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EDITORIAL

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We have a 100 movies that were centered around a persons' engineering life from different perspectives from 3 idiots to the most recent "Honest Engineering" series from AIB. When I was small I always wondered what was so special about an engineering college that these movies became so special for the audience.

I think I realized the answer to that question after I graduated in 2016 and now one year later as I look back. Engineering leaves a sort of mystical and transitive effect on a person's life. We enter the doors of engineering in seek of technical training in our desired field but that's not just what you get. At the end of a glorious four years as you stand at the finish line, you realize you have been



nurtured to become a different individual. With UVCE this transformation was even more special I feel. Four years were defined by friends, teachers, hardships, labs, exams, projects and more than these experiences of life. What I have grown to be a person etched with ethics, confidence, braveness, zeal to face the world as an independent individual is an outcome of my days and experience at UVCE. UVCE somehow teaches you that extra bit of lessons in a special which we all know how that no other institution could give you and which shapes you to be stronger for the journey ahead.

UVCE will always remain dear and inhabit a special place in all our hearts that we can never shy away from. This is what pumps our heart with gratitude and pride as we stand at the plinth of UVCE's Centennial Journey. And for any UVCEian as they look back at their days at UVCE a gush of memories fill their thoughts. But ever wondered how it would be to reminisce not just four years of your association with UVCE but be awed by the entire 100 year journey of UVCE? Many would suspect that this wouldn't be possible, only to leave them spellbound as it is indeed possible for every UVCEian to look upon the moments of the UVCE's 100 year journey. Asking how? We are making our full-fledged effort to realize this with UVCE's Centennial Celebrations Souvenir, Avalokana which is a souvenir to imprint this proud occasion in our soul and mind. A magazine with the best of the excerpts judiciously chosen from collections of our UVCE monthly newsletter "Sampada" to illustrate the journey of UVCE and the best of its times in print. The launch of Avalokana is scheduled to happen on 5th of August 2017, and it indeed would be ecstatic to have you all join us in this occasion. The registrations for this event are opening shortly and inside you will find more details.

This edition of Sampada marks new beginning as a new batch of Placement Coordinators have entered UVCE Placement Office ready to bring glory to UVCE's name and bring good to the batch of 2017-2018 with a remarkable placement track.

As alumni, great responsibilities await us in doing great good to our Alma Mater. In our process to make these Centenary Celebrations more exultant, we need as many helping hands as possible and urge to all those to can come join us and help us in realizing the dream of UVCE's Grandeur Centennial Celebrations.

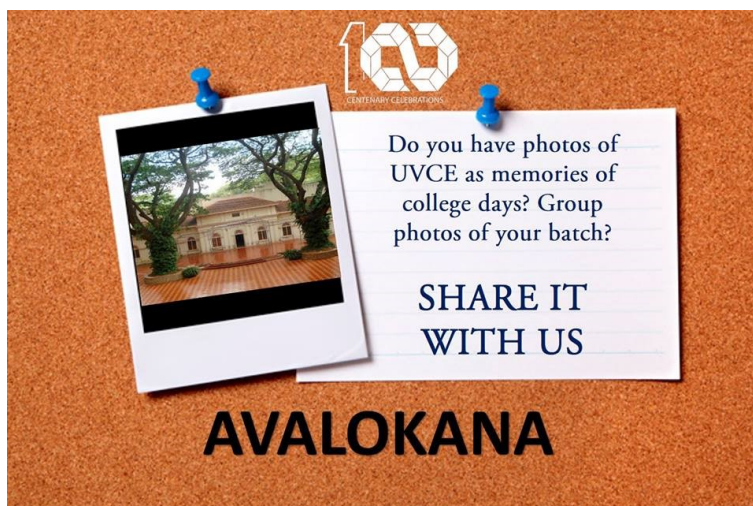
-Chitra S Reddy, Batch of 2016 ECE

AVALOKANA - FINAL CALL!!

Send us your articles/ group photos or college photos that can be featured in Avalokana - Centenary Souvenir !!

Do you know any rare facts about UVCE or information about alumni who have made extraordinary achievements in their field? You can send us their information too.

Are you aware of UVCE alumni who have contributed in the growth of other Educational Institutions?



WRITE TO US:
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before 15th July, 2017

Visit the [FB Event](#) to get Latest updates about the “Launch” on August 5th. Registrations for the same will open in next couple of days and all the alumni will be notified accordingly. Check the Intro video to Avalokana [here](#)



This Souvenir marking UVCE's Centenary Celebrations will reach out to thousands of UVCE alumni and their acquaintances around the globe from various batches. Here is a special platform to showcase your product/venture through this Special Souvenir and garner their attention! You can even place your Batch Wishes/Greetings in the Souvenir and support us for Printing the Souvenir !

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32 YEARS LATER

Dear Friends:

It is wonderful revisiting our years together- a period when we were preparing to launch ourselves into the wide world- with our eyes closed!! We have pursued different professional and domestic goals, taken different paths and stayed in different geographies during the last 3 decades. But the camaraderie and affection that we had for each other does not seem to have diminished. If anything, it has become even more stark today when we interface on group chats etc. We have effortlessly picked threads and started conversations as if the intervening 3 decades does not exist at all!!

The major revelation for some of us has been that a completely new generation has come in during the last 3 decades- a generation spawned from ours, but much more confident and decisive than ours. We are the sandwiched generation- our parents were a generation that craved for stability and predictability, while our children are a generation who crave for creativity and freedom. Yet, these have been interesting times precisely because of this. Change (or more importantly the rate of change) has been the main attribute of our generation (more than any other generation ever since the dawn of civilization)- in all spheres of life (professional, family, value system, relationships, ...). Reading articles in this souvenir will take us back to days when we had simple requirements and revelled at the slightest joys. It also brings to focus our current times in comparison. We are living in a vastly different world today- better in many ways (and worse in a few). We must applaud and appreciate ourselves as we have not only weathered these changes, but have actually thrived ushering these changes.

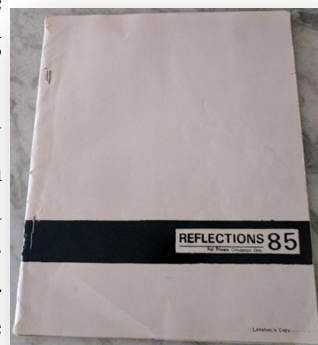
This re-issue retains the original content as authentically as possible (despite efforts by today's tools to do automatic spell check etc!!). The major change has been in the updated contact details and family details with photos (wherever possible) that has replaced the tongue-in-cheek description with contact information we had earlier.

Another addition is the collection of available photographs from the past as an album and each of them evokes a re-experience of some lost moments. This digital document will be a living document and get updated with newer details and pictures periodically.

The editorial board wishes all of us and our families a happy, healthy & exciting future. We also pray that this re-issue is harbinger of a more complete group very soon.

Cheers,

Lakshmi Ishwar
M.N. Kumar
Suresh C. Arya



PLACEMENT CO-ORDINATORS INTERVIEW

Here are a few excerpts from an interview with the new batch of placement coordinators (2017-18) about their strategies and plans for the upcoming year, the methods they will be using to draw in more companies and the assistance they will be providing the students.

Team Sampada: What are the training programs conducted by TPO?

PO: We have adapted a two-phase training program with regards to placements. In phase-one, we will be 'guiding' the aspirants regarding their body-language, dress code and aptitude. Later in phase-two there will be training which focuses on various companies and the different ways to crack their interviews. There will be mock tests complimenting training. Special initiative would be taken for students whose technical knowledge and GD skills needs to be improved. We believe that students of UVCE as very talented and slight push in the right direction can take them miles forward. We still have various plans regarding the technical training aspect of the placements and we would be implementing them at the earliest so as to help the students.

Currently we have UVCE Foundation helping us with soft-skills training for about 80 students. We take this opportunity to express our gratitude for this good-willed gesture.

Team Sampada: What are the methods adapted by your team in order to update aspirants and enthusiasts about happenings of TPO?

PO: We maintain a frequently updated website campusuvce.in. The website contains all the updates about the placements and its statistics. Further access is given to those who will be attending the placement process (i.e the final year students). The aspirants can gain access to further information regarding their own as well as preceding batches who went through the placement process. The Placement Office also uses portals including Facebook, Twitter and Linked-in to keep the students informed about various activities.

Team Sampada: How is the relationship between PCs and students? Have you thought of any programs for second and third year students to help them in placements?

PO: TPO shares an excellent rapport with the students. We are essentially an organization made of students, by the students and for the students. We are only volunteers who are trying to assist our batch-mates. Our team is planning to pay regular visits to all the classrooms to create strong bonding between students of all years. We would love to guide our juniors to our level best. We shall be holding workshops and programs for second and third years taking into account of the resources available. We will be doing everything possible to get them involved in the process.

Team Sampada: A good number of students will be planning for higher studies. How do you plan on helping them regarding this?

PO: The number of people approaching us to collect information about higher studies is miniscule. Hence no major program has been conducted till date regarding higher studies among students. However students are more than welcomed to approach us and we would doing everything in our reach to be of their assistance.

Team Sampada: In a student coordinated placement office, seeking guidance of experienced faculty seems vital. How is your team associated with management?

PO: We work hand in hand with the faculty and management. They guide us in our day to day activities and their experience is of invaluable assistance. We greatly appreciate their guidance.



Team Sampada: 2016's placements were dull compared to 2015th batch in terms of offers. How do you plan to bring up the graph this time? Would you prefer- an individual getting the best job or all of them getting one job at least?

PO: Graphs and statistics do not reflect the entire picture. A record number of 145 companies have visited our institution this year. With every ongoing year more is expected from students' due to this we can see the swing towards the negative side. Therefore, our focus would be to help students update their skill-set. The motto of placement office is to get maximum students placed.

Team Sampada: This being the centenary year, we expect a gathering of alumni to be present. Are you planning to put up any proposals for them so that they will be interested to recommend or recruit more students from our college?

PO: Our plans to gather all the alumni for their invaluable help is still in its ground stages. Nevertheless, we would take this interview as an opportunity to invite all the alumni of this college to pay a visit to our college whenever time permits and make whatever contributions they can. There have been many alumni who have been selflessly assisting the college with respect to placements and we are deeply indebted to them.

Team Sampada: What are your plans for this year? How do you plan to attract more core companies this time?

PO: We have a great heritage and a widespread alumni network, adding to our benefit. We also inform them how the students at UVCE are self-driven and even the quality of students is excellent as they can enter this college only through CET. All these things add up to our advantage and that's how more core companies get attracted towards us.

Team Sampada: If the campus gets shifted do you think it's going to affect the placements?

PO: Shifting of UVCE to Jyanabharathi campus may turn out to be detrimental for our placements, but at the moment there is nothing to worry about. Even if such situations arise we are prepared to face them.

Team Sampada: How do you find your new team?

PO: Our current team of coordinators have had a great journey till now. We all have our strengths and weaknesses and we work through it by helping each other. The experiences we have had over the past 2 months is enough to fill us for a lifetime. We are sure we will remain well gelled throughout the year for the placements. However, none of this could have been achieved without the constant supervision and influence of our immediate senior PCs. In other words we are like a family.

Team Sampada is thankful for all the present PCs for taking out some time for this interview despite their semester exams. We congratulate them on being a PCs for this academic year and we look forward for better placements this time.

Request from placement coordinators: The students of UVCE shall be greatly benefited if the alumni help the placement cause in whatever way they can. Placement office is present on all social media forums (Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn) so any alumni wishing to help us can contact there or reach out to us through a mail at info@campusuvce.in .

PLACEMENT STATISTICS 2017 BATCH (TILL DATE)

Total Number of Offers
610

No of Companies Visited
148

Dell R & D	Siemens	Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd
Nutanix	Liquidhub India	Adobe Systems India Pvt Ltd
Avaya R & D	Kramah Software	Triveni Turbines Ltd
Mu Sigma	Epoise Systems	Educesta
Microsoft GTSC	Epoise Systems (Internship)	Levitus
Xitadel	Skylark Drones	Chalkstreet
Cybage Software	Tacnik	J K Cements
H P Enterprises	Vedanta	Oracle GSD
Netcracker	IBM GBS	Inteva Products
J P Morgan	Huawei	Fanuc India
Commvault	Esko India	Lam Research New
Pervacio	Mobile Iron	L & T Technology Services Ltd
Tismo	Lucideus	Tejas Networks.
Accenture	Ernst & Young	Neenopal Analytics
Wipro	Nvidia Graphics	Sonata Software Pvt Ltd
Infosys	Cisco	Multiplier Solutions
Cognizant Technology Solutions	Infoveiw Technologies Pvt Ltd	Imanage
Mistral Solution	Softway Solutions	Orient Cement
Futures First	SAP Labs	Taneja Aerospace And Aviation Limited
Moonraft Innovation Labs	Nokia	Difacto Robotics & Automation
Vmware Airwatch	Software AG	Magnitude Inc
Hilti India Pvt Ltd.	Toyota Kirloskar	Newgen Software
Book My Show	Whizchip	BEL
Tally Solutions	Nokia R & D	Cloudnix
Hindustan Unilever Limited	Philips	HiveMinds Innovative Market Solutions
Continental A G	Sion Semiconductors	Khatib & Alami
Metis	Hyperthings	Capgemini India
Hewlett Packard Enterprise (Pool)	Syncron India	Subex
Betsol	Toshiba	Jag Bros Consultants Private Limited (JCPL)
Mahindra Comviva	Simeio Solutions	Allgo Embedded
Saint Gobain	Godrej & Boyce	Vodafone Shared Services India
ABB Global Industries & Services Pvt Ltd	Trigent Software	Infinera India Pvt. Ltd.
Mediatek	Endurance International Group	Easi
Oracle Cloud	Royal Enfield	Cyient
Allstate	Samsung R & D	
Gmmco	Bosch	

UVCE'S BU-GLE CALL IS A PAINFUL AFFAIR

After the much-discussed trifurcation of Bangalore University (BU), it is now the fate of University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) that is creating unease. The reason being that the KR Circle-based institution now falls under BU (South), which is headquartered at the Jnana Bharathi (JB) campus. So, UVCE will have to move. But while BU officials are bent on shifting UVCE to the JB campus, the student body and faculty have refused to move. (With the trifurcation, BU has two new affiliates — Bengaluru Central University and Bengaluru North University.)



The dominant sentiment now is whether the legacy of Bharat Ratna Sir M Visvesvaraya, who established this college in 1917, will be destroyed if the institution is asked to move. With alumni such as SS Iyengar, Vasudev Kalkunte Aatre, Roddam Narasimha, Ramesh Arvind, Vijaya Bhaskar, and Prakash Belawadi, among others, a lot will be at stake.

The trifurcation committee, meanwhile, has suggested that the UVCE campus be moved to Jnana Bharathi. Prof M Muniraju, acting vice-chancellor of BU, said: "This will have to be done because UVCE comes under BU now. We already have two departments [Architecture and Civil Engineering] at the Jnana Bharathi campus."

That said, the problem now is where to accommodate the college. Moving the whole college, with its labs and classrooms, will be no small task. "Officials say that the funds released by the state government for UVCE [Rs 25 crore] can be utilised to build infrastructure. But we'll have to see about it," said Muniraju.

But more than the practical aspects, it's the sentiment attached to the present campus that is making the move difficult. "It is a century-old, heritage building; a vision of Sir M Visvesvaraya, who started this as Government Engineering College when he was the Dewan of Mysore. Moving a historical institution is no joke," said an official. "I really do not know if 10 lakh sq ft of the campus can be moved just like that," said Venugopal KR, Principal, UVCE. "I was in the trifurcation committee and understand the matter. It's the government's call. The new infrastructure will take an investment of at least Rs 300 crore," he said.

Another official from BU said: "It's high time UVCE becomes autonomous or a deemed university. Only then will there be any value for the university; and only then will development take place." NR Shetty, the former BU vice-chancellor and the chairman of the review commission, told Mirror: "Whoever is proposing to move UVCE does not know the complications of it."

Alumni oppose 'the move'

The alumni vision group too is of the opinion that this move should not be considered. Anil Shetty, an alumnus of UVCE, said: "The glory of our campus is the place where it is."

Roddam Narasimha, who was the scientific adviser to former PMs Rajiv Gandhi and Manmohan Singh, is a UVCE alumnus who graduated in 1953. Recalling his time at the college, he told Mirror: "It was known as Government College and people from all over the State would come here because of the name and fame the college had earned then. It was a significant chapter in the state and in the country that the alumni of an institution is so strong and revered in the name of Sir MV."

The college needs more investment now for upkeep, he said. "I feel, the government and college management should sit together and decide on this matter. For us, it's a matter of pride, but I hope something will be done to retain the legacy. However, BU retains a special position in the state. Being the only engineering college on that list will be another feather in UVCE's cap," said Narasimha.

- Bangalore Mirror, July 2nd

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING MOM

Meeting Convener: UVCE Alumni Association

Date: 10th June 2017, 11 am

Subject: UVCE Centenary Celebrations

Audience: Over 40 UVCE Alumni



1. The meeting began with UVCE Alumni Association President Mr. Vasudev Murthy addressing all the members. Madhav discussed the agenda for the meeting which were – UVCE Centenary Committee, Centenary Celebrations, making UVCE autonomous. Later, few of the Alumni took the floor of the forum to address their views, questions and suggestions.
2. The discussion was started off by Major General Neelakantappa who raised question on why the Centenary Action Committee set by the Bangalore University was inert. Following which he suggested that all alumni must come together to plan the events for Centenary Celebrations, form working groups of alumni to work towards the various duties to handle the celebrations. Also he raised the proposal that a legal question must be confronted to the university on how efficiently the fee funds were being used for the college's improvement. He insisted on working with a common goal of making UVCE autonomous.
3. Next, Mr. Raju from 1980 Batch of Mechanical rose to suggest that the centenary committee shouldn't be left to be inactive but instead be pushed to begin work and also stressed on the point that a free-flowing communication medium has to be set up between all alumni to remain informed on the various happenings of the centenary celebrations matter and to make more alumni active and join.
4. Uma Reddy proposed that a working committee be formed which could be an aide to the steering committee formed by the Bangalore University so as to quicken the action plan for Centenary Celebrations. Also she expressed that an Centenary Celebration event should be planned similar to the Mega Reunion conducted in 2011.
5. Anand of 1971 Batch took to the forum next and expressed his views that Principal should be made the front-runner as the formal procedures can be initiated by only him and seek his unstaggered co-operation for the Centenary Celebrations. Govind Laxman also from 1971 Batch of Mechanical, opinionated that the Centenary Celebrations shouldn't just result in a one day celebration but instead be planned to do something constructive for UVCE and reestablished the view of working committee formation for aiding the Centenary Committee and suggest that for establishing a free-flowing communication between alumni a website must be set up.
6. Mustafa of 1984 Batch of Electrical took to the forum and said that in matters where Principal is unable to respond or help, the alumni should move ahead to meet the Vice Chancellor of the Bangalore University to push the matter and increase the priority. Also he suggested that more attention be paid to the infrastructural development.
7. Ashok of 1975 Batch of Electrical spoke next and was of the view that an Action Plan must be made for efficient utilization of the funds announce by the Government for the purpose of Centenary Celebrations.
8. At this Juncture, Mr. Vasudev Murthy suggested that the alumni must put effort and try to raise funds from their batchmates and classmates as centenary funds. He also provided confidence to the members that they would revert back to all the queries and suggestions made by the alumni.

Principal of UVCE, Dr. Venugopal K R arrived to the meeting and addressed the gathering. He brought to the meeting attendees' knowledge that so far an action plan has been submitted to Bangalore University and Government for sanctioning of the funds announced by the Chief Minister in the Budget for UVCE's Improvement on the occasion of Centenary Celebrations. The Principal stressed upon driving towards making UVCE Autonomous as it provides complete control of UVCE's infrastructural and Administrative Improvements. Also he informed the Alumni that there were proposals on behalf of the University to shift UVCE to JB Campus completely to which he and the stake holders have shown resistance and when he sought the Alumni's opinion on this issue they were also of the agreement that UVCE should not be moved but instead be tagged as a heritage institution on occasion of the Centennial Mark.



UVCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AGM

The **Annual General Body Meeting of UVCE Alumni Association** is being held on **July 15th—the next Saturday @ 3:30 PM**. We request all the alumni members to participate actively and voice their opinion on various topics like how the Associations should function or how the communication needs to be improved to reach all the alumni going forward.

One of the major points to be discussed is about UVCE Centenary Celebrations. We urge the Office Bearers of Alumni Association to discuss about it in detail as well along with other points, since many alumni are wondering when the Mega Event for the Centenary Year of UVCE will happen and when we all can show our gratitude towards the great institution.

87 BATCH REUNION

Reunions are always wonderful. That too if its 30th year Celebrations of “Being Together”!! 87 Batch Alumni visited the college last Saturday and some of our Sampada Team members met them and asked them about their opinions. A Special interview with Ramesh Aravind, who is also from the same batch, was conducted and we will be publishing it shortly in **Avalokana**. We were glad that even Manjunath Prasad, BBMP Commissioner, alumni from same batch and others spoke to our Team. Thank you !!



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