Applications, Section-B, or simply BCA-B, in the CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus.

To all the other students from various programmes and departments, we might initially appear to be geeks. To some of them, we are those bespectacled individuals who are constantly occupied with their screens and laptops, while some others attempt to avoid us out of fear that we might ensnare them in our OS.

The students are exceptionally talented and the class is incredibly diverse and exciting. Here you will meet the best artists, writers, dancers, singers, rappers etc, and of course, the best "geeks" of the University.

We are the ideal mix of every genre. So do connect with us more, as we strive to be the finest in every way.

UI/UX Design hands-on training session

-By Ayush Maheshwari (BCA B)

To provide exposure to the first-year BCA students in the computer science department at Yeshwanthpur campus in the vast field of UI/UX, a hands-on training program was organized by Dr Gobinath R. (Associate Professor of the Department of Computer Science).

The 4th and 5th of November, Dr P. Nandhakumar acted as both a guest and presenter at this training session. He is a seasoned professional, experienced in Software Product Management and Development, Web Application Design, UI/UX design and Software Development along with a PhD in computer science. Currently, he is working for ZOHO Technologies Pvt. Ltd.



An extremely engaging and interactive teaching style was used, which was perfect for the students and the two-day training course covered the creation of wireframe models, prototyping guides, websites, and mobile applications.



“Mathematics and fluids are alike. Just like fluids take on the shape of its container, Mathematics can be utilized in any discipline effectively.”

*Programme Co-ordinator
Department of Mathematics*

Dr Pranesh S.

–By Palak Arora (BSc EM)

Dr Pranesh S. is the Programme Coordinator of the Mathematics Department in CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus. Having done his masters and Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics, he has been providing the students with an enriching learning experience at CHRIST University since 1991.

When asked to provide insight about the significance of his field and the various opportunities available for students after pursuing the course, he explained that his specializations include applied Mathematics and fluid mechanics. The essence of Applied Mathematics is that its applications can be found in every field. He further added that fluid mechanics is a practical subject, so it is also used in every field of study. He explained that fluid includes both liquid and gas, and that it is omnipresent. Therefore, just as fluid takes on the shape of its container, Mathematics can also be effectively utilized in every field.

Furthermore, he was asked what inspired him to choose this particular field as a major and career when he was younger. He expressed his love and passion towards Applied Mathematics and how he always had a flair for numbers since his younger days, and that he simply followed his passion.

Dr Pranesh has been teaching in CHRIST (Deemed to be University) for the last thirty-two years, covering all the topics of Mathematics while enriching the students with his unfathomable knowledge. He also remarked that CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has helped him become well-versed in mathematics as a whole.

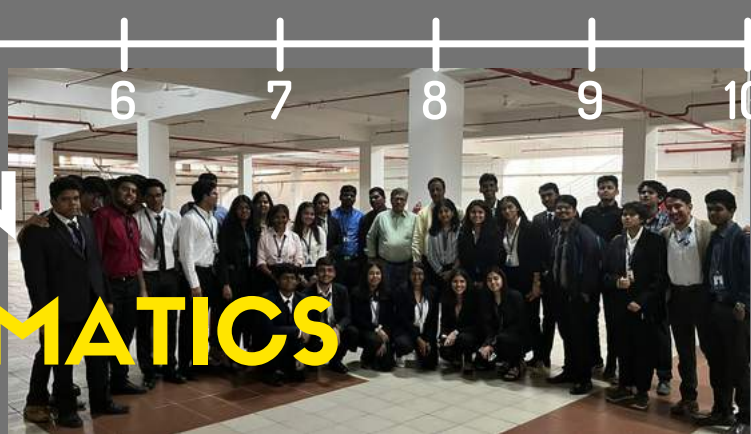
Following this, he was asked about the strengths that the students can gain by taking up this course. Dr Pranesh answered by emphasizing the importance of Mathematical Modelling in every field. The foundations of Mathematics contain topics like Matrices and Mathematical Logic which are the basis for solving any economic or statistical equation.

He elucidated that one needs to have a strong base in Mathematics to work in almost every field. For example, topics like differentiation, integration, and Python provide a quantitative and technical linkage between theoretical concepts and their applications.

Dr Pranesh was then asked whether he had any tips for students to reap the full benefits of the programme.

He advised the students to focus and study consistently each semester, as one cannot afford to forget what they have learned in the past, as knowledge is built brick by brick. He stressed on connecting, learning, and hustling persistently.

INAUGURATION OF THE MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT



-By Tanisha Chandra (BSc EM)

The Mathematics Association of CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Yeshwanthpur campus was inaugurated on the 12th of November 2022, Saturday by the students and teachers of the Mathematics department. The inauguration began at 10:30 AM in the college basement which was decorated with handmade symbols reflecting the students' love for Mathematics and its complexities.

The event began with the arrival of the honourable Chief Guest, Dr Veerappa Gowda, a Professor at TIFR Centre for Applicable Mathematics, who has specialized in Partial Differential Equations, Conservation Laws and Hamilton-Jacobi Equations, Theory and Numerics. The Emcees commenced the ceremony after which the 'Lighting of the Lamp' took place by the Chief Guest, Father Dr Benny Thomas, Father Vinod Michael and the Dean, Dr Joby Thomas and Sarah Bardeskar (the student representative).

Following that, the association's name 'ABHISARAN' which means convergence, was revealed. The coming together of two forces is known as convergence. Likewise, the students and teachers of the Mathematics department came together and converged their efforts to organize this spectacular event.

Subsequently, the Program Coordinator of the Mathematics Department, Dr Pranesh S addressed the Chief Guest and the audience. He put forward the various events and ideas that will take place under the association and made sure that the students understand that Abhisaran is a place for innovation and incubation. He also spoke about the significance of converging young and curious minds.

The student representative further elaborated on the idea and talked about how knowledge increases by sharing. She asked the students to share, learn and exchange their ideas and information. She also conveyed the importance of thinking out of the box and fostering mathematics inquisitiveness.

Furthermore, Revered Father Benny Thomas encouraged the students by appreciating their efforts and dedication towards the Mathematics Association. He emphasized the importance of knowing the applications of our theoretical learnings. Respected Father Vinod effortlessly uplifted the spirits of the students by advising them to strive and keep going forward. He regarded this Mathematics Association as the start of a great movement which might give rise to talented and young mathematicians. Our esteemed Dean Joby Thomas dwelled on the prominence of Mathematics in our daily life. He also claimed that the association will help in developing personal and interpersonal skills.

Dr Veerappa Gowda, the Chief Guest delivered an extremely enriching session on the significance of Mathematics. He made us realize that despite having high-end technology, it is not possible to execute practical problems that do not have idealistic situations. Highlighting the fact that Mathematics is the core of all subjects like Economics, Biology, Physics and Statistics. He went on to explain Calculus and its applications with basics (like natural numbers, whole numbers, integers, rational numbers, etc).

He taught us a few applications we could use in economics, profits, and revenue functions as well. After an hour of coordinated teamwork by the EM and CM students of Yeshwanthpur, they all breathed a sigh of satiety and relief when the ultimate Note of Gratitude was delivered by Saundarya of 1BScCM. The Chief Guest was escorted by the delegates and our Hospitality Committee for a session of round-table with our future Mathematicians, Economists, Investment Bankers and a plethora of more potentials to discuss the current industrial norms and the scope of Mathematics as a successful discipline.



DR SHERIN

- By Divya Yeram (MPCL B)

Programme Coordinator, School of Psychology

Dr Sherin came from a background where environment, service providing, or service to the community is imbibed in an individual from their childhood.

“*Every course has some aspect of psychology in it, whether it be law, media, or economics*”

She chose psychology for her undergrad major. Clinical psychology was one of the branches that was picking up the pace 20 years ago. So, that was the time when she started pursuing her career in psychology. Passion played a huge role as a driving force, as well as her commitment to discipline.

At CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Psychology as a discipline existed as 1969. Over a period, Psychology is integrated into other disciplines. Besides undergraduate programs, post graduate programs and research degree (Phd) in Psychology, department offers a range of certificate and interdisciplinary courses. There will be some aspect of psychology in it, whether it be Law, Media or Economics, and it is prominent in the programs and its combinations that are offered at CHRIST. Apart from these B.Sc Psychology (Hons.) is a unique program focusing the roots of major discipline.

Looking closely at the pedagogy of most of these psychology courses, it is evident that they are academically oriented and rigorous. Students not only learn theories in class but also get the opportunity to implement those theories outside the classroom.

This format helps them develop personally as well as professionally. Once students begin their community service and engage in internships, they meet new people, establish connections, and learn to help people therapeutically. This allows the students to gain a deeper understanding of their discipline while contributing to society, which aligns with the university's vision and mission, i.e., excellence and service. This helps students develop holistically and reap the full benefits of this course.

There are multiple employment opportunities including academician, and practice, which can be in hospitals, NGOs, or even private. Research is another area which is developing rapidly. Research agencies that promote mental health, such as WHO and UNESCO, or those in India like ICSSR, DST projects, and CSR fund for these projects. So, research is vast when it comes to mental health.

Eunoia

-By Akaanksha Sharma (MPCL B) and Soundarya M (MPCL B)

"Eunoia – Mental Health Awareness Week," was celebrated from 6th to 20th October 2022 by the Department of Psychology in the Yeshwanthpur Campus. The department organized several activities to celebrate the week-long event. The students were asked to wear a particular colour each day, starting with green, which signifies Mental Health Week, in honour of "Kaleidoscope: A Motley of Colours."

The commencement of the week was commemorated with an enthusiastic and entertaining flash mob during the break hours. It was met with great gusto by the audience.

There were a series of competitions of art and photography with interesting themes such as

depicting spaces that made the individual feel safe and comfortable, breaking barriers to mental health etc.

Ichigo-ichi-e – Blindfolded Conversations' was also a novel concept introduced to the students, where they were asked to select an alias to introduce themselves to a stranger while being blindfolded and sharing their problems, stories, or achievements with the stranger and vice versa.

Another activity was called 'Letters to Strangers' to promote inclusivity and act as a ray of hope for strangers by writing encouraging and inspiring words to them. The letters were collected from each class and distributed in a random manner to students

of all classes. It was successful in bringing a smile on the faces of the students and making them feel included.

A time capsule was also arranged so that the students had an outlet to record their memories in the form of a letter to their future selves. They were asked to jot down their feelings and wishes for the future.

The entire week was filled with loads of fun and joy while also serving as a platform for promoting mental health and well-being. The week ended with the parting gift of the release of the Spotify playlist 'Sukoon', which was filled with melodies to calm our hearts, wipe our tears, and make us dance to the tunes.

Inauguration of the Psychology Association

*-By Vaidehi Agarwal and Mahek Jaiswal
(BAPECO)*



After the lighting of the lamp, the director's presidential address was given, followed by the inaugural address by Dr Tony Sam George. Then we had the introductions and felicitations of the administrator and the dean.

Social Sciences is one of the largest academic blocks at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University of which the Psychology Department is a part. Our campus recently established its first-ever Psychology Association which aims at increasing student participation at both the academic and co-curricular levels. The theme for the current academic year 2022-23 is 'IKYAM' representing togetherness, inclusivity, and unity.



Subsequently, the Office Bearers were announced and handed their badges. Mani Agarwal, an executive member, and Vaidehi Agarwal, President of the Psychology Association, presented the concept note and plan of action for this year. Later, Dr Benny Thomas was presented with a memento, as a gesture of honor and respect. Prizes were distributed to the winners of the events that had taken place during the Mental Health Week.

18th November, 2022, marked the inauguration of the Psychology Association. The event began with the lighting of the lamps by the dignitaries along with the university prayer. The dignitaries who attended the event were Dr Benny Thomas, the Director of CHRIST Yeshwanthpur Campus, Dr Tony Sam George, Dean of the School of Social Sciences, Fr Vinod Michael, Administrator of the Yeshwanthpur Campus, and felicitation was done by the Dean, Dr Joby Thomas.

This was followed by melodious music and a graceful dance performance by the students of the psychology department. Toward the end, a vote of thanks was given by the faculty coordinator of the Psychology Association, Dr Shinto Thomas.

The event concluded with the CHRIST Anthem. The dignitaries and the students, on their way out, visited the stalls that were put up by the students of BSc. Psychology Honours and MSc. Clinical Psychology. The stalls had informative concepts and theories of psychology.

The hard work of the students of the Psychology Association, as well as the volunteers, had paid off. With a formal inauguration, the association looks forward to organizing various events throughout the academic year 2022-23, including street plays, music competitions, podcasts, and much more.





Inside the Mind of The Psychology Department

- By Divya Yeram (MPCL B)



Although our course might seem a bit eccentric to everyone else, it is the one thing that makes it different from the rest. Handpicked brains come together and create beautiful chaos. Random things end up being memorable for us. Whether it's our professor making us dance to "Baby Shark" after an intense session on coping with the grief of death or teaching us attachment styles by having us draw symbols on the blackboard that show how we express love. Usually, students are known to be joking about teachers, but when the teachers themselves join in on the fun, that's when the real party begins.

The CIAs are hectic. It is not every day that you are expected to shoot a video, present animations, or perform several kinds of research all at once. It is not always rainbows and sunshine, but with the right amount of strictness balanced with a dash of fun. Our department is a 6-course meal not only because of our subject but also because of this beautiful and encouraging bond that the students share with their teachers.



“**ENGLISH IS NOT JUST TO SUPPORT THE OTHER DISCIPLINES. IT HAS ITS OWN AND A BETTER IDENTITY**”

Mr Arun, the Programme Coordinator of the Department of English and Cultural Studies shares his thoughts and ideas as he guides us through the journey and significance of the Department in the new Yeshwanthpur campus. This Department, one of the oldest at CHRIST, has steadily evolved over the years. It now accommodates a plethora of experienced faculty members who are experts in Linguistics, Film Studies, and Cultural Studies. In the year 2018, the English and Cultural Studies programme was founded with the vision of identifying culture through language. "Literature and culture are interconnected", says Mr Arun. Rightly so, these interdisciplinary programmes with the perfect mélange of the humanistic discipline along with the nuances of literature aim to facilitate an in-depth study of English not just as a language but as an academic discipline.

"The idea of literature is being redefined now", he says while talking about the evolution of this discipline. He believes that students have a lot more avenues to explore in this field now than they had earlier. Earlier, people opting for subjects like English literature were only lured by the employment opportunities the subject proffered in the teaching profession.

Researchers and literature enthusiasts were few and far between. Mr Arun explains that it was challenging for young students back then to choose this field because it was yet to establish its foundation in the academic arena. To encourage innovations in linguistics, on this campus, there is more focus given on the disciplinary aspects of the subject, such as cultural studies and languages.

"Our department's existence is not just to support other disciplines. We have our own identity," Mr Arun says. Language is often wrongly conceptualized to be a frivolous discipline. English, for one, plays a vital role in various other disciplines but that alone doesn't define it. Since 1969, when the English Department was started, it came across a slew of issues about the department's identity and image. Conventionally, people celebrated only the language and literature elements. But Mr Arun firmly believes that English has much more to offer other than literature. This evolved during the 1990s. The English Department identified that in order to redefine themselves, they should explore beyond just language and literature. This led to the creation of the English and Cultural Studies programme. Pairing English with subjects like Communication Studies and Psychology will enable the students of the new campus to probe into some unexplored arenas of academia.



PROFESSOR ARUN DM

PROGRAMME COORDINATOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENGLISH AND CULTURAL STUDIES

- By Adithi Arun (MAENG)

Linguists and researchers are in demand in all emerging fields now. Companies like Google and Amazon hire expert linguists to understand and interpret the dynamics of language and culture. With the course, he is sure that we will be able to better the prospects of the industry and product experts that benefit the industry.

With a proficient team of academicians and ambitious students, the English and Cultural Studies Department at the Yeshwanthpur Campus stands out as one of the most vibrant and dynamic departments with innovative and engaging courses. "The team is undoubtedly the backbone of the department," says Mr Arun. With a focus on theoretical concepts of the subject, the teachers indulge the students with a flair for the language. They are in the process of designing a new MA programme called Computational Linguistics. In cultural studies, the professors emphasize theory and philosophy. The faculty is also focusing on newer realms like film studies.

Though interesting and thought-provoking, at times the subject proves to be complicated and tedious. But as Mr Arun says, one should always be aware of the wonderful outcomes of the course and keep in mind the reasons why one wants to pursue it. He advises the students to have a thorough understanding of the syllabus and the course pack. The Continuous Internal Assessments (CIA) will also be worthwhile if understood and done properly. Dividing their work and time will be helpful to avoid being overburdened. "This medium would prove to be a real nurturing ground for new ideas and learning for students. The students here have the potential to become great academicians, researchers, and professionals," he concludes.



IRIS

– *By Adithi Arun (MAEN'G) and Katelyn Syien (MAEN'G)*

On November 12, 2022, Iris - The English Association of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Yeshwanthpur Campus officially opened. Students from the English department sang a prayer song as the event's opening invocation to God. The Chief Guest, Dr AV Koshy, Director Fr Benny Thomas, and Dean Joby Thomas also lit the lamp during this time. Everyone present was given a warm welcome by Dr Sudeesh K., one of the Co-Coordinator of the Association. He spoke about the English Association's founding on the new campus and its importance. Mr Arun D. M., the Programme Coordinator for the English Department, officially introduced the numerous clubs and forums that form the English Association and the dignitaries helped by unveiling their respective logos.

A felicitation by Mr Arun D. M. followed this. He discussed the significance of the Iris name and logo and inspired the association to proactively build its presence on campus by hosting more activities. Fr Benny Thomas, the campus director, then addressed the crowd, followed by Fr Vinod Michael, the campus administrator, who congratulated everyone. Then, Dr Joby Thomas, the Dean of Yeshwanthpur Campus, spoke to the chief guest, the faculty, and the students, mentioning the value of art. Following the dean's remarks, the English Department students performed classical dance, a solo singer performed, and Jerry Melvin and Rituparna from the department performed a duet.

The Chief Guest then gave a speech on "Art and Aesthetics" after that. Dr Koshy, a prominent author and assistant professor at Mount Carmel College, discussed how art may be divided into theory, history, philosophy, and aesthetics. He suggested field trips to the National Gallery of Modern Art and the Chitrakala Parishad to the English Association students. The Head of the English Association, Iris, Dr Arya K. S., the other Co-Coordinator of the Association, gave a vote of gratitude to close the event.

Words from the Linguists

The Department of Languages

Alongwith the English language and literature, the Department of English and Culture Studies focuses a significant amount on foreign languages and the knowledge learning it provides to students. The languages offered in the Yeshwanthpur Campus are Spanish, German and French, and students were asked their preferred choices to study. The languages offered are all integral to broaden the students' horizons and help them connect with the vast world in the future. The faculty for the same gave an insight in their experience in the university thus far.

ESPAÑOL



"If you love your work, if you enjoy it, you're already a success." - Jack Canfield.

Hola! I am Pooja, working as a Spanish language adjunct faculty in the Department of English and Cultural Studies. I have 6 years of experience in different institutions. My experience working at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has been excellent. I have a good team to work with and they support me in my hardships. I would personally like to thank Dr Joby Thomas for it. Students are enthusiastic to learn and are hard-working. Thank you CHRIST (Deemed to be University) for giving me the opportunity to lend my service here.

DEUTSCH



My name is Anandam Thirunarayana Murthi and I am an Assistant Professor of German working at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) with 9 years of teaching experience. I started my career with B. Tech in Food Processing Technology but later realized that it was not my cup of tea. My brother suggested that I take admission in the German language program at Osmania University. My fascination was sparked with the German language due to Professor Moorty, and the way he enunciated and explained the language.

Fortunately, I found a good professor whose classes gave me enough motivation to do my MA German at Karnataka University, Dharwad. My desire to learn foreign languages was not limited to German, so I enrolled in the French language Programme and successfully completed my Senior Diploma. I was also a teacher of basic French to beginners and completed my MA English at Potti Sriramulu University. When you learn something new, you feel delighted and elated. I experienced that thrill and joy when I was learning German. My interest was enhanced dramatically when I could differentiate a verb from a noun.

My experience at CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has always been wonderful. All the students show great zeal and enthusiasm for learning German. Every Student is curious to learn German and participates in all listening and speaking activities. Patience is the key to learning German. Every day one should learn some words and write them on paper. If one wants to improve their speaking skills, one must speak confidently without being afraid. Gradually one can reduce mistakes and become fluent in German. All the best! Have fun learning! I wish you success. Have a great time!

FRANÇAIS

“French is one of the first foreign languages to be taught in India”

I am Jayalakshmi Jayaraman, an Assistant Professor in the Department of English and Cultural Studies at CHRIST (Deemed to be University), training postgraduate and undergraduate students in the French language for the past five years. I have experience heading the Department of French language at Jyoti Nivas College, Bangalore for three years. I have also explored the industry as a French Analyst at HSBC International Bank and as a French Premium Accounting Specialist at Infosys BPO Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore

for 5 years. My achievements include the translation of the short story “A Long Walk for Bina” by Ruskin Bond to “L’Itinéraire de Bina” in French, being a part of the MFG team of quarter award operations, winning the Team champion of the year in 2009 and being awarded the Wall of Fame award. The French faculty has around 13 years of experience as French language specialists across various organizations. This course is specially designed to cater to students who are interested in specializing in the French language, literature, and culture. The main objective of French training is to help students converse during technical discussions with French stakeholders, thereby enabling students to become multilingual specialists.

I have always been an ardent history and music aficionado, having been inspired by my seventh-grade history teacher who made me fall in love with the subject. It was my dream to become a history professor in the future. However, my parents misunderstood the value of history and forced me to opt for Computer Science and Mathematics in Higher Secondary School. I enrolled in the BSc Chemistry program after much deliberation. Learning Carnatic Music since the age of three from my grandmother, attracted me to every music event which was happening and out of campus. I accidentally became one of the final fourteen contestants of a reality show in Kerala which made me miss one and a half years of Chemistry! I represented the South zone in the National Level Youth Festival and became the Individual Champion which later paved the way for French.

Further, I completed Post-Graduation and MPhil in French. I started working as a guest faculty for French at the age of 21.

Nothing could stop me from pursuing Music so I continued singing and composing along with my French studies. I did my Ph.D. in 2016 at a Central University and will soon submit the thesis on Parisian Suburban music. It took so long to understand the social exclusion brought by music. Finally, I joined CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Yeshwanthpur Campus, and this was the career I wanted, and God took me here. Now trying to spread the beauty of the French language to the students. I am indeed proud to say that I could initiate a Music society on Yeshwanthpur Campus. I am learning Carnatic vocals under the renowned musician Dr Sreevalsan J Menon.



ಕನ್ನಡ ಕಲರವ

ದೀಪದ ಬೆಳಕಿನಂತೆ ದೂರದವರೆಗೂ ಹೊಳೆವ, ಸ್ನೇಹ ಸಂತೈಸಿ ಸಲಹುವ, ಮಾರ್ಗ ತೋರಿ ಬೆಳೆಸುವ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಯೇ ಕನ್ನಡ. ಕನ್ನಡ ಕೇವಲ ಭಾಷೆಯಲ್ಲ, ಪ್ರತಿ ಭಾಷೆಯ ಹಿಂದೆ ಒಂದೊಂದು ಪರಂಪರೆ, ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಜೀವನ ವಿಧಾನ ಕ್ರಮವೇ ಆಗಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮದು ಶರಣರ, ದಾಸರ, ಸಂತರ, ದಾರ್ಶನಿಕರ ಹಾಗೂ ತತ್ವಜ್ಞಾನಿಗಳ ಬೀಡು ನಮ್ಮ ಕನ್ನಡ ನಾಡು.

ಈ ನಿಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕ್ರೈಸ್ಟ್ ಯೂನಿವರ್ಸಿಟಿಯ ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಆವರಣದ ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕ ತಂಡವು ವಿವಿಧ ಚಟುವಟಿಕೆಗಳ ಮೂಲಕ ಕನ್ನಡದ ಕುರಿತ ಅಭಿರುಚಿಯನ್ನು ಹೊರ ನಾಡ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂಡಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂಡ ಸಫಲವಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂಬುದು ಅತಿಶಯೋಕ್ತಿಯ ಮಾತಲ್ಲ.

ಕ್ರೈಸ್ಟ್ ಯೂನಿವರ್ಸಿಟಿಯ ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಆವರಣವು, NEP ಅಳವಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡ ಮೊದಲ ಕ್ಯಾಂಪಸ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿಶೇಷವೆಂಬಂತೆ ಕ್ಯಾಂಪಸ್ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೂ ಕಡ್ಡಾಯ ಮೂಲ ಕನ್ನಡ (ಫೌಂಡೇಷನಲ್ ಕನ್ನಡ) ಕೋರ್ಸ್‌ಅಳವಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದೆ. ಈ ಸಂಚಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕ ತಂಡದ ಸ್ಥೂಲ ಪರಿಚಯ ನೋಡೋಣ

ಡಾ. ಆನಂದ ಅವರು ಮೂಲತಃ 'ಕಲ್ಪತರು ನಾಡು' ಎಂದೇ ಪ್ರಸಿದ್ಧಿ ಪಡೆದ ತುಮಕೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ, 'ದಾಳಿಂಬೆ ನಾಡು' ಎಂದು ಹೆಸರು ವಾಸಿಯಾದ ಮಧುಗಿರಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಅಡವಿನಾಗೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಮೂಲವಾಸಿಯಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಪದವಿಯನ್ನು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಶ್ವ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದಲೂ(೨೦೦೬), ಬಿ.ಎಡ್. ಶಿಕ್ಷಣವನ್ನು ತುಮಕೂರು ವಿಶ್ವ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದಲೂ(೨೦೦೭), ಎಂ.ಎ. ಕನ್ನಡವನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಮುಕ್ತ ವಿಶ್ವ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದಲೂ(೨೦೧೦)ಪಡೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. UGC ಯಿಂದ ನಡೆಸುವ (UGCJRF) & NET (೨೦೧೩), ಕೆ. ಸೆಟ್.ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನು ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿಶ್ವ

ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದಲೂ(೨೦೧೩). ೨೦೧೪ರಲ್ಲಿ (TET) ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರ ಅರ್ಹತಾ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ೨೦೧೪ರಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಪ್ರಥಮ ದರ್ಜೆ ಕಾಲೇಜು ಸೂಲಿಬೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಧಿತಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕನಾಗಿ ನನ್ನ ವೃತ್ತಿ ಜೀವನವನ್ನು ಆರಂಭಿಸಿ.ನಂತರ ೨೦೧೫ರಲ್ಲಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಶ್ವ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪೂರ್ಣಕಾಲಿಕ ಸಂಶೋಧಕನಾಗಿ ನೋಂದಾವಣೆಗೊಂಡು, ಡಾ.

ಕಾ. ವೆಂ. ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನದಲ್ಲಿ "ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಕವಿತೆಗಳು : ಚಾರಿತ್ರಿಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯಕ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ"

ಎಂಬ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪಿ.ಹೆಚ್ ಡಿ ಪದವಿಯನ್ನು ೨೦೨೧ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ ೨೦೧೯ರಲ್ಲಿ PGDCA ಪದವಿಯನ್ನು ದ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಕಂಪ್ಯೂಟರ್ ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆ ಸಮಿತಿಯಿಂದ ಪಡೆದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ನಮ್ಮ ಭಾರತ ದೇಶದ ವಿವಿಧ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಿಂದ ಬಂದಂತಹ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ 'ವಿವಿಧತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏಕತೆ' ಎಂಬ

ಮನೋಭಾವವನ್ನು ನನಗೆ ಕಾಣಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಯಿತು. ನಮ್ಮ ದೇಶದ ಅನೇಕ ಭಾಷೆ, ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ, ಧರ್ಮವನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಸುವ

ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ತಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿನ ಬೇದ ಭಾವವನ್ನು ಮರೆತು ಒಂದೇ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಸದಸ್ಯರಂತೆ ಸಮಾನತೆಯ ಮನೋಭಾವವನ್ನು

ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಾವು ಕಾಣಲು

ಪ್ರಮುಖವಾದ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ 'ಶಿಕ್ಷಣ'ವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇಂತಹ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣವನ್ನು ಸಮರ್ಥವಾಗಿ ಕ್ರೈಸ್ಟ್ ವಿಶ್ವ ವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಪೂರೈಸಿದೆ. ಕನ್ನಡವನ್ನು ಒಂದು ಸಂವಹನ ಭಾಷೆಯಾಗಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಲಿಸುವುದರೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾ

ಚೀತನ್ ಎಂ ಬಿ ಅರೇಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಮೂಲತಃ ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯವರು. ಇವರೊಬ್ಬ ಎಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ದವೀಧರರಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಕನ್ನಡದ ಮೇಲಿನ ಆಸಕ್ತಿ ಚಿಕ್ಕಂದಿನಿಂದಲೂ ಬಹುವಾಗಿ ಮುಂದೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಎಂ.ಎ ಮಾಡುವಂತೆ ಪ್ರೇರೇಪಿಸಿತು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಮುಕ್ತ ವಿವಿಯಿಂದ ಜುಲೈ ೨೦೨೨ರಲ್ಲಿ ಎಂ.ಎ(ಕನ್ನಡ) ಪೂರೈಸಿ, ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾನಿಲಯದ ಸಹಾಯಕ ಪ್ರಾಧ್ಯಾಪಕರ ಅರ್ಹತಾ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೇರ್ಗಡೆ ಹೊಂದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಲೋಕಸೇವಾ ಆಯೋಗದ ನಾಗರಿಕ ಸೇವಾ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಗಳ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ ಮಾಡಿದ ಹಾಗೂ ಬೋಧಿಸಿದ ಅನುಭವವಿದೆ.



“ಹೊರನಾಡಿನವರಿಗೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಕಲಿಸುವ ಸದವಕಾಶ ಬಂದಾಗ ಅದನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಿದೆನು. ಕನ್ನಡ ಪಸರಿಸುವ ಕಾರ್ಯವನ್ನು ನಮ್ಮಕನ್ನಡ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರ ತಂಡವು ತುಂಬು ಶ್ರದ್ಧೆಯಿಂದ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ಗ್ರಹಿಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಭಾಷೆಯ ಮೇಲೆ ಮಕ್ಕಳಲ್ಲಿ ಒಲವು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸುವಂತೆ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಅತಿಶಯೋಕ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲ. ಇದೇ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮುಂದುವರೆಸಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಚ್ಚು ಮಕ್ಕಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ನೆಲೆಗೊಳಿಸುವುದೇ ನಮ್ಮ ತಂಡದ ಧ್ಯೇಯೋದ್ದೇಶ.” ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ಚೀತನ್ ರವರು.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಕವಿತಾ ಸ್ವಾಮಿಯವರು ಮೂಲತಃ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನವರು. ತಮ್ಮ ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ಪದವಿಯನ್ನು ಕನ್ನಡ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಓ.ಯು ನಿಂದ ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕನ್ನಡ ರತ್ನ ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನೂ ಪಾಸು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಎಂ.ಎ ಹಾಗೂ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧಾತ್ಮಕ ಪರೀಕ್ಷಾ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಉಚಿತ ಪಾಠ ಪ್ರವಚನ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆಧ್ಯಾತ್ಮಿಕ ಪ್ರಗತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ನಾಡು-ನುಡಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

“ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿತ್ವವೊಂದು ಶಕ್ತಿಯಾದಾಗ ಮಾತ್ರ ಏನನ್ನಾದರೂ ಮಾಡಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯ ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ ನಿರ್ಮಲ ಮನಸ್ಸಿನವರಾದರೆ ತನ್ನ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಪರಿಸರವನ್ನು ಸಹ ಸಮೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಡೆಗೆ ಕೊಂಡೊಯ್ಯುವರು. ಇಂತಹ ಮಾತುಗಳಿಗೆ

ಸಾಕ್ಷಿಯಾದವರು ನಮ್ಮ ನೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಡೀನ್ sir ಡಾ. ಜೋಬಿ ಥಾಮಸ್. ಫೌಂಡೇಷನಲ್ ಕನ್ನಡ ವಿಷಯ ಅಳವಡಿಸಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗತ ಗೊಳಿಸಿದ ಅವರಿಗೆ ನನ್ನ ಹೃತ್ಪೂರ್ವಕ ಅಭಿನಂದನೆಗಳು” ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ಕವಿತಾರವರು.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ನಂದಿನಿ ಎ.ಆರ್. ಎಂ.ಎ(ಕನ್ನಡ), ಎಂ.ಎ.(ಅರ್ಥಶಾಸ್ತ್ರ), ಬಿ.ಎ., ಬಿ.ಎಡ್., ಡಿ.ಎಡ್. ಮುಗಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕನ್ನಡ ರತ್ನ ಹಿಂದಿ ವಿದ್ವಾನ್, KSET ಪರೀಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನೂ ಪಾಸು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. “ಕೈಸ್ತ್ ಯುನಿವರ್ಸಿಟಿ ಬಾಹ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿರುವಂತೆ ಒಳಗಿನಲ್ಲೂ ಸೌಂದರ್ಯವನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿದೆ. ಡೀನ್ ಸರ್, ಅರುಣ್ ಸರ್, ಸಹೋದ್ಯೋಗಿ ಮಿತ್ರರು ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರ ಅಡಳಿತವರ್ಗದವರ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ ಉತ್ತಮವಾಗಿತ್ತು. ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಬುದ್ಧಿವಂತರಾಗಿದ್ದು ಉತ್ತಮ ಕಲಿಕಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದರು” ಎಂದು ನೆನೆಯುತ್ತಾರೆ ನಂದಿನಿರವರು.

ನಾಗೇಂದ್ರ ಹೆಚ್.ಜಿ. M.A ಕನ್ನಡ & POLITICAL SCIENCE, B.ED, N.E.T KANNADA, (P.HD) ಮೂಲತಃ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನವರು. ಸ್ನಾತಕ ಮತ್ತು ಬಿ.ಎಡ್ ಶಿಕ್ಷಣವನ್ನು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿ.ವಿ ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದು, ಎಂ.ಎ ಕನ್ನಡ ಮತ್ತು ರಾಜ್ಯಶಾಸ್ತ್ರ ಅನ್ನು ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಓ.ಯು ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಮೈಸೂರು ವಿ.ವಿ.ಯ ಬಿ.ಜಿ.ಎಸ್ ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ

ಕೇಂದ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಪಿ.ಎಚ್.ಡಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದು, ಕಳೆದ ಐದು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಪದವಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ ಬೋಧಿಸುತ್ತಾ

ತಮ್ಮನ್ನು ತಾವು ಕಲಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು, ಕಳೆದ ಕೆಲವು ತಿಂಗಳುಗಳಿಂದ ಕೈಸ್ತ್ ಯುನಿವರ್ಸಿಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅತಿಥಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕರಾಗಿ ಸೇವೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಬೇರೆ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕಕ್ಕೆ ಕಲಿಕೆಗೆ ಬರುವ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿ ಸಮೂಹಕ್ಕೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾಷೆ, ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ, ಆಚಾರ ವಿಚಾರಗಳನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುವ ಹಂಬಲ ಹೊಂದಿರುವಂತಹವರು.



“ಹೊರ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾಷೆ ಕಲಿಯಲು ತೋರುವ ಆಸಕ್ತಿ ನಮ್ಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಸ ಹುರುಪನ್ನು ನೀಡಿದೆ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಕೆಲವು ಬಾರಿ ಸ್ಥಳೀಯರೇ ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾಷೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತಳೆಯುವ ಧೋರಣೆ ನಿಜಕ್ಕೂ ಆಶ್ಚರ್ಯ ಹುಟ್ಟಿಸುವಂತಹದ್ದು, ಆದರೂ ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾಷೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಗೆ ದೊರೆತಿರುವ ಮನ್ನಣೆ ನಿಜಕ್ಕೂ ಅವಿಸ್ಮರಣೀಯ.” ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ನಾಗೇಂದ್ರ ರವರು.

. ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಸುಜಾತ ರವರು ಮೂಲತಃ ಉತ್ತರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಬಿಸಿಲನಾಡು, ತೊಗರಿ ನಾಡು ಎಂದೇ ಪ್ರಖ್ಯಾತಿ ಪಡೆದಿರುವ ಕಲ್ಬುರ್ಗಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯವರು. ಗುಲ್ಬರ್ಗ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿ.ಎಡ್ ಪದವಿ ಪಡೆದು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂರನೇ ಯಾಂಕ್ ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ತದನಂತರ ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಒಯು ಮೈಸೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕನ್ನಡ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಸಹ ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ಪದವಿ ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. 2021ರ ಜುಲೈ 20ರಿಂದ ಇವರು ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಶೋಧನಾರ್ಥಿಯಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಎರಡು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಲೇಖನಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ ಹಾಗೂ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಮಟ್ಟದ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರದಲ್ಲಿ, ವಿಚಾರಸಂಕರಣಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸ್ನಾತಕೋತ್ತರ ಪದವಿಯನ್ನು ಮುಗಿಸಿದ ನಂತರ ಬಹು ಶಿಸ್ತಿನ ಅಧ್ಯಯನ (A multi-disciplinary study) ಹಾಗೂ ಬೋಧನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

“ನನ್ನ ಬೋಧನೆಯ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಉದ್ದೇಶ, ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಪರಭಾಷಾ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕನ್ನಡ ಕಲಿಕಾ ಕೌಶಲ್ಯಗಳಾದ ಆಲಿಸುವಿಕೆ, ಮಾತನಾಡುವಿಕೆ, ಓದುವಿಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಬರವಣಿಗೆ ಕೌಶಲ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕಲಿಸುವುದರ ಮೂಲಕ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂತಹ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಅನುಕೂಲ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಡುವುದು ನನ್ನ ಉದ್ದೇಶ ಮತ್ತು ಗುರಿಯಾಗಿದೆ.” ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ಸುಜಾತರವರು.

ಅಶ್ವಿನಿ.ಆರ್.ಆರ್. ಕನ್ನಡವನ್ನು ಅನ್ನ ನೀರು ಗಾಳಿಯಂತೆ ಭಾವಿಸುವ ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಒಂದು ಹಳ್ಳಿಯಿಂದ ಬಂದವರು. ಓದಿದ್ದು MA in Kannada, K-SET, PGDAS ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪನ್ಯಾಸಕಿ, ಎದೆಯ ಭಾವಕ್ಕೆ, ಲೋಕಗ್ರಹಿಕೆಯ ವಿಸ್ತಾರಕ್ಕೆ, ಸಮಾಜದೊಂದಿಗಿನ ಸಂಬಂಜಕ್ಕೆ ಕೆಲವು ಕವಿತೆ ಬರೆದು ಕವಯಿತ್ರಿ ಅನ್ನಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ರಂಗಭೂಮಿ ತನ್ನ ಉಸಿರಿನಂತೆ ಅಂಟಿಕೊಂಡು ಹಲವು ನಾಟಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಭಿನಯಿಸುವ ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಾಗಿ ಯುವಜನರೊಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಕಲಿತು ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಲು ಹೆಚ್ಚು ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಯುವಜನ ಕಾರ್ಯಕರ್ತೆಯೂ ಆಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. “ಕನ್ನಡ ಕಲಿಸುವುದೆಂದರೆ ನನಗೆ ಬದುಕಿನ ಅರ್ಥ ಕಂಡುಕೊಂಡಂತೆ. ಅದರಲ್ಲೂ ಕನ್ನಡ ಬರದವರಿಗೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಭಾಷೆ ಕಲಿಸುವುದು ಆ ಭಾಷೆಯ ನೆಲಕ್ಕೆ ನಮಿಸುವ ಸಾರ್ಥಕತೆ. ಕ್ರೈಸ್ಟ್ ಕಾಲೇಜು ನನಗೆ ಆ ಸಾರ್ಥಕತೆ ತಂದುಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಪಾಠ ಮಾಡಿದ ಈ ಮೂರು ತಿಂಗಳು ಹೊಸ ಅನುಭವ ದಕ್ಕಿದೆ. ಹೊಸ ಕಲಿಕೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಸಹಕಾರಿಯಾಗಿದೆ ನಾನಾ ಭಾಷಾ ಕಲಿಕೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತಮ ದಾರಿ ಕೂಡ. ಹೊರರಾಜ್ಯದ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಒಡನಾಟ, ಅವರಿಗೆ ನಮ್ಮ ನಾಡುನುಡಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದು ಹೆಮ್ಮೆಯ ವಿಷಯ” ಎನ್ನುತ್ತಾರೆ ಅಶ್ವಿನೀರವರು.

ಹಚ್ಚೇವು ಕನ್ನಡದ ದೀಪ
ಕರುನಾಡ ದೀಪ ಸಿರಿನುಡಿಯ ದೀಪ
ಒಳವೆತ್ತಿ ತೋರುವ ದೀಪ

ಡಿ.ಎಸ್. ಕರ್ಕಿಯವರ ಪದ್ಯದಂತೆ, ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಕನ್ನಡವನ್ನು ಬಳಸುವುದರ-ಪಸರಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ನಮ್ಮ ನಾಡಿನ ಹೀರಿಮೆಯನ್ನು ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ಎಲ್ಲಾದರು ಇರು, ಎಂತಾದರು ಇರು ಎಂದೆಂದಿಗೂ ನೀ ಕನ್ನಡವಾಗಿರು ಎಂಬ ಆಶಯದಂತೆ ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಕನ್ನಡ ಪಸರಿಸುವ ಪಣ ತೊಡೋಣ.

Island 314

MA Applied Economics

- By Ritu Kashyap

In the land of the bereaved where people mourn their sleep schedule, there is a small isle boasting a population of 42 people. Island 314 is peculiar in nature. People adorn themselves with dark circles under their eyes and often smile at strangers who visit them. The two heads of 314 make sure the islanders know the scores of cricket regardless of the speed at which the hurricanes approach the population. The island is usually visited by 6 hurricanes per day within the time period of 9 am to 4 pm, but the resilient beings brave through and continue to march on while learning lessons from each hurricane.

A subspecies named Bhabha tends to forget their valuable things like laptops and chargers while Yan ShuShu makes



sure that the lost belongings are returned to the rightful owners. A mountain of a man protects the islanders from the hurricane's sight.

While being protected, the islanders doodle or use boxes to connect with the outer world. Yush and Yash, the island's version of Yin and Yang spread sleep which Neth, the mighty deity tries (and fails) to wash away. While Yam speaks the truth only when you give her the elixir of life, iLesh is a mythological creature known to shoot tranquillizers at people who spend more money.

What makes 314 an interesting area of study to research scholars is the underlying fact that in the big wide world, despite differences, this island attracts people from all other neighbouring islands. Keep an eye out for Island 314 to unravel the mysteries about the rest of the population.



Flashmob by the Department of Professional Studies



- By Harshitha Talasila (BBA F & A)

Dance is a sublime form of art that caresses the soul and forays into tired minds, filling them with rejuvenated energy. The ever-enthusiastic students of the Department of Professional Studies (DPS) came together to match their steps to the tempo of pop music.

Being part of the audience and a proud member of the department, I was left in unfathomable awe at the grace and precision with which the participants danced. They matched the beats with a poise that I find hard to replicate in words, but what made the event a grand success was not the precision of technique or the perfectly synchronized steps but rather something much simpler.

It was the life and energy reverberating within every member, both the performers and the audience put into the performance. While the participants danced on, the audience cheered, their voices hoarse, forming the perfect balance and making the event as grand as I remember it being.

This is a testimony to the fact that early morning classes paired with hefty schedules have only managed to brighten the shine of DPS.

A Class to remember!

- By Aneesh Date (BBA A)

In September, on a certain Friday, our teacher for that particular hour had decided to leave us free and we decided to conduct an impromptu Talent Hunt within the class. That day, I became aware of the various talents that my classmates possess. Some sang, some danced, and a few even wrote their songs, but the act that was probably admired the most was a poem recital or as we call it “Mushayra”. We heard what we needed to hear in this one act. In the entire first semester, I believe this was one of the most enjoyable sessions I had with my class.

Another fun memory I have of our class took place immediately after our Diwali break when many were yet to return from their hometowns

During these 5 days, I met and made friends with people from my class with whom I used to rarely communicate, unless urgent or mandatory. Now I know every classmate of mine and I'd be lying if I said that I'm finding it hard to fit into CHRIST and into my class. I met people from various states across India and got to know their culture, and language, and overall appreciate the beauty in our diversity. Moreover, I've probably received the best set of friends I could have ever asked for.



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ARYABHATTAS

- By Raghav Varma (BSc EM)

Is it the laughter of Subramani Sir that gives us the motivation to climb three flights of stairs every day, or high-fiving and poking each other until we know the likes and dislikes of our friends? Or maybe it was the flash mob that united our section instead. This is the first BScEM of CHRIST, Yeshwanthpur Campus. We are a single section with a mere strength of 27. Although we are termed the 'intellectual' course, the question remains of how smart exactly we were to select a double major in Economics and Mathematics. If, for any reason, we want to avoid social interaction, all we need to do is mention our course. Among the crowd of "intelligent idiots", we see a lot of diversity, which we have come to appreciate and adore. It ranges from the queen of silence, Sukoon to the loud and attention-seeking Raghav, Andre and Mridul. From the first benchers romance enthusiasts of Lucknow: Palak, Vedika and Tanisha, to the gym freak Atul who occupies the last bench, it is the differences which bring us together. After all, who can separate the closely-knit trio of Bhawini, Priyanka and Dhiya; or stop John from maintaining streaks with everyone on Snapchat? And nobody can even think of splitting the ink and quill of our class: Ananya and Andre.



KARWAAN

Three months in CHRIST have shown all of us that, despite being cautious towards each other in the beginning, our small populace of 27 relies on each other for almost everything: whether it is Aryan's valuable information on the lively places in Koramangala or Church Street, or taking Sarah's calculus notes one day before every math CIA. Shruti brings balance to the chaos by being a proud member of the NCC, but she still joins our round-table conferences and shares our woes. Is it Ritesh's silent stare, Ekansh's overflowing confidence, or Rahul fist-bumping his friends that gives us the courage to note that we are all in the same boat and we are all in this together?

While in the initial two months, we were perfecting our applications of Differential Calculus by learning the proofs of a never-ending amount of theorems, this November we had the inauguration of the coveted Mathematics Association, Abhisaran; the group effort of two entire weeks. The main aim of Abhisaran is to make sure that we, as future mathematicians, know the real-life applications of what we are studying right now and know how to operate the real industrial software required to solve complex mathematical matrices, equations and indeterminate forms.

Of course, at the very end, how can our BScEM be mentioned without highlighting the winners of Darpan 2022 in the singing category: Tanisha and Srijoni? They are some of the best singers on campus, and we are very proud to have them be a part of our course. The class is full of talented people, including but not limited to Swasthi with her graceful dance moves. After all, we are "THE 27" of iBScEM at CHRIST University, Yeshwanthpur Campus; our names emboss themselves silently in everyone's hearts.

Department of Commerce

- By Deepal (BCOM H A)

The Department of Commerce, has expanded its roots into the hearts and souls of every Commerce Christite. Under the School of Commerce, Finance, and Accountancy, the Department of Commerce is a thriving community of faculty and students. It supports the development of the students' abilities through high-quality instruction, innovative research, and ongoing development. The school offers a supportive environment for the development of commerce professionals with a high level of knowledge and expertise, who will ultimately make a significant contribution to society.

Our coordinator, Dr Raghunandan, has left no stone unturned to facilitate and bring the department to light. Our professors, without whom we wouldn't prosper, have helped us contribute well to the environment and even attain holistic growth.

I feel immense pleasure in having received proper and adequate guidance about how the events work. The umpteen number of orientations organized have helped us obtain a clear view of the department and its workings. I found the department quite intriguing due to the number of events they managed to conduct and the undying enthusiasm portrayed by the students in participation.

The department events set sail with the well-known DOC MUN in the month of September, which saw good participation altogether. We as students were oriented for certificate courses under Harvard University. Cele Fiesta organized under SWO in the month of October had commerce students involved in great numbers where they arranged stalls and activities for the students.

We even had regular visits from faculty from the central campus who guided us with all their might. November had a lot of events in store for us. It all began with a seminar by Mr Dinesh Kumar, a faculty from the Central Campus on 2nd November. He oriented us well about certain topics and left us with a number of great life lessons.



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The well-known segment under the Commerce Department is none other than the CUCA (CHRIST University Commerce Association) where every student gave their best shot. We had seniors conducting PRARAMBH for us, which had several rounds in competitions like PR, HR, FINANCE, BM, BQ, MARKETING. The Back-to-back events had many intense sessions from meeting deadlines to spot presentations. The whole process was quite overwhelming with a great response overall.

After CUCA selections, we had HACKATHON organized by PES University which received positive feedback from onlookers. We were oriented by the country head of CISI for certificate courses in finance which had many candidates enrolled as well.

The department is prospering in all dimensions and students are cracking every event with eminent enthusiasm and are constantly adding new feathers to the department's cap. We extend our gratitude to our well esteemed Dean, Dr Joby Thomas, our coordinator Dr Raghunandan and the very diligent faculty.





The class of first-year MA English makes up a measly number of 30 students in the entire Christ population, but let me tell you—they're one crazy lot. Any teacher in the English department would back this claim with way too many stories. We're a diverse class with students hailing from all corners of India, which makes us an interesting melting pot of different cultures with surprisingly harmonious connections.

Starting off with the Bangaloreans—Amulya, Bhavya, Anushka, Abha, and myself—they're not wrong when they say most Bangaloreans aren't Kannadigas because Anushka is a native Bengali, Amu and Bhav are native Telugu speakers, while Abha and I are native Malayalis. But after more than 15 years in this city, all we ever do is brag about it in front of everyone. The Tamilians—the largest group with Jerry, Bava, Febby, Fahi, Gayathri 1, and Nikhita—you'll often catch them huddled in a corner of the class, spitting rapid-fire Tamil as if in a rap battle. Then we have the Malayalis: Kelvin, Nisha, and Gayathri 2—the funky lot. My most prominent memory of them is Kelvin defending his pronunciation of "orange" as correct in our linguistics class to our professor with perfect intonation (ironically, who is also Malayali). Rounding out the South Indians are Goan Lily Anne and Telugu Nitya, the class sweethearts. I've personally witnessed them freaking out about assignments more than anyone else.



– *By Adithi Arun (MAEN'G)*

Kate, Ritu, and Anoushka – the class talents from the Northeast. I can picture Ritu and Anu singing soulful ballads while Kate yodels in the background. Tanaya and Shreeja are the quiet Marathis, the only sources of calm you'll find in the class. Finally, the beloved North Indian students—Nishtha, Jayati, Sneha, Harshita, Suravi, Aadyasha, Manasi, Christina, and Raina are the backbone of our class and ready to fight at any given moment, which honestly worries me. During any break, the scene is one of quiet pandemonium: we whine about our problems while feeding each other snacks as if we were suspended in a never-ending Christmas dinner. It's a wonder how such different people could get along, but there's not a class more united than ours.



Nagasandra from a bird's eye

—By Harsh Bisht (BACP-A)

In the last decade or so, the metropolitan city of Bangalore has witnessed an insurgence of Bangaloreans who've migrated for the purpose of education as well as career opportunities.

As a youngster, moving to Bangalore may have included many aspects; changing your environment, adjusting to a new locality, change of culture, exposure to a new language and so on and so forth. It's been rather frustrating, am I right? It dawned on me that we could have very well been bothersome to the locals. A reputed institution like CHRIST stands in their personal space. Students from across the country hold on to their different interpretations of the world, which directly or indirectly, influence their lives. So, me and the head of the photography club, with his camera and my questions, stepped out of the university gates, to interview these locals. The warm and friendly welcome the locality provided us exceeded all expectations we had.



Stepping outside the gate, our eyes fell upon the mouth-watering pani-puri. Perhaps, it was our hunger or maybe it was just its obvious appeal, but we ended up in front of the stall in a matter of seconds. The pani-puri maker, Mr Rohit had moved to Bangalore in search of a livelihood. Even after having learnt the regional language, He continued to face difficulty in pronouncing certain things. He did, however, know “swalpa-swalpa Kannada” (little-little Kannada). He says that the Christites have positively affected his earnings and is definitely happy to have us in his area.

After which, we approached the ones who played an important role in our attendance. Every day, they watched us rush into campus, almost as if we were about to catch a flight. These guys were none other than our auto-rickshaw drivers. We conversed with Mr. Lakshmi Kant, Mr Nagaraj, Mr Yalappa, and the eldest among them Mr. Kumar, who had been driving the auto-rickshaw for 11 years now. They park by campus from 10am to 8:30pm, so do avail of their services in reaching your destination. They expressed their sorrow caused by students who don't pay the right amount. Even after which, they held a positive regard of us. I sincerely hope you do not make things more difficult for them.

CHRIST is very particular about their rules. One of which was denial of entry without a mask. What to do next? Approach the medical centre in front of our college. Mr Naveen, the medical store owner, had no plans in selling masks. But it all worked out because of the demand. Managing the store for approximately 2.5 years, no one was more aware of us and our college lives than him. Students buying medicines from him daily was what concerned him about our health, and he did everything in his power to provide us help with the same.



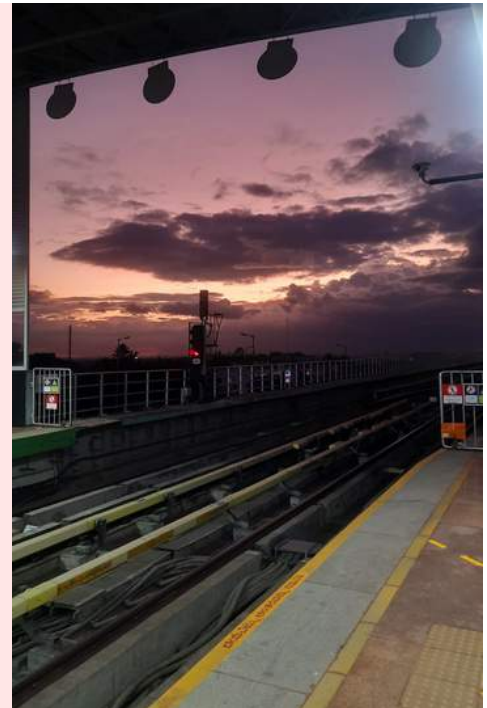


Life in bengaluru

I've been in Bangalore for 18 years now, but what can I tell you about Bangalore that you haven't already read or heard about? It maintains a wide array of culture, food, and greenery. From the hot dosa and coffee in Vidyarthi Bhavan to the famous DBC in Corner House, the VV Puram food street to the 12 AM queue in front of Rameshwaram Cafe. A stretch of greenery from Lalbagh to Cubbon Park. Roaming around with shopping bags for the best prices from Commercial Street to Jayanagar. The nightlife in Church Street to clubbing in Kitty Ko. Bangalore also provides a contrast to this modern and happening lifestyle, with places to visit like the temples such as ISKON and the Bull Temple. There are also elements that provide

life to the city like the unwanted traffic that Bangalore is famous for, to the metro lines. the sunny mornings to the unpredictable rains in the evening. From the beautiful skies to the unexpected potholes. From the famous film shootings to the football matches, and of course, being a part of the Silicon Valley of India Namma Bengaluru has it all, and the cherry on top is how Namma Metro not only connects different places but also different kinds of people. In today's day and age, where people are in a hurry to reach their next nildana, the metro has been a good place to socialize and collect one's thoughts. Life in Bangalore is just as beautiful as its weather, its traditions and culture, its language, and its people.

- By Saanvi Joshi (BACP-B)



The jokes that other statesmen make about life in Bangalore, as per stereotypes, are "coming up with a startup idea while stuck in the traffic." I have been living in Bangalore for about 18 years now, and I believe I am eligible to completely agree with them.

To sum it up, every 1 minute, you will see an IT employee and every 2 minutes, you will see a Zomato/Swiggy/UberEats delivery guy, every 5 minutes, you will see an Ola/Uber cab, every 10 minutes, you will see a tech park, every 15 minutes, you will see traffic, Every 30 minutes, you will see an AC bus, every 45 minutes, you will see a mall, every 1 hour, you will see a flyover, every 2 hours, you will see a lake; and every day, you will see people from at least 5 different states.

The actual cardamom in the biryani is the traffic. One has to start talking distances in terms of time rather than kilometers.

You have to give yourself a buffer of at least 30% of the 'actual time' needed to reach a particular place. The "B" in Bangalore stands for "beautiful weather." One needs to get used to this great weather, which is also very unpredictable. So I recommend you carry an umbrella, sunscreen, a jacket or two, and an iPhone to capture the sky every nanosecond.

If you are a party or clubbing person, you will love this city. But the entry scene is not very sorted, bro (*Bangalorean accent*).

You have to understand and make peace with the fact that footpaths are not for people to walk on here, they are made for two-wheelers, so please wear a helmet while walking too (no, it's a joke; please don't walk with helmets on footpaths).

There is no concept of potholes on roads; you will see some patches of road in the middle of the potholes.

But all these are the emotions of Bangalore, and I love it with all my heart, macha.

-By Ujjwal Jain BACP-B)



- Illustrated By Saanvi Joshi (BACP B)

The newfound freedom, the experience of living in a different city all by ourselves, From managing the budget for the first time to struggling with the submission deadline, we have been through it all and are still going through it.

While physically attending lectures and mentally dreaming about what to have for lunch, would it be the chole bhature from Lohan's or the burger from Wave, or just settling with the university food itself?

Trying to "aesthetically" study in Ikea we somehow made it our second home. Our go-to hangout spot.

Whether we know Kannada or not, we definitely make sure to show off our Kannada speaking skills in front of the auto driver or bring out the negotiator in us for a cheaper fare.

Though the Metro is a time saver, especially for Bangalore traffic that is as unpredictable as its weather, for us Christites places like Jayanagar and MG Road don't seem as far away as they actually are.

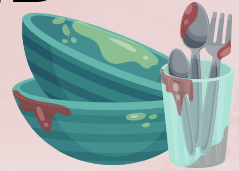
While missing our "Ghar ka khana" and hating on the PG or hostel food, there is always Zomato and Swiggy to save the day. There is everything in Bangalore, from a nature-loving poet's destination, aka the Cubbon Park, to every shopaholic's harbor, called the Commercial Street. But obviously, nothing can beat Bangalore getaways, be it the sunrise in Nandi Hills or the lost city of Hampi.

Life in Bangalore has its ups and downs, but we wouldn't have it any other way.

-By Tanya Shukla (BACP-A)



UNWASHED DISHES AND SLEEPLESS NIGHTS



Waking up at 8 AM, running to college hungry because you know you're late and haven't had time for breakfast, and staying up till 3 AM again. This cycle best describes PG's life. Coming to Bangalore for the first time, living in a PG sounded so enticing. The thought of so much freedom—no parents nagging around, no curfew to follow, was intoxicating for a while. But then reality hit as I saw the heap of unwashed dishes grow and the bed that wasn't magically made when I came back after a long day in college. Yet, we cannot discount the positive effects of living in a PG. I think my maturity and responsibility have increased tenfold since coming here because I have been living alone. I have begun to trust the friends I've made here, and I know I can count on them during times of distress and that they could do the same with me. Another important thing living alone has taught me is to become more financially responsible. I think I've had enough meals with Maggi in the past few months to realize the importance of money. It's been a wholesome experience, from singing and playing guitar to ding dong and ditching randomly at night. I can only hope it will continue to be a fulfilling experience.

-By Yash Kashyap (BACP-B)



-Illustrated by Sruthi RV (BCOM A)



“There is no hierarchy when it comes to respect- the gardener gets the same respect that the professors do”,
Reji Joseph (female warden).

"I just need to start a new chapter, move to a new city, and everything will work out." Sounds like you, right? We all know now that it is easier said than done, and college life is not what Dharma Films promised. Bangalore is raucous, unrepentant, and aloof. Students from all across the nation and even abroad have traveled to Bangalore to begin a new phase of their teenage years, but they were not expecting what they found here. Bangalore life has been chaotic since day one, but entertaining at the same time. From the brutal traffic to the strange "weather swings," we live in chaos. Does lying to your mother about breakfast start your mornings? Did you and your roommate become friends not because of shared interests, but because of your shared terror of that one lizard in the bathroom? Trust me, you are not alone. Bangalore and the lives of college students are both incomplete without mentioning the vibrant Church Street. Christites have been torn apart by a dozen different problems, but we never failed to impress. Despite the lack of sleep and terrifying deadlines, most of us still manage to arrive at college looking stunning. It has become a way of life to spend your weekends doing laundry, complaining about the food, and sharing closets because your clothes are "boring." Hearing people in the hallways admit that they have not started their CIAs either is consoling. Your roommates have access to a part of you that most people are unaware of—the one that communicates with friends and family back home. They are the ones who can relate to your homesickness the most. Long story short, the Bangalore culture has been rubbing off on us, as it should. After all, it is going to be our home for the next few years. Make lots of memories; they will last a lifetime. The newfound freedom, the experience of living in a different city all by ourselves. Managing the budget for the first time, sleepless nights as we struggle with submission deadlines—we have been through all that and more. And we are still going strong.

-By Swati Bhatnagar (BACP-A)

BASEMENT

-By Chuzan Mahammad (BACP-A)

The basement of CHRIST University's Yeshwanthpur Campus is home to all the hustle and bustle on campus. Right from the canteen that serves various delicacies, accommodating the need to satisfy the taste buds of every Christite originating from the diverse cultures and regions of the country—from aloo paratha to rassam rice with Cafe Coffee Day and chicken burgers in between, the diversity makes the basement the go-to location for every student on campus. Various events and inaugurations of different clubs also take place in the basement. However, the new addition to the buzz in the basement is the recreation zone, i.e., the indoor games arena.

Hostellers, especially with their very strict curfews, find it quite relaxing to have fun in the game zone, where they can hang out and laugh out loud without infringing upon the wardens' affairs. In a nutshell, hostellers quite literally eat, work, and sleep in the basement!

The various options for games available include pool, foosball, table tennis, and carrom. The long lines that form around each table, with seemingly every student on campus hoping for a chance to try their hand at the sports, make the game zone occasionally a little difficult to reach, especially the table tennis bat, which is mostly unavailable during lunch hours.

All Christites now convene in the basement, and it's fascinating to see everything and everyone in one single space. The campus is becoming a refuge of comfort and joy for every college student with each passing day. Let's see what the Christites have to say about it—

"Yes, it's very much fun. We actually forget about our CIA's for a while, but we don't really go there except for lunch breaks because of packed schedules and assignments." -Sanghmitra Namdeo, BACP B

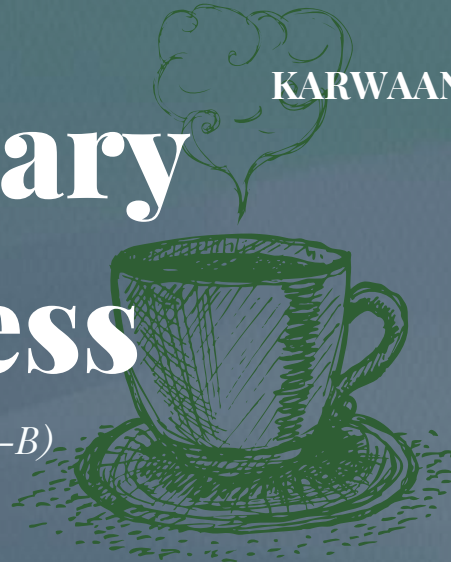
"Carrom has been locked for the past two weeks during our lunch break, and that is the game I love playing. However, we do have a blast each time we are there." - NP Dharani, BBA C

"It's really fun there, but it solely depends on whether you get the chance to actually play and the partner you are playing with. I do try to take time out for the game zone even with the busy schedule." -Vaibhav Raj, BBA(H) C



Canteen, a culinary escape from stress

-By Tanica Mukherjee (BACP-B) and Bhadra Nair (BACP-B)



The fondest memories of our college life are made in the canteen. It's the spot that brings back memories of pointless laughter, nonstop banter, and most importantly, the tea breaks. The Canteen is more than just a physical location. It provides a break from the monotony of endless, tiresome lectures, a place where you can rant, laugh, and just slide away all your emotions.

The magic phrase, "let's go to the canteen," is what makes university life the best. The canteen is also famously known as the place we break our resolutions of "no fast food from tomorrow". Here, chapatis are left aside, and our taste buds are only pleased with the canteen's veg patties, fried rice, noodles, chole bhature, and countless cups of chai. We might have visited fancy restaurants like Truffles or Toit several times, but nothing compares to the satisfaction one gets from fighting over one extra bite of chicken or paneer in the canteen. You will find everything here, from aloo samosa to golden-brown crispy dosas to Chinese noodles.

To sum up, the canteen is every student's paradise. Throughout our college years, when college becomes a second home, it is the canteen that will make us feel at home. Before you realise it, those days will be over in no time and so I urge you to just live, enjoy and cherish these valuable moments.

When you look closer at the people who prepare your dosa, you see the uncle who prepares your plate, pours the chutney and sambar according to your liking, and the uncle who makes the dosa. When asked about his experience in the field, he gave a laugh and said, "I've been doing this for the past 6 years." "I enjoy working here." "Every time I prepare a new meal and give it to the students, I am thrilled to see how happy they seem while they eat." "When they approach me and say, "Uncle, the food was very nice," that's what puts a smile on my face, which makes me immediately forget about anything else.

"I am Rekha," "I am Ratnamma," and "I am Renkamma," say three cleaning ladies, or as we call them, "Amma." They are all residents of the Chitradurga district and are all from Bangalore. They have spent the last three months working in CHRIST. Since it is a huge university, they are assigned more work than usual. "I am happy with my life." Ratnamma, with a lovely smile on her face, expressing her excitement at our request for an interview, says so.

Then there are the "counter boys." After hours of rummaging through that white drawer for change for a 500 rupee note, hours of sitting on that same chair, typing on that same machine, repeating themselves again and again, they get to rest only during the short period of time from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock. The care that they provide, or the "always ready" attitude, makes them just as cool as the students.



THE PARAMOUNTS OF CHRIST

-By Swati Bhatnagar (BACP-A) and Chuzan Mahammad (BACP-A)

If professors are equivalent to the brain of a college, the non-teaching faculty is the central nervous system, whose administrators' duties are required for the professors to make their contribution efficient and effective. CHRIST (Deemed to be) University's non-teaching staff, Yeshwanthpur Campus, is decisively the backbone of the campus, and here we introduce you to its key members. Remember how skeptical we all were of the transformation of what appeared to be a work in progress into a college? Not all of us, though; Mr Vinu Chacko firmly believed that it was possible, and his instincts were correct. He oversees the campus's operations in every area, from the buildings and grounds to the classrooms.

Mr Vinu was born and raised in Bangalore and speaks English, Kannada, Tamil, and Hindi with ease. He did his MBA at CHRIST's BGR campus, where Joby sir, our current dean was one of his professors. He remarked, "It feels good to be able to work with him now." He is a witness to the metamorphosis of the Yeshwanthpur campus, which has grown from a construction site to a bustling haven of education. He attended to all of the parents' questions, took care of the hostel arrangement, and gave private tours to guardians who were befittingly worried about the institution's progress.

The Department of Academic Excellence and Facilities Management is where Mr Pradeep Paudyal works. He was born in Nepal and has spent the last 18 years living in Bangalore. Additionally, Mr Pradeep expressed his gratitude for having a connection to this college, saying, "Working at



CHRIST Yeshwanthpur is a fresh experience, and for me, it's my fortune to be connected to this college."

Mr Joseph J. has been here for three months since the inception of the Yeshwanthpur Campus. He did his B. Com. in Karnataka. He is a multilingual resident of Karnataka's Shimoga district. His job entails maintaining IPM, admissions, and accounts. Talking about his job, he gleefully remarks, "Working at CHRIST makes me feel wonderful." Interestingly, every member of his family is working for CHRIST, and he even studied at CHRIST's Central Campus. He says, "I was on the Kengeri campus before, and my entire family is working there." Mr Vala Muthu is a prominent non-teaching staff member at our campus. He primarily manages the Maintenance Department, trains the housekeeping staff, and oversees block supervisors. He replied, "Yes, one hundred

percent," when asked if he loved his job. The campus's assistant facilities manager,

Mr Velmurugan Chinnagandhi, who is from Krishnagiri in Tamil Nadu, is fluent in Tamil and a little bit of Kannada. Before joining us as a supervisor and specialty manager for the cleaning team on campus, he was a driver. He says, "Working at CHRIST is great; it's relaxing, and everyone is extremely kind."

Ms. Liji Santosh is one of the humble staff members of the IPM department. The IPM (Information Processing and Management) department and her handles all the work related to a student's primary requirements in the university. That is the id card, the student smart card and most importantly, student attendance. They also handle the examination procedures, which include hall tickets and which student is promoted or demoted depending upon their marks and performance.

Mr Elisah, who is from Madhavillai, Tamil Nadu, has been here for almost a year and is another prominent faculty member on our campus. He too worked at the Central campus before beginning his tenure at the Yeshwanthpur campus. He says, "Working here is better than the main campus; we should set the standards higher than the main campus and offer them competition," while talking about the new campus. Water supply is Mr Elisah's specialty. STP is another intriguing area covered by Mr Elisah. It is a water recycling facility where wastewater is collected in tanks, chemically treated, and then recycled three to four times before being utilized in washrooms (for flushing). When asked if he misses working at the Central campus, he replies, "Central is central, right?"

Not a day goes by at CHRIST without logging into "CU STUDENT". This magic of Wi-Fi on campus comes from the treasure trove hidden downstairs. The IT services room, one of the bazillion things our mighty academic block accommodates, is the go-to spot for any network issues with our laptops. Situated next to the staircase, students could easily spot the IT services room as they went towards the cafeteria.

During the first month on campus, the room was filled with freshmen getting their laptops configured. "We would receive almost 20 to 30 students daily for laptop configuration," says Mr Shyam Prasad, the system administrator. For students facing issues with educational website blocks or system-related errors on the institute's website, the IT services room in the basement readily awaits you.

We are all aware of how important Christmas is to CHRIST, but how many of us are familiar with the individuals who put in so much effort behind the scenes to make it all happen?

Mr Keshav Narayana, who formerly worked at the CHRIST Central campus, recently joined the Yeshwanthpur campus. He talks about how he has been putting in extra hours to prepare the sound and lighting system for Christmas. Mr Keshav has been working for CHRIST since 2007. He expressed satisfaction in his position, saying that it was the best and would be wonderful once the auditorium is built and everyone seems excited to work on its sound and lights. "The alley leading to the main entrance of the girls' hostel will be lit." It will be stunning and grander than Central Campus," he remarked, sounding merry and bright for Christmas.

The non-teaching staff members on our campus have a crucial impact on both the college's operation and the general well-being of its students. Their contributions may appear unnoticed, but it is clear that they are why the system runs so smoothly.



A plethora of knowledge

-By Tushil Chavda (BACP-A), Tanisha Chakraborty (BACP-B)
Khushi Maheshwari (BACP-A)

“LIBRARIES STORE THE ENERGY THAT
FUELS THE IMAGINATION. THEY OPEN
UP WINDOWS TO THE WORLD AND
INSPIRE US TO EXPLORE, ACHIEVE,
AND CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING OUR
QUALITY OF LIFE. LIBRARIES CHANGE
LIVES FOR THE BETTER.”

The month of October saw students rushing to the fourth floor at the earliest to get copies of the subject reference books before anyone else. Library services on the campus has been a generous aid to everyone during their mid-semester exams.

The Yeshwanthpur Knowledge Center serves as an apt location to derive study resources and aims to enable maximum use of knowledge for both faculties and students alike. The library services are not restricted to physical copies, students can even access loads of online copies and papers of various kinds. Many batches will make memories in the library that they will carry with them for the rest of their lives.

“Please utilize and explore the library resources to their fullest while you are still students as these sources would not be available to you once you graduate”, advises Mr Manjunath Arkasali, librarian at the Yeshwanthpur campus.

He has a masters degree in Library and Information Sciences from Karnatak University, Dharwad, also completed Library and Information Management Training from Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, qualified UGC-NET along with KSET and comes with experience, being an library assistant at the Central Campus for the past six years. The Yeshwanthpur Campus is privileged to have Mr Manjunath as its librarian. When asked what he expected from the library in the future, Mr Manjunath responded that he expects significant growth from the institution.

On the 18th of April, the foundation of the the university was laid, and simultaneously the shelves of the library started filling up. Currently, there are 3 staff; Mr Sundaresh MB

who is the library assistant, Madam Princy Joshy, and Mr Manjunath. They intend to expand it into a two-storey library and diversify the presently existing topic collections.

The college's library is on the forth floor and has seating for nearly 150 people. At present, the campus-wide library has a total collection of 2,000 books, including 75 periodicals and 23 online resources to which it has paid subscriptions. For the benefit of both students and faculty, dictionaries, journals, and reference books on subject areas like social sciences, humanities, management, and sciences are available. With its extensive collection of both national and international publication books the library keeps students intrigued and encourages them to read and learn.

OPEN LIBRARY

8 am to 9 pm

(all days)

Closed on Sundays and
Public Holidays



"The availability of books is one key facility of the library," according to Mr. Manjunath. The library issues books and has a return policy utilizing KOHA integrated management software. All the university rules, like being in the proper dress code and wearing the ID card, must be abided by even while entering the library.

Undergraduate students are allowed to borrow two books for two weeks, while postgraduate students can borrow four books for two weeks. As for faculty, they can borrow twenty books for three months.

Rs. 5 fine is imposed for a over due book. The library management also undertook an effort to give students an orientation on library services, during which they covered topics like the lending and returning of books, library resources, library policies, and how to use online resources.



A vision has been set in place for the Yeshwanthpur Campus Library, which is to set up a collection of books and other sources, that lead to the exchange and expansion of knowledge.

Are you preparing rigorously for your end-semester exams? Are you one of those who miss their fresh copies of newspapers at home? Are you on the lookout for a peaceful place to sit and study? The library awaits you.



Student Council at a glance

In conversation with **Dr Raghunandan G**

-By *Pranjal Jain (BACP-B)* and *Diyva Chibber (BACP-A)*

It is not every day that a student gets selected for the student council in a university as esteemed as CHRIST (Deemed to be) University. Interested candidates go through a rigorous selection process and Dr Raghunandan G takes us through them with great detail. Upon being asked about the process of selection he replies; "A general class announcement is made and registration forms are circulated where all the interested students are required to submit their statement of purpose, once submitted, the SOPs are carefully reviewed and valued; the top scorers are promoted to next round of personal interviews and are selected based on qualities such as positive attitude, responsibility, approachability, unbiasedness and good decision-making skills."

He further extends his stance by saying it's always an added advantage to being a leader because employers today look at leaders, not followers. Speaking about the dismissal of selected candidates he shares, if the council members fail to execute their obligations they are asked to step down from the positions and these positions are then filled up by the same selection process.

He continues addressing our queries by giving us a brief overview of the council hierarchy, "The student council is headed by the Honorable VC followed by the Controller of Examination which are subsequently followed by student council faculty coordinators under which work university level student coordinators and then come the school level coordinators (deanery level).

“The students have to own the system, be unbiased and be natural leaders because employers today choose leaders, not followers.”

Open forums are conducted once every semester where students' concerns are brought to the common knowledge of the University officials through class student council members. Upon being questioned about the lack of seniors on the new campus, he states it does not make any difference in the case of the student council as there is always additional assistance provided by experienced faculty members who are fully acquainted with the working of the student council.



The Virtue of every Christite

- By Stuti Gupta (BACP-B)

"The disciplinary issues that call for the need of forming such a committee include the violation of the dress code, behavioral problems on the campus, and the punctuality of the students for classes."

-Dr Shrinivas

Christ University places a lot of emphasis on the moral and holistic development of its students. The Alumni of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University are praised for their discipline and integrity, and these traits are fostered throughout a student's journey in the university. One of the several committees that inculcates these qualities is the Discipline Committee. The objective of the discipline committee is to manage and help maintain discipline at all times within the campus. According to Dr Shrinivas, one of the faculty in charge of the community,

There is an absence of seniors on the Yeshwanthpur campus which poses a great problem.. The students lack role models who can help them and teach them about CHRIST University culture. Currently, there are multiple Discipline Committees being formed at the department level.

As the latest established campus, it is under the Management of the deanery, but more will be established soon under all other departments. There will also be a core committee selection in the upcoming semesters, for which there will be a rigorous selection process with multiple interview procedures.

Creating a **Safe Space** for all...

-By Samriddhi Srivastava (BACP-A)



Mr Stephen S, faculty member, on the Anti-ragging cell at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus.

Ragging in all forms is a criminal offence and is strictly prohibited on all the campuses of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University.

"We take very strict action against any sort of misconduct on campus" says Mr Stephen S, the joint member of the anti-ragging cell, Yeshwanthpur campus. He believes that the students of Yeshwanthpur campus will earnestly abide by all the rules and protocols, and maintain the decorum of the campus. "The rules will be enforced here in the same way as they are in the other campuses," he remarks.

The Anti-Ragging Cell members comprise both the teaching and the non-teaching staff. In the new Yeshwanthpur campus, Dr J. Ashok is the Chairperson and Dr Samiksha Shukla is the faculty representative. Counselor Teja ma'am, Ms Gunjeen Kaur from the SWO, and the hostel wardens are also important members of the Anti-Ragging Cell. The Student Council also plays a vital role in the stance against ragging and misbehaviour.

"There haven't been any instances of ragging yet," Mr Stephen says, talking about the working of the Anti-Ragging Cell in the new campus. "The little issues that we encountered here were all resolvable and did not fall under the label 'Ragging'," he continues. In most such cases, the counselor will try to rectify them through discussion. But if the reported offence goes against the code of CHRIST, the person responsible shall face due punishment.

Mr Stephen, guiding us through the procedures of filing a complaint against ragging, says that the person or their parent/guardian needs to lodge a written complaint either in person or through email from their university email ID, to any professor involved in the Anti-Ragging Committee, or to the HOD of their department within three working days from the incident. Depending on the nature and gravity of the offence and in consideration of the findings and reports of the committee members, the offenders shall be awarded suitable punishment.

The Anti-Ragging cell would also look into matters happening outside the campus. "The matter will be dealt with by the Anti-ragging cell if a Christite is involved. No matter whether the incident takes place inside the campus or outside it," says Mr Stephen. He also assures that the victim will be kept anonymous if the case thus demands.

He concludes by saying, "CHRIST expects its students to be considerate and have empathy towards others, as ragging is just a path towards darkness."

EXAMINATION CENTRE

-By Nisha Kumar (BACP-A), Harsh Bisht (BACP-A) & Bina Raj (BACP-A)

Examinations are the crux of the teaching and learning process in any academic endeavor, essential to assess the learning levels of the students. The Office of Examinations at the Bangalore Yeshwanthpur campus aims at facilitating and improving the assessment processes and practices to enhance the quality of the education process. They created awareness of the assessment process and practices of the university through orientation programmes. The office also manages examinations as per the regulations of the university and the academic calendar.

Ensuring the smooth functioning of all the examinations that are held within CHRIST (deemed to be) University, including the repeat and supplementary examinations, come under the onus of the Office of Examination of CHRIST Yeshwanthpur Campus.

"We aim to continuously improve assessment practices and enhance the quality of teaching and learning processes in the university," says Prof. Shabarisha N., the coordinator of the Office of Examinations.



The objective of the office is to evaluate each student's level of learning in accordance with the program's learning objectives and to suggest effective evaluation techniques that will ensure that CHRIST (Deemed to be University) students to acquire the graduate attributes, and making them an integral part of the CHRIST family.

Something to expect from the Office of Examinations is that the degrees would only be given to those students who adhered to the rules and regulations of the campus. The office consists of four prominent members: first up, we have the coordinator of the office. Prof. Shabarisha N., the custodians, Dr Shinto Thomas and Dr Ashok J., and the administrative assistant, Mr Stelvin VJ.

The office is very helpful in understanding the difficulties faced by the students. The rule is very simple: abide by all the instructions given on the website and handbook.

Being first-year students, there is a hint of ignorance and carelessness. It is advised to regularly check the CHRIST email ID to be updated from the office.



Some basic exam rules include students being inside the campus 30 minutes, and being seated in their designated classrooms 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the examination. If a candidate is late for the examination, the time is reduced from the ongoing examination time. Additionally, students are provided with 10 minutes of reading time, and 3 minutes before the start of the examination, the answer sheets are distributed. No malpractice is entertained.



Student Welfare Office

-By Aaraadhya Walia (BACP-A)

The Student Welfare Office, the cornerstone of any event organized at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, effectively provides a platform for Christites to nurture talents and impart skills such as leadership and decision-making. This academic semester saw the SWO Volunteer Body do the finest job in organizing and executing the first slew of events on campus. The Student Welfare Office at the Yeshwanthpur campus has carved its niche on these grounds, events organized so far like Darpan and the Bhasha Utsav having been massive successes. "Being a part of this organization gives the volunteers great exposure, and an opportunity to get to know themselves better", says Gunjeen Kaur, the faculty coordinator and the dance coordinator of SWO. Talking about her journey to becoming the head of the SWO, she mentions that her experience comes from being a student at Christ itself, a member of the SWO, and Natyarpana as well. For an organization as big as the SWO, it becomes necessary to identify talents who would put their heart and soul into it. "The SWO received around 1600 applications for volunteers", she says.

"The process of recruitment thus required tedious scrutinization following which the heads and volunteers for each committee were selected." An amalgamation of six bodies, namely the University Choir, the Volunteer Body, Natyarpana, the Debate Society, the Cultural Team, and the Quiz Association, the Student Welfare Office is gradually spreading its wings across the Yeshwanthpur campus.

"Nothing comes easy", says Souvik Banik, the other faculty Coordinator of the SWO. He brings with him an illuminating experience from the CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Lavasa Campus. "I was the Head of the Student Welfare Office in CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Lavasa campus. During the two years that I was there, I learned how progress is only achieved gradually", he says.



He talks about his experience with the SWO in the new Lavasa Campus which initially started with just five members and eventually multiplied to about two hundred. And now that he has the chance to take on the role of faculty coordinator of the SWO at a new campus, he brings with him experience in building things from scratch.

As a Christite, one learns the art of multitasking. SWO members do a tremendous job of effectively balancing their academics as well as extracurricular activities. One of the most appreciable facts about the SWO at our campus is that it has been able to pull off great events with minimal infrastructure. The SWO volunteers continue to gather the students and drive them to wholeheartedly engage in various events.



Student Volunteers' Experiences

Ann Maria Felix, BBA FIB (D)
SWO Head

"After joining SWO, the university has almost become my second home." The journey has been awe-inspiring. I am very grateful for this responsibility and the immensely talented team I have. Working in SWO has taught me the importance of teamwork and time management, how to communicate effectively with others, and most importantly, the value of friendship. "No matter how many hurdles came in the way or how meagre the resources were, seeing the hard work pay off during the event always motivates me to work harder."



Shakira Nayar, BACP (A)
Cultural Head



"Being in a leadership position for an organization as big as the SWO has been exhausting and exhilarating at the same time. It takes tremendous effort to pull together a massive number of people and coordinate prestigious events successfully. For that, I am grateful to the faculty coordinators and the student heads for the guidance and support they provided. I taught myself to manage my time and accommodate everything in my daily routine. After joining SWO, I have undergone a massive positive transformation. "I feel proud of the person I have become now."

Yusha Usmani, BBA Gen (D)
Records Head

"I was initially very surprised when I found out that I was being handed the position as one of the committee heads in SWO. It has been a rollercoaster of an experience. I have been wildly invested in managing the Records Committee and have experienced new heights of aspiration as a financial analyst. "I believe that this responsibility would serve as my dummy run to becoming a successful manager later in life."





ACC

ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN CHRISTITES

- By Kashvi Jain
(BACP-A)

The Association of Christian Christites is a community for Christian Christ students seeking to develop a deeper understanding of God through service. It aims to inculcate humbleness and gratitude towards life and God within the campus. ACC is working towards achieving this vision through the functions of its three main wings; Show our Faith, Learn our Faith and Live our Faith.

Show our Faith will soon be opening an Instagram account to promote its activities online. It will also oversee the cultural teams of ACC. Learn our Faith will promote and convene intellectual discussions on God. Instilling habits of praying daily and organizing mass prayers will be managed by the Live our Faith wing of ACC.



HEALTH IS WEALTH

Importance of Student Well Being

-By Khushi Mehta (BACP-A)

Staying healthy is one of the best practices that will give you complete physical, mental, and social well-being. A healthy lifestyle can prevent long-term illnesses. Well-being is an assessment of how an individual feels about themselves, both physically and mentally. How an individual feels, thinks, relates to, and deals with the goals they set for themselves can have a profound impact on how they live their lives. In addition, well-being has a strong link to health as it has been correlated with its impact on a longer lifespan, disease recovery, positive health behaviors and outcomes, and patient-healthcare provider relationships. Today, caring for health and well-being is critical to building a healthy future for the generations to come and a prosperous and stable society. The health and well-being of a particular person are important to the country's economy because they affect productivity.

For students, moving to university only happens once and usually results in a high level of stress linked to the changes that are happening in their lives. Money management, healthy eating, being away from home, and being away from family and friends can all affect a student's well-being. One can agree that for students to succeed academically, leaders must encourage a campus culture that promotes well-being and prioritizes well-being as a value.

A campus dedicated to student well-being helps improve academic performance, retention, and graduation rates. College students with a strong sense of well-being and belonging tend to be more motivated and confident and have higher levels of engagement and achievement. Likewise, they exhibit greater cultural awareness, enhanced critical thinking, higher levels of community service, and are more likely to be empathetic citizens.

CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus has a room for Health services set up on the ground floor. The doctor and the nurse there provide basic health facilities for students and offer valuable precautions to avoid falling prey to ill health.



*-Illustrated By Kashvi jain
(BACP-A)*



- Illustrated By Mahi Bhalotia (BBA FIB B)

In recent years, the urgency of mental health has grown rapidly as people have begun to understand its importance in our lives and its influence on our thoughts and behavior. Mental health helps us learn the basics of survival and cope with hardships.

CHRIST (Deemed to be) University provides its students with the much-needed facility of counseling in the new Yeshwanthpur campus. The Counsellors welcome students with kind hearts, warm smiles, and open arms, ready to swaddle them with the support they need.

Through a small conversation with the college student counselor of this campus, we were able to ask her how people deal with their mental well-being, to which she responded, "This is subjective. Each person takes care of themselves in their way. One may prefer meditation while another might prefer reading or exercising." She further explained that time management is very important for us to ensure the well-being of our mental health and that she finds sufficient time to focus on her mental well-being. "We need to be organized and also should learn to give more priority to our personal space and time to focus on ourselves." replied the counselor, when asked about how students could organize accordingly in a busy schedule.

Students and Mental Health

-By Lavina Khandelwal (BACP-B)

Then an important question arose. What could be done when our loved ones go through a tough time? She, with her constant smile, said, "Sit with them. Talk to them, and most importantly, listen to them. Share your experiences with them. This can gradually make them feel more comfortable and more optimistic about their future."

At the end of the conversation, she concludes by saying that we should be prepared to face the obstacles that life has prepared for us, physically, as well as mentally. If we face a problem that makes us believe that we may be losing ourselves, we should take some time for ourselves and figure out a way to deal with the problem efficiently.

Talents on Campus

-By Bina Raj (BACP-A) and
Harsh Bisht (BACP-A)

SARAANSH MENON - MUSIC HEAD



According to him, there are two types of people, the audience, who appreciates the music and supports the performer, and the artists, who love to perform in front of them. Saraansh sees himself as the latter type.

He loves to perform and sees himself making money out of his music in the future. So, it's more than just a hobby for him; it's his entire life. He takes in whatever he gets without going to any specific genre or without any specific inspiration or role model. He learned everything by himself and will continue to do so.

The pandemic era was a bad phase for him. He was untouched and experienced nothingness. But he eventually found his way out.

Saraansh is grateful to his family for introducing him to the world of music, especially his sister, who believed in him even during the worst of times.

He strives to be an active participant in the classroom and wants to take on more challenges. We wish him good luck with his music career and his academics.

From winning the Beat God Award to organizing an informal Cypher hip-hop event during his school years, Saraansh Menon has done it all. We introduce to you the Head of the Music Club, who has dedicated eight years of his life to hip-hop music.

DHANVEER SINGH (RAULA)

How many of you remember the show MAD from Pogo and the star of that show, Rob? Well, Dhanveer surely does, and in fact, Rob is the reason he started beatboxing in the first place. Taking inspiration from artists such as Zarthak and Rakka, he started his journey in 2017, the year of origin of his Cross Joint Crew. The group went from hanging out together because of their similar interests to giving wings to their dreams by creating a music group on Spotify. Eventually, they started to earn revenue from their songs. But it was never about the money for our Punjabi Munda.

It has always been about nourishing his artwork, and Dhanveer is ready to grasp any opportunity he gets. He says that he has "based his entire life" on it. He goes by the stage name "Raula" which means chaos or disorder in Punjabi. His achievements in this short period of time are remarkable. He participated in and won one of India's biggest rap battle events, Kranti. During this growth, Raula faced several challenges, but he tells us that his family stood like a firm wall and supported him. Dhanveer's dad knows very little of hip-hop, but he still nods his head along with the beat of his son's songs.



We asked Dhanveer what his art form meant to him. He replied with one word, "everything".

BAVYAHARSHITHA C.



Bavyaharshitha C, is a first-year undergraduate student at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus, from the course BBA FIB-B. Hailing from Tamil Nadu, she has played Veenai for the past 4 years. "When your pulse sounds like music, your heart beats the world" – Bavyaharshitha C. One day, while watching "Super Singer", a reality music show, she saw a person called Rajhesh Vaidhya playing the Veenai in the show.

She was very interested and her parents went to purchase Veenai in the span of two days to Thanjavur, a very famous cultural destination of the Chola empire. She started taking Veenai classes in the summer holidays. The Veenai made her feel incredible, confident, and energetic. But she couldn't continue properly due to her higher education and school timings. So she took online classes for Veenai from her idol, none other than Rajhesh Vaidhya sir, who was the one to inspire her to achieve the greatest heights in music. It was a dream come true when she received a mail that she was selected for Rajhesh Vaidhya sir's class.

Currently, she is not taking any classes and still practicing to be a good student and genuine musician. She has participated in various events like Margazhi Sangeetha Utsavam, Tiruchengottil Thiruvayar, and more to showcase her talent. She has performed in various religious temples (kovil) like Arulmigu Arthanareeswarar Thirukovil, Puttaparthi Sai baba temple, Pazhani Murgan Kovil, etc. She also performed in media channels on the Tamil Nadu government's Kalvi Tholaikatchi and Canada Thamilaali Channel. She still has a lot to learn, and she has a burning desire to do so.

DEEPAL



"Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing." – Benjamin Franklin
Deepal, a young writer from Jalandhar, Punjab, is a first-year BCom Honours student at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur. She has worked for national-level anthologies as

a co-author and has who had her articles published in the Teenage Today Magazine. Deepal's journey began in Grade 8 when she composed her first-ever Hindi poem. In Grade 9, she started submitting her articles to the Teenage Today Magazine every month and saw many of them being published over the span of two years. Her first anthology was an open letter in May 2021 and soon published another anthology in February of the following year. She has been able to explore the world of writing and publishing after having interacted with numerous writers, poets, and people with similar nterests as her.

Deepal has covered an array of topics through her writings. From writing about her own feelings to hypothetical scenarios, be it an optimistic piece or a serious matter, she's done it all. She captures the ugly parts of the world and the beauty in our surroundings with the same ease. Her style of writing is very simple, making it easy for readers to understand the true essence of her words.

Deepal encourages people to compose, jot down their thoughts and let go of their inhibitions. She wishes to publish a book someday and for that, we wish her the very best.

KAUSHIK SAIKIA



Kaushik Saikia, studying at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University is currently a BCom(Hons) student and is a National level Artistic Gymnast hailing from Assam. Describing his journey in gymnastics, he said that he started quite late when compared with other gymnasts. As a child, he was more interested in sports activities rather than academics. Soon, his mother and elder brother noticed his interest and started exploring the avenues since they were not acquainted with gymnastics as a sport at the time.

After much research, they found a sports facility that taught the sport right from the basics. He passed the initial admission test with flying colors and soon began to practice for two hours every day. Initially, he was drafted into the beginner's section of the group where he picked up the skills quicker and more efficiently than the rest of the group. Noticing his potential, the coach promoted him to the advanced group where he learned the rules, techniques, and skills of competitions.

In April 2014, he participated in his first gymnastics competition, the State level championship. He participated only to gain experience; however, he pulled off the Vaulting Element better than everyone else, receiving a gold medal on that particular apparatus. He continued training and participated in another competition the next year.

He received 5 medals this time out of 6 apparatus. The following year, in March 2016, he won gold medals for all 6 apparatus. The pandemic era was a bad phase for him as he'd continued to compete through 2017-18 in various events. But soon he had to start devoting more time to academics. He had to discontinue the sport till his board examinations in 2020. He went to Allahabad for two years afterward, where he improved further. However, he could not participate in any competitions due to the lockdown during the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020-21.

He finally got a chance to compete one more time in a competition just before college started, where he bagged 3 gold medals and 1 silver, even though he suffered from an injury to his hand in the middle of the competition.

PARI SAINI

Who doesn't love the sweet smell of freshly baked rich chocolate cake?

Pari Saini, a first-year BBA student at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur, hails from the city of Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh. A home baker and independent dance choreographer, Pari is a multi-talented person. Her journey to becoming an entrepreneurial home baker stems from her keen interest in the field that she's nurtured ever since she was a child. With the support of her parents, Pari was able to launch her very own 'CAKE STUDIO' on 12th July 2021. What started as a small project with no clear menu or website soon turned into a formal and systematic business. She received her first earrings

at the young age of seventeen and gave them to her parents to thank them for their support and guidance.

In no time, she started to gain recognition and appreciation for her work. Her menu grew from just cakes to cookies, brownies, muffins, cupcakes, and all types of delicious baked goods. Pari is no stranger to receiving orders in bulk and was once asked to make brownies for a party!

Her journey has taught her how to interact with people professionally and how to deal with all the ups and downs of a business. Speaking of the future, she sees herself expanding her business further and opening her bakery soon. With her passion for baking and knack for business, we wish her the best and hope to see her venture grow.





ALISTER ALEX

Alex Alister, a first-year undergraduate student majoring in Media, and Communication, Psychology at CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur Campus, shares his experiences working as an artist in the Malayalam film industry and being a part of the critically acclaimed movie Joji, inspired by Macbeth. Alister played 'Popi', the protagonist's nephew, and he did an incredible job with his phenomenal acting and raw talent.

- By Ajay Krishnan Vijayan (BACP-B)
and Sakshi Pandey (BACP-A)

"My name is Alister, and I'm 18 years old. I'm from Kanjirapally in Kottayam, Kerala, and I've loved cinema for as long as I can remember. That passion has pushed me to work in the Malayalam film industry. " Don't we all like anti-heroes? Their lack of morals makes them likable with dynamic personalities. Alister claims that he prefers morally dubious characters—anti-heroes who are neither the hero nor the villain.

When asked which actor he felt most at ease working with, he chuckled and said, "Every actor has truly made me feel at ease, but I guess I loved working with Unnimaya Prasad." In the film, she portrayed 'Bincy'. "I had several sequences with Fahad Fazil, and he offered me quite a bit of advice as well." When asked about his plans as a student, Alister grinned and replied, "I have a lot of expectations for the next three years as a Christite. I'm shy, and I want to change that. I want to be more social. I want to be a better person." When enquired about his upcoming projects, he informed us of his involvement in the shooting of two films. He goes on to say that his upcoming production Kaathal directed by Jeo Baby, will star Mammootty, one of the industry's best actors.

Despite his tight schedule, Alister Alex was very patient and shared many laughs during the conversation. Here's to more of his blockbuster films and shared laughs.

AHEEL HAMSA SAB

Every one of us has a classmate that you seldom see and is shrouded in mystery. One such student is Aseel Hamsa Sab. It turns out that Aseel is more than just a typical 19-year-old college student; he is also the founder of Recommendation Committee, an Instagram profile with 145K followers, and celebrity followers including Toni Starr and Varun Grover.

Recommendation Community is a platform that made movie and series recommendations in a much shorter form. The profile made movie hunting much simpler. The "Recommendation Community," which he created out of boredom in the covid time of 2019, has now grown into a significant entertainment review site with a turnover of 20-25 lakhs in 2021. Despite his hectic schedule as a Christite majoring in Communication and Media, Psychology, his aspirations for the development of his firm are not restricted. Aseel and his two other partners have now formed a large team that includes multiple paid interns. Aseel's humility was clear during our talk. He not only attributes the success of his page to his co-workers but also considers himself fortunate to have struck the jackpot. RC has connected with a variety of different platforms, including TVF, Spotify, and HBO, which provides opportunities to learn more about the business and be invited to their events. The success of Aseel's team did not come easily, but with their devotion and hard work, they were able to establish a place for themselves in the industry.



-Interview by Aaria Joseph
(BACP-A)

When asked to advise amateur content creators, he replies by saying, "there is no precise strategy for success in this field, only that you must be open to whatever comes your way."

METRO AND MEMORIES

KARWAAN

-By Tanya Shukla (BACP-A)

“Namma metro” – “Our metro”- even though many of us Christites didn't understand what it meant; we had a sense that it belonged to us. We see CHRIST identity cards dangling from everyone's necks in the mornings between 8 am and 9 am and the evenings between 4 pm and 6 pm. It became a significant part of our lives despite being nothing more than routine. For many of us, it serves as our daily mode of communication and the only mode of transportation that allows us to feel like residents of Bangalore by taking us from Nagasandra to all over the city.



- By Ashwin Gaur

In just four months of waiting for our station to arrive, especially on Saturdays and Sundays when there is hardly any room to stand, we have all unknowingly memorized the green and purple line routes and stops. It is not only a place for people from different spheres of life to meet but also embraces mood and emotion. Christites sing and laugh out together with their friend groups here. When it's raining, they listen to music and take in the scenery through the glass windows. This is also enjoyable in the evenings when the sun is setting and the sky is painted in soft hues.

For Christites, it is more than just a mode of transportation; it is a part of our lives, and it is a place where we've not only made many memories but also met people from various walks of life and learned about Nagasandra's local life. It is every Christite's memory metro.

THE SHUTTLE SAGA

-By Khushi Bharadwaj (BACP-B)



After getting out of the metro, many enjoy the walk to college. But the same cannot be said for all. Those 20 minutes of cardio are a herculean task to many. Students line up near the Nagasandra metro station to board the bus to college. Having secured a window seat, they stare kitty into the bustling streets of Nalagadderrenahalli, eyeing the sweets and savory treats on display.

The bumpy rides, the sudden breaks, and the new faces are all part of the fun journey. Resting their heads on the window pane with their earphones on, the ride is definitely considered enjoyable.

I just paid 300 rupees for an auto!

-By Teresa Kuruvila (BBA FIB B)

No, I didn't just pay 300 rupees for an auto, but now that I have your attention, let's talk about travel expenses. As the first-semester bids adieu, fellow Christites appear to have perfected the art of bargaining. Whether it's at the mercy of Uber drivers for a ride back home or a CIA extension, we've evolved from meek bystanders to aggressive advocates of a good deal. As the final hour's session concludes, a throng of worn-out students, armed with conviction and broken Kannada, make their way to nearby auto stands remembering to blurt out exactly what that one friend from class said:

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*Anna, from point A to B,
I refuse to give more than
XXX rupees.*

How did we get here, you may ask? The Yeshwanthpur Campus is at the convergence of Bangalore's metropolitan landscape. The presence of notable retail outlets and residential projects makes it an ideal hotspot. However, along with this comes young students with short-term housing, academic commitments, and juggling part-time work. short-term housing, academic commitments, and juggling part-time work. The fluctuating rates of living are alarming, as students battle to stay afloat in a new 'cost of living crisis' phenomenon. What specifically makes expenses even more excruciating is transportation, a factor so deeply rooted in students and parents that it forms the basis of budgeting among most of them.

To make matters worse, a sudden social pressure to keep up with peers is also on the rise, with spontaneous expenses made in a bid to 'fit in'. When given much thought, the question of 'to pay or not to pay' lingers. What benefits at the transaction's end would be knowing that you've just made a solid deal, at the right price while saving more for what matters. Awareness of knowing exactly where your money goes and why goes a long way in dictating your path to adulthood. Though this may take time to master, never deny that feeling of a sound financial decision, as it takes a great mind to create it. So, until then, I'll see you around the auto stands.



CHRISTITES AND THE SAGA OF BLUE FORMS

-By Chuzan Mahammad (BACP-A)

The first few months of CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, Yeshwanthpur campus felt much like a health enthrallment. Students and teachers alike were diagnosed with dengue which created havoc among the entire campus. The basement evolved into a dreaded space and only a handful of people loitered there because as rumor had it, that is where it all started. As students in a new city, nobody risked it for a steaming plate of fried rice. These months also witnessed a heavy influx of blue forms when students took rounds getting them signed by their subject teachers; few continue making the rounds, just in time for the end-semester exams, to claim their attendance.

For students, moving to university usually brings with it high levels of stress linked to the changes happening in their lives. Going to college is an important part of their education, but it creates stress that affects their health. Money management, healthy eating, and being away from home, away from family and friends can all affect a student's well-being. Christites have a tough grind trying to meet deadlines to submit their CIAs contributing to the already existing mental pressure. For the students to succeed academically, a campus culture that promotes well-being and prioritizes it as a value is a core element.



Similarly, work is underway on our campus to create a non-judgmental environment and to remove the stigma behind mental health issues. Our campus is dedicated to the students' well-being and strives to improve academic performance, retention, and graduation rates. Because college students with a high sense of well-being and belonging tend to be more motivated, and confident, and have higher levels of engagement and achievement. Likewise, they exhibit greater cultural awareness, enhanced critical thinking, higher levels of community service, and are more likely to be empathetic citizens.

CREATIVE COLOUMN

Battlefield



I feel like a battlefield from within
War cry is the melody of every inch of my
skin

The clash of swords,
The flash of fire
is my heart's brawl against my mind's
desire.

My consciousness is trying to find
peaceful solitude, whereas,
Oblivion has brought disgrace to finitude.
Tears and whims are indulgent no more,
With sympathies ardently forbidden,
It has become the melancholy I can no
longer shore.



By: Stutee Swain BA Eco H



BIG BLUE EYES

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*Irani Paul
BBA FIB*



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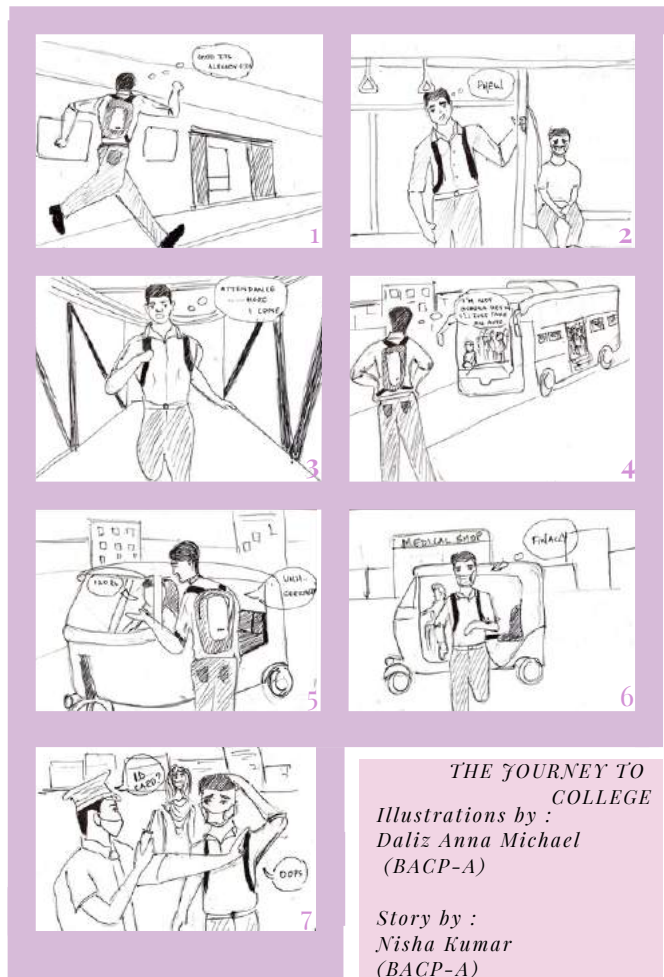
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COMIC STRIPS

The Haunting of Attendance



By: Astra Samuel Nalli (BACP-A)



NEW ROUTINES AND NEW PROBLEMS

By: Astra Samuel Nalli (BACP-A)



SOCIAL MEDIA AND CHRISTITES

-By Khushi Bharadwaj (BACP-B)

We saw students greeting and hugging each other on the first day of college as if they were long-lost friends. We had all connected long before we met in person and had also become good friends. We were all members of several "CHRIST Yeshwanthpur" WhatsApp groups and followed several "CHRIST Yeshwanthpur" Instagram pages. After the classes began, the bond grew stronger.

The SWO Media Team uploads reels, stories, and posts on their Instagram page whenever they hold fests, competitions, or other programs. Hundreds of students repost them to commend their efforts and show appreciation.

On Ethnic Day, our social media feeds were flooded with outfit pictures and dance videos. Christites celebrated cultural diversity by dressing in traditional attire and sharing numerous pictures and videos of the same. It allowed everyone to rewatch the entire event in quick flashbacks. Bangalore is well-known for its famous "Instagrammable" cafeterias, as well as its beautiful parks and restaurants. We learned a lot about these cafeterias, hangout spots, and food joints all thanks to social media. Social media plays an important role in the social lives of Christites and improves the college experience for us Gen-Zs.

End of a semester

-By Timothy Nallal Sundar (BSc CM)

I still, remember the first day I came to university quite well. It was a cold morning in August, and my father woke me up at five-thirty a.m. I had come with my family to Bangalore from my hometown, Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu, and we were staying at my aunt's place. I remember quite clearly the faint outline of my dad flipping the light switch on and off, and my sister throwing one of her pillows right at the switch, turning the light off. She smiled a satisfied smile, and then promptly proceeded to go back to sleep. How fast has time flown since then?

The first thing I learned when I started classes here at CHRIST was to forget everything I was taught about college as a concept. Sure, the classes were quite fun and interesting, but they were also equally demanding. Overdue assignments seemed to multiply like rabbits, and deadlines made whooshing sounds as they flew past me. This was not the exact college life we were promised in "Kuch Kuch Hota" Hai or any other of Karan Johar's exaggerated productions; there was not enough time to complete all our assignments and extra-curricular activities, let alone fit an extremely elaborate song-and-dance sequence (Yeh Ladka Hai Deewana plays in an alternate universe).

Life seems to go on here at CHRIST, but during exam season the atmosphere changes to one of pure focus and literary revision. The hostel atmosphere also has its own set of changes- the fifth-floor boys, who normally blasted Bollywood songs out of their speakers loud enough for the whole building to hear seemed to have quietened down. People seemed to wake up earlier than usual and the warden too became considerate of the young scholars 'studying' late at night.

My roommate Michael, whom I had met the first day I came here, remained glued to his desk, endlessly jotting down key points about the various topics covered. Dharun, on the other hand, was quite regular in his study schedule and only needed the two weeks before the exam to revise and recap all that he had studied. The only tough exam for him was the French exam.

"Dude, they can't expect me to remember all of the months?!" he would say, and throw his heavy French book away in despair. The book, unfortunately, took flight in my direction and hit me squarely in the chest, disrupting my mediocre revision. I gasped as the heaviness of the book knocked the wind out of me, but Dharun did not seem to notice. "Try reading them out loud," I said, "you're sure to remember the words that way."

Dharun began to recite the 'Les mois de l'année', and searched for his French book which he seemed to have forgotten was on my bed. I wanted to be helpful, so I took his book and threw it back to him, which hit him in the head. It was unintentional, I promise, but who was going to believe me?

I leaped out of harm's way just in time as Dharun lunged toward me.

Magnificat

-By Mridusmita Biswas (BACP-A)

Magnificat, a spectacular event, was a Christmas celebration hosted by the SWO on 28th November and was a clear display of the university's spirit and talent. This event served as a stage to felicitate the winners of Bhasha Utsav. Team Nishaad', team 'Miso Soup' and team 'Dhwani'- the winners of the music event, and team 'Goa', team 'Gujarat' and team 'Punjab'- winners of the dance event were felicitated by Dr Father Abraham.

'Ninaad'- the music society of the university, the University Choir, and two bands by the name of 'Ecstasy' and 'Moms Misosoup' took this opportunity to showcase their talent and put up mesmerizing performances. With the crowd cheering and phone flashlights being waved in the air, it was clear that they were loved by the audience.

Magnificat didn't just stop at music. To keep the audience on their toes, host Eeshaan Krishnan, with a little help from Santa Claus himself, quizzed the audience on their knowledge about different Christmas traditions and trivia. Correct answers received chocolates from Santa Claus. To keep the Christmas spirit alive, the SWO Theatre Team put on a skit that initially amused the audience but in no time left them with a deeper meaning to ponder upon. It was a humorous little performance that encouraged the true essence of Christmas- being kind and giving.

The joy on the faces of the SWO team and the audience was visible through their bright smiles and cheers. Both the audience and the participants were equally involved in making this an unforgettable experience. Be it the dance, the music, or the skit, the performers believed in themselves and that was the main reason for Magnificat being such a glorious event.





KARWAAN



-By Aminya Bajaj (BACP-B)

Rector's day is celebrated in honour of the birthday of our Rector, Dr Fr Paul Achandy. This year it was conducted on 19 December 2022.



Every year all the teaching and non-teaching staff enthusiastically compete in different events including dance, singing, drama, Christmas tree decoration, etc.



This year, for the first time, the newly established Yeshwanthpur campus participated in this event, surely conquering many hearts.

Achievements.

Phenomenon 2022

Phenomenon 2022 is a cultural, literary, and commerce fest held in St. Joseph's Boys High school every year. Christies from our Yeshwanthpur campus came back with tonnes of medals and prizes this year. Let's take a look at all of them.



Team Arcane won the **first** place for group dance.

Jeet Samani, Abhishek Kovil, Tanmay Maheshwari, Ananya Goenka, Vaishnav N Potti, Shakira Nayar and Anshika Rai



Ujjwal G Jain (BACP B), Varsha Shetty (BACP B) and Stevin Thomas (BBAH B) won **first** place in film making.



Gautam S Krishna, Athul Krishna NR, Shankaran Nikesh, Vaishnav N Potti and Rohan Benny won the **first** place in football

Solo Dance: AANSHIKA RAI
(1st place)
Beatboxing : SARAANSH MENON
(3rd Place)
Western Vocal Solo: DALYA VARMA
(3rd Place)
Rap Battle : DHANVEER SINGH
(3rd place)
Quiz :Arnav Puri and Gurashish Bajaj
(3rd Place)
Gaming: Shantanu Hani
Abhishek Nagar
Pranav Majethia
Shona Shikha
Kaushik Saika
(2nd Place)

Other Achievements.



Computer Science students of our Yeshwanthpur Campus secured **runner-up** position in **Presidency College's Nexus** Event.



Second place won by **Chanadas** KN(YPR) and his teammate (BGR), in **General Quiz** Competition held at **St.Joseph's University**.



Team **Saadhana** represented Christ YPR at Central Campus for the **intercollege communal harmony** group singing. They won the **2nd** place.



Team **Actomaniacs** Represented Christ YPR at **Bangalore Central Campus** for Intercollege Competition. The **street play** team bagged the **third** position

Faculty Achievements



Dr Prabhu successfully completed his PhD degree from the Department of Psychology, Central University of Karnataka.



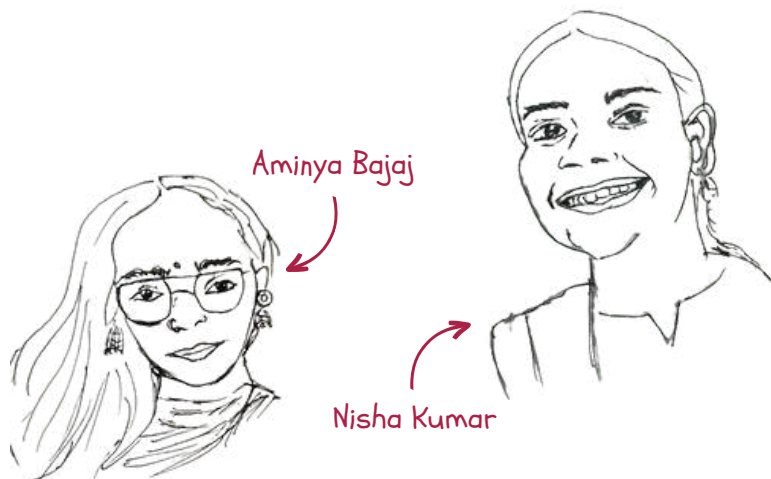
Dr Rajshekar Dhas completed his PhD under the guidance of professor NS Ashok Kumar of Department of Electronic media, Bangalore University



Dr Hyma successfully completed her PhD degree from the Department of English and Cultural Studies, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham.

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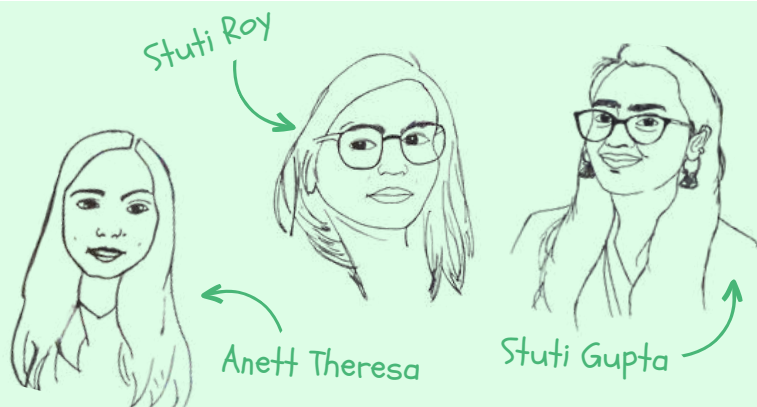
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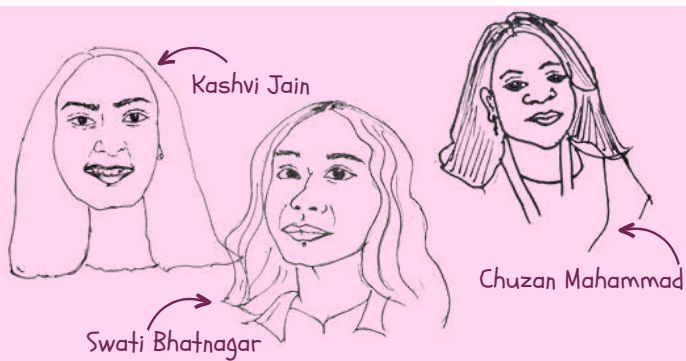
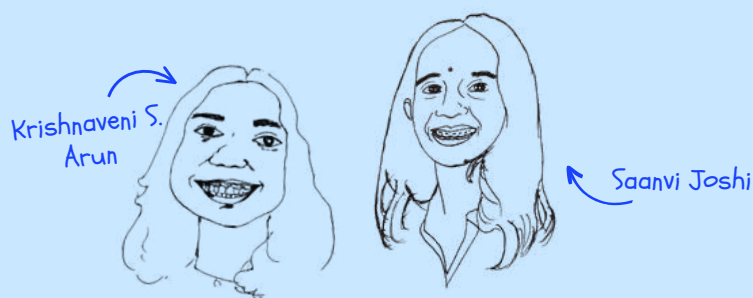


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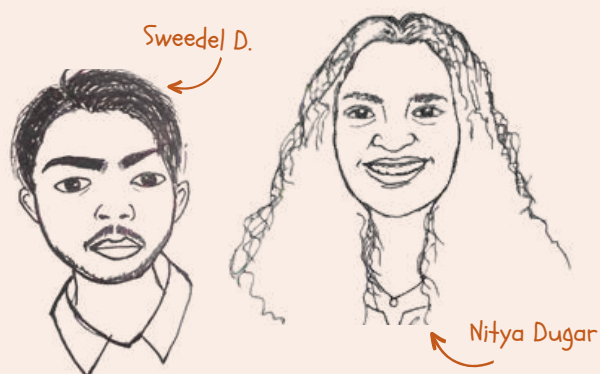
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