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EDITORIAL

UVCE - A college that has a 100+ years of legacy and an even longer list of illustrious alumni. Well, this was what fueled my fascination for this wonderful institution. The choice was very clear. If I were to pursue my B.Tech in Karnataka, UVCE was the place to be. It was hence natural to select UVCE-ECE as the first choice during KCET counselling, and hey! I thankfully was able to make it through in the first round.

While I had stumbled upon and poured through many editions of Sampada, watched all the wonderful videos of Payana and the Mega Reunion on the UVCE News YouTube channel, my first ever face to face interaction with an alumnus of this institution changed my life. Two days before officially joining the college, I had the privilege of having a causal discussion over a cup of chai with Prof. Roddam Narasimha at his office in JNCASR. To this day, I don't know what prompted a man of his repute to respond to my mail. But, his humility, willingness to carefully listen and ask questions as I rambled on and on and above all, his love for his alma mater was a very humbling experience. As soon as we'd realized we had gone an hour and a half over the discussed time and exchanged our pleasantries before leaving, heavy showers poured after an excruciatingly hot day as if to mark the end of an extremely fruitful discussion.

While I thought that this would be the first and last interaction I had with an alumnus until my B.Tech degree was over, my future held other plans in store for me. I still remember Mr Satish AG from the 2009 batch and Sneha our third year senior at the time, now alumnus from the 2021 batch walking into our first year class and introducing us to "Best Class 2.0". I tell my juniors who are fascinated by my class' active involvement in all spheres of college activities that if it weren't for the Induction Program, Jaathre and Best Class, our class would never gel together as well as it did. These events broke the ice and brought us closer together. All these events are directly or indirectly organized by the alumni community. It is very natural that a student who joins UVCE, benefits from some or the other alumni initiative as soon as they join college and all the way upto their graduation and beyond.

In a highly result oriented world where the ROI on time spent becomes a primary parameter, I'd always wonder what prompts the alumni who have multiple commitments of their own, to make time to serve and support their alma mater and its students without expecting anything in return. The only answer I could find after a lot of thinking and observation over the course of these four years, is the drive and the love to do something for the institution that has moulded and shaped them to be who they are. It's just this feeling of gratitude that keeps them going.

It is quite natural that this passion trickles down to all the students who are either directly or indirectly associated with alumni initiatives. It is this passion that fuels initiatives like MARVEL (our college's alumni sponsored R&D lab), UVCE Chronicles, Unconference and many new initiatives of the UVCEGA.

Being associated with MARVEL and UVCE Chronicles from its humble beginnings and seeing them transform and impact the lives of students has been an extremely rewarding experience.

The four years spent in college seems to have gone by in a flash. From taking initiative to become the Best Class Coordinator, winning the first prize, writing small articles for Sampada, hosting Chronicles Episodes, establishing and building MARVEL from the ground up, organizing the UVCE Autonomous 5K run, becoming an alumni activities coordinator and coordinating a whole host of activities, phew, time just passed by. With graduation fast approaching, my college days in UVCE are limited and my time is spent to trying to make the most out of it. My only hope and prayer is that I am able to add to the glory of my alma mater by the work I do once I graduate and continue to give back to the community that has given me so much. If I were to reflect on the time spent at UVCE, I am just overwhelmed by a feeling of gratitude towards all the people I've worked with to enable these initiatives. I just feel blessed to have worked with them and the memories we've created is something I'll always cherish.

In this edition of Sampada, we have something special in store for the readers. We get a sneak peak into a discussion with team Chronicles detailing their experience so far and what UVCE Chronicles means to them. I am sure our readers are very familiar with Sampada Interviews. The UVCE Chronicles podcast serves as an extension to this spirit. It's an effort to document unique people, their life experience and their association with UVCE. If you haven't listened to the podcast so far, do visit Spotify.

Happy Reading!

-Adrian P Isaac, 4th year ECE

UVCEGA AGM 2023

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Notice for the General Meeting

The Third Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of UVCE Graduates Association will be held on **Sunday, 18th June, 2023 at 11 AM**

Venue:
KEB Engineers Association, Anand Rao Circle, Bengaluru-01

Agenda

- Welcome
- Condolence for departed souls of alumni
- Reading of Meeting Notice
- Proceedings of Second AGM
- Report of the Working of the Association for the year 2022-23
- Audited Financial Report (SoA) for the year 2021-22
- Plan for the current year 2023-24
- Annual Budget for the year 2023-24
- Any other subject with the permission of the Chair
- Vote of Thanks

Dated: 18th May 2023   Secretary

Note:
* General Meeting is open for UVCEGA Members only.
* We will have the Membership Drive from 10:30 AM onwards at the same venue and new members can join the AGM immediately.
* If there is shortfall of Quorum, a 15-min break will be taken and the meeting will be resumed thereafter with the present attendees.
* Members can send their queries before 8th June (10 days in advance) via email to info@uvcega.org
* If you want to change your email-id/contact, let us know

UVCEGA SCHOLARSHIP DONORS

Sl No	Name	Batch	Sl No	Name	Batch
1	Chitra	2016	42	Dinesh S V	1994
2	Venkatasubbarao	1965	43	Dr MS Rajamurthy	1971
3	Ramakrishna	1970	44	Venkatesh G	1971
4	Kumar Rao	1964	45	James Kumar	1978
5	Revanna	1994	46	G H Visweswara	1971
6	Mohanram	1994	47	AVM Abhaya Kumar	1954
7	Komal	1994	48	Chandrika	1989
8	Venkatagiri	1994	49	Vasanth	1971
9	Vijayanand	1994	50	Ananth G P	1978
10	Satish	1994	51	Shivaprasad K T	1996
11	Ravi S	1994	52	Kameswaran	1971
12	RamaRao	1994	53	Mahesh	2009
13	Sanjeev	1994	54	K V Krishnappa	1971
14	Chandrashekhar	1964	55	Sukmar Ramanan	1978
15	Ganesh Mithra	1994	56	G V Muralidhara	1978
16	Abhishek Chakma	2015	57	G V Muralidhara	1978
17	Deepak Raju	1994	58	Anuradha	1978
18	S V Somashekhar	1994	59	Sheenam	1993
19	Lokesh	1994	60	Rekha	2009
20	Vijayalakshmi	1994	61	Nagaraj Bangalore	1978
21	SP Reddy	1957	62	Gopalkrishna Gupta	1976
22	Chandrashekhar	1994	63	A S Nagendra	1978
23	Girish Baliga	1994	64	Vikram Kamat	2009
24	Sharath Aithal	2007	65	Ajay Kowshik	2016
25	Muralidhara Y	1994	66	Gangothri Urs	2016
26	Jagadish Kumar G P	1971	67	Sushanth Upadhya	2018
27	Usha Hegde	2009	68	Kaushik	2016
28	Shruthi Rao	2009	69	Rakesh V	2016
29	Mukund	1978	70	Yashas K	2016
30	Kumara Guptha L	1994	71	Karthikeyan S	1970
31	Deepak B R	1994	72	Vinutha	2009
32	Nagendrababu	1978	73	M S Sudhindra	1981
33	Keshavamurthy	1978	74	Ravikumar	1973
34	Manjunath	2011	75	Vijay K Mathapathi	2016
35	Swamy Setty	1971	76	Praveen	1992
36	Dr MS Suresh	1971	77	Sudarshan	2018
37	RamaKrishna N	1971	78	Sriharsha D V	2009
38	Raghavendra	1972	79	Vishnu	2016
39	Bhaskar Babu	1994	80	Avinash Udupa	2016
40	Shwetha Wodeyar	2008	81	Rashmitha	2016
41	Shirish	1978	82	Shreyas Kashyap	2016

The UVCEGA Scholarships initiative for the year 2022-23 has successfully been completed and as it has been every year since the start of this initiative, it has only been possible due to our amazing UVCE alumni who provided generous donations. This year we received 15.67 Lakhs INR for the scholarship funds from our alumni. The remaining amount of the funds will be used for new initiative and next year Scholarships. We are once again grateful to our alumni for this incredible support. THANK YOU! There are some donors who have transferred the Funds after this consolidation of the donors. We will be updating on our website.

For the current year, a total budget of 9 Lakhs is spent for the Scholarships initiative. The list of all the 68 students is updated in the previous edition. An overview of Scholarships is as below:

· 7 Laptops (worth of around 20K each)

· 27 Full Scholarships (worth of 15K each)

· 34 Half Scholarships (worth of 10K each)

Special Mention of alumni contributions:

- Smt G V Satyabhama Memorial Scholarship – One girl student
- Sundaram Reddy Electrical & Electronics Support Scholarship – Seventeen students from Electrical and Electronics Branches
- Sheenam Ohrie Girl Students Encouragement Scholarship – Four girl students
- 1971 Batch for contributing 2.4 Lakhs
- 1978 Mechanical Batch for contributing 1.26 Lakhs
- 1994 Electronics Batch for contributing 4.57 Lakhs
- 2009 Batch for contributing 1.12 Lakh
- UVCE 1992 Electronics Batch Endowment Scholarship (From 2021-22)
- UVCE 2009 Batch Endowment Scholarship (From 2021-22)

UVCEGA Scholarships 2022-23 was successful only because of the support from our alumni donors. We appreciate every alumni contribution irrespective of whether it is large or small. It is the mindset to "Give Back to UVCE" that we respect. Thanks again to all the generous contributions from individual and alumni groups, we have been able to continue this initiative of Scholarships for supporting the students in need under UVCEGA in a great manner. VisionUVCE was awarding Scholarships for 10 consecutive years and we are happy to be able to sustain this initiative with all your support. A glimpse of the numbers:

12 Years	**619** Scholarships	**61** Lakhs Worth	**417** Donors

UVCE CHRONICLES - LATEST EPSODE

Our guest for this episode is one of the most influential personas of Karnataka - **N Manjunath Prasad** (Batch of 1987). An accomplished civil servant, he is the longest serving Commissioner of BBMP and the Managing Director of KSRTC, and is currently the Chief Minister's Principal Secretary.

Join Mohammed Fouzan (3rd year ISE), while he interviews Mr. Prasad on his journey into civil service, his efforts to promote renewable energy in Karnataka, and thoughts on UVCE's autonomy. Mr. Prasad also shares his advice for IAS aspirants, and how his experience as a faculty member has shaped his perspective as a civil servant.

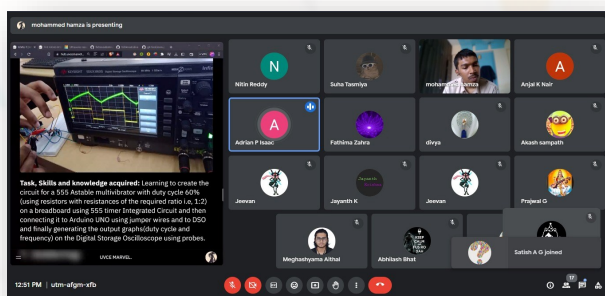**LISTEN ON SPOTIFY**

MARVEL CORNER

The lab was busy from the past few weeks, filled with enthusiastic learners and teachers as the coordinators' selection process was approaching its end. The coordinators had been doing their best to select the right people for the job, considering their skills and interests.

As usual, the students wanted to know what would happen after they were given a lab task. They expected that it would be an easy task or at least interesting enough to keep them occupied for a couple of hours. However, the coordinators had other plans for them. They knew that this would be their chance to show what they could do and how much they enjoyed learning under pressure.

And finally, they were asked to report their outcomes of the task in the first week of April. The newly-to-be coordinators were excited about their work and planned how they would present themselves in front of their coordinator buddies and present coordinators. The results were amazing! newly-to-be coordinators worked hard to understand every concept given and explored new ideas on how to solve problems using various available technology. They also gained confidence in themselves and learned how to coordinate with skilled people.

Then came the round of interviews which was held online on the second Sunday of the month. We had our panellists Anish Krishnakumar, Anupama G Hegde and Adrian P Isaac thoroughly questioning newly-to-be coordinators. After a whole lot of questioning and understanding, Marvel has its new coordinators, Prajwal A from 3rd Year Mech, Bhavid A from 3rd Year ECE, Aryan Aithal from 2nd Year AIML, Sujay Vikram G S from 2nd Year ECE, Mohammed Hamza from 2nd Year ECE, G R Sharveshram from 2nd Year AIML. Marvel also chose two consultants Shreyas Das from 2nd Year CSE and Harsha Chigurupati from 2nd Year AIML to keep track of the project track and competition track respectively.

The following week were centred around batch three students, as their deadline for completing common tasks was fast approaching. The third batch of students had worked hard all month to finish their common task. The tasks were challenging and students had put in a lot of effort to complete them on time. The coordinators provided guidance and support throughout the month and offered assistance wherever needed. As the deadline drew near, the students worked extra hard to make sure that their work would be up to the high standards expected of them. The coordinators monitored their progress and provided feedback on their work to help them reach their goals. At the end of the third week, students managed to complete their tasks on time. It was a great achievement and students felt proud of their accomplishment.

At the end of the month, they were asked to report the outcomes of the task and present their report to their respective domain coordinators. The coordinators listened carefully to the reports and asked any questions they had. The students answered the questions confidently and spoke clearly about their progress and the results of their tasks. The coordinators were pleased with the outcome and praised the students for their hard work and dedication. The coordinators also gave their feedback and suggestions on how to improve the task in the future. By the end of the meeting, the students were relieved that the task was complete and were proud of their accomplishments. They had managed to complete their common task on time and had worked hard to make sure that their work was of the highest quality.

The management team from Novalnet, a German Fintech company had visited our college to interact with the students. After their session, Mr. Emmanuel Kirse, Mr. Antony Robinson and Mr. Holger Bosk had visited MARVEL. They were given the gist of what you do at our lab and also interacted with the coordinators.

FACULTY PROFILE

Then & Now

Golden Wedding

1973 & 2018

Dr. Yella Reddy

Prof. T. Yella Reddy

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Taught us Mechanical Measurements and Instrumentation, Vibrations.
Our 'South India study tour' guide

1960-1966 BE Mech Engineering, UVCE, Bengaluru University (2 years for 1st Year!)

1967-1969 ME Mech Engineering, UVCE, Bengaluru University (a failed farmer 1966-67)

1969- 1971 BDTCE Faculty, & 1971-1985 UVCE Faculty

1975 - 78 Commonwealth Scholar at Univ. of Cambridge, UK. (On study leave from UVCE)

1978 Ph D with Thesis on "Impact Energy Absorption of metal tubes under lateral compression"

1978-79 Research associate, Univ of Cambridge, UK,
continuing Ph D theme for Nuclear Installation Inspectorate, UK.

1979-1985 UVCE faculty. Experimental Drop Weight Apparatus (ME student project)
A Gun Rig working on explosive cartridge blanks used in NCC, (ME student project).

1981 - Completed a BARC project to find residual strength of irradiated tubes by a ring compression test

1984- Got a DST project sanctioned, Objected to by the Principal, money not drawn.

1984 Visiting Research Fellow, University of Aberdeen univ, UK - on leave from UVCE

1985- 2001 University of Manchester UK.

At University of Manchester, Supervised 15 M. Sc. (dissertation) and 6 Ph. D. (thesis) students.
Two undergraduate student projects were published as journal papers.

2002-2005 Principal, Director, Acharya I T, Bengaluru,

2005-2008 Principal, Director, Vemana I T, Bengaluru.

Had a good time at above 2 places, interacting with students, allowing faculty the academic freedom and
instituting development programs at the cost of picking a few quarrels with the authority.

2008-2014 at home attending to Father

2015-2020 Dean (R and D), Vemana I T Bengaluru.

This is an ongoing series of Faculty Profiles we started from the previous edition. We are
thankful to the 1973 Mechanical batch for sharing this profile information with us.

INSIDE THE MIND OF THE PODCASTERS

We are excited to give our readers a glimpse into a discussion between the members of the UVCE Chronicles **Team who have been dedicatedly working to give us a gem of podcasts about namma UVCEians**. There is a Chronicle episode with the entire team sharing their experiences along with bloopers. You can check it out here - **Chronicles Link**
The participants of this discussion are

- Adrian P Isaac, 4th Year ECE
- Anupama G Hegde, 4th Year CSE
- Mohammed Fouzan, 3rd Year ISE
- Abhishek Y, 3rd Year ISE

Adrian: So let's begin. Fouzan, when did you join Chronicles?

Fouzan: I joined in the middle of 2022. I was an ambitious second year in UVCE, trying to do as much as I can in the n number of initiatives our college has going on. Initially Chronicles was not something I was comfortable doing but something I have always wanted to do if that makes sense. I've wanted to be a journalist since 6th grade. So 6th grade me was thriving doing Chronicles work aka conducting interviews. What was your experience like, Adrian?

Adrian: The first time I heard about Chronicles was the very first episode. I remember messaging Varsha and telling her that this is an absolutely fantastic initiative. She asked me if I was interested in hosting an episode and I was immediately onboarded when we had only one episode in the pipeline. It's just been a very humbling experience to see how Chronicles started off with a very bootstrapped approach and now it's gone on to 30+ episodes.

Fouzan: Chronicles is a construct of UVCE and now, for me at least, it's inseparable from UVCE.

Adrian: One thing our readers may not know is that the podcast started in the middle of the pandemic. So most of season one was recorded online. Anupama, you've been associated with Chronicles since season two, so what does Chronicles mean to you?

Anupama: Chronicles is really close to my heart. When Varsha messaged me, I was on the bus going to my hometown and that's how I got into Chronicles. I was scared initially, but once a podcast recording is done, the feeling that you have cannot be expressed.

Adrian: What's your favourite episode so far?

Anupama: It's Srikanth sir [S1: EP 5.1,5.2], I don't know why, but I have listened to it about five times.

Fouzan: Do you find yourself listening to whatever you've recorded? For me, I couldn't go through it initially and now I find myself playing only my part. Do you listen to your episodes, Anupama and Adrian?

Anupama: Yeah, I do but I skip my parts.

Adrian: It just feels terrible to hear your own voice initially, but now, after sitting in on a lot of editing sessions I've got comfortable listening to my own voice. Abhishek, when did you join the Chronicles team? And how has the editing experience been so far?

Abhishek: I mentioned in casual conversation that I had some experience editing audio for school and then Fouzan reached out to me and I said yes. My first episode was with Manjunath Hebbar [S2:EP7] . Right now we have two mics, but back then we didn't have them. Editing was difficult before and now it's become a lot easier. What I do is, I listen to the entire recording and pick out some parts which can be added at the start so that there is something to look forward to in the episode.

Fouzan: Yes, I think this should be the template for Chronicles moving forward . A perfect template in terms of the edit would be Naveen Kumar [S2:EP8]. Another thing is Chronicles is a very high effort and passionate project, and ensuring that every episode gets the coverage and reach that it deserves is a job every team member takes seriously.

Adrian: True. I think from end to end it at least takes us on average a good month or so to come up with an idea, contact the guests, record the episode, edit it, publish it and then do the marketing. So Anupama for those of our readers who haven't actually listened to Chronicles, What do you want to tell them?

Anupama: Chronicles is not just a podcast which we do. It has so much information and life values from the alumni who have experienced it all. You can listen to this podcast at 'UVCE Chronicles' on Spotify.

Adrian: Well, now Chronicles has new members in the team - Nitin, Sujay, Prajwal and Deepak (mention each of their branches and years) who will be working on the editing aspect. So you can expect to listen to a Chronicles episode every fortnight, each with a unique editing signature.

Fouzan: Adrian, which one is your favourite episode?

Adrian: Arvind Bhat's episodes [S1: EP 10.1, 10.2] holds a very significant place in my heart since it was my first episode. It was a two-parter, the conversation was very insightful. When I casually asked him about how he deals with the highs and lows in life, especially when you're a sports person and your schedule is not well defined, he opened up about a near-death experience he had and how he overcame it.

Adrian: Abhishek, any episode that is special to you?

Abhishek: Manomurthy Sir's episode, which is not released yet. Because I'm an editor, the value that's in the conversation that happens matters but for me the production value matters too. So in that episode everything was perfect since we recorded it in Mano sir's studio.

Adrian: How are the alumni as guests?

Anupama: First, we take them through the entire process. I will give you an example - Ravi Kumar Sir [S2:EP2], a 1973 batch alumni. I was scared about what he thinks of me but they know it is difficult for both the parties involved in the recording. They are nervous about the process but rude? - NEVER.

Fouzan: I feel our Alumni have not lost touch with what's going on around them, and it's consistent with almost every alumni we've met. They're highly self aware which explains the nervousness. Them being nervous is kind of wholesome because it shows that they care about this. Even if they are significantly older, technology is something that they want to and are actively trying to understand. You can see that they are trying to understand what a podcast is and what is going to happen when we put it on Spotify. People outside UVCE, if you are reading, this may not be relatable for you. It's a very exclusive characteristic trait of UVCE alumni and you won't be able to find this experience anywhere else.

Adrian: Anupama, I think a lot of our readers, especially alumni Would be curious to know, do you have to be very famous to be on Chronicles? Is that a necessity?

Anupama: Absolutely not. It's not that UVCE does not have popular alumni.There are several popular Alumni that we approach. To contrast, let's take Ramesh Aravind Sir [S3:EP1] who is very famous but also Suraj Prasad Sir [S2:EP5] who we came to know because of Chronicles.

Adrian: Now not just alumni, shortly the readers will be able to listen to a podcast by the BOG of UVCE, Muthuraman sir. He didn't study in UVCE, but he is associated with UVCE.

Fouzan: We did not start out that way, it's changed now. It's anyone who is associated with UVCE, so Nikhil Kamath sir, if you are reading this I would love to personally have you on Chronicles!

Adrian: Our readers are familiar with Sampada interviews over its 150+ editions. Chronicles follows a very similar format of interviewing alumni. It is just an extension to Sampada interviews and the interviews will always continue to be a hallmark of Sampada. Abhishek any concluding words for the readers?

Abhishek: I just want to add to what Anupama said. Alumni are very humble and kind. So when we went to record Manomurthy Sir's episode, we all know him as a famous musician but in the introduction we mentioned that he had a stellar academic track record which includes 2 degrees in the US. He just casually laughs it off completely disregarding that. Their humbleness cannot be overstated.
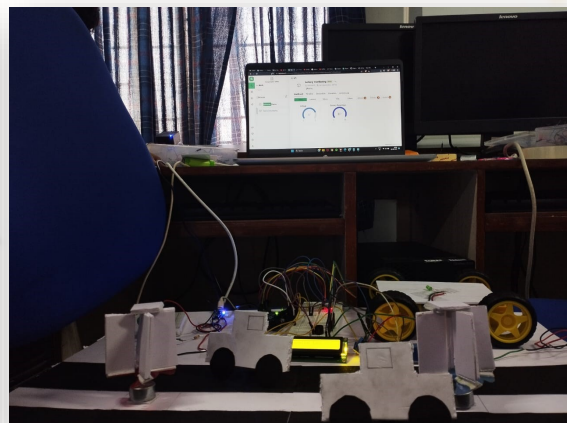
Adrian: So if there is any of our readers who would like to get in touch with us to be a guest on the show, please feel free to reach out to us on Instagram: @visionuvce or you can email us: info.uvcega@campusuvce.in You can also contact Mr. Satish AG, who is the General Secretary of the UVCEGA and we will be more than happy to have you on the show.

Fouzan: I was just joking the other day about how we should encourage our alumni to make Instagram accounts and then follow @visionuvce and then abandon that Instagram account. If you are an alumni, please make an Instagram account Because on Instagram A lot of students put out high-effort content about UVCE goings-on. Very nice, very wholesome.

CIRCUITSAVYY TEAM - BNMIT IOT HACKATHON WIN

CircuitSavyy is the name of our squad and we had a wonderful experience taking part at BNMIT in their 12-hour IoT Hackathon. Our group had four members: Manoj shetty, Kavita Shankar, Yashwant SV, and Yeshwant S. We developed a solution for wireless EV charging which was based on IoT. This system implemented intelligent charging algorithms to optimize the charging process. These algorithms considered factors such as battery capacity, charging speed, and energy availability to provide an efficient and safe charging experience. The charging pad was integrated with an IoT platform to enable advanced functionalities. It allowed users to monitor and control the charging process remotely through a mobile application or a web interface. It included authentication mechanisms, encryption protocols, and fault detection mechanisms.

And the electricity needed for that project was produced by turning wind turbines and produced wind energy into electricity. Breakfast and lunch were delectable, and snacks and a coffee or tea break helped us feel refreshed. It was a positive experience overall. We won first place, too. This is a result of teamwork. We would also like to thank MARVEL UVCE for funding us to participate in this event, will be looking forward for the same.

FLAG CAPTURED

When life gives you lemons, hack into the mainframe and make some lemonade...or in our case, win the CTF competition!

The same happened for us when GDSC UVCE recently conducted a 24hrs Capture the Flag (CTF) event which was designed to test the skills of participants in the field of cybersecurity it was a thrilling competition, filled with intense challenges and as for the participants it was just brain-throttling. The competition was fierce, but our team Hufflepuff stood out from the rest. Hufflepuff made up of four novice members Kshitija, Shreya N, Christina Mary and myself, Hufflepuff managed to outwit and outmanoeuvre the other teams to claim the top spot in the event. The competition was tough, and Hufflepuff was not the only team that put up an impressive performance. The team that came in second place was Shadow, and they gave Hufflepuff a run for their money.

This was something for a formal script, Lets come to the BTS ...

Prior to the event when the announcement about the upcoming CTF was made, my mind was blown, and I found it challenging to process the technology all at once. But as days passed the next challenge popped up before me - which was finding a team for myself but thanks to our seniors who helped me through it and linked me to Kshitija di. Regarding the name Hufflepuff it was inspired from one of the houses in the Harry Potter movie, who were very patient, hardworking and also had a very strong sense of justice. It was the most perfect team I ever worked with. The team coordinated really well together during the challenges. One of the challenges really caught me off guard was one where the flag was a morse code hidden in Rick Astley's - Never Gonna Give You Up song and I had to listen to it for about two hours to get all the characters right <` DO YOU L1KE TH3 S0NG `>.

On the day of the event late at night, while finding the flag for the bonus question which was of 200pts and at nearly 1am we hit the bulls eye and we celebrated as we hit the 1000-point mark which really told us a Good night!.. Our team mate Shreya exclaimed "didn't know much, learnt most of things during the competition" and Kshitija added "It was fun figuring out things and learning through the process".

Overall, the GDSC UVCE CTF event was a great success, showcasing the talents and skills of some of the brightest minds in the field of cyber technology. A very special mention to the design of the event which was really amazing and gave us hacker feeling for real. Looking for much more of such amazing events from GDSC UVCE until next time cya!...

-Vinayak N Magajikondi, 1st Sem AIML

GOLDEN JUBILEE REUNION ON JUNE 1ST

We are glad to inform that June 1st, 2023 will be a memorable day for the 73 Batch of UVCE. "Golden Jubilee" Reunion has been planned and organized in the college premises for the alumni. UVCE Graduates Association is supporting them in this regard. We already have around 50 people from ECE, MECH, CIV, EEE, ARCH branches confirmed to attend the event. We have co-ordinators from each branch trying to get their friends to attend this meet. If you are one of the members of 73 batch or if you know someone who has not yet registered for the event, please do contact us today +91-9740111552

UVCE IN NEWS

BU orders UVCE students to vacate Jnana Bharathi campus hostels by May 1

Despite the extension of the status quo to maintain academic and administrative arrangements between the University of Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) and Bangalore University for the next one year, conflict continues. In a fresh development, Bangalore University issued a unilateral order and asked the students of the UVCE residing in three hostels on its Jnana Bharathi campus to vacate by May 1.

The Director of the Directorate of Student's Welfare of Bangalore University sent a notice to the hostels on April 27 stating, "The UVCE has become a completely independent university from the academic year 2023-24. No fund has been sanctioned by the government to the engineering students. Therefore, all the engineering students should vacate the hostels by May 1."

The UVCE was to be the first autonomous State university along the lines of the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), but plans were derailed following a paucity of funds. However, after outrage from students and staff, the Higher Education Department extended the status quo of financial and administrative powers of the UVCE with Bangalore University till March 31, 2024.

While the State government made the UVCE, affiliated to Bangalore University since 1964, autonomous in March 2022, civil and other engineering branches continued on the Jnana Bharathi campus and the university has provided hostel facility for engineering students on the same campus. There are around 150 engineering students staying in the three hostels. The latest order has put such students in trouble.

A student of the UVCE, said, "I have come from Raichur and have been staying in this hostel for two years. Now, all of a sudden, we are asked to move out of the hostel by May 1. My parents are worried. We brought this issue to our principal's notice. But there has been no proper response. Therefore, the Board of Governors (BoG) of the UVCE should immediately resolve this problem. Otherwise, all the hostel students will go on an indefinite fast from Monday."

A delegation of the All-India Democratic Students' Organisation and the UVCE Students' Struggle Committee met Bangalore University Vice-Chancellor on Friday and requested him to take a stand in favour of the students.

Jayakara S.M., Vice-Chancellor of Bangalore University said, "The UVCE has become an independent university from the academic year 2023-24. However, the government has extended the status quo of the UVCE for one more academic year. According to this status quo order, the UVCE should reimburse the fund for us. But, there is no sign from the UVCE in this regard. The BoG of the UVCE has never discussed anything about financial assistance. We can't bare the hostel expenditure of engineering students. Therefore, we decided to get the hostels vacated."

Source : [The Hindu](#) (28th April)

UVCE hostel issue: Revised circular states students need not vacate hostel, yet confusion prevails

Students from the University of Visveswaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) are distressed after they have been asked to vacate their hostels by May 1.

On March 25, 2022, UVCE was granted autonomous status. However, due to financial constraints, the state government issued an order to maintain status quo for a year, wherein, the college continue to act as a constituent college of Bangalore University. One year up, over 350 UVCE students, who are residing in BU hostels, have been asked to vacate, stated a report in The New Indian Express.

"There is a lot of confusion as to what is exactly happening. When we approach UVCE authorities, they say that they are not authorised to talk about the issue and direct us to a different official. While UVCE is saying that it will be handled, BU is maintaining that we have to vacate by Monday," a student told TNIE.

The students met Bangalore University Vice Chancellor, on Friday, April 28, describing they are left without any accommodation from the next week.

Relief for students

Speaking to TNIE, UVCE Chairman B Muthuraman claimed that the issue has been rectified. "The students will not have to vacate. A circular has been issued in this regard, as there was a mistake initially," he said.

The circular, issued on Friday, stated that "all the students can continue to stay in the hostel with all the existing facilities/status."

However, BU Registrar Mahesh Babu said that no efforts have been made to start a discussion on the UVCE issue "The students are the responsibility of UVCE. Alternative arrangements will need to be made for them, however, they have not approached us at all. We have no budgetary allocations to feed or house the students for longer, so some arrangement will need to be made for the students from the UVCE side," he said.

Source: The New Indian Express (1st May)

Bangalore University relieves 77 faculty members and 29 technical staff of UVCE from service

Despite the State government extending the status quo of the University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCEs) academic and administrative arrangement with the Bangalore University (BU), the latter has relieved 77 faculty members and 29 technical staff of UVCE from service.

"UVCE teaching and non-teaching staff have decided to continue their service in the same institution after the government rejected their proposal to opt into Bangalore University. Therefore, Bangalore University has relieved them from service," sources said.

UVCE was a constituent college of Bangalore University since 1964 and it became an autonomous institution on March 25, 2022. Due to financial crunch and other issues, a total of 69 teaching faculty and few technical staff decided to opt into Bangalore University. They also submitted a representation to the government along with the staff list and documents for further action on March 9, 2023.

The staff preferred to opt into BU for their terminal benefits like pension, gratuity, leave encashment, commutation, and National Pension Scheme (NPS) contribution. However, there is was government engineering college in Bangalore University limits to depute them, due to which the government rejected their proposal.

"The government had said they can be transferred and accommodated to other government engineering colleges," a source said.

The government released Rs.35 crore fund to UVCE and extended the status quo of academic and administrative arrangement with the Bangalore University for the next one year in April, after which the teaching and non-teaching staff decided to stay back with UVCE and requested to be relieved from the service.

Jayakara S.M., Vice-Chancellor of Bangalore University, said: "UVCE was a constituent college of Bangalore University and has been working as an autonomous university since March 2022. The government has decided to develop it in the Indian Institute of Technology model and provided an adequate fund for the institution. Therefore, all permanent teaching and non-teaching staff wanted opt to into the same institution and requested to be relieved from our university. After they exit from here, then only will they be eligible to enrol in the Human Resource Management System, and get the salary from the government. So, we relieved them from the service of Bangalore University."

Source: The Hindu (May 9th)

UVCEGA CORNER

Welcome to this month's UVCEGA corner and updates:

First off, We are extremely glad to announce that UVCEGA AGM 2023 is going to take place on 18th June 2023. We are in full swing mode as we gear up for the event with preparations underway for the reports, newspapers, venue, logistics and much more. We request you to RSVP at the earliest using the link.

On the updates of some our other initiatives—the UVCE Mentorship initiative we announced in March is underway. We had a lot of alumni who signed up for it and we have sent out email communications to all. The initiative to connect the students and alumni will begin shortly as we are working on the final details of the process. The main idea is to enable the students, who are majorly from rural background and/or are low on confidence and whose communication skills are questionable. This time, we are starting with the students who have been awarded UVCEGA Scholarships 2022 -23.

We already have had a MARVEL update from the students in the previous pages of the edition. Further we have the list for the next set of equipment required being prepared. We also have plans to visit a few institutes/organizations for understanding how they operate and how MARVEL can be improved. If you recall, we had formed 3 ThinkTanks to plan for the alumni role once UVCE becomes autonomous (during 2021-22). One of the SubCommittee - Research & Innovation ThinkTank - has suggested to "discuss with alumni in various educational institutions (both national and international) and have some kind of collaboration with them to develop research activities." This was a long-term plan and we want to initiate it in some form at the earliest.

We have a couple of reunions being planned - with 1973 batch Reunion already confirmed on June 1st. Two batch Reunions in discussion to be organized soon are for 1998 and 2013. We will keep you updated on the same in the coming days.

One of the things we have been worried about has been all the news about UVCE in the past couple of months and how it may effect the KCET seat selection to take place in a couple of months. We urge the BoG to consider this seriously else the quality of the future incoming batches will be severely affected. Also, many alumni would like to know the roadmap for UVCE in the next 3-5 years and how can alumni join hands for this. As promised earlier, UVCEGA is willing to play the role of the platform to enable all such initiatives.

EDUCATIONAL LEGACY OF BENGALURU

Bengaluru has been home to some of the oldest colleges of the country. In the recent Budget, the Karnataka government announced that a feasibility study would be taken up to create a Heritage and Educational District. This would be in a five-kilometre radius of the Central Business District which will involve all the historical educational institutions in the area. In this video by The Hindu, take a look at five such iconic institutions. We are glad that UVCE has been featured in it.

Source: The Hindu

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