

SAMPADA

Your Window to UVCE

Be an alumni or student, past or present, UVCE was a huge part of our life
and we'll always remain an UVCEian.



It's **TIME** we take the leap and put
in our best efforts to push for
UVCE's Centenary Celebrations!
Let's get to work!

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EDITORIAL

Team Sampada is enthralled to wish all of you a very Happy New Year. May this New Year ring in good times for both you and ones close to you.

Well, the whole concept of NEW YEAR is a funny one for me besides the food and celebration. Want to know how? Its that time of the year when you get loads of new diaries, (being a person obsessed with stationary) nothing attracts me better. And there with all those beautiful and colourful diaries around me and the complimentary pens that accompany them, the child inside me runs wild and I make a pact "I'm going to ink everything I do in a day and all the important incidents that may happen this year."



Before long you will see me writing my Name and all the details across the info page in the most beautiful handwriting and taking all the time in the world. Day 1, will find the writer in me letting the thoughts flow and be inscribed like a page isn't enough. Day 2 , the enthusiasm level already fallen by half will still make me fill the page. Day 3 and Day 4 will be more of a time when I will do it for the sake of doing it by filling the page with at the most 3-4 lines. And finally by the time Day 5 comes, I will be snoring to glory and so will the pledge die. Well, on a serious note, New Year for many is the opportunity for new beginnings, starting afresh; for some it is about just bracing themselves to start another cycle of the same routine and for some, it may not make difference at all.

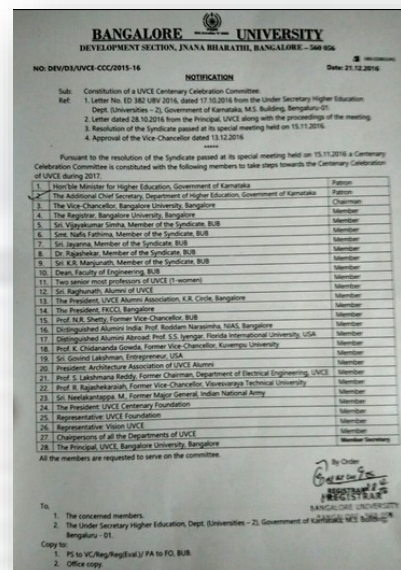
But one thing is undisputable, whether one follows their resolution for the new year or not, it surely brings a thought to make a resolution and if supported or motivated well it may continue well. I feel UVCE is in such a position right now. For years now, the institution of great minds has been unmonitored and in a dilapidated situation. Although Centenary Celebrations as many may rightly feel is an occasion to rejoice that we hit the 100th year mark and celebrate, Team VisionUVCE as well as I personally feel the more important and underlying view that it is an occasion to trigger the much needed changes so that the institution regains its prior state & can continue to provide education at a comfortable level to the students. Therefore focussing on conducting events all round the year remains a priority. As you all would have gone through the timeline VisionUVCE had posted, an array of events have been planned for the entire year and your co-operation and participation is of high significance.

Giving a sneak peek to the announcement you would find on page 2, VisionUVCE has been recognized to be a part of the Centenary Committee and conduct the celebrations. Firstly, Team VisionUVCE feels privileged for being provided with this opportunity. Whilst running the already planned events in parallel, we hope to help with the official celebrations dutifully. The ALUMNI's participation is of critical importance for this to be implemented and hence we urge you to join hands with us & actively participate. Hope the current students have done well in their semester exams & wish they will actively participate in the celebrations enthusiastically to make it a grand success.

- Chitra S Reddy, 2016 Batch

UVCE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

We are happy to inform you that the UVCE Centenary committee has been approved by the Bangalore University Syndicate and Vice-Chancellor. As per the letter dated 21-12-2016, this notification is about the constitution of UVCE Centenary Celebration Committee. This resolution was passed by the Syndicate at its Special Meeting held on 15th November and approved by the Vice-Chancellor on 13th December, 2016. It announces the following members as part of the Committee and requires them to serve the purpose.



Patrons

- Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education, Govt of Karnataka
- The Additional Chief Secretary, Dept of Higher Education, Govt of Karnataka

Chairman

The Vice-Chancellor, Bangalore University, Bangalore

Member Secretary

The Principal, UVCE, Bangalore University

Members

The Registrar, Bangalore University

- Chairpersons of all Departments of UVCE
- Sri Vijayakumar Sinha, Member of Syndicate, BUB
- Smt Nafis Fathima, Member of Syndicate, BUB
- Sri Jayanna, Member of Syndicate, BUB
- Dr Rajashekar, Member of Syndicate, BUB
- Sri K R Manjunath, Member of Syndicate, BUB
- Dean, Faculty of Engineering, BUB
- Two Senior most Professors of UVCE (1 women)
- The President, UVCE alumni Association,
- The President, FKCCI, Bangalore
- Prof N R Shetty, Former Vice-Chancellor, BUB
- Prof K Chidananda Gowda, Former Vice-Chancellor, Kuvempu University
- Distinguished Alumni India: Prof Roddam Narasimha, NIAS, Bangalore
- Distinguished Alumni Abroad: Prof SS Iyendar, Florida International University, USA
- Sri Govind Lakshman, Entrepreneur, USA
- Sri Raghunath, Alumni of UVCE
- President, Architecture Alumni Association of UVCE Alumni
- Prof S Lakshmana Reddy, Former Chairman, Dept of Electrical Engineering, UVCE
- Prof R Rajashekaraiah, Former Vice-Chancellor, VTU
- Sri Neelakantappa M, Former Major General, Indian National Army
- President, UVCE Centenary Foundation
- Representative, UVCE Foundation
- Representative, VisionUVCE

JANUARY EVENT - PHOTO EXHIBITION

Bangalore has one of the largest number of Engineers in any city in the world and its Engineers have been behind developing it into an important technological city. College of Engineering, the first Engineering institution in the Mysore State, started during the Nalwadi Krishnaraj Wodeyar's reign in Bangalore, laid the foundation for Engineering education in the region of Karnataka and further technological developments in the city.

Engineers graduates from the College of Engineering, later renamed as University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE), have contributed greatly to the Government and private sector institutions in Bangalore including Hindustan Aeronautics, National Aeronautics, Indian Space Research Organisation, Bharat Electronics, Bharat Heavy Electricals and Bharat Earth Movers and provided faculty for the Engineering colleges established later.

Bangalore had pioneered in technological advancements as early as 1905 and had become the first city in Asia to have streetlights powered by electricity. Nalwadi Krishnaraj Wodeyar's reign was not only known for social and educational reforms but also for technological advancements as the first major hydroelectric project in Asia was commissioned in 1902 in Shivsamudram to transmit electricity to mining operations in the Kolar Electric Gold Fields with the longest transmission line. Madras Engineers group, known for their invention Bangalore Torpedo used since the World War I, were behind the construction of roads, bridges, fortifications, wells, water-supply and had their base in Bangalore since 1834.

College of Engineering started at K R Circle in 1917 is celebrating its centenary in 2017 and as part of the celebrations 'Bangalore 1917: Making of a Tech City' will be curated at Venkatappa Art Gallery Exhibition will connect the Mysore State's Engineering achievements until 1917, the necessity of starting an Engineering college and the history behind it. It will also trace the contribution of Engineers from 1917 to the development of Bangalore as tech city and will aim to educate the Bangaloreans and visitors to heritage, history, education, technology and its importance to culture.

Here are the details about the event:

Event Title: 'Bangalore 1917: Making of a Tech City'

Venue: Venkatappa Art Gallery, Kasturba Road, Ambedkar Veedhi, Sampangi Rama Nagar, Bengaluru-01

Date: 5 Days, Saturday 21st to Wednesday 25th January 2017

Research / Documentation /Curators: Surekha and Sridhar Aghalaya

Surekha, artist and former founding curator of Rangoli Metro Arts Center, has curated many projects related to public history of Bangalore.

Sridhar Aghalaya, an alumnus of UVCE, has worked in the creative industry for the last two decades.

Supported by VisionUVCE group and Bangalore artists and heritage enthusiasts. Curators will research and coordinate with various Government, Non-Government and private individuals and their archives including MEG, Karnataka Information Department, BBMP and Mythic Society. Curated works will be donated to an alumni trust so that it can be used for archiving and future exhibitions.

If you have a story to share or memories in form of photos that can be displayed, please do let us know!!

UVCE IN MEDIA

At 100, UVCE wants to be single but 2 suitors vie for it

BENGALURU: In its centenary year, the University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) -Karnataka's oldest engineering college -has become the bone of contention between the Bangalore University and the newly-carved Bangalore Central University . This, while UVCE wants autonomy .

Started in 1917 by Sir M Visvesvaraya, the UVCE is a constituent college under Bangalore University (BU) and counts some of India's finest scientists as alumni. Two universities -the Bangalore University (BU) and counts some of India's finest scientists as alumni. Two universities -the Bangalore University and the newly-created Bangalore Central University (BCU) -are claiming a right over the college. The BCU and Bangalore North University were carved out of the erstwhile Bangalore University. "We've asked the government to retain UVCE under us and shift it from KR Circle to our Jnanabharathi campus," BU ViceChancellor B Thimme Gowda said, adding, "It's not the revenue that we are after. In fact, we're incurring losses with UVCE. A university should have all faculty, including engineering. Jnanabharathi will give UVCE a calm atmosphere". Like RV College of Engineering, a college can thrive even if it is located far away from the city centre, he said. Right now, the Jnanabharathi campus is where the civil and architecture departments of the UVCE are located.

S Japhet, the special officer for the Bangalore Central University , said shifting UVCE is out of the question. "The bifurcation has been done and Bangalore Central University will have jurisdiction over 13 assembly constituencies, according to which UVCE will be under us. There's a government order to this effect," he said.

An expert committee formed to work out sharing of resources among the three universities has only added to the confusion because it has not taken a stand on where UVCE should belong. "The government is yet to take a call on this matter," Additional Chief Secretary (higher education) Bharat Lal Meena said.

The UVCE does not want to be with either BU or BCU. "Our stand has been that we want to be an autonomous institute and become a deemed university," principal Venugopal KR said. The college has asked the state government for `100 crore as centenary grant.

(Economic Times, Jan 4th,2017)

Panel for shifting UVCE to Jnana Bharathi campus

BENGALURU: University Visveswaraya College of Engineering (UVCE), one of the premier colleges in the State, may have to be relocated to Bangalore University's Jnana Bharathi campus once the trifurcation process begins.

An expert committee formed by the Higher Education Department has suggested shifting the college to the JB campus.

“Currently, UVCE is located at K.R. Circle. It is congested. We want the college to grow and therefore are urging the government to shift it,” a source pointed out. The move, the source pointed out, would also ensure that UVCE remains with the parent Bangalore University.

However, faculty members had earlier categorically passed a resolution that the college should remain at K.R. Circle. Several letters in this regard have been sent to the Higher Education Department.

Senior officials in the department said that there is a need for more thought and deliberation as the college is also demanding autonomous status.

“There are two options before us. One is to ensure that it remains at K.R. Circle and becomes a part of Bangalore Central University. The second is to shift it to J.B. campus. A decision will be made shortly,” a source said.

(The Hindu, Dec 24th, 2016)

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generating funds?

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to Sponsor events?

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Ad in the Souvenir?

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organizing Marathon?



As an alumni, as a well-wisher of the
college, we look forward for your support!

Talk to us -+91-9740111552
Write to us – samvaada@visionuvce.in

ALUMNI SAY

We requested the alumni to share their thoughts about few points like - Importance and legacy of UVCE; How Centenary should be celebrated?; How alumni can contribute to UVCE? And we got couple of responses.

A Abhaya Kumar (Retired Air ViceMarshall) from 1954

As for my views on the Centenary Celebrations, in general, I feel:

None of us, can forget the institution which made us what we are to-day. To that extent we all owe it the UVCE to remember it throughout our lives and further, to make sure that we have occasions to meet and recollect our common experiences of our times.

Being the very first Engineering College in the old Princely State of Mysore, it has a history worth preserving. The only way to facilitate the same is to ensure that the progress of the College over the decades is recorded and preserved for the posterity to be proud of. One important point to place on record is the names of those alumini who reached the pinnacle of their specialised studies and also made noteworthy contributions towards enhancing the name and fame of our College.

The most appropriate manner of celebrating the Centenary of UVCE would be to spread the same over a few months in the Centenary year so that all the Alumini, especially those who are settled abroad, will also have an opportunity to visit the College in their own time and to recollect their own days, their own friends of those years.

Bhima Rao from 1968

UVCE is known for Meritorious Students. Financially poor but academically rich students have no shelter but for UVCE from time immemorial. This goes without saying and no disputes or difference of opinion in this matter.

As regards to faculty, I have an opinion majority were/are dedicated but there are also few who were neither academically well qualified nor good in teaching. They did not had/have practical experience which is essential for teaching certain subjects. They were partial or had no capacity to judge hard work of students in grading They were/are not only uninspiring but were /are also demotivating. Truth is bitter but truth is always truth. My objective of recording this is to protect interest of honest students and to bring it to the notice of such undeserving faculty.

Try to involve other premier National/International Institutions and industries in all celebrations. Let the faculty contribute by writing Textbooks to match current syllabus keeping in view industries requirements. Publish Gist of all research activities done so far. Recognise and honour Alumni who have done significant contributions. Publish credentials of senior Alumni who are still active in profession post retirement.

Alumni can contribute financially to improve infrastructure of UVCE.

ONLINE DISCUSSION SNIPPETS



Chitra S Reddy

January 7 at 9:04pm · 🌐

I have a humble request to make to all the Alumni, who will atleast breeze through this post.
I urge you all to please visit college and as frequently as possible so that you will be able to gauge the situation in hand and together the Alumni of all batches can proceed to do something. I guess if together all the Alumni come together and as students will join hands, the Centenary Celebrations will be successful in a way that can be never forgotten.
Atleast then seeing the Alumni's zeal and push I feel the college and university will step forward to make the celebrations grandeur.



Shreekar Gowrishankar

January 7 at 9:06pm · 🌐

Well as far as I know brand "UVCE" has gone down far a bit compared to its peak. Our main objective at centenary should be pushing the name of UVCE back the way it was.. And the most important factor to do so is infrastructural development..
As per my opinion :
50% should be internal development .
30% should be our reach out to other ppl and colleges .
20% celebration.
The only thing we lack to become the best college is infra so I guess we should strive towards the development of it.

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👍 Suhas Chethan, Harsha Shiva and 19 others



AG Satish Well, though the intent is correct, we also need to be practical.. We will need authorities to think about the infrastructure.. Since, people from outside dont have control or say in it at all.. We see lot of infrastructural requirement, but within our constraints we have tried to help. But beyond that, we need the authorities to step in

Like · Reply · January 7 at 9:12pm



Harsha Shiva Finally! We have something official being announced..I personally expect this committee to plan 'one event' which shall provide a meaningful and memorable charisma for Students, alumni, professors and all organization associated with UVCE.

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AG Satish Well, atleast the idea needs to be done in a way so as to showcase the official inclusion as well.. Among all other events and activities, we need one from the University & College too which will help in various ways

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Chitra S Reddy Finally the official Committee. Although the committee seems to have an upper hand of the university officials and lesser of alumni or faculty related to UVCE, I hope the committee takes actions quickly as its High Time the celebrations start.

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AG Satish Thats always how the "System" works.. We are not aware of the necessity of so many of the Syndicate members in the Committee. But this is the effort of 4 months and we have a long way to go 😊

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Vishnu Sharma This is the right time to get UVCE autonomous status.. UVCE can't develop under Bangalore University..

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Jyothi C O No if UVCE becomes autonomous it'll lose its scope of being a university college. Only the thing to be developed is the Bangalore university officials duty. They aren't doing their work time to time and that's why everything is getting late including our exams results and even the poor infrastructure follows.

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Shruthi G

January 7 at 9:23pm · 🌐

Alumnis of UVCE are there in every corner of the world. We can develop one website through which all alumnis are connected. Trying to collect at least basic details of every student of UVCE since 1917 can lead us to a point where anything related to our college should reach every alumni/student of UVCE.



Alisha Jobi

January 7 at 10:59pm · 🌐

Even I feel that a lot of work has to be put into improvising the infrastructure, only then can we attract more students to our college. We can also advertise the college on the billboards by the roads.I don't know how far this is practical because it is expensive but it is a good way to let people know.



Rovin D'souza

January 7 at 8:53pm · 🌐

The success of centenary year also depends on the active participation of the students.
So we need more students to involve and initiate each and every activity in the college so that more people can participate rather than waiting for the college authorities to celebrate the centenary year....



Visionuvce

January 7 at 8:59pm · 🌐

How can you contribute? Its a generic question we are asking to everyone who are concerned about [#UVCE](#)

#UVCECentenary



Spread word



Take Lead



Build Alumni Network



Generate Funds



Share Information



Sponsor/Volunteer



Harsha Shiva

January 7 at 10:12pm · 🌐

Something(s) to think before actual celebration.....!!!

- 1.Recent development regarding shifting of UVCE to JB CAMPUS has been reported among trust worthy news medium.This will be a major obstacle for both Autonomy and Centenary celebration.
- 2.If at all we stay at present campus its pretty important to make sure that some infrastructure related issues present in the campus to be resolved as soon as possible. (Definitely not with that speed compound around campus being constructed)
- 3.Hope that "The Official committee", take everyone into consideration for "The Big Event" sometime near October, and provide a plan for future plans of UVCE.
- 4.I also wish success for Vision UVCE with their Ideas for Centenary celebration, who were the only to plan how it supposed to be and for their innovative ideas which is depicted in their timeline.(Suggestions regarding events which is kept open for all of us and empty slots for our own event made it much better)



Anaghesh Muruli

January 7 at 8:32pm · 🌐

If we can invite one person each month to give a talk and interact with students, then it'd help them to reconnect with UVCE. My idea is simple and pretty similar to Ted talks. Requisite: An auditorium which can accommodate whole college.

CAMPUS SAYS



It's a great pleasure to know that UVCE is celebrating 100 years and I am immensely proud that I am a part of its centenary celebration. This college has long history and has wide variety of memories. So I would like to suggest that, this centenary celebrations must be a recap of these 100 years. We can have an hall of fame, reunions, inspirational talks and much more. We could even create a firm alumni database for the future. And also a fest just to celebrate 100 years to make this year a special one. Hope that this year will be a warm and joyfull year for everyone.

- Venkatesh Belavadi (1st sem CSE)

I have a very simple complaint about the teaching in our college. Our college has so much of reputation, but most of the lecturers are not guiding the students in the way they need to. They just teach the subjects (that too partially) just for the sake of it. According to me, that kind of mentality needs to change for the students sake. I do not mean to disrespect anyone and I am extremely sorry if I am wrong.

And the second one is about the cleanliness. Literally, there is not even a single dustbin in the classroom and I am not telling that college needs to do it. I guess even the students are to be blamed. We need to be little conscious about it and start working towards it. First step always needs to be from our end.

- Sandhya (1st Civil)



1. Everyone says UVCE lacks with infrastructure... But among the need for infrastructure, the main things to upgrade are the labs and other technical aspects.
2. We don't need a grand function for Centenary Celebrations.. But we expect a function which just depicts the legacy of UVCE and brings back the glory.
3. As seen since ages, UVCE has lost its charm slowly in due course of time. Either we demand for that proper respect to be given to the institution from the University or get the institution to become autonomous in order to take its own decisions in development (If NHCE, RVCE, MSRIT, BMSCE can have autonomous tag why can't the 5th engineering institute of the country have that pride.)

Rohith, 3rd Mechanical

There can be a small fair with pop up stalls that are related to how our college came to be - because there has been a buzz about the 100th year since it was established by Sir MV but not everyone knows exactly what happened from then till now. This could really boost the Centenary Celebration.

- Roshni Ravi, 5th CSE



As pointed out by many, the infrastructure of labs need serious attention for which funding is the main issue. The condition of chemistry lab is pathetic. Most of the students are worried during exams not because they don't know to perform the experiments but because they don't know if the instruments work. It would be really great if we could improve the lab conditions somehow as part of the Centenary Celebrations. Another issue, according to me, is that most of the text books referred by faculty aren't available in the library. Cleanliness is another major problem.



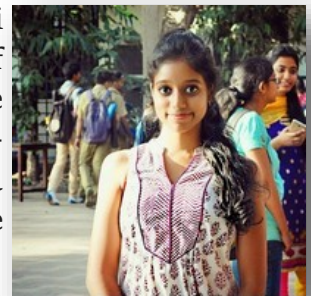
Tejaswini, 3rd sem EEE



Development of UVCE must be our primary concern during the Centenary Celebrations. The number of faculty members must be increased. Having alumni speakers would also be great as the present students can get to interact with them. Special attention must be given to improve the infrastructure of the college and the students must be provided with more facilities like digitalized library, etc. The condition of the seminar hall must be improved. The Centenary Celebrations will be more meaningful if the overall upliftment of the college happens along with the other activities and events.

- Pranjala S G 1st sem, ECE

Centenary celebration is culmination in a special alumni event that brings together past and current students with many of the university professional partners. 100th birthday of UVCE can be marked by having a "Centenary exhibition" event along with Centenary poster competition, artistic Centenary photo gallery and a myriad of other events. A Centenary newsletter will add some more value towards celebration.



Decorations and display of how uvce has evolved itself from 1917 can be done in a fashionable way. As a memory a "Metal article" in the form of memento could be distributed among all students who would be a part of it, as this Centenary being a proud factory for every "UVCEian"

- Shreya Uday, 3rd sem ISE

We, from VisionUVCE Team, are trying to be a platform for the "UVCE Centenary" discussion to happen. We want everyone - all alumni, students, faculty- to come on board & express their views. We truly believe that institution like our alma-mater, UVCE, deserves a grand celebration, because it's no small achievement. Since no one was talking about it or raising this as an issue, we are trying to get some momentum, and nothing more. We are more than happy if everyone joins the cause, and comes together to make the 100th year Celebration a memorable and meaningful one. We invite all your thoughts/suggestions, which we will feature going forward in SAMPADA. We appeal to all the stake holders to join hands for this cause

- Team VisionUVCE