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GLS Voice TEAM WISHES ALL THE READERS A VERY HAPPY 2018



GLS University every year organizes a 'Sports celebration' where students from every Institute which are part of the GLS University participate and showcase their sports talent.

The 3rd annual GLS University Sports Celebration this year was held from 15th December 2017 to 29th December 2017 wherein around 1450 students from different institutes participated in individual and

group events.

Faculty of Commerce hosted the 3rd GLS University I. M. Nanavati Inter-College Sports Celebration 2017-18 Valedictory Function. The stage was set for the occasion,

decorated beautifully bedecked with trophies and medals heralding the significance of the occasion. The valedictory function was graced by Shri Sudhir Nanavati, President,

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69TH INTER-COLLEGIATE AHMEDABAD CITY-ZONE ATHLETIC MEET

A culmination of a yearlong sports activities is reached with the Annual Sports Meet with the finals of remaining events followed by the prize distribution of all the events. It is one of the most important event in the college calendar, which recognizes and rewards students for their team efforts in sports and games. Smt. Sadguna C.U. Arts College for Girls, run by GLS, hosted the 69th Inter-Collegiate Ahmedabad City-Zone Athletic Meet of Gujarat University for the year 2017-18 from 19th to 21st December 2017 under the able guidance of Prin. Dr. Geetaben Mehta, Chairperson Sports Committee and Dr. D. B. Desai, Secretary State and



University Physical Teachers' Committee. The college got the opportunity to arrange 27 games and other sports competitions throughout the year. Teams from 76 colleges affiliated to Gujarat University and 760

students contested in various athletic events. Apart from other sports and games, both indoor and outdoor few field competitions included – running 100mts, 200mts, 400mts, 800mts, 5000mts and 4x100

relay race, hurdles, jumps- long jump, high jump, pole vault, triple jump, throws – javelin throw, shot put, discus throw, hammer throw, speed walking for 20 kilo meters. Students from various institutes won competitions and earned honour, fame and prestige for themselves as well as their colleges.

The Opening Ceremony of the meet started at 11.00 a.m. on 19/12/17 at C.N.Vyayam Vidyalaya Ground. The meet was blessed by Dr. Himanshubhai Pandya, the Vice Chancellor of Gujarat University, Shri Sudhir Nanavati, President GLS University and Dr. Bhalchandra Joshi, Provost GLS University.

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TRACKING THE TATAS

By Shyam Kakkad

The last couple of years has been somewhat tough for the Indian Corporate Majors, due to multiple problems like lower market growth in some segments and moreover due to various political and geo-political risks. Moreover the conditions has been constantly changing due to various reforms that are initiated by the government to boost India's Manufacturing and constantly reviving the policy measures employed to make India more competitive and prosperous. Various policies has made largely a good impact on the large corporates and the overall environment still seems optimistic. GST has been getting acceptance although with short hurdles, which may be removed as the time evolves and the system gets adapted by the businessmen on a nationwide basis.

One of the oldest corporate houses of India, The Tata Group, now headed by Natarajan Chandrasekaran, Former CEO of TCS has been going through rough time since the ouster of the Former Chairman Cyrus Mistry. It has got ample amount of attention



RATAN TATA(LEFT) AND HIS PREDECESSOR, J.R.D. TATA(RIGHT), THE ONLY INDUSTRIALIST TO GET BHARAT RATNA AWARD

from the whole corporate space of India as the legal battle between Mistry and Tata Sons continue. Moreover, the company has been constantly in one or other problems due to its large scale and big diversification of which many businesses operating outside India also. Over the years the group has been constantly thinking on its policies and constantly redefining its dynamics in terms of strategy formulation, implementation and overview of performance of the 100 Billion Dollar Plus Conglomerate. The group firm and the holding company has been entangled in the legal battle with the Cyrus Mistry and its two firms, due to his ouster as the chairman of the group on 24th October 2016.

The Group has been constantly improving its scope of business and its functionality, by adopting COMBINATION STRATEGIES of partial exit, full exit, sale, JV of its businesses in India and around the world. The recent example of the acquisition of Tata Teleservices and Tata Teleservices Maharashtra Limited by the Bharti Airtel

and the Joint Venture with Thyssenkrupp serve as a insight on what Mr. Chandrasekaran intends to do, which did not go well with the previous chairman Mr. Cyrus Mistry. Mr. N. Chandrasekaran, popularly known as "Chandra" in the inner groups at the Tata's has been working hard on driving the group to stability by constantly exiting non-core and loss making businesses. It is being supported by increasing the scope of the businesses which are going well and has good future aspects.

Mr. Chandrasekaran being a Tata insider and the former CEO of the group's cash cow TCS, which is the major source of the dividend of the group sees the group very vast and full of opportunities, but at the same time, has a strong desire to drive the firm to stability first, cut the costs, and making an increase in the group's revenues and profits. Mr. Chandrasekaran, has been constantly making efforts to increase efficiency of the group's automobile division i.e. Tata Motors and one of the world's top ten automobile makers to cut costs and to

make it profitable by adopting the strategy of effective marketing and reinforcing the distribution and sales channel and leveraging the same to maximum, and there's no doubt they can achieve them, given that they make themselves favourable to business environment. Moreover, Tata Motors has still not left its steam and continues to endeavour on the fact of risk-taking and reinforcing on innovation, and that's why they will supply more than 10000 electric cars to the Government of India, by bidding the lowest bid amount and thus winning the contract.

The group's core business and the founder Mr. Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata's proud business, i.e. Tata Steel has been improving its efficiency and seems that its topline and bottomline financial performance is showing quiet correction due to favourable business environment and a surge in the steel prices, in India as well as outside India. Moreover, reports suggest that the recent joint merger with Thyssenkrupp will help to increase profits, and revenues and more leverage, and resultantly will be able to furnish more focus on the Indian business. Moreover the company has not still been to focussed on reviving or turnaround its various businesses, but is still looking at new areas where it can expand its presence, e.g. Airlines. The company has formally shown interest in acquiring the Government Airline, Air India and Indian Airlines, as stated by Minister of Civil Aviation, Jayant Sinha.

Now talking about the holding company, Tata Sons, which serve as the holding

company of all the Tata owned companies, has passed a resolution of changing its status from a 'Public Limited Company' to 'Private Limited Company', which is seen as an effective and a smart move, and will bar any of the shareholder from transfer of any shares of the company. This is a smart move because it will put a hold on selling the shares held by Cyrus Mistry's family firms. While the resolution has been passed, but the legal battle continues on the resolution also due to reluctance from both the sides to cool-down the whole matter. Moreover, Shri Ratan Tata, Chairman Emeritus of Tata Group has been seen somewhat relieved, after the group went in safe hands of a group's veteran executive and who knows the group very well.

This can be still a short time to conclude the whole story of the Tata's after the corporate tussle, that still goes on, but one thing is for sure that we will see the group re-emerging and achieving new heights which serve as a case of ethical business leadership and dealing throughout the world.

FACTS ABOUT TATA GROUP: Tata Communication, the communication service provider of the group, is the single largest owner of the internet routes, having a share of 25% and 70 % of world's mobile operators use Tata Communication network to connect people with each other

Taj Hotels, Mumbai was the first hotel in India to have electricity and lift at the time it was inaugurated in the year 1903.

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GLS University, Dr. Bhalchandra Joshi, Provost, GLS University, Dr. Dharmesh Shah, Registrar, GLS University, Shri Vadibhai Patel, Dean, Student Welfare, Deans and directors of GLS University and principals and directors of different institutes of GLS University. Dr. Ashwin Purohit, Dean Faculty of Commerce, explained the importance of Sports for the holistic development of

students and gave a detailed report of the 3rd I M Nanavati Sports Celebration 2017-18. Dr. B.H Joshi said "the spirit of the event triumphed specially during the practice sessions where the major hindrance was the infrastructure". This was backed by Shri Sudhir Nanavati when he rightly mentioned that instead of sports 'Competition' it was a 'Sport Celebration' in spirit. Shri Sudhir Nanavati appreciated and highlighted

the united spirited participation of the students and teachers that made the event a grand success. Along with his special words of acclaim, Shri Sudhirbhai gave galore of promises to make the sports facilities bigger and better at GLS University. He declared that GLS university will soon provide Gym facilities to the students and this gym is going to be one of the largest gym in the state of Gujarat which can accommodate 80 to 100

students at a time. The sports infrastructure shall be strengthened by providing special facilities for tennis and cricket. On this occasion Shri Vadibhai Patel accoladed the efforts of students for participating in all the events enthusiastically with sportsman spirit and thanked the management for providing their support. Shri Sudhir Nanavati presented numerous gleaming Trophies and medals amidst much gusto and zeal.

FDPS ORGANISED BY GLSCRD



1. A one-day FDP was organised on the 8th December 2017 on "Qualitative Research Methods" for faculty members of GLS University and GLS institutions. About 25 faculty members attended the programme. The entire qualitative analysis was introduced through a case study. Dr. M.R. Dixit, Retired Professor, IIMA and Dr. A.K. Jain, Adjunct Professor, IIMA jointly handled the seminar. The programme was well received by the participants.

2. A one-day FDP was organised on the 16th December 2017 on "Understanding Different Data Bases and E-learning" for the faculty members of GLS University.

About 20 faculty members participated in the programme. In the forenoon session, Mr. Manojkumar, Senior Scientist from INFLIBNET discussed concepts such as identification of Ph.D. topics, searching through the Ph.D. data bases such as Shodhganga compiled by INFLIBNET, e-learning packages such as Padhshala, Swayam, etc., for enriching the class room learning and Plagiarism Software.

In the afternoon session Business Data Bases were discussed by an executive from the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy. The participants expressed that the programme had a lot of learning value.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE-1 Principals from various colleges, PTIs and faculties from various colleges attended the inaugural function to boost the zeal of the participants of the meet. Prin. Dr. Geetaben Mehta welcomed one and all present there in the function. She, in her speech, geared up enthusiasm of students and said, "Sports teaches you character, it teaches you to play by the rules, it teaches you to know what it feels like to win and lose-it teaches you about life." She put an emphasis on internal skills rather than inheritance of the skill. She added that this the 13th meet which is being hosted by Smt. Sadguna College for Girls, which is a matter of pride for the institute. Shri Sudhir Nanavati, in his speech, insisted to highlight sports and to introduce it in the syllabus of higher education as a scientific subject. He added that it is the sports training, which cultivates the students with the nourishment of qualities of unity, team work, sportsmanship and tolerance. According to him, such qualities have potential to lead the next generation to achieve

set goals. Dr. Himanshubhai, the Vice Chancellor of Gujarat University declared the meet open with the flag hoisting. In his speech, he presented the colourful picture about the upcoming facilities of sports complex being designed in University, which includes a temperature regulated swimming pool. He informed the student about special arrangements for sports students, including freeship for National level individual. The closing function on 21st Dec. was honoured by Dr. Piyushbhai Patel, Registrar, Gujarat University, Dr. Bhalchandrabhai Joshi, Provost, GLS University and Shri V. B. Patel Co-ordinator students and Youth welfare, GLS University. Dr. Piyushbhai said, "Every day is a new opportunity. You can build on yesterday's success or put its failures behind and start over again. That's the way life is, with a new game every day, and that's the way game is." He declared the meet close. The programme proceeded with presentation of Various Trophies won by teams and medals earned by individuals.

25TH YEAR REUNION CELEBRATION AT M.K HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

By Rahul Gandhi

I am feeling complete after visiting the roots. A few pics says it all, 33 teachers, 170+ batchmates, felicitating all the teachers with a shawl & a thank you letter, visit to the classrooms, music / dance, great food & an unconditional support from the GLS school management. What more can I expect?

The event started with welcoming 33 teachers, 170+ batchmates who have travelled from different parts of the world including USA, U.K, Middle East, Australia and of course India. This was homecoming in its truest sense. This is the place where we all grew up together, studied together, learnt different games, fought also and to be honest, played an active role in the typical GLS gossips too.

2018 marks the beginning of our 25th year school graduation and this certainly calls for a celebration & hence the reunion. Travelling down the memory lane of the school days got us these precious pebbles.

On behalf of the batchmates, I thank Shri Sudhir Navanti Sir & the Senior management for their vision & execution by establishing the GLS school. One of the most frequently asked question even today, be it in a social or a formal gathering, from where we did you do your



schooling from? This question clearly indicates that our identity is attached with the school & for us our school is nothing but less than our home. It is because of Shri Nanavati Sir that we are able stand up in this competitive world. We had some of the best teachers who not only educated us, but loved us like their own children. We have the highest respect for them and today's gathering is extremely special to us because of their presence. They were not only our teachers but our mentors. Today because of their hard work some of us are the best Doctors, Engineerings, Accountants or professionals in our fields but more than that you have actually made us better human beings which matters the most. We are always thankful to them for their commitment, time & efforts. We take them as a part of our family.

It's impossible to forget the friends. We all grew up together and met almost on a

daily basis during our school days. Post our schooling our life suddenly changed & the last 24 years has gone by over a fraction of a second. Another 25 years will again go by but there is a need to connect & keep in touch. Friendship grows over a period of years and let this tree grow & flourish.

The alumni meet was sponsored by Mr. Vivek Sheth, Dr. Jitendra, Mr. Saket Vyas and Ms. Mita Phulwani. I would also like to thank Ms. Anuja and Ms. Amala Sudhir Nanavati and without their support this gathering would not have been possible.

We were children when we first met each other, are in our 'jawani' when we reunited, and we will not wait until our 'budhapa' to meet again. The friendship and relationship with our alma mater is too precious to lose.

(The writer is an alumnus of M.K. Higher Secondary School, GLS)

BLOOD DONATION AND THALESSEMIA CAMP 2017

The goal of GLS is not only to groom students for tomorrow, but also to make students aware towards the needs of society and their responsibility. GLS thus aims to make their students socially responsible citizens. On this end, GLS organizes Blood Donation in association with Prathama Blood Centre. This year it was organized on 27th and 28th December 2017 at the campus of GLS University. GLS proudly shares that students had extended their full co-operation in conducting this



noble campaign and had volunteered to actively participate for this noble cause

by donating 145 bottles of blood and undergoing thalassemia test.

UPCOMING EVENT

I.M. Nanavati Research Day Celebration

The I. M. Nanavati Research Day will be celebrated on 19 January 2018. The programme is held to encourage the students and faculty members to start new research projects and contribute in their respective fields.

K. N. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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STD – 8 DECORATED THE FILES VERY ARTISTICALLY.



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CU SHAH PRIMARY SCHOOL



Indo Japan Friendship Association and Ahmedabad Management Association had organized an 'Origami Mahotsav' Competition at AMA Ahmedabad. As a part of Origami Mahotsav Contest, many students from various schools had participated. The contest was held in various stages of rounds.

A panel of eminent jury selected few finalist students to

participate in the interactive session with the First lady of Japan, Madam Akie Abe.

It was a proud moment for Ayush Saxena, a student of C.U. Shah Primary School of Std VI B to meet the First Lady of Japan on 14th September 2017. This Origami Exhibition was also arranged for Public Viewing between 14 and 16 September 2017 at AMA Ahmedabad.

N. R. PRIMARY SCHOOL

SALAD DRESSING COMPETITION



As winter is a season of various fruits and vegetables, N. R. Primary School had organized "Salad Dressing Competition" on 7th Dec. 2017, Thursday. Number of students participated in this competition. Boys also

participated enthusiastically and came up with innovative ideas. Students brought fruits and vegetables which could be eaten after the competition. Thus wastage of eatables was avoided. All of us enjoyed this competition.

JANUARY

By Saloni Dalwadi

Unlike others I decided to spend my new year eve in the laziest way, comfily yet lavishly in my favourite corner of the room, with good food and beverages. It was real fun, yeah... One should try avoiding chaotic dramas and rest up – you know just "Awards and chill". By the way, my month plan is scheduled to compete for various events, make numerous memories and be generously weird. There will be time when I will be surprisingly serious but that will be boring for the fellas who tackle me everyday! I think January will blossom and fly high like a dream!

(The writer is a Second year (Sem IV) student at FBA-NRBB)

"A WEEK OF GIVING"

At GLS University, the last week of December 2017 was celebrated in a unique way. Along with celebration of Days, it was

a 'Week of Giving'. Students donated in cash and kind and visited different places.



CELEBRATION OF NEW YEAR EVE WITH MUNICIPAL SCHOOL CHILDREN AT FOC (SMPIC)



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"SPARSH" - WINTER WEAR DONATION DRIVE BY STUDENTS OF FBA-NRBBA



FOC (SMPIC) VISIT TO CHILDREN CANCER WARD, CIVIL HOSPITAL



FOC (SMPIC) VISIT TO THE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND MUTE

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ANNUAL SPORTS FESTIVAL AT GLS UNIVERSITY

GLS University believes that the field of sports not only institutional competitive activity but also helps in educating the youth by inculcating the team spirit. It is one of the most important methods of recreational growth and development. Keeping this in mind GLS University celebrated their third Sports Festival in the last week of December, where students from different institutes participated with zeal and fervour. Their passion was seen in the way they played and helped different institutes organize different sports events. Have a glimpse of the Sports Fever at GLSU



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AND IT – ATHLETICS



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FACULTY OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
(GLSBBA) – BADMINTON



FACULTY OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
(NRBBA) – FOOTBALL



FACULTY OF COMMERCE
(GLSIC)- VOLLEYBALL



FACULTY OF COMMERCE
(GLSIC)- VOLLEYBALL

GUEST LECTURE SERIES AT FBA- NRBBA



Faculty of Business Administration-GLS University's N R Institute of Business Administration is one of the first institutes in Ahmedabad to provide the BBA course. In its 20 years of existence, it has earned recognition of being amongst the best under-graduate B-schools in Gujarat. It has done so by equipping its students for the ever-changing business environment.

In line with its mission of sustaining a vibrant learning environment that fosters knowledge, skills, attitudes and values; and facilitates intellectual, social and emotional growth of students, a series of guest lectures were recently held. Respected academicians and practitioners from corporates were invited to address the students.

Mr. Parth Hirani, Director – Jagdish Hirani and Associates talked about ISO and explained the ISO principle of Plan-Do-Check-Act in organizations. Mr. Sawan Rathi from Endeavour Careers took the students through the different types of interviews, do's, don't's, areas covered in a job interview, and preparation required on the part of candidates. Dr. Jayraj Pandya, Director – K S School of Management talked about Brand Management by various national, international and local brands of tea and coffee, and went on to discuss various brand positioning strategies. Mr. Aakash Patel, Director – Speciality Gases talked about the prerequisite



for joining family business. He also explained bifurcation of business into red, yellow and green category. Discussion took place on right time of entry and exit for the business. Taking his talk towards entrepreneurship, he talked about the right approach of entrepreneur by explaining three words change, response and opportunity. Dr. Juhi Shah from Faculty of Business Management discussed the use of Integrated Marketing Communication mix elements for different stages of product life cycle. Dr. Anuradha Pagedar talked about two major aspects of Indian Contract Act, Consideration and Bailment. Dr. Jasmin Padia from Faculty of Business Management discussed art of sales and the various ways of developing such art. Mr. Vishwesh Vyas, Sr. Manager Corporate HR and Ethiopia



(Africa) with Arvind began his lecture with a comparison between poor Performance Management System and successful Performance Management System. He stressed on the need for giving performance feedback. He then went on to talk about the Performance Management practices that have become outdated and shared with students the latest practices adopted by IBM, Accenture, Adobe and GE. Mr. Binit Shah - Director, Angel Corp. and Mr. Jyotindra Buch from Pranali, both have personal experience of doing business across cultures - specially with China. Topics like culture shock, importance of communication, importance of history and religion.

All sessions were seen to be highly relevant by the students and they found them very beneficial.

KICK OFF WORKSHOP AND MID-TERM REVIEW OF ACTION-ORIENTED RESEARCH PROJECTS BY STUDENTS AND FACULTY ORGANIZED BY GLSCRD

Kick off workshop

A kick off workshop was organised on the 5th December 2017 for the students and faculty members of GLS University who had shown interest in participating in an Action-Oriented Research Project entitled "Enhancing Citizen Welfare in the City of Ahmedabad". About 40 students and 10 faculty members participated in the workshop.

The workshop was organised to guide the participants to understand the process and path for undertaking research work. The participants came up with interesting topics for their research work such as creating awareness of traffic rules, street light management for crime prevention, parking management of vehicles on busy roads, smart city challenges and opportunities in

the context of Ahmedabad, "Swachh Bharat Mission a myth or reality in the context of Ahmedabad", pollution by plastic and its recycle management, people's perception about the Ahmedabad Metro project, use of public gardens by people in Ahmedabad, leftover food management in Ahmedabad city, safety of pedestrians in the city, study of carpool users and non-users in Ahmedabad city, IOT based waste management system for the city, etc.

As may be seen, a variety of issues concerning all of us will be addressed by the participants in their projects. On the Research Day, to be celebrated on the 19th January 2018, the best research work will be given awards.

Dr. M.R. Dixit, Retired Professor, IIMA, Dr. A.K. Jain, Adjunct Professor, IIMA and Ms Jyoti Jumani, Freelance

Consultant, were the resource persons.

The workshop was very useful to kick start the research process for the participants.

Mid-term review of action-oriented research projects

A Mid-term Review of Action-Oriented Research Projects for students and faculty members who participated in this project was organized on the 28th December 2017. Out of the 14 groups (5 UG student groups, 5 PG student groups and 4 faculty member groups), 13 groups participated while one PG group dropped out.

All the groups had worked very hard for the projects and made very meaningful presentations. The jury members provided detailed feedback on the content, methodology and the outcome of the project each group was

handling. Guidance was provided to look at macro issues first briefly, then micro issues and thereafter focus on one or two doable aspects as the theme is action-oriented.

A very useful framework emerged during the discussions between the participants and the jury members. Dr. Dixit, one of the jury members, crystallised the framework and displayed it on the black board. The framework is given below:

Framework for Action-Oriented Research Work

Guidance was provided to the participants to estimate the

Activity	Target/ Beneficiary	Self	Stakeholders
Build	Awareness		
Create	Action		
Declare	Achievement		

imbalance between the desired level of service and actual level of service achieved, identification of the causes, etc. It was also suggested that after conducting analysis on the above lines, the groups should consider giving recommendations for improvement.

Overall, the participants and the jury members felt that the whole exercise was very useful. The participants were very excited about the further research work to be carried out.

CWDC ACTIVITIES AT GLS UNIVERSITY



FACULTY OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & IT (BCA, PGDCA, IMSC(IT) PROGRAMME) – AHMEDABAD ORGANIZED A SEMINAR ON “PAINT YOUR LIFE” BY THE COLLEGIATE WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL (CWDC) BY DR. DARSHNA THAKKAR, A WELL KNOWN GYNECOLOGIST FROM SARJAN HEALTH CARE.



FACULTY OF COMMERCE (GLSIC) ORGANISED A CWDC WORKSHOP ON PERSONAL GROOMING BY, AHMEDABAD BASED BEAUTICIAN MS. KHUSHBU SEJPAL.



FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT ORGANIZED SKILLS TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR SPECIALLY-ABLED CHILDREN AT UTTAN TALIM KENDRA, PALDI,



FACULTY OF COMMERCE (SMPIC), ORGANISED A SEMINAR ‘BEING WOMAN- HEALTH, WELLNESS AND SELF-DISCOVERY’ BY EXPERTS FROM DIFFERENT FIELDS DR. FALGUNI BAVISHI, RENOWNED GYNAECOLOGIST, MS. KHUSHNAM AVARY, DIRECTOR PANACHE ACADEMY AND RJ DEVAKI, RED FM. ALSO MS. SHIKHA VERMA, FITNESS TRAINER, CONDUCTED AN INTERESTING FITNESS SESSION FOR STUDENTS.

INDUSTRIAL VISITS BY STUDENTS OF GLS UNIVERSITY



FACULTY OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & IT ORGANIZED AN INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO GUJARAT EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER (EMRI) (108 SERVICE AND 181)



FACULTY OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATED MSC (IT) ORGANIZED AN INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO AMUL AT ANAND.



FACULTY OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ORGANIZED AN INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO BISAG - BHASKARACHARYA INSTITUTE FOR SPACE APPLICATIONS AND GEO-INFORMATICS.



FACULTY OF COMMERCE (GLSIC) ORGANIZED AN INDUSTRIAL VISIT TO N K PROTEIN LTD, KADI.



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RESTAURANT REVIEW

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TARACHAND

By Nirja Vasavada

About two years back when I visited Mumbai, my cousin's sole mission was to take me to Mumbadevi road. Our itinerary had only three things – darshan at Mumbadevi temple, shopping from the street market and lunch at Bhagat Tarachand. Needless to say, I was only interested in the last, and after eating at Bhagat Tarachand I felt that the whole ordeal was worth going through!

A few months back I saw the board of P. Bhagat Tarachand in Prahladnagar, Ahmedabad, and put it in my 'must visit' list. Not sure if this is the 'original', 'mumbaiwala' outlet, but who cares about it as long as they serve good food.

The restaurant has opened very recently, and they have maintained their brand image in mainly three food items – papadchuri, masala chhas



(which is served in beer bottle) and malairabdi. When I went to Mumbai branch, I was quite amused to see Gujaratis getting excited about drinking chhas from beer bottle (considering the fact that they can have the drink which the bottle is meant for, too). Now in Ahmedabad that excitement feels justified. But bottle apart, the chhas is simply superb – with its smoky flavour from the 'vaghar' and creamy texture of muska. It also

goes well with the Punjabi food to cool down the stomach. At the same time, it is also slightly heavy, and doesn't let you binge on the food!

As far as food is concerned, if you are expecting it to be 'authentic' Punjabi food, you will be disappointed. But if you forget the authenticity part, the food is truly delicious. Slightly on sweet side, the subjis are rich and tasty, the rotis are so soft that they melt in your mouth

and TadkaDaal gets quite interesting with fried onion crumbs on the top. Everything was slightly more on the buttery and oily side, so you need to forget the health and fitness part for the two hours that you spend there. Must try dishes are: Special thali, Veg Hunan Masala and MalaiRabdi.

They may need to work on the ambience part, but other than that, the restaurant doesn't let you down at all. You can

consider going here on the Uttarayan weekend, as the seating arrangement allows huge groups to sit together and indulge!

Address: P. Bhagat Tarachand, 20 & 21, First Floor, Riviera Arcade, Near. PrahladNagar Garden, 100 Feet Road, Prahlad Nagar, Ahmedabad

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SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS / RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

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A. OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS :

- Visiting Students' Research Programme (VSRP-2018)**
at Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
Website: <http://www.tifr.res.in/~vsrp>
- Scholarship Name** : BEST 2018 Bose Einstein Scholarship Test
Applicable For : Indian Students of Classes VII to Undergraduate Level
Application Deadline : 15th January 2018
Website : <http://www.mathjmmc.com/best>
- Organisation** : University Grants Commission (UGC)
Scholarship Name : Post Graduate Merit Scholarships for University Rank Holders 2017-18
Applicable For : University Rank Holders
Application Deadline : 31/01/2018
Website : https://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc_schemes/
- Organisation** : University Grants Commission (UGC)
Scholarship Name : Post Graduate Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child 2017-18
Applicable For : Single Girl Child (up to the age of 30 years)
Application Deadline : 31/01/2018
Website : https://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc_schemes/
- Organisation** : International Centre for Theoretical Sciences (ICTS-TIFR), Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
Scholarship Name : ICTS S.N. Bhatt Memorial Excellence Fellowship Program 2018
Applicable For : Undergraduate students of Science, Mathematics & Engineering
Application Deadline : 15th January 2018
Website : <https://www.icts.res.in/opportunities/summer-program-2018>

Apply Online : <https://forms.icts.res.in/summer-program/>

- Organisation** : University Grants Commission (UGC)
Scholarship Name : Post Graduate Scholarships For Professional Courses For SC/ST Candidates 2017-18
Applicable For : SC/ST Candidates
Applicable States/UTs : All Over India
Application Deadline : 31/01/2018
Website : https://www.ugc.ac.in/ugc_schemes/
Apply Online (NSP) : <https://scholarships.gov.in/>
Guidelines : <https://www.scholarships.net.in/uploads/19894-Prof.pdf>

B. OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS:

- AIAS_COFUND(Marie Curie) Fellowships**
For details pl see website: <http://aias.au.dk/aias-fellowships/aias-cofund-fellowships>
Deadline: 24th January 2018
- Ayurvedic Biology Programme**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- Industry Relevant R&D**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- J.C. BOSE National Fellowship**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- Ramanujam Fellowship**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- National Post-Doctoral Fellowship**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- Early Career Research Award**
Website: www.serbonline.in/SERB
Open throughout the year
- ICMR Award and Prizes**

Website: <http://www.icmr.nic.in>
Deadline: 31st January 2018

C. OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS:

- Louis Dreyfus-Weidenfeld and Hoffmann Scholarship and Leadership Programme at Oxford University**
– For details: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/fees-funding-and-scholarship-search/weidenfeld-hoffmann-scholarships-and-leadership-programme/oxford-weidenfeld-and-hoffmann-scholarships-and-leadership-programme>
Weidenfeld Hoffman Trust Website: <http://www.whtrust.org/>
Deadline: 8th January or 19th January 2018
- Clarendon Fund Scholarships at University of Oxford**
<http://www.clarendon.ox.ac.uk/>
Deadline: 8th January or 19th January
- Utrecht Excellence Scholarships for International Students**
<http://www.uu.nl/masters/en/general-information/international-students/financial-matters/grants-and-scholarships/utrecht-excellence-scholarships>
Deadline: 1st Feb 2018
- Amsterdam Excellence Scholarships (AES)**
<http://www.uva.nl/en/education/master-s/scholarships-tuition/scholarships-and-loans/amsterdam-excellence-scholarship/amsterdam-excellence-scholarship.html>
Deadline: 15th January or 1st February 2018
- Google India Scholarship**
<https://india.googleblog.com/2017/11/google-announces-130k-scholarships-to.html>
Deadline: 31st January 2018
- Young India Fellowship (YIF)**
For details: website www.ashoka.edu.in/yif
Deadline: 1st February 2018

EVENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS – FOC (SMPIC)

AZAAN...THE PRIDE OF SMPIC...THE PRIDE OF GLS...!!



It was that 'routine busy' day in 2008 during the admission process as thousands of students were pushing their luck desperately to get admission in their dream college, SMPIC. A fairly good looking boy entered the staff room to try his luck with his extra ordinary singing talent and impressed everyone right away. He got admission and the success story of Paresh Pahuja – Azaan Akbar of 'Tiger Zinda Hai' began. Paresh Pahuja is one of those hundreds of students of SMPIC who's life and career was shaped towards the path of success through various co-curricular activities in college. From the college stage to a second lead role in Salman Khan starrer Yash Raj production, 'Tiger Zinda Hai', Paresh's success journey has been meteoric. Paresh himself gives a lot of credit for his success to SMPIC in every interview he is giving today. His active participation in various co-curricular activities

ranging from music, fashion shows and theatre activities has been instrumental in shaping his career.

From the lead vocalist in a music band to commercial ad films like Vodafone, Mc Dowells No.1, Aviva Heart care, Pepper fry, 7up, Oman Tourism etc. to finally the big one...Azaan, Paresh Pahuja has been on the path of excellence. However, he prepared well for it. Before his reel debut, he studied mass communication at XIC, worked in client service at an ad agency, worked in production department in a film company. But according to Paresh, it is just the beginning. He has much bigger dreams. His work has already got love and recognition and he has been nominated in a couple of categories like 'Best Debut' and 'Best Supporting Actor' for the Filmfare Awards. And Paresh says, "My speech is ready"...what confidence... what positive thinking!! Great going Paresh Pahuja, keep it up.

CAN A GIRL FROM AHMEDABAD BE INDIA'S NEXT TOP MODEL??

CAN A GIRL WITH DUSKY COMPLEXION WIN INDIA'S NEXT TOP MODEL TITLE??

Yes. Both the answers are Yes. Riya Subodh of Ahmedabad has proved it. A very down to earth SMPIC student dreamt big and followed her dreams to the end and today she is India's Next Top Model. Riya got her first break in the SMPIC Grooming workshop and she never looked back. In all her interviews she has made a special mention of SMPIC's role. In a real sense SMPIC's motto "We mould minds and shape careers" has come true in Riya's case.

India's Next Top Model was a contest where among 16,000 entries, 16 participants were selected and of those, 10 were on the TV show. The show was hosted by Milind Soman and Malaika Arora. Every week one task was given to all the participants. Riya, week after week kept on proving herself and at the end was the ultimate winner.

After the win, she visited SMPIC and was warmly greeted by the Dean, Faculty of Commerce, Dr. Ashwin Purohit, the staff and the students, with whom she



shared her experience of the contest.

The President of GLS University, Shri Sudhir Nanavati and Ms. Chandni

Kapadia, COO, GLS University also appreciated her and encouraged her by signing her as a FACE OF GLS UNIVERSITY, 2018.

MONETA 2017



Faculty of commerce (SMPIC) participated in national level financial management festival MONETA 2017 organized by R.A Podar college of commerce, Mumbai. In which 36 colleges across India participated in the competition. Faculty of commerce (SMPIC) participated in all competitions

.FOC (SMPIC) won awards in 7 competitions. As well 2ND runners up position in overall performances.

1.) 2nd prize in liar's chess- Manav Mehta and Devanshu Vakil, 2) 2nd prize in Game of Reforms - Devanshu Vakil, 3) 3rd Barbarians at the Gate - Karan Raghani and Vishruti Shah, 4) 3rd in Bull ring -

Pung Gupta and Devanshu Vakil, 5) 2nd prize in Art of Persuasion- Arihant Chopra (Assistant Contingent leader), Punj Gupta and Devanshu Vakil, 6) 3rd prize Management Games, 7) 2nd Production paradox-Ashish Motwani and Manav Mehta. The institute is awarded 20,000 cash prize as well certificates.

NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT VISITS HACC

The President of New Jersey City University, USA, together with the Dean of the School of Business and the Dean of the School of Professional Studies, visited HA College of Commerce to discuss the prospects of working together under the aegis of the Gandhian Society. During their visit here, they also discussed the prospects of the currently running Patel Scholars Programme, funded by HACC alumni, Mr. Chirag Patel.

At a very pleasant and conducive meeting with Shri Sudhir Nanavati, President, GLS University and Executive Vice-President, GLS, they discussed prospects of GLSU partnering with NJCU in the near future. Ms Chandani Kapadia, COO, GLS, Dr. Dharmesh Shah, Registrar,



GLS, and Dr. BH Joshi also participated in this meeting, making future plans of collaboration between the two universities.

The President signed a

Memorandum of Understand at HA College of Commerce later to facilitate a partnership between the college and NJCU wherein students of foreign countries studying at NJCU will



come for an inculturation programme and be introduced

to the Gandhian Thought and way of life.

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