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AN ODE TO THE UVCE  
OF 60'S & 70'S!





## Editorial

I am glad to be writing the Guest Editorial for this edition of Sampada. I have gone through many of the issues so far and they are a very interesting collection. It is a fascinating thing to document the past and present of UVCE which has seen lot of milestones over the past 100 years. It is an undeniable fact that it is always a wonderful trip down the memory lane to everybody associated with UVCE with SAMPADA.

Recently, I had been invited to give a talk at the Ambedkar Institute of Technology. I was thrilled to see on the board in the Principal's room that Prof B K Ramaiah was their first principal (in the 1980s). He had taught us the subject "Survey" in our first year in 1953 though I was in the Mechanical branch. He was very thorough and strict added to being firmly punctual. We did survey in what is now Rajaji Nagar. Back then it was only a hill and dale. The next name on the Principals' Board of AIT is Prof BC Rajanna, another excellent teacher. Taught by excellent professors like BR Narayana Iyengar (BRN), DB Narasimhaiah (Civil) and WJ Paul Raj (Elect) the seeds of an interdisciplinary approach were sown.



After my under graduation at UVCE, I joined the Army in 1957 itself and completed the Technical Graduates Course at Military College, Dehra Dun. Thanks in no small measure would be sufficient to UVCE for the meticulous mentoring I have received that aided my career at the Army.

With years of working in DRDO, I was fortunate to chance upon working with Dr. Kalam. I had written an vivid story about my working with Dr Kalam that was published in "Avalokana" already, but here's a short summary - Dr V S Arunachalam (SA to RM) and Dr Abdul Kalam put up an Integrated Guided Missile Development Program (IGMDP) for 5 Missile projects to the Defense Minister, Sri Venkatraman. IGMDP was sanctioned in July 1983 by the PM, Smt. Indira Gandhi, an indication of political will. The 5 projects were Prithvi, Trishul, Akash, Nag and Agni. The West (USA, Canada Europe as well as Japan and Russia) were totally against the program and initiated the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) to prevent India entering their missile technology domain. Prithvi and Agni were specially targeted. It was in this environment that Dr Kalam asked me to lead the design team for the Prithvi Missile System and to be its Project Director(PD). The first flight of PRITHVI was launched in Feb 1988 followed by deliveries, all on schedule, to the Army and variants to Air Force and Navy with 95% indigenous content meeting stringent Quality. Modified PRITHVIs are being used in the Ballistic Missile Defense Program trials.

So many variants were possible because the entire technology and design knowledge was indigenously available. The foundation for such capability was laid in institutions like UVCE to make Indigenous Design, Development and Manufacture (IDDM) a reality in INDIA.

During our times BMS college students used to come to our college for practicals. When I returned to Bangalore after retiring from my service, I worked with BMS College for some time. I was really amazed with the development and growth of the college when compared to our UVCE. What left in thoughts was BMS had transformed itself to premier institution over the years whereas UVCE which always had been a glorious premier Institution has lagged behind in the race.

I believe in respect for 5 Ts as basic principles - Truth; Transparency; Trust; Team Work; Time. These are applicable in all scenarios, even for UVCE. A vision is the basic requirement to achieve anything. Lack of a Vision for UVCE has led the college to such a catastrophic state. Overlooking the issues in past, the apt steps going forward would be to implement immediate action on bringing back UVCE to its glory. Couple of important suggestions from my side would be:

- \* First utilize the 25 crore allocated at the earliest to showcase what can be achieved and then demand for more resources

- \* Keeping the campus at K R Circle intact, UVCE needs to grow at other places as well. It is always possible to work with multiple locations, but the need for more space is very evident and a necessity to become a great institution.



Glad that Team Sampada, is dedicating this edition to 50s, 60s and 70s of UVCE. I am also very happy that 96 editions have been published every month from past 8 years and is moving strongly towards its own Centenary issue along with UVCE. I hope that it continues for a long time to come and keep us informed about our alma-mater. Wishing everyone a “Happy and Prosperous New Year” and hope 2018 will be a great year for UVCE too!!

- Lt.Ge.(Dr.) V.J. Sundaram, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd.)

## UVCE in Media

### Conservation architects to help with UVCE facelift

The century-old University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) at K.R. Circle, which has been suffering from dwindling infrastructure, is all set to get a facelift. It will be restructured after taking suggestions from archaeologists and conservation architects.

Members of the Bangalore University (BU) syndicate, during a meeting in November, decided to seek the expertise of those in the field to help with the repair and restoration, as the buildings are heritage structures.

UVCE Principal K.R. Venugopal said there are demands from several quarters, including their alumni, to retain the original character of the college. “We will take the opinion of the Archaeology Department about how we to go about the restoration,” he said. The campus at K.R. Circle has 3,200 students while the Jnanabharathi campus has 1,400. The mechanical block, which requires immediate attention, will be restructured first. Prof. Venugopal said the block was a horse stable during the British rule, which they wanted to convert to the tram service headquarters, but never got around to it.



Sources said that the laboratories will be strengthened and modernised, and the classrooms will be restructured. Besides this, plans are being made for the Electronics and Communications block, and the Aeronautical and Space Technology departments. A museum of UVCE and Sir M. Visvesvaraya, and an amphitheatre would come up, they added.

The State Task Force (STF) for Quality Assurance in Public Constructions has submitted a report stating that the buildings require immediate attention. Following this, the college submitted the estimated cost. Coinciding with the centenary celebrations, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah during his budget speech decided to allocate 25 crore towards the institute. BU’s syndicate then decided to hand over the work to the Public Works Department.

However, while the work is all set to kick off, lecturers are worried about which varsity would oversee the restoration work. While the State government has transferred and divided properties among Bengaluru Central University, Bengaluru North University and Bangalore University, it has remained silent about whose ambit UVCE would fall under.

While the Kori committee that studied the trifurcation of Bangalore University said that it should be shifted to the Jnanabharathi campus, there was strong resistance from students and alumni of the college.

- The Hindu, 19th December

There was also one more article in the Bangalore Mirror on the same topic with some more information and details. You can read it in detail here - [Renovation of 100-Year-Old University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering Building gathers pace](#)



## UVCE—An Ocean Of Memories

They say a picture is worth thousand words. Due to limited scope for photography during our days I have to put in our days mostly in words. Hence bear with me.

Before I delve into our days an introduction about our course is given in short below:

### **Course Details**

It was five year integrated course (I.C.) after one year of Pre-university. Admission was purely on merit (based on PCM score) with an interview by Director of Technical Education along with principals of engineering colleges. Quota system was prevalent based on castes & other categories. There were only two colleges in Bangalore at the time of our admission in 1960. M S Ramaiah & R V College followed soon afterwards. There were only three branches - Civil, Mechanical & Electrical in our college. Subjects were common for first three years and from fourth year onwards subjects were taught depending on branch chosen. A good grounding in various branches helped those students who rose to high levels in their chosen profession.



There was only one exam at the end of academic year with a class test during the month of December. Maximum of five marks were given to be added to the final exam papers. Quite a few students never took the tests seriously. Carry over system was limited to two subjects and a maximum of four attempts were allowed for a student to clear before promotion to next higher class. We were under University of Mysore until 1964. It was Bangalore University from 1965 onwards.

### **Laboratories & Workshops**

In civil engineering, equipment in good condition was provided to carry out surveying with Dumpy levels, Plane Table, Theodolite & chains with measuring tapes. Surveying was carried out on Cubbon park lawns, other adjoining buildings and even on roads. We had carpentry, fitting, welding with forging, foundry and machine shops for practical training. There were old lathes with common drive shaft with belts for running them in the machine shop. A few lucky students who could work on individually driven lathes. Mechanical laboratory was existing in the same shape as it is now but without a huge steam engine that was operated with a coal fired boiler. There was chimney stack to carry away smoke from the firing of coal. The operation was carried out towards the end of academic calendar year. Electrical lab was on the ground floor along the wing that is on the Post Office road. There was also a laboratory for materials testing.

Drawing classes were conducted in the main building along with the one on Seshadri Road in the Mechanical Engineering block. Drawings were made using T-square, set squares, protractor and of course instrument box. One could buy very good quality drawing paper imported from Norway from our co-operative stores.

Only pencil drawings were made during our period - one exception being with pen and Indian Ink on tracing paper with blue printing technology for one major drawing in the final year of mechanical engineering.

### **Library and text books**

Library was housed in the building adjoining the stage in the quadrangle. Books were available for reference as well as for borrowing in our college library. There were magazines for browsing. Few of us borrowed books from USIS (United States Information



Service) Library (situated then on the ground floor of George Oakes building opposite Corporation Building on N R Square) and British Council Library which was above Koshy's restaurant on St.Marks Road.

### **Commuting to College**

Students from various locations in Bangalore rode bicycles. A few buses and very few ( who could afford) rode scooters (Vespa) & motorcycles (Jawa). There was a cycle stand for which we had to pay annual parking fee. As a consolation to the present students, the stand was poorly maintained with leaking roof, falling of mortar from roof, tearing of seat covers by monkeys and theft of bicycle license plates! We & our bicycles endured the inconvenience.

### **Faculty**

Part of teaching staff were deputed from Central College, PWD, electricity board and other state government departments. Classes were held mostly on time. There were few disruptions when a teacher left for higher studies or was called back by parent organization. Most of the engineering faculty had only bachelor's degree. Those with master's or doctorates were a rarity. Generally the atmosphere during the classes were cordial and fear of victimization kept mischievous boys at bay.

### **Canteen**

Running of the canteen was by a private contractor. We also used to visit nearby restaurants at Public Offices and Jayachamarajendra Polytechnic. Time permitting, we had snacks and coffee at India Coffee House in Avenue Road.

### **Hostels**

Students from outstations lived in college hostel, community hostels such as Vysaya, Kurubara, Vokkaligara, Ramakrishna Mission (Basavanagudi) and as paying guests in some houses. Our college hostel was spacious in which 2/3 students were accommodated in each room. Rarely there were any complaints by the inmates of our college hostel.

### **Outstation Study Tours**

There was a survey camp during the third year held at Ghati Subramanya. It lasted for about five days during which we did surveying with theodolites and plane tables.

During the fourth year we had south India tour visiting industries, mines & places of tourist interest. Usually an entire train bogie was reserved for the entire class. Accompanying teaching staff travelled in first class. In the final year we covered places in the north. In between there was project tour visiting Sharavathy dam, Paper Mills at Bhadravathi and some historical sites. We were required to submit tour report based on which class marks were given.

### **College Day**

Every year there was a cultural evening - college day during which some play, music, etc., were performed. Notable drama was the one performed by mathematics Professor Ramesan who acted in the role of Napoleon Bonaparte advising Hitler not to invade Russia. Mr. Banappa entertained with his folk songs. One Mr. M.S.Nataraj (Civil 1965 batch) played Kannada dramas. Mention should be made of Mr. Dattatreya who was a stage artist and rose to be acclaimed as great TV and cine actor. P. N. Srinivasan (1965 mechanical) entered cine world and produced award winning Kannada films such as Spandana & Ondhana Oorinally.

### **Sports**

During our days few students were selected to play cricket at university level. It was also a memorable period for Indian cricket which saw blooming of two great spinners with



engineering background - E A S Prasanna (NIE, Mysore) and S Venkataraghavan (Guindy Engineering College, Madras). All India Basketball for University Women was conducted very ably by our Prof. Byrappa (Electrical) on our courts in the year 1966. The final was held in the evening under flood lights. Mention should also be made of Mr. Jagadish (Civil) who claimed championship in table tennis.

### **Conclusion**

Despite two wars with our country's neighbors - Chinese aggression in 1962 & Pakistan in 1965, and anti-hindi agitation in 1965 our academic schedule was not affected. There were no postponements even in examination schedule.

There were campus interviews by few private institutions for some selected final year students. Both army and navy offered attractive packages for students and few opted for the armed forces. We made use of logarithmic tables and slide rules for solving problems.

There was gradual intake of women students from early 1962 onwards. Unlike present day where information is available on the internet, we had to go through printed media and make notes. Many technologies of our period have just vanished which somewhere is called as 'constructive destruction'!

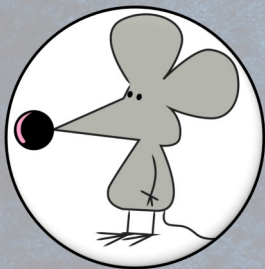
Major changes have taken place since we left the college but the main building remains the same churning out great engineers - both men & women whom I wish the very best in their future.



**- Dwarkanath Rangaswamy (1965)**

## **Ili Bele Bath**

It was a usual morning class for the 1970-1975 Electrical/Electronics Batch Students. It is no surprise to see students stretching out to College Canteen during morning Coffee break for some snacks to munch. On that specific day, the special dish on the menu was Bisi Bele Bath and all the guys were eager to have a taste.



My bench mate and I had a one by two coffee only (shortage of fund!). While sipping the coffee and chatting with everyone, came a fun filled shocking news that one of our classmates had found a mouse tail in the bisi bele bath plate which he was tasting.

Soon the news spread all over and utter chaos prevailed all among us. Those who have already tasted were checking themselves. Everyone seemed to be vomiting. Soon we all barged onto the server and Manager. They were caught perplexed, uttered a gentle sorry and scolded among themselves much to our dismay.

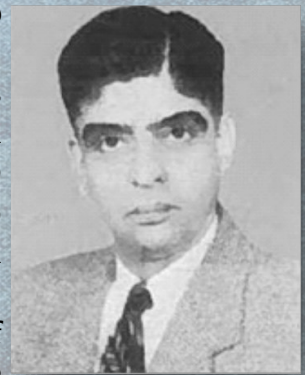
But then, everything was done and dusted. Nonetheless, our Boys roped together a chalk and blackboard for the naming ceremony of the elite food with an artistic mouse drawing. The day's special Bisi Bele Bath changed to 'Ili bele Bath'!

**-C R VIJAYADEV, 1970-1975 Electrical**



## B R Narayan Iyengar—A Legend

It is our effort to make BRN's contribution to society available to all our Fellow Alumni, his students, his colleagues and associates / admirers in the Institution of Engineers (India) and in Major Industries of India. Prof B R Narayan Iyengar was very popular; dynamic; able and kind Principal of U C E during our GOLDEN PERIOD, 1957 to 60 AND 1963 to 1965. We are proud of our GOLDEN DAYS. We need to remember, write & publish life sketch of our GREAT MASTERS and cherish it with pride and honor.



B R N, after his retirement from service as College of Engineering, BANGALORE Principal, was closely associated with the Institution of Engineers (India) & was in the Governing Council and also served as All India chairman during the year 1986-87. He was the life Member and Ex Officio Chairman and one of the Chief Patrons of the "UVCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION" and had contributed a lot for the present SILVER JUBILEE building of the Alumni association. Prof V BYRAPPA, Prof S G Chandrashekariah, Prof Y V Aswathanarayana Rao, Prof Abdullah Sherriff, ER B T LAKSHMAN, Prof B L Sreenivasamurthy and others were closely associated with him.

He was fond of paying Tennis regularly. He was a good Basketball player. He was the Chairman of Mysore State Basketball Association and State Swimming Association. He was the Chairman of University of Mysore Sports Committee and member of the Senate. He was also associated with MYSORE TECHNICAL EDUCATION SOCIETY (MTES) and served as President from 1993 to 1994. He was the mentor/advisor and associated in creating infrastructure and facilities in M.E.I Polytechnic, located in Rajajinagar 4th Block, BANGALORE, which is now recognized as the best Polytechnic in Karnataka. MEI Polytechnic Students and admirers of Prof BRN founded the "Prof BRN Technical Education & Training Trust in the year 1986 under the Presidentship of Sri M R ARYA; Former Vysya Bank Chairman and a renowned Engineer. The objective of this trust is to promote Technical Education through Seminars, Workshops and Technical Lecture programmes. Mr B Krishnappa, an alumnus of UVCE the present Principal of MEI Polytechnic is the coordinator of Prof BRN TE & TT and is taking lot of interest in the activities of the trust.

We the old boys[ Alumni] of University of Mysore COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, BANGALORE, when we think about our ALMA MATER, our Principal BRN comes to our mind first. Prof B R Narayana Iyengar, BSC, BE, SM (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Member S.E.S.A; AMIE (India), well educated, always well dressed, charming personality, an able administrator and efficient TEACHER served College of Engineering, Bangalore for more than three decades. He was our college Principal for nearly FIVE years in two spells from 1957 to 1960 & 1963 to 1965. Many have treasured his recommendation letter given to the prospective employers and helping/ advising the students in placement and further Education. He was the last Principal of College of Engineering, Bangalore under MYSORE UNIVERSITY. Prof B R N is also the First Principal of College of Engineering [which much later got the tag prefix of VISVESVARAYA to its name] under the affiliation to Bangalore University. The first convocation of the same was held at Glass House and Honorable President of India DR S RADHAKRISHNA graced the occasion and delivered convocation address.

We have some of our batch mates reminiscence the times of BRN at UVCE as follows:



BRN – Gentleman extraordinaire, humility personified, generous to the core to all. Our Principal Prof. B R. Narayana Iyengar- more affectionately known as BRN was an extraordinary human being. I had an occasion to interact with him in person at a later time in my professional life which I can recollect with pleasure even 46 years after the incident. My first exposure to BRN was when I appeared for my admission interview into UCE. BRN along with Prof. D B Narasimhiah (Civil Engg) and Prof. Venkatachala Iyengar (Mathematics) constituted the interviewing panel. While Prof. Venkatachala Iyengar was testing my academic accomplishments, BRN was looking into testimonials relating to sports and involvement into other extracurricular activities. In the midst of the interview being conducted by Prof. H V. Iyengar, BRN remarked “Oh, he is a very good table tennis player”. This remark gave me my first insight into the person BRN was. He was looking into achievements in his students, something more than mere excellence in academics.

I was not fortunate in any further personal exposure during college days as he did not handle any of our classes. Interactions were restricted to occasional of split second encounters in College corridors or College sports news. A later meeting revealed the enormity of the gentleness in him.

Circa – 1967/68: Post my graduation in Mechanical Engineering, I had joined an Indo-Swedish company called Vulcan Laval, with manufacturing operations located in PUNE. it was the Indian arm of the world wide well known Alfa Laval from Sweden who were into supplying and executing turnkey projects in the field of food engineering such as Dairy Plants, Breweries, Refrigeration Plants, Fruits Processing, Cold Stores etc. As a Project Engineer of M/s Vulcan Laval, I was executing a dairy project for Karnataka State Dairy Development Department at HUBLI in 1967/1968. The Project involved usage of boilers and since boilers are high pressure vessels, they had to be inspected and certified by the Inspectorate of Boilers, Karnataka State Government.

During one of my visits to the project site, Mr. Balakrishna, the Chief Inspector of Boilers, Karnataka State, visited us for inspection. During the course of conversation, having realized that I was an ex-student of University College of Engineering, he informed me that a team has come down from Bangalore to examine/select candidates for boiler operations in “A” Class category. BRN had graciously accepted to help them and that he had accompanied the team. Balakrishna was generous enough to invite me to meet them in the evening as they were staying at the Railway Guest House, Hubli.

It was sheer delight meeting BRN. He was pleased that his student was involved in projects that served the social responsibility of the Government.. Making available quality milk at affordable prices was the responsibility of the State Government, providing funds for dairy development in the State budget. This was much before Operation Flood/White Revolution projects swept the country under the able guidance of Dr. V Kurien. I was further reminded of BRN's gracious gestures when he invited me to join them for dinner. My respect for BRN increased many folds when he invited me to join him the next day to be part of his team. This gesture called for an extraordinary open mind and egalitarian outlook. After all I was a very junior professional then and he was a colossus.

I joined him the next morning as part of the team for interviews conducted at Karnataka Textile Mills; I spent 3 to 4 hours quality time. I was amazed at the pains he took to put the candidates at ease. He would ask questions in English. If it appeared that the candidate was uncomfortable, he would ask in Kannada. If the candidate was still clueless, he would ask in broken Hindi and all along the effort was only to put the candidate at ease. My perception of the person he was grew tremendously. In my scholastic career, I have high respect for



of my teachers at school level and college level, as they shaped my personality, while I respected many of these GURU's, BRN was the gentleman I revered most for being the outstanding person he was.....and deserves the title MAHA GURU”

**- B V Venkatadri [63 Mech]**

I remember meeting him at the interview for admission ("Are you sure you can reach above the drawing table to work on it -was the question to me by our Dear B R N- I was obviously short - had not even reached my normal adult height yet!). Somewhere among my pile of papers, I have treasured the glowing recommendation letter he had given me after my graduation.

**-Dasarathy.[1958-63 Mech]**

Prof. B R Narayana Iyengar heads the list of all the 'Gurus' who shaped the future of a small town boy like me. Some moments remain etched in the memory of this boy. In 1958, the selection of students began for the Pre-Professional Course after P.U.C. in Bengaluru. I was listed at 23<sup>rd</sup> position in the merit list having passed P U C from St. Joseph's College, Bengaluru. When my turn came, to face the interview board, headed by Prof. BRN, somebody objected to this, because the list was for the Mysore State students and I belonged to South Kanara Madras State. I was stunned.

The reason was, I had studied hard in P U C English medium, after transferring from Kannada medium of instruction at UDUPI. I had always carried a small dictionary of scientific words in Kannada and their equivalents in English to reach the level of merit required to get admission to an Engineering course. I saw my dream of becoming an Engineer going down the drain. But I had not reckoned the magnanimity and graciousness of Professor B R N. He immediately raised his voice and said that this list was prepared according to the students who studied P U C at the Mysore University and declined to go deep into the locations of the students. Thus he shaped my future and I am forever thankful to him for doing so. His classes in final year were always jam-packed. He was a great man with great vision. In one of his lectures as the Chairman of the Institution of Engineers in Ahmedabad he listed India's Strength and weaknesses as follows:-

#### **Strengths**

- Relatively low labour costs, in a few industries
- High caliber technical and managerial manpower
- Capacity of the work force to learn fast and adapt
- Expertise in software [not only computers]
- Widespread use & familiarity with the English language
- Great resilience

#### **Weaknesses**

- Weak on self discipline & Weak on implementation
- Relatively poor drive for excellence
- Readiness to compromise on quality
- Highly individualistic at the cost of team spirit
- Trends indicate dilution of national identity.



Now, I stand tall and very proud of my Alma mater U C E, with 50 years experience in machine designing and building. Due to my guru's teaching & inspiration, I have been able to reap a rich harvest of achievements. I remember him always & pay my sincere tributes to him.

**- H Vittaldas Prabhu[63 Mech]**

*This article is borrowed from Golden Jubilee Souvenir of 63-64 Batch. We had published the recommendation letter which Dasarathy sir mentions in earlier edition of Sampada and Avalokana.*



## ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯುವಿಸಿಇ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಎಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನ (ಯುವಿಸಿಇ) ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವದ ಅಂಗವಾಗಿ ಅಂಚೆ ಇಲಾಖೆಯು ಹೊರತಂದಿರುವ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ಗುರುವಾರ ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು.

ಕಲಬುರ್ಗಿಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರೀಯ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಕುಲಾಧಿಪತಿ ಎನ್.ಆರ್.ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಅವರು ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ ಮಾಡಿದ ಈ ಲಕೋಟೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನ ಹೊರ, ಒಳ ಕಟ್ಟಡಗಳ ಹಾಗೂ ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಅವರ ಭಾವಚಿತ್ರಗಳಿವೆ. '100 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠತೆ' ಎಂಬ ಘೋಷವಾಕ್ಯ ಇದರಲ್ಲಿದೆ. ಲಕೋಟೆಯ ಹಿಂಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಲೇಜಿನ ಇತಿಹಾಸದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯೂ ಇದೆ. ಈ ಲಕೋಟೆಯು 2,000 ಪ್ರತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಮುದ್ರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. 1,000 ಪ್ರತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಯುವಿಸಿಇಗೆ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. 900 ಪ್ರತಿಗಳು ಮಾರಾಟಕ್ಕೆ ಹಾಗೂ 100 ಪ್ರತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂಗ್ರಹಕ್ಕೆಂದು ಮೀಸಲಿಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಪ್ರತಿ ಲಕೋಟೆಯ ಬೆಲೆ ₹ 20. ನಗರದ ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಅಂಚೆ ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ (ಜಿಪಿಒ) ಲಕೋಟೆಗಳು ಮಾರಾಟಕ್ಕೆ ಲಭ್ಯ ಇವೆ.

'ಡೀಮ್ಡ್ ವಿವಿ ಸ್ಥಾನಮಾನ ನೀಡಿ': 'ಯುವಿಸಿಇ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠತೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿದೆ. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ, ಕಾಲೇಜಿಗೆ ಸ್ವಾಯತ್ತ ಸ್ಥಾನಮಾನ ಅಥವಾ ಡೀಮ್ಡ್ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಸ್ಥಾನಮಾನ ನೀಡಬೇಕು' ಎಂದು ಎನ್.ಆರ್.ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಒತ್ತಾಯಿಸಿದರು. 'ಯುವಿಸಿಇಯು ರೂರ್ಕಿ, ಪುಣೆ ಎಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ಕಾಲೇಜುಗಳ ಸಮಕಾಲೀನ ಸ್ಥಾನ ಪಡೆದಿದೆ. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ, ಕಾಲೇಜನ್ನು ಬೇರೆ ಕಡೆಗೆ ಸ್ಥಳಾಂತರ ಮಾಡಬಾರದು' ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು. 'ಸ್ವಾಯತ್ತ ಅಥವಾ ಡೀಮ್ಡ್ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಸ್ಥಾನಮಾನ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಯುವಿಸಿಇಗೆ ಎಲ್ಲ ರೀತಿಯ ಅರ್ಹತೆ ಇದೆ. ಕಾಲೇಜಿನ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗಾಗಿ ₹25 ಕೋಟಿ ನೀಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅದರ ಜತೆಗೆ ಇನ್ನೂ ₹100 ಕೋಟಿಯನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರ ನೀಡಬೇಕು. ಕಾಲೇಜಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ 15 ಎಕರೆ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹುಮಹಡಿ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಿ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಬೇಕು' ಎಂದು ಸಲಹೆ ನೀಡಿದರು.

ವಿಶೇಷ ಸನ್ನಿವೇಶಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳ ಸ್ಮರಣಾರ್ಥವಾಗಿ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಲಕೋಟೆಗಳನ್ನು ಬೇಡಿಕೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಮುದ್ರಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಬಹುತೇಕ ಸಂಘ-ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಇಲ್ಲ. ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಮೂಲಕ ಅರಿವು ಮೂಡಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ ಎಂದು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವೃತ್ತದ ಚೀಫ್ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್ ಮಾಸ್ಟರ್ ಜನರಲ್ ಡಾ.ಚಾರ್ಲ್ಸ್ ಲೋಬೊ ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಯುವಿಸಿಇಯ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿ ಅಂಚೆ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನದಲ್ಲೂ ಇಡಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಪದೇ ಪದೇ ನೆನಪು ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಸಹಕಾರಿಯಾಗಲಿದೆ ಎಂದರು.

- ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ, 15 ಡಿಸೆಂಬರ್

## ವಿಜಯಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸುದ್ದಿ ಚಿತ್ರ

## ಪ್ರಜಾ ಟೀವಿ ಸುದ್ದಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ

### ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ ಯುವಿಸಿಇಯ ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವದ ಹಿನ್ನೆಲೆ

■ ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು  
ಯೂನಿವರ್ಸಿಟಿ ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಕಾಲೇಜ್ ಆಫ್  
ಎಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್‌ನ (ಯುವಿಸಿಇ)  
ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವ ಸಮಾರಂಭದ ಅಂಗವಾಗಿ  
ಫಾರತಿಯ ಅಂಚೆ ಕಚೇರಿ ವತಿಯಿಂದ  
ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಹೊರತರಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ದಿನ ಮಾತ್ರ ಅಂಚೆ  
ಲಕೋಟೆ ಮುದ್ರಣ



ಗುರುವಾರ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದ್ದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಫಾರತಿಯ ಅಂಚೆ ಕಚೇರಿ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಯವರ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ಬಿಡುಗಡೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಯಿತು.

ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರತಂದಿದೆ," ಎಂದರು. ಕಚೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ 20 ರೂ.ಗೆ ಈ ವಿಶೇಷ ಅಂಚೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವೃತ್ತ ಚೀಫ್ ಪೋಸ್ಟ್‌ಮಾಸ್ಟರ್ ಜನರಲ್ ಡಾ. ಚಾರ್ಲ್ಸ್ ಲೋಬೊ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ "ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ದಿನ ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ ಈ ವಿಶೇಷ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ಮತ್ತೆ ಮುದ್ರಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ ಕೇವಲ 2 ಸಾವಿರ ಪ್ರತಿಗಳು ಮಾತ್ರವೇ ಲಭ್ಯವಿದೆ. ಜಿಪಿಒ ಉಪಸ್ಥಿತರಿದ್ದರು.

ಯುವಿಸಿಇ ಡೀಮ್ಡ್ ವಿವಿ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ನೀಡಬೇಕು

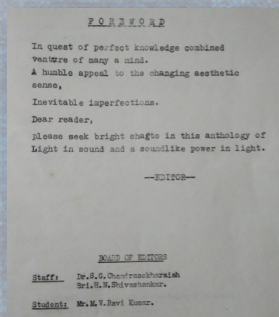
ಸರ್, ಎಂ.ವಿ ಆವರಣದ ಆರಂಭವಾದ ಯುಎಸ್‌ಎ ಇಂದು ವಿಶ್ವಾದ್ಯಂತ ಹೆಸರು ಮಾಡಿದೆ. ಮಾತ್ರವಲ್ಲದೆ ಅದರೇ ಕಟ್ಟಿದ ಈ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳನ್ನು ಪೂರೈಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಾರಂಪರಿಕ ಕಟ್ಟಡಗಳ ಪಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದೆ. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಯುಎಸ್‌ಎಯನ್ನು ಸ್ವಾತಂತ್ರ್ಯಗೊಳಿಸಬೇಕು ಇಲ್ಲವೇ ಡೀಮ್ಡ್ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯದ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ನೀಡಬೇಕು," ಎಂದು ಗುಲ್ಬರ್ಗ ವಿವಿ ಕುಲಪತಿ ಪ್ರೊ. ಎನ್.ಆರ್. ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಆಗ್ರಹಿಸಿದರು.



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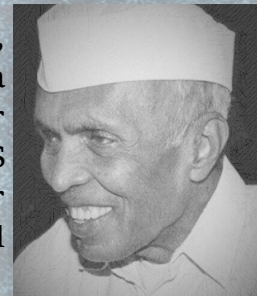
## GLIMPSES FROM THE PAST



Our sincere gratitude to M V Ravikumar Sir because of whom we were able to view the “Class Journal” from 1973 batch - First Batch of Graduates from Dept of Electronics from UVCE. It had messages from eminent personalities, memories and more importantly project reports of the entire class. Here is an image from the magazine which was done using typewriter back then. We will be publishing more from the magazine in the upcoming editions of Sampada, starting with messages from few stalwarts in this edition. We will also try to digitize it and upload it online shortly.

I am happy to learn that the Department of Electrical Engineering, University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering, Bangalore is organizing a Seminar on the Project works executed by the students of the X Semester Electronics. I am also happy to learn that they were publishing a ‘CLASS JOURNAL’ on this occasion. I hope this magazine has given an opportunity for the development of the latest talents of the students. I wish the seminar all success. I hope the magazine will be informative and educative.

**- H Narasimhaiah, Vice Chancellor, Bangalore University (Mar 26, 1973)**



I have great pleasure to express my congratulations on the success of bringing out a Class Journal by the students of X Semester Electronics Branch. The journal records the talents and sincere efforts of the students in the class. I am exceedingly happy to wish them continued success in their professional life on this occasion.

**- Dr. B K Ramiah, Principal (Mar 22, 1973)**

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate the students of X Semester B.E (Electronics) of this college who have brought out a Class Journal most successfully by their sheer hard and devoted work coupled with initiative and imagination. In this connection, I am very happy to state that the original project work done by the students has given immense satisfaction to all concerned. I wish most sincerely the best of luck in all their future endeavors.

**Prof G Parameshwarappa, Head of Dept of Elec. Engg (March 26, 1973)**



As a “New Year Bonanza”, we will be listing all the names of the people who have registered with us in our website along with Batch Coordinators who have volunteered so far. We hope that it will help in reaching out to your friends, seniors, juniors easily!

*Coming Soon!*



## Rendezvous with Eminent UVCEians

Over the past 2 weeks, we, from VisionUVCE Team, have been meeting lot of senior alumni. It has been a great experience - listening to their advice, memories, suggestions and vision. The interactions provided us the moment to be proud of the remarkable achievements of our senior alumni and instilled the spirit in us to learn a lot from them. Over the years, it has indeed been a matter I always found pride and astonishment in that so many people graduated from namma UVCE have not only made a mark in their respective fields but credibility to groundbreaking achievements.

We met Dr V K Aatre at IISc where we discussed about "UVCE: Next 100 Years" draft vision. It was an enriching experience to listen to him. He gave us many examples-scenarios from which we could work to make UVCE a better institution. He was full of enthusiasm and expressed that they were able to reach out almost 170 out of 210 people from their batch during 2007 for their Batch Reunion (1957 being their joining year) which was quite a feat. We are not able to reach out to half of our batch mates even now.

Dr M R Srinivasan sir had called to inform that he was in Bangalore for few days and we requested for an appointment to give him some updates on our college. On a Sunday, we met him at his residence, where he listened to us patiently. He also went through the new draft of "UVCE:Next 100 Years" document and gave his suggestions/comments on spot. We requested him for an interview and he obliged with great eagerness.

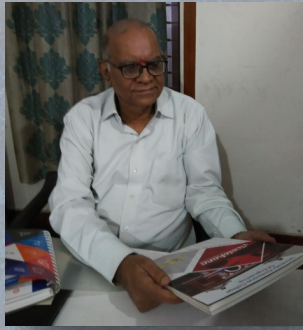


As suggested by Aatre sir, we spoke to Prof Roddam Narasimha Sir and got his appointment on a Monday at JNCASR. He spent couple of hours with us discussing various points and sharing his experiences at CalTech since we were of the opinion that UVCE should be molded in the same way. Some of his memories are worth noting and hence we requested him also for an interview. We will be featuring them in the upcoming editions.

Within a span of 5 days, meeting Three "PadmaVibhushans" who are also our alumni was a memorable experience. We are of the opinion that we should make use of their wisdom and experience and share it with the current students and younger alumni that will inspire and infuse in us a zeal for innovation. They are so approachable and enthusiastic to interact with people. We will be announcing a new initiative from "VisionUVCE" shortly.

After this, we also had an opportunity to meet few alumni of the 1974 batch who had their get together recently. The 73 - 74 batch and especially H Suresh Sir, have been really encouraging and so far 50 Avalokana copies have been ordered by these 2 batches alone. While skimming through AVALOKANA, they remembered their college days - tours, mischief done in classrooms, friends - and the nostalgic discussions which made us wonder if we too will have such wonderful times in the future. Infact, I heard about [www.74rascals.in](http://www.74rascals.in) which was maintained by them for sometime. The story behind that was published in our First Sampada Edition.






We also had the pleasure of meeting M V Ravikumar, 1973 ECE who invited us over in response to our mail requesting to share memories of college. We discussed about how VisionUVCE is currently operating and how it can be taken to next stages. Based on his experiences in various organizations, he has made some suggestions, which we will take up in the coming days. He was present during "Avalokana" launch event and was happy to share a copy of "Class Magazine" he had gotten done in 1973. During those times, he had to get it typewritten (even that was a luxury). He had got H Narasimhaiah (then VC of Bangalore) to write a message for the magazine. The discussion with Ravikumar Sir was very interesting and he also supplemented us with guidance on how to move forward for betterment of UVCE.

We wonder how the senior alumni are so enthusiastic and attached towards college where as we in the current batches lack it. It is easy to blame on the current situation, environment or the way social interactions are reducing. One thing we understood from all these interactions - Keeping ourselves in the center to make decisions does not help to make the right choice. We have to develop a community thinking and build a social view and focus on giving back to society. And as they say "Charity begins at home", we need to come together to make our alma-mater - UVCE regain its glory again !!



**-Team VisionUVCE**



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## REMEMBERING UVCE - Episode: 1

**We are thankful to Gurunath B H from 1970 batch who has shared his college day memories with us and sent the complete details for a single request from our end. We will be publishing the entire article in the form of series in each of our future editions. Hope you will enjoy reading about those days of UVCE....**

One fine morning in the month of January 1965, students of various classes milling around in the corridors of UVCE entering and coming out of classrooms. That morning was very cold and cold wave of normal intensity affecting the normal behavior of students. They appeared in various sizes and shapes in their dresses and shivering grumblingly that the concerned authorities have no sense in starting the classes in the very morning itself. They felt the classes could have been started after ten. Mode of transportation was mostly Bicycle, coming from various extensions and lack of public transportation, causing much strain for the students. Reaching the college with sleepy mood in the morning at 7.30 sharp was a bit of Herculean task.

Premises of our college were filled with sea of bicycles in the cycle stand, few motor cycles and one or two cars parked in the entrance. In the quadrangle with sufficient benches were provided for the students to while away the time when there was no class. At about 8.30 in the morning, students of various branches like Civil, Electrical & Mechanical (only three branches prevailing) were moving to their respective class rooms. It was noisy during this hour. In their midst two Lecturer were exchanging day's pleasantries.

One Lecturer asked the other whether the Principal has gone this way. D.B.Narasimhaiah (DBN) was then Principal of UVCE. He was very strict and discipline. Whenever he was on rounds, making sure that no students & lecturer shall move in the corridors during running classes and no students should sit in the benches in the quadrangle. Lecturers and students were afraid of his presence and avoided meeting him in such circumstances. The other lecturer who replied that the principal was just now passed away (meant gone this way). Few students who knew good English, caught these words and made a mockery of it in the classrooms. Few days later, I came to know the meaning of "passed away" meant expired, no more etc.

Some month later, that prolific word has assumed real meaning of it and played the perfect drama on the canvas of open sky. Our beloved principal (DBN) died in the "Mid-Air Crash" on 24th Jan 1966, along with other eminent person like J.Homibhabha, who was a nuclear physicist and also a "Father of Nuclear Program". It was a great loss to the nation and particularly to UVCE. Had he been alive for some more years, our UVCE might have reached the Pinnacle in all aspects.

It is not exaggerated to mention that the fee's structure at those times were affordable and suited to all categories of families. Admission fee was only Rs.62=00 and tuitions fee of Rs 32=00 per month. Few students like me were unable to pay this meager amount and got exempted due to low income. Students were offered full and half scholarships at that time who belongs to economically weaker sections. These scholarships mean reduction in tuition fee accordingly. Some schedule Banks came forward to extend the loan facility to the Engg students to an extent of Rs.1000=00 per annum. No student approached for the Bank loan as most of the people looked upon the loan as 'Social Evil' and also a repulsive word in those days.

*(To be continued...)*