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# IN THE MARGINS: ISSUE IV



# THE DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Dear SIT Hyderabad Family,

As days pass and our community increases, it is hard not to acknowledge that SIT Hyderabad has flourished into an institute that pioneers education. The adoption of engineering not merely as a discipline confined to laboratories, but as a responsibility towards future advancements in society reflects the institute's commitment to position itself as a catalyst for change. Having the privilege to serve as the Director of this vibrant institute has given me the opportunity to experience change firsthand. In an academic landscape that often rewards replication over innovation, we have chosen the far more demanding path to be the architects of change, not just observers. This newsletter, therefore, stands not merely as a chronicle of milestones, but a testament to these changes.

The narratives captured in the pages of this newsletter emerge from a community that resists stagnation and instead champions curiosity, rigor, and responsibility. I have always highlighted that the aspirations of our institute are not limited to producing competent graduates, and students and faculty stand at the forefront of this momentum. Their achievements across academic excellence, interdisciplinary enquiry, and competitive platforms anchors the institute's intellectual direction. Each initiative documented in these pages is the residue of conversations that lead to actions, and of achievements that challenge conventions.

As we move forward to another successful notch under the institute's belt, I invite you to challenge assumptions, inspire dialogue, and compel participation. With the newsletter documenting the outcomes of the sustained efforts of our institute, I can wholeheartedly comment that there is less that remains unresolved or impossible. To pioneer change is not to arrive at certainty, but to commit persistently- and collectively, we shall progress.

Warm Regards,

Professor (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu  
The Director  
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# A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Dear Readers,

It is a bright cold day in December and the clocks are striking thirteen. The Orwellian nature of it all could be simply perplexing, and as it happens, I have the privilege of being your editor for this issue of our beloved newsletter. This quarter in SIT Hyderabad's chapter represents the opportunity to revitalize and mark in permanence the trajectory of budding institute, and from it I have reaped compelling inspiration. Spanning the events between the months of September and December, our issue is stirred by the excellence, resilience, and innovation exhibited by the wonderful student community. And in line with the times, I endear, at its very essence, that the student body pioneers the spirit; they are the modern muses. Every page pays homage to a journey, placing one foot in front of the other, refusing to conform to traditional expectations.

For me, to write has always been to tread the narrow crevice between the confining quarries of a limiting mind. With the newsletter, we both revisit old tricks of the journalistic trade and embrace the urge to explore uncharted territories. Within the editors' room we invite readers to form their own opinions and delve into their individual experience. And with the air of anticipation hanging, we cannot wait to see you again in our next edition.


To more uncharted territories,

Ms. Saanvi Dande  
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Symbiosis International University- Hyderabad houses four different institutes on campus that seldom see inter campus events sans the usual fests, of course. The Winter Session in SIT Hyderabad saw the culmination of several of these events, all of which were grand successes.

# *AROUND THE* **CAMPUS**

The vibrancy of a university is seldom limited to the classrooms and corridors that house its students. From ideas that sparked conversations to moments that brought the campus alive, the past few months have seen our campus transform into a hub of creativity, collaboration, and curiosity. These pages bring together the events that have paved their way into the foundation of our campus life; events that turned ordinary days into memorable experiences. The Winter Session chronicles the moments that reflect not just what we hosted, but who we are as a campus. The vast diversity of the students hosted on this campus invites session that traverse the fine line between multi-dimensional and multi-domain applications. One such seminar was that on **Indian Knowledge Systems** . Organized on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Prof. B. P. Sharma (Chief Guest, Chairman: Governing Board, UNESCO MGIEP, and Member: High Powered Committee on Indian Knowledge System, Ministry of Education, GOI), and Ambassador (Retd.) Shri Pavan K. Varma (Guest of Honor) delivered powerful addresses that highlighted the importance of embracing Indian wisdom and subjecting it to a wider manifold in conversation with existing Western ideologies. Be it not, one could ask,



# *smells* like team SPIRIT

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*ALMOST EVERY EVENT THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS SUPPORTING US THROUGH THICK AND THIN, AND IT'S A GREAT ENVIRONMENT.*

Prof. (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu

whether it was but apparent that it is Indian wisdom itself that has informed these Western ideologies. The audience reflected that the session, highlighted by the inspiring address from Professor Sharma, left them with the abject notion that ancient Indian wisdom can empower an individual to be ethical and retain individuality.

Another such inter-campus session was the **Sushumna Kriya Meditation** Session organized by Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad in association with the Divya Babaji Sushumna Kriya Yoga Foundation. Under the mentorship of Pujya Guruma Aathmanandamayi, the session was conducted by Ms. Sireesha Rudraraju who illustrated how this meditation could be performed, and how this field of meditation came into fruition. Students and faculty alike were invited to participate in the session, and reflected upon its effects. After the conclusion of

the session, Ms. Sireesha Rudraraju was felicitated by our honorable Director, Dr. Rajanikanth Aluvalu for her contributions.

There were many other such events that outlined the dynamic event landscape on campus- events that will be outlined in the following spread. From TEDxSIU Hyderabad to Under25 Summit, the participation across universities and disciplines reflects the commitment to fostering an inclusive, engaged, and forward-thinking academic community.

The very principle of the university itself “Vasudaiva Kutumbhakam” was present (more-than-ever) when the Founder and Chancellor of Symbiosis International University graced the university with his presence on the occasion of Teacher’s Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025. This marked the commitment of all administrative bodies on the institute to unify the trajectory of its diverse student community.



## COMMON INDUCTION PROGRAMME:

### *AND TEACHER'S DAY 2025*

Amongst the fray of bustling activities was a stepping stone for SIU-Hyderabad's legacy. After a haughty fourteen years of the campus' establishment, the Founder and Chancellor himself, Prof. (Dr.) S. B. Mujumdar graced our campus on the occasion of Teacher's Day. As a renowned academic and educationalist whose accolades are far too long for the boundaries of these pages, it was only fit that Dr. Mujumdar addresses our eager student body. As such, a common induction programme was organised for SIT, SIBM, SCMS, and SLS students on 3rd September 2025. The attendees for the programme included Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Principal

Director & Pro VC, Mrs. Sanjeevani Mujumdar, Member, Symbiosis Open Education and Brig. Abhijit Walkade (Retd.), Chief Administrator. The Directors of the Institutes housed on campus, Prof. Ranajikanth Aluvalu, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad; DR.K.P. Venugopal Rao, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management and Dr. Sunil George, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, felicitated the guests before their departure. The Teacher's Day Celebration the same day saw the felicitation of Prof. (Dr.) Shantaram Mujumdar, Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Mrs. Sanjeevani Mujumdar and Brig. Abhijit Walkade (Retd.) by the Directors of the campus for their contributions to the Symbiosis family.



3.09.2025

**Teacher's Day Celebration**

saw the felicitation of Prof. (Dr.) Shantaram Mujumdar, Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed) University, Dr. Sanjeevani, Member of Symbiosis Open Education, Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Pro-Chancellor, SIU, and Brig. Abhijit Walkade, Chief Administrator, Symbiosis.



19.09.2025

**A seminar on Indian Knowledge System**

with inspiring addresses by Prof. B. P. Sharma (Chief Guest, Chairman: Governing Board, UNESCO MGIEP, Ministry of Education, GOI), and Ambassador (Retd.) Shri Pavan K. Varma (Guest of Honor).



# INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS SESSION AND SUSHUMNA KRIYA MEDITATION

At the forefront of the ideology of the Symbiosis family has always been its insistence on nurturing holistic education that goes far beyond academic instructions. As such, every month the Symbiosis auditorium transforms into a space where indigenous knowledge systems and contemplative practices coexist with modern pedagogy.

On 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025, SIT Hyderabad, in association with the Divya Babaji Sushumna Krishna Yoga Foundation organised a session to equip students not only to excel professionally, but also to engage thoughtfully and responsibly with society. Echoing the outcomes of the Indian Knowledge Systems Seminar conducted on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025, this initiative helped students on campus reconnect with India's intellectual and spiritual traditions while fostering critical reflection, inner balance, and ethical awareness.

Together, these initiatives emulate one of Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad's primary role for its budding scholars: cultivating reflective learning environments that value mindfulness, and ethical principles.

13.10.2025

**A session on Sushumna Kriya Meditation**

was organised in association with the Divya Babaji Sushumna Kriya Yoga Foundation. Ms. Sireesha Rudraraju took the session, under the divine blessings of Pujya Guruma Aathmanandamayi.

*from*  
beyond  
*the* horizon

TEDxSIU  
HYDERABAD



The inaugural edition of TEDxSIU Hyderabad saw the morning of 4<sup>th</sup> September adorned with the spectacle of a bumbling crowd shuffling towards the auditorium to take their seats. The theme of the event was a concept that embodies curiosity, the spirit of exploration, innovation, and the courage to push boundaries and was

chosen to encourage speakers and participants alike to look beyond conventional limits; and encouraged they were. To condense the impact of the event into a singular word would be diminishing, and in the words of the attendees themselves, was intentionally designed to be an event one could not forget.

**11**  
SPEAKERS

**32**  
PARTICIPANTS

**283**  
ATTENDEES

The event commenced with a ceremonial lamp lighting, and classical dance performances, setting an inspiring tone for the day. With the speaker lineup featuring a diverse group of industry pioneers, the event was split into two sessions; the morning and the evening; to stagger the proceedings.



# TEDxSIU HYDERABAD

*TO SPARK  
CURIOSITY, TO  
EMBOLDEN  
PASSIONATE  
MINDS*

Organized by Ms. Saanvi Dande and Mr. Akash Mallareddy, the inaugural edition of TEDxSIU Hyderabad embodies the spirit of exploration, curiosity, innovation, and the courage to push boundaries. Chosen by the curator, Ms. Meenakshi Vedala, the theme was chosen to encourage speakers and participants alike to look beyond conventional limits; and encouraged they were. After addresses from the co-organisers and the Licensee, the speaker lineup was introduced and featured a diverse group of industry pioneers. The morning session saw talks delivered by Dr. Vidya



Yeravdekar, Pro Chancellor, Symbiosis International University, Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman, Vice Chancellor, Symbiosis International University, Mr. Sandeep Chatterjee, Supply Chain and Sustainability Leader, IBM, Mr. Saurabh Sharma, Managing Director, JSSB Legal, Mr. Kumar Rajagopalan, Vice President and Country Head, Dexian India, Ms. Anjanya Pillalamarri, CEO, Giosun Healthcare, and Mr. Emmanuel Gosula, Senior Manager – People Partner, EPAM Systems. The afternoon session featured insightful talks by Ms. Galla Madhavi, Director, Vikaas Hospitals, Mr. Ansuman Pattanayak, Founder and CEO, QED Classes, Dr. Sudeendra Koushik, Chief Innovator and Founder, Innovation by Design, and Mr. Harsha Durugadda, Sculptor. Each speaker shared compelling anecdotes and experiences aligned with the central theme of pushing boundaries and exploring new horizons. The event itself was meticulously curated by Ms. Meenakshi

Vedala and executed by a dedicated student committee who ensured smooth coordination and audience engagement. The student club performances that included table and western dance performances provided engaging transitions to enhance the overall experience. In conclusion, the event was deemed a success, in lieu of the enthusiastic participation from over 300 attendees and the feedback from the invited guests themselves. As a mark of appreciation, each speaker was felicitated with a memento in recognition of their valuable contribution to the event. The program concluded with a valedictory session and a Vote of Thanks delivered by the Curator, marking the successful



Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar  
being felicitated by the Directors  
after delivering her speech



Dr. Ramakrishna Raman  
delivering his TEDx keynote  
speech



Mr. Sandeep Chatterjee  
being felicitated by Senior  
faculty from SLS Hyderabad

completion of the first edition TEDxSIU Hyderabad and paving the way for new editions. TEDxSIU Hyderabad offered a platform, not only for students but for the campus administration as well, to demonstrate how a community of only a mere thousand can break through to a community of hundred thousands, or even lakhs with just an idea.

Marking the very first instance of collaboration between all four institutes on campus, TEDxSIU Hyderabad featured a team of passionate organizers sprawled across various academic batches and domains. With the participants being condensed into the Logistics, Productions, Communications, Sponsorship & Marketing, and Hospitality teams, the Executive Producer of the event, Ms. Ananya Srivastava took the helm to ensure the event ran smoothly. To inspire, to invent, to provoke is what the organizing team hoped to achieve by hosting this particular ensemble of outstanding individuals, and inspire they did. The organizers believed that every single



Mr. Saurabh Sharma delivering his keynote speech on the TEDxSIU Hyderabad stage

on campus too can be fit into a proverbial box (or break out of one), tracing the footsteps of the very cornerstones of the SIU Hyderabad dignitaries themselves. Emboldened by the success of the event, TEDx has ingrained itself into the foundations of SIT Hyderabad. Hosting a student population of over 2000 individuals, all of whom have different backgrounds, goals, and even careers they might be pursuing, the degree of reception shown towards future editions only prove that the event can leverage the skills of students while inculcating the spirit that Symbiosis as an institution always aimed to instill: although we come from different institutions, we are all part of the same community.



Mr. Sudeendra Koushik being felicitated by the Directors



Mr. Ansuman Pattanayak delivering his keynote speech



Ms. Galla Madhavi delivering her keynote speech



Mr. Harsha Durugadda being felicitated by the HODs




Mr. Emmanuel Gosula delivering his keynote speech on the TEDxSIU Hyderabad stage



Mr. Kumar Rajagopalan being felicitated by the HODs of the CSE department



Mr. Anjaneyulu Pillalamari delivering his keynote speech on the TEDxSIU Hyderabad stage



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*the* lines

IEEE LEADERSHIP  
SUMMIT 2025

Commencing on 14<sup>th</sup> November, and spanning three bustling days, the IEEE Leadership Summit brought together distinguished leaders, industry experts, academicians, and student innovators for a day of inspiration, knowledge sharing, and impactful discussions. The inaugural session featured enamored

encounters and special guests. As student volunteers gathered around the auditorium, rustling through endless trenches to find registration cards, the audience made their way into the campus auditorium, with IES members and their soil tainted fingers just out of sight (owing to their plantation drive, of course).

200+  
ATTENDEES

3  
DAYS

12<sup>HR</sup>  
HACKATHON

# LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

## INAUG AND AFTERNOON SESSION



offer a gift-wrapped guide to industry exposure (or so it's said). Experts from Microsoft, CGI, Lloyds Bank, and the Cybersecurity CoE Telangana offered workshops in 'Multimodal Agentic Frameworks', 'Cybersecurity Essentials', 'Containers & Kubernetes', and 'Building Evaluation-Driven AI Agents'. Poised in traditional attire, students persisted through these grueling workshops to ruminate in the events lined up for that evening: the campfire and DJ night. The SIU amphi-theatre saw an array of fairy lights adorned over scrawny twigs. The Directors of the Campus made their way, haughty and trusty branch wielding, to the campfire under the cover of darkness. An hour of shuffling to 2000's Hindi songs later, the students made their way to the gala dinner. Of course, not all students were fortunate enough to be spectators of the campfire celebrations. The volunteers and organizers were wrought with the logistics of planning a 12-hour Hackathon. Most of the organizers were only visible for merely a flash, and upon interviews the next day, seemed to have lost

Following the ceremonial Symbiosis documentary film were addresses from Prof. (Dr.) Shantaram Balwant Mujumdar, Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University), and other senior leaders including the SIT Student Council President, Chair of the IEEE SIT Hyderabad Student Branch, and directors of SIT: Prof. (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu, SIBM Hyderabad: Dr. Venu Gopal and SLS Hyderabad: Dr. Sunil George.

The Presidential Address from Dr. Antonio Luque was followed by an insightful address by the Guest of Honour, Dr. Sudeendra Koushik. The Leadership Summit Overview, s presented by Mr. Sai Prashanth Mallellu, Chair, outlined the vision and objectives that were to follow. The afternoon sessions featured keynote talks by Mr. Sanjay Sehgal, Mr. Arun Tanksali, and Mr. Kashyap Addepally and concluded with an IDEATHON competition.

Day Two of the IEEE Leadership Summit was filled with impactful sessions, workshops, and hands-on learning session curated by the organizing team to





# **BRIDGING INNOVATION AND IMPACT THROUGH IEEE COMCONNECT 2025**

all recollection of the proceedings. Apart from a very impressionable tea break they had taken at the wary hours of 2 am. The hackathon saw participants from both years alike, with teams of four being tasked to present a prototype in accordance to the problem statement. With creativity, innovation, and collaboration taking center stage during these hours, Raj Aryan, Pramit Panigrahi, and Smaran Jainand emerged as the deserving winners.

The final day of the Summit was an inspiring conclusion to the tumultuous three-day journey. The finals of the coding competition and the Final Jury Review of the Hackathon were

underway while the IEEE SIT Hyderabad Student Branch marked the first of its annual Chapters Meeting. The afternoon was marked with speeches delivered by distinguished experts from academia and from IEEE. Mr. Bala Prasad Peddigari, reinforced the importance of leadership, service, and community engagement. Following the prize distribution, the volunteers, speakers, and supporters were recognized for their performance and dedication in making this event a remarkable success. The collective vision for future editions of the summit has just been realized, and is ripe to be explored.

As always, the IEEE Student Branch at SIT Hyderabad is bridging innovation and impact.

India's largest student collective, Under25 began in 2013 by building a community of driven students, that would come together once a year. Over the years, the community amassed over both physical and digital platforms, and has impacted brands, non-profits, governments, consumer behavior, and popular culture. Now, with students at Symbiosis being introduced to the gamified platform, the Summit was held for students to communicate, discuss common interests, and foster real interaction with like-minded individuals.



# *from* entrepreneurial *sparks* to balance

UNDER25 SUMMIT

**O**n 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025, an array of SIT students awoke at dawn to carry out arduous tasks, both pragmatically and in the practical sense. If you happened to chance upon the corridors of the auditorium early in the morning, you would have seen students carefully placing towers of books on registration

desks. In collaboration with students from SLS, SCMS, and SIBM, the Under25 Summit marked a significant feather in the institute's cap; having collaborated with the hosts of India's Largest Youth Festival. The milestone event showcased the power of youth, innovation, and collaboration, leaving a lasting impact on the SIU community.

Students and Performers at the Under25 Summit



## UNDER25 SUMMIT

*INDIA'S  
LARGEST  
YOUTH  
FESTIVAL*

The culmination of an effort to celebrate young voices and foster meaningful dialogue was the Under25 Summit. Held on 18<sup>th</sup> September, the summit transformed the auditorium into a vibrant hub of ideas, creativity, and youthful energy. From entrepreneurial sparks to vibrant entertainment, the atmosphere in the auditorium remained electric till the last moment, owing to the promise of attendance lest the audience remain in their seats. The summit offered students an immersive experience that blended learning, inspiration, and celebration. The event commenced with keynote sessions from young entrepreneurs the Under25 team was aligned with. Anam Mirza, entrepreneur and founder of The Label Bazaar and Dua India, led

an engaging session on “Building Brands & Balance”, sharing her journey of entrepreneurship and personal growth. The Q/A session that followed was perceptive, to say the least, and offered insights into what a student community could learn from a newly established brand. The next session was led by Jaiyetri MaKana, a content creator who offered candid insights into the world of influencer culture in her talk, “Influencer Secrets: The Unfiltered Cut”. Smera Shetty, a passionate community builder was the host for the day, offering much needed segues between what could be considered drawling sessions.

But, the Summit did not merely showcase the business perspective. Adding to the dynamism of the summit were student performances that show-cased the multifaceted



artistic talent on campus, creating a wholesome atmosphere. The Dance Club of SLS Hyderabad enamored students with their performance during the post-lunch session. Sandwiched between the performances were interactive question and answer segments that allowed audience members to engage directly with the speakers, with student volunteers hurrying through the auditorium stairs to pass microphones to eager students. The Under25 Summit in general was deemed to be a resounding success, standing as a testament to the power of youth, innovation, and collaboration, leaving behind inspiration that will resonate long after the event concluded. To all the faculty members, students, organizers, performers, and guests who worked endlessly to make this milestone event come into fruition, a special picture session was organized before the highlight of the

event took place- the Artist Performance.

Haneef Shaikh, a musician and music composer left a lasting impression with his performance, with acoustic melodies that resounded through the feeble halls of the auditorium.

The success of the Under 25 Summit 2025 was would have to be partly credited to the SIT Hyderabad faculty team. Their unwavering guidance and encouragement played a crucial role at every stage of planning and execution, and their mentorship helped formulate a directory for organizing the hospitality of such an event. The organizing team, when asked about their conceptual planning remarked that the assistance received from their Student Affairs Coordinator, Mr. Sai Prashant Mallellu, was vital to their proceedings. This constant support, coordination, and belief in the student-led vision helped transform ideas into reality. The collaborative effort between students and faculty exemplified the spirit of Symbiosis, reinforcing our confidence and enthusiasm as we eagerly look forward to seeing future editions of the Under 25 Summit take shape on campus, growing bigger, bolder, and even more impactful.



Established in 2024, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad is nurtured by the visionary ideas of Prof. (Dr.) S.B. Mujumdar on the principles of vedic thought: 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'. Being amongst the league of the best engineering colleges in Hyderabad, SIT strives to deliver high- quality technical education that meets the need of the present competitive industry while offering the opportunity to delve into performing arts, liberal arts, industrial history, and human values. As the Institute encourages students to complement their regular education with extra-curricular events, the following spread depicts the multifold events conducted this Winter Session.



*within*  
the campus  
CORRIDORS

**E**very time a door opens in the academic block, it is said that it is unknown where the ink stains on the door knob will lead you. Perhaps, that is a mere psychological roulette. The campus corridors of Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad are often buzzed alight with students pacing from one room

to the other. Why, you might ask? Some questions are perplexing to answer, but fear not, for this is an exception. SIT Hyderabad often sees events, more often than one would expect. With more than seven events in a month, the following spread unravels the bundle tangled up within the precipices of the campus.

Prof. Justin Dauwels, Associate Professor at Delft University of Technology



**AT ITS HEART,  
ENGINEERING IS  
ABOUT USING SCIENCE  
TO FIND CREATIVE  
PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS.  
IT IS A NOBLE  
PROFESSION. THE  
ENGINEER HAS BEEN,  
AND IS, A MAKER  
OF HISTORY.**

## **NATIONAL ENGINEER'S DAY AND AI FOR PSYCHIATRY**

As a young community of engineers, the SIT student body is but a small confluence in the floundering waves of advancements in the scientific community. Every September 15th, India proudly celebrates National Engineer's Day in honor of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. This year, the student community organized a quiz and elocution competition all themed around what "engineering" means to this young community. We invited Dr. P. Hari Krishna, Professor of Civil Engineering & Head, Indian Knowledge Systems, NIT Warangal to join us on this auspicious occasion. After delivering a talk on 'IKS: Engineering Concepts', he presented prizes to the winners of the competitions that were

conducted. With this being the very first Engineer's Day celebrated in SIT, we hope that future editions are marked with increased personal anecdotes from "future" engineers.

In collaboration with IEEE SIT Hyderabad Student Branch, the institute also organized a talk on "AI for Psychiatry". Prof. Justin Dauwels, a Distinguished Lecturer from the IEEE Signal Processing Society relayed his findings that AI, contradictory to the usual consensus, could be used for monitoring subtle behavioral mannerism in psychiatry to study patients that exhibit complex psyches. This online session, though short, saw an array of questions barraged upon Prof. Dauwels, and only emboldened the curiosity to explore the intersection between the fields of medical research and computer science.

# 'LE STARTUPS CONFLUENCE' AND AI BUILDERS DAY



How many of you can outline the specificities of what “intellectual property” might mean? And in the atlas of a collaborative engineer lies a significant hole that outlines their business ideology. On 25<sup>th</sup> September, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, in collaboration with E-Cell, IEEE, and Institution’s Innovation Council (IIC), organized “Le Startups Confluence” ; an event designed to target aspiring entrepreneurs within the technological domain. Helmed by La Mintage Legal’s Dr. Moksha Kalyanram Abhiramula (Founder) and Ms. Manushi K Shah (Partner), the session focused on building scalable, sustainable solutions beyond the MVP stage.



In the diaspora of conversation around the future of technology, there is yet to be seen an absence of AI. On 20<sup>th</sup> September, the Training and Placement Cell, in collaboration with ID8NXT, ID8 DevHub and Salesforce, organized AI Builders Day. Aimed to bring together bright minds, innovators, and tech enthusiasts to forage into AI innovation and collaboration, the day was filled with learning, networking, and inspiration. The session’s agenda was to provide an overview of AgentForce, the do’s and dont’s of using the platform, and the ethics surrounding building an AI agent itself. The Speaker In Focus, Mr. Venu Keshagoni, delivered an insightful session that delved into Salesforce implementation and the future of AI - driven solutions. Students were given the unique opportunity to interact with industry entrants; individuals who could help students envision what their own future might be in the industry. As a display of gratitude, the key speakers were felicitated by Dr. G Suryanarayana (Head of Department. CSE) and CSE Faculty Dr. Salakapuri Rakesh.

# MICROSOFT AI INNOVATION HUB

## LAUNCH



The Microsoft AI Innovators Hub is a collaborative platform dedicated to exploring and mastering the latest innovations in artificial intelligence, and SIT Hyderabad saw the establishment of this hub in the campus itself. Helmed by its President, Ms. Saranya Venna, the AI Innovators Hub stands as a platform for innovation, collaboration, and AI-driven learning on campus. The event commenced with a ribbon session to commemorate the Microsoft AI Hub on the second floor of the Academic Block. Following keynote sessions from Chief Guest Mr. Kalyan Prasad and dignitaries Ms. Navina Gurrani, and Mr. Jogi Ritish, Prof. (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu graced the proceedings and expressed his deepest appreciation to the students to take this initiative forward. Helmed by Co-Vice Presidents, Ms. Deepika and Mr. Ghani Sai Reddy Kodumuru, the members of the AI Innovators Hub aim to empower their fellow students to leverage advanced tools like Microsoft Fabric to drive transformative, data-driven insights and automation. To build a well-rounded engineer, they said, is no longer a fabrication.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025, Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Hyderabad, asked its students to venture into the mathematical abyss of their own minds. Why, you might ask? National Mathematics Day celebrates the foundation on which science, engineering, and technology stand strong—mathematics. SIT Hyderabad joined the nation in commemorating the birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan, whose extraordinary contributions continue to influence the prognosis of modern mathematicians and researchers.

Graced by the faculty of SIT Hyderabad and eager first-year students (amidst their drawing end semesters, even), the occasion served as a reminder that mathematics is not merely confined to equations. It shapes logical reasoning, innovation, and problem-solving abilities essential for future engineers. Marked by anecdotes from various professors, the celebrations at campus reflected their commitment to foster analytical thinking and academic excellence amongst students. So, the next time your professor might ask you to solve that complex differential equation, remind yourself that there might just be more to it than variables.

# NATIONAL MATHEMATICS DAY





## **TODAY AND TOMORROW AND CODETHON 2025**

The Computer Society Student Branch Chapter of IEEE SITH is the pioneer of innovation within the IEEE student community, and on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2025, they organized a virtual seminar with Mr. Gaurav Pathak, a consulting engineer at CISCO. An IEEE Brand Ambassador, Mr. Pathak joined us for a virtual session on 'Today and Tomorrow: How Emerging Technologies Are Shaping Our World'. Focusing on how rapid advancements in technology are transforming industries, societies, and everyday life, Mr. Pathak walked the attendees through the key trends driving change in current society. By enlightening the audience on how innovations can influence opportunities in the global respect, the session

offered much needed guidance to build skills that align with future industry demands.

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, SIT Hyderabad in association with IEEE IAS (Industry Applications Society) and Codetantra, organized the "Codethon 2025: Programming in C" contest for the first-year B.Tech students of CSE and CSE (AIML). The very first competitive coding event for our freshly enrolled engineers witnessed enthusiastic participation, with students showcasing their problem-solving abilities and coding talent by working through real-time case studies. Such initiatives, students have said, play a vital role in nurturing technical skills to develop interest in algorithmic thinking, and thus credit them for their holistic growth.

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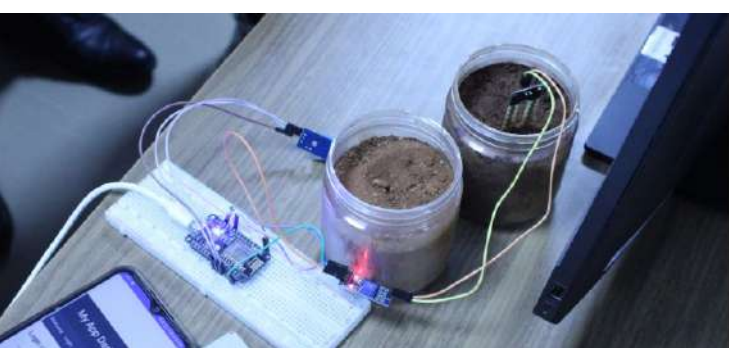


## **IEEE DAY 2025**

### *IEEE SY2P: IGNITE YOUR PROFESSIONAL PATH*

On 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025, Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Hyderabad, in collaboration with the IEEE Hyderabad Section Young Professionals Affinity Group and IEEE Hyderabad Section Member Engagement Committee, organized the IEEE S2YP event to celebrate IEEE Day. Aimed to empower the IEEE student member community and young professionals with experience in domain research, the initiative brought together key experts to offer participants a platform for learning, mentorship, leadership growth, and networking. By bridging the gap between academia and research, the organizers declared, would help ensure a seamless transition from a student to a young professional.

Mr. P. Purnachander and Mr. Vijay Ram Prasad delivered a talk about “Navigating Careers in AI and ML”, highlighting industry trends and career strategies. Mr. Konda Sandeep delivered a hands-on workshop on “JavaScript and React”, offering practical coding experience. Finally, Dr. K. Vaidya Srujana conducted a wellness session about intimate hygiene, focusing on holistic well-being. In culmination, these sessions outlined what would be a collaborative flagship initiative organized by the institute in association with the IEEE Hyderabad Section Young Professionals Affinity Group, promoting excellence and community engagement within IEEE. With IEEE being ingrained within the SIT community, we hope that future celebrations invite further passionate discussions.



# INTERNAL HACKATHON

## FOR SIH 2025

Hackathons have for long (the past two years) been regarded as a deciding factor in the competitive coding skills of any engineering student, and with the recent rise in popularity of the Smart India Hackathon (SIH), it is a mark of a talented student community to participate in one. After continued diligence and efforts from faculty coordinator Dr. S. Rakesh, the Internal SITH Hackathon was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025. 24 teams of passionate students came together and presented creative solutions that encompassed problem statements from Smart India Hackathon (SIH) 2025, an initiative by the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

Evaluated by a panel of industry experts who assessed the projects comprehensively, the Internal Hackathon saw two teams emerge as possible contenders for National representation. For many students, this marked their maiden hackathon and helped inculcate a culture of creativity, teamwork, and innovation while simultaneously preparing them for national-level challenges. Although a quick interview with most participants would remark that they had merely participated for attendance, it would not be out of question to presume that either one of these projects would result in quantitative results.

### THE WINNERS

#### TEAM NEO - FIRST POSITION

Raj Aryan, Harshit Divekar, Asmi Agarwal, KU Parthiv, Aamina Baig and Parth Srivastav

#### TEAM VISION FORGE - SECOND POSITION

Venkatesh K, Vinay Chakravarthy A, Mahesh Jella, Ravi Parthasarathi G, Deepika, and Parvini Gupta

# SARASWATHI PUJA

## *VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM AT THE SIU HYDERABAD CAMPUS*



brought to a calm finale as everybody was left motivated and inspired.

The puja culminated in the quintessential 'Harathi', with the Pujaari distributed the harathi to the various students in attendance. Afterwards, the attendees were prompted to collect prasad and distribute it among themselves. As students bustled around the academic block, and quietly paid heed to the reverence of the proceedings that occurred mere minutes before, it would be hard not to be touched by the weight of the religious cultures passed down from generations.

In sum, the Saraswathi Puja was eventful; serving as a reminder of the need to have a balance between education, tradition and culture. It is the persistent thorn, the ever-present reminder that knowledge can be developed most effectively through respect, discipline and togetherness. We can only anticipate that future editions emulate the spirit shown in this years.

On 29th September 2025, the Saraswathi Puja was conducted in the SIU Hyderabad campus with honor and reverence by Symbiosis Institute of Technology. The humble grounds of what is now the Workshop Hall had students, faculty, and staff united in prayer and seek the blessings of Goddess Saraswathi who is the personification of knowledge, learning and wisdom. The incident brought an atmosphere of peace and calm on the campus.

With one of the cornerstones of the campus community being its strong devotion to honoring the rich culture and religion spread across the diverse population, the puja instilled in attendees the very meaning and essence of education. It revealed that learning does not only concern books and examinations, but also values, concentration, and good morals. The prayers were indicative of the shared bonus of hopeful success, intellectual acuity and imagination among academics and educators. Positivity filled campus with a spiritual atmosphere and an air of unity. It assisted in making the relationship among campus members stronger and made them respect one another. The event was

29.09.2025

The Saraswathi Puja was organized by SIT Hyderabad, with our Campus Admin, Prof. Ranajikanth Aluvalu, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad; DR.K.P. Venugopal Rao, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management and Dr. Sunil George, Director, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad carrying out the proceedings.



# GANESH

## CHATURTHI

### 2025

The Ganesh Chaturthi celebration was a vibrant and spiritually enriching event, filled with devotion, music, and community spirit. Over three days, starting from 27th August 2025, the Hyderabad Campus Society organized a series of ceremonies beginning with the Murthi Sthapna (installation of Lord Ganesha's idol) in the morning, followed by daily aarti sessions in the morning and evening, creating a sacred and rhythmic environment near the designated gathering spot. The event maintained a deeply traditional tone, with participants dressing in traditional attire and coming together in unity to offer prayers and receive prashad, available after both the morning and evening aartis. The steady repetition of aartis, the spiritual chanting, and the fragrance of incense brought a strong sense of togetherness and peace.



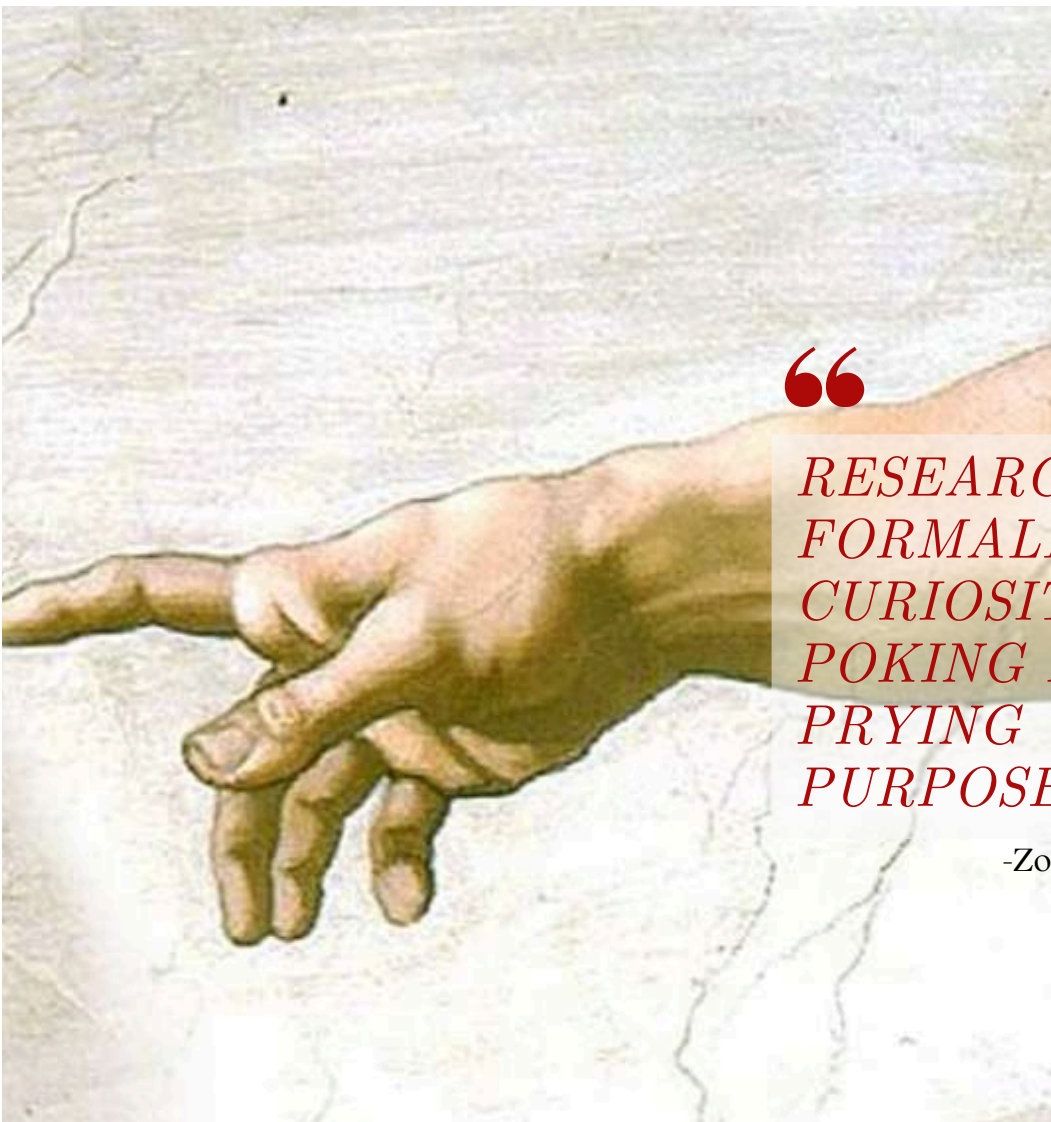
The third day, 29th August 2025, was the grandest of all, featuring the Maha Aarti in the evening, followed by the much anticipated Ganesh Visarjan an hour later, starting from the C-wing Girls Hostel back side. This final procession came alive with the thunderous, joyful beats of dhols as participants danced and walked in rhythm, accompanying Lord Ganesha on his symbolic journey back to the divine realm. The energy of the Visarjan Yatra, echoing through the campus, turned the event into a celebration of culture and spirituality, leaving lasting memories in the hearts of all attendees. The combination of devotion, music, traditional dress, and communal spirit surely made the celebration not just a religious observance, but a vibrant and joyous festival.



*from*  
**laboratories**  
*to* **literature**

## *OUR FACULTY* **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Although the institute is in the midst of its maiden years of formulation, the enigmatic group of professors that are housed in the university are anything but. If questioned about the cornerstones of the five-year plan for the institute, it would be privity to reflection for the mention of “research” to go unsaid. Research, unlike the commonplace urge for placements, serves as the fundamental force behind the progression of knowledge, and the field of science as perceived by society. As such, it is an honor to note that Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad has a flourishing faculty that explore new insights, challenge existing paradigms, and bring revolutionary advancements to their field of interest. The faculty achievements range from faculty development programs to research papers. **Dr. G Suryanarayana** , Head of the CSE department and SIT Hyderabad, served as the Resource Person during the One-Week Online Faculty Development Programme on “AI Applications in Cyber Security” organized by E & ICT Academy , **Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati** from 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> October.



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PRYING WITH A  
PURPOSE.*

-Zora Neale Hurston

To allude to mere structured programmes and institutional collaborations would not reflect the scholarly influence of SIT Hyderabad's faculty division. The steady stream of invitations received to participate in international and national conferences, symposiums, and academic forums underscores the confidence placed in their expertise. Their positions as keynote speakers, session chairs, and panellists represent their recognition by peer institutions and research bodies alike. Many faculty members are also recognized as subject experts across universities. This intellectual engagement transcends the mere physical realm and is complemented by a robust culture of research publication, with faculty contributing to entries in reputed journals and conference proceedings. Collectively these achievements position SIT Hy-

derabad not merely as a participant in academic discourse, but as an active contributor. To discern the numerous achievements and accolades, it is only fit to begin with our Director, Prof. (Dr.)



Rajanikanth Aluvalu's own achievements. On 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Prof. (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu delivered a keynote address at the IEEE ComSoc Student Leadership Conference 2025 organized at KPR Institute of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore partly in collaboration with IEEE Communications Society and the Department of ECE.



Hyderabad was invited as an External Member in the First Board of Studies (BoS) Meeting of the Department of English (Modern Language), A.V. College (Autonomous), Hyderabad, held on 15th September 2025. On 11th November, 2025, Prof. Rajanikanth Aluvula, Director, SIT Hyderabad delivered a keynote address at the Student Tech Leadership Conference 2025, organized by the IEEE Communications Society in conjunction with the Future Networks World Forum (FNWF 2025), held at the Sheraton Grand Bengaluru Whitefield Hotel & Convention Center, Bangalore.



**Proud Faculty Achievements**

(From top) Mr. M Sai Prashanth at KPR Institute of Engineering & Technology, Dr. P. V. Vinitha at A.V. College, Hyderabad and Dr. Rajanikanth Aluvula at Future Networks World Forum (FNWF 2025).

**KEYNOTE ADDRESSES AND SUBJECT EXPERTS**

The Winter Session at SIT Hyderabad saw numerous faculty achievements. Mr. M Sai Prashanth - Chair, Student Activities, IEEE ComSoc Member Services Board and Adjunct Faculty of Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad was invited as the Guest of Valedictory at the IEEE Communications Society Student Tech Conference 2025 hosted by IEEE ComSoc SBC at KPR Institute of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore on 13-09-2025. Dr. P.V. Vinitha, Assistant Professor of English, SIT,

Whitefield Hotel & Convention Center, Bangalore. Dr. Kranthi Kumar Singamaneni, Associate Professor & HOD, AIML, SIT, Hyderabad invited a Expert Speaker during Six Day ATAL Faculty Development Programme (FDP) (Online) on Cyber Security Bootcamp: Safeguarding Systems and Networks organised by Department Of Computer Science and Engineering, Government Engineering College, Wayanad, Kerala on November 10 - 15, 2025. On 2nd December, 2025, as



HOD of the AIML Department at SIT Hyderabad, he represented the institute at Capgemini's Life Sciences Thought Leadership Conclave 2025 by serving as a panelist at Capgemini's prestigious Life Sciences Conclave on the theme: "The Empowered Patient: Co-creating Healthcare through Digital Innovation & AI." He also delivered a session on "Quantum Gates & Circuits" on 24-11-2025 during a UGC-Sponsored One-Week Online Short-Term Course on "Quantum Computing" organized by UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, JNTUH from 4-11-2025 to 29-11-2025. Consequently, another distinguished HOD, Dr. G Suryanayana, the Head of the CSE Department at SIT Hyderabad served as a Resource Person during the One-week Online Faculty Develop-

ment Programme on "AI Applications in Cyber Security" organised by E & ICT Academy, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati from 13 -17 October 2025. Acting as a Subject Expert, Dr. G. Suryanarayana was also invited as Subject Expert and member of Board of Studies of CMR College of Engineering & Technology, Hyderabad on 19-08-2025. We are, further, immensely proud to announce that Dr. Santosh Kumar M. , Assistant Professor, SIT Hyderabad was awarded the 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up and a \$6000 cash prize at the AlgoBharat Startup Pitch Competition during the Algorand Foundation India Summit 2025 in Bangalore for his startup ScholarChain- a blockchain based document verification and protection system. Dr. S. Kranthi Kumar also delivered a session as Guest Speaker on AI-Driven Smart IoT and Antenna Systems during AICTE-ATAL Faculty Development Programme on "Integrating AI, IoT & Adaptive Antennas for High-Performance Communication Systems" on 15-09-2025.



**Dr. M. Santosh Kumar** was awarded the 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up and a \$6000 cash prize at the AlgoBharat Startup Pitch Competition during the Algorand Foundation India Summit 2025



**Proud Faculty Achievements**

(From top) Dr. G Suryanayana, at the Board of Members meeting at CMR College of Engineering & Technology, Hyderabad on 19-08-2025, and Dr. Kranthi Kumar Singamaneni at Capgemini's Life Sciences Thought Leadership Conclave 2025, serving as a panelist at Capgemini's prestigious Life Sciences Conclave.





DR. SALAKPURI RAKESH

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, SIT HYDERABAD delivered a session on Machine Learning Foundations during a National Level One Week Online Faculty Development Program on “Quantum Computing and Machine Learning: Bridging Quantum theory and Intelligent Systems” Organized by Aditya Institute of Technology and Management, Tekkali, Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh on 26th November 2025.



DR. BIBHUPRASAD SAHU

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, SIT HYDERABAD became an Editorial Board Member of QI journal titled Scientific Reports from September 2025.



DR. P.V. VINITHA

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH, SIT-H Hyderabad received the Best Paper Award for her paper titled “Indian Knowledge System and English Pedagogy: Towards a Holistic Learning Experience” at IKATRIT’25 : An Interdisciplinary International Conference on Indigenous Knowledge, Decolonial Turn, and Social Development in the Global South, organized by RGVK-State Resource Centre, Shimla and QTanalytics®, held on September 6-7, 2025 (Hybrid Mode).

# ACHIEVEMENTS AROUND THE NATION

## UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

In continuation, the Director of SIT Hyderabad, received numerous accolades throughout the Winter Session. Professor Rajanikanth Aluvalu participated in the Round Table meeting on “AI in Education” held at Google, Hyderabad, representing Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad on 12 December 2025. A project “AgriLink: Low-Power IoT Network for Smallholder Farmers – A Market Access and Weather Alerts Platform” by Mr. Sai Prashanth & Prof. Rajanikanth Aluvalu, SIT, Hyderabad was awarded 2nd Place in the Community Enablement Concept category at the 2025 IEEE Connecting the Unconnected (CTU) Challenge held on 1–12 November 2025. Prof. Rajanikanth Aluvulu also received the Bharat Education Excellence Award 2025 in recognition of exemplary contribution of Research & Education Sector. He was invited as a distinguished



Dr. Rajanikanth’s and Mr. M. Sai Prashanth’s Achievements

(From top) AgriLink, SAS , Bharat Education Excellence Award, and IEEE Future Networks World Forum





#### Our Esteemed Faculty's Conference Achievements

IEEE TENCON 2025, IEEE SL SYW Congress 2025, and IEEE Global Communication Conference.



speaker at the SAS Software Presents ArdorComm Education Leadership Symposium – A Round Table Meet held at Hyderabad on 14-11-2025. Mr. Sai Prashanth, represented Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, at the IEEE Future Networks World Forum 2025 from 10 to 12 November 2025. He also participated as a Panelist & Speaker at the IEEE C&E & IEEE Communications Society WICE Joint Panel on Cross-Regional-OU Collaboration in Innovation Technology during IEEE Region 10 Flagship & Prestigious Conference at the 38th IEEE TENCON 2025 held at the Sabah International Convention Centre, Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia on 29 October, 2025. Both Mr. Sai Prashanth and Prof. (Dr.) Rajanikanth Aluvalu were invited as distinguished speakers at IEEE SL SYW Congress 2025 speaking about "Fueling the Next Generation of Tech Leaders: The Power of IEEE ComSoc Membership" and Tech-Driven Sustainability: Harnessing AI, IoT, and Clean Tech for a Greener Future" respectively.



DR. S. KRANTHI KUMAR

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, HOD (AIML)

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DR. SURYANARAYANA

HEAD, DEPARTMENT OF CSE

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MR. SAI PRASHANTH MALLELLU  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

(IEEE Hyderabad Section) received IEEE Communications Society Young Professionals Award- Recognition for ComSoc Best Volunteer during IEE Global Communication Conference 2025 held at Taiwan during 8 - 12 December 2025.



# *from* across *the* border

Symbiosis Institute of Technology's sustained association with IEEE plays an important role in advancing student welfare beyond conventional classroom learning. Through these platforms, various students have already had the opportunity to gain early exposure to global research ecosystems, emerging technologies, and international academic standards. Such opportunities not only enhance technical competence but also cultivate confidence, ethical awareness, and a sense of belonging within the global engineering community—ensuring that student development at SIT extends holistically, professionally, and responsibly.

The Winter Session at SIT Hyderabad saw the institute's engagement with international conferences situate learning within a broader professional and pivotal context. IEEE-led initiatives, inter-institute events within the Symbiosis Arena, and workshops hosted and supported by SIT Hyderabad affiliates

facilitated the direct interaction between students and accomplished researchers, industry leaders, and innovators. By aiming to foster mentorship, collaboration, and research prospects that encompass a global retrospect, students at SIT Hyderabad have had doors open to meaningful global dialogues.



MS. ANVITA RUDRAVARAM  
B.TECH CSE (AIML)- FIRST YEAR

participated in the IEEE Future Networks World Forum (FNWF) 2025, held in Bangalore on 11 November 2025, and secured the first position in the Lighting Talk Competition, being awarded with a 1000 USD grant to attend the IEEE Globecom 2025 in Taiwan.



MS. BHAVYA DEEPTI SAANVY  
B.TECH CSE- FIRST YEAR

participated in the IEEE Future Networks World Forum (FNWF) 2025, held in Bangalore on 11 November 2025, and secured the Runner-Up position in the Lighting Talk Competition, being awarded with a 500 USD grant to attend the IEEE Globecom 2025 in Taiwan.



MR. TANISHQ SINGH SISODIYA  
B.TECH CSE- FIRST YEAR

participated in the IEEE Future Networks World Forum (FNWF) 2025, held in Bangalore on 11 November 2025, and secured the First position in the Poster Presentation Competition, being awarded with a 1000 USD grant to attend the IEEE Globecom 2025 in Taiwan.

### THE PARTICIPANTS

**LIGHTNING TALK:** Tanishq Singh Sisodiya , Mannan, Samarth Agarwal, Subhanan Chatterjee

**POSTER PRESENTATION:** Samarth Agarwal, Chetana Rao, Saanvi Dande, Subhanan Chatterjee

## ACHIEVEMENTS AROUND THE NATION AND BEYOND

Student achievements during the Winter Session were multi-fold, boosting both the perception of the Institute in the academic realm, but also its legacy. As Licensee of TEDxSIU Hyderabad , Ms. Saanvi Dande, a second year B. Tech CSE student of SIT, Hyderabad successfully conducted the first TEDx event in SIU Hyderabad campus and was felicitated for her efforts. Ms. Bhavya Gupta, a first year B. Tech CSE student from SIT Hyderabad secured 2nd runner-up position in the SIU Inter-institute Chess Championship organized by the DSRW in collaboration with SICSR, Pune, competing against 46 female athletes from various constituent institutes of Symbiosis International (Deemed University). Winning 6 out of her 7 matches, she was provisionally selected for the SIU Chess Team (women) for the inter-university



**Student Achievements**  
(From top) SIT Hyderabad Team winning the top prize in the 24-hour hackathon at KL University, Ms. Bhavya winning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up position in SIU Inter-Institute Chess Championship, and Ms. Saanvi being felicitated as licensee.



### Our Student Body's Conference Achievements

IEEE Future World Networks Forum 2025, and IEEE ComSoc Board of Governors Meeting at Taiwan.



tournaments. SIT Hyderabad also saw inspired participation on the national and international front at various conferences. SIT Hyderabad's very own second-year student, Ms. Saanvi Dande, first-year students, Mr. Tanishq Singh Sisodiya, Ms. Mannan, Ms. Anwita Rudravaram, Ms. Bhavya Deepti Sanvy, Mr. Samarth Agarwal, Mr. Subhanan Chatterjee and Ms. Chetana Rao, and Mr. Sai Prashanth, Assistant Professor, Rao participated in IEEE Future Networks World Forum (FNWF) 2025, held in Bangalore on 11 November 2025. After their success in the Lightning Talk and Poster Presentation Competitions, B. Tech first year students Anvita Rudravaram, and Tanishq Singh Sisodiya accompanied second year students Mr. Sri Charan and Mr. Ghana Sai, and Mr. Sai Prashanth in attending the IEEE ComSoc Board of Governors Meeting at Taiwan on 08-12-2025, and the IEEE Globecom 2025 on 09-12-2025.



MR. TANISHQ SINGH SISODIYA  
B.TECH CSE- FIRST YEAR

won the second prize during the IEEE COMSOC WICE Lightning Talks at Globecom 2025, Taiwan on 9th December 2025.



MS. ANWITA RUDRAVARAM  
B.TECH CSE (AIML)- FIRST YEAR

Hyderabad won the second prize during the IEEE COMSOC WICE Lightning Talks at Globecom 2025, Taiwan on 9th December 2025.



MR. SRICHARAN KONDAPAKULA  
B.TECH AIML- SECOND YEAR

got the approval to attend the IEEE ComSoc Asia Pacific Regional Chapter Chairs Congress (RCCC) at IEEE Globecom 2025 Conference at Taiwan with 1500 USD, representing the IEEE SIT Hyderabad Student Branch as the Chair of IEEE Communications Society.



MR. GHANA SAI REDDY KODUMURU  
B.TECH AIML- SECOND YEAR

ot the approval to attend the IEEE ComSoc Asia Pacific Regional Chapter Chairs Congress (RCCC) at IEEE Globecom 2025 Conference at Taiwan with 1500 USD for his efforts as IEEE ComSoc Student Ambassador.

# *under* the spotlight: *art &* submissions

The medley of talents hidden amongst our campus, behind the seams of neatly tailored uniforms as one might put, encompass one of our favorite sections of the newsletter: the student submissions. Presenting itself as a newsletter for the student body, and simultaneously by the student body, the

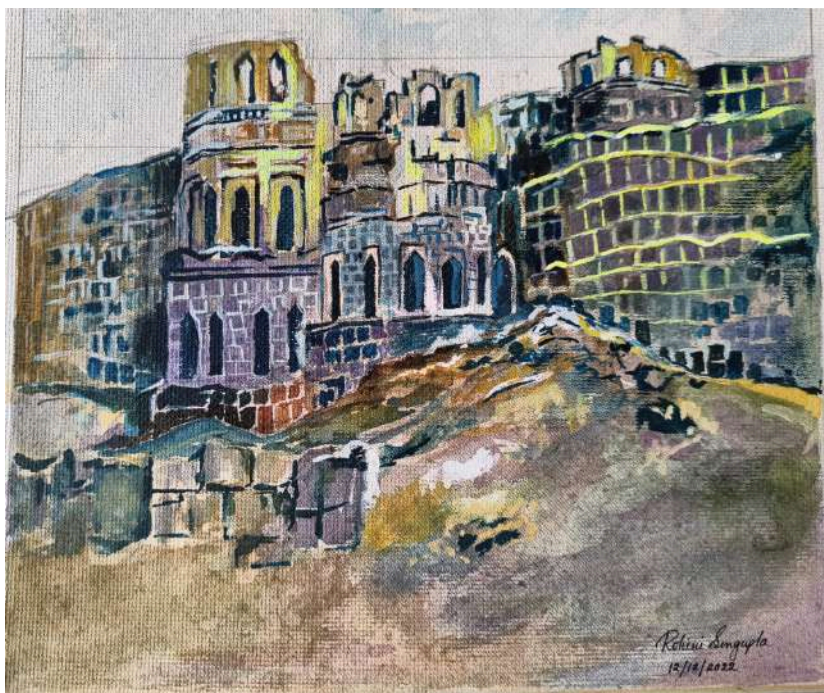


By Rohini Sengupta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student

submissions section is the heart of the newsletter itself. The editors have carefully curated the following sections to align similar art styles and poetry with each other, to provide a column for individual and stylistic expression.

The backdrop for this cover is also an artwork by one of very own talented artists, second year student Rohini Sengupta. Adjoining this column are more works by Rohini, all from her watercolor portfolio sprawled across various years of her art journey.

From watercolors, acrylics, penmanship, and the extensions of the mind there are multitudes to the boundaries of what our student submissions section can encompass, and we invite a further pool of submissions.



By Rohini Sengupta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student

The student submissions section for this issue is divided into three sections: the “Medley”, the “Digital” and the “Monochrome”. Featuring submissions from Rohini Sengupta and Md Zakiur Rahman, the Medley features submissions evocative of nature and complementary views on the pristine and the obscene. Featuring submissions from Pasam Chetana Rao and PVL Srujana, the Digital features submissions and a recommendation evocative of the evolving digital arena of art, and the techniques that science and computer technology have inspired in the contemporary art field themselves. Featuring submissions from PVL Srujana, Saanvi Dande, Pasam Chetana Rao, and Rohini Sengupta , the Monochrome explores submissions that are pantone in nature, both monochromatic and teetering on the complete exploration of a single medium. Also featuring an opinion piece from the point of view of a cat, Monochrome rounds out our student submission sections with an inspired art piece.

**Watercolor on Canvas- The Backdrop Cover**  
By Rohini Sengupta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student

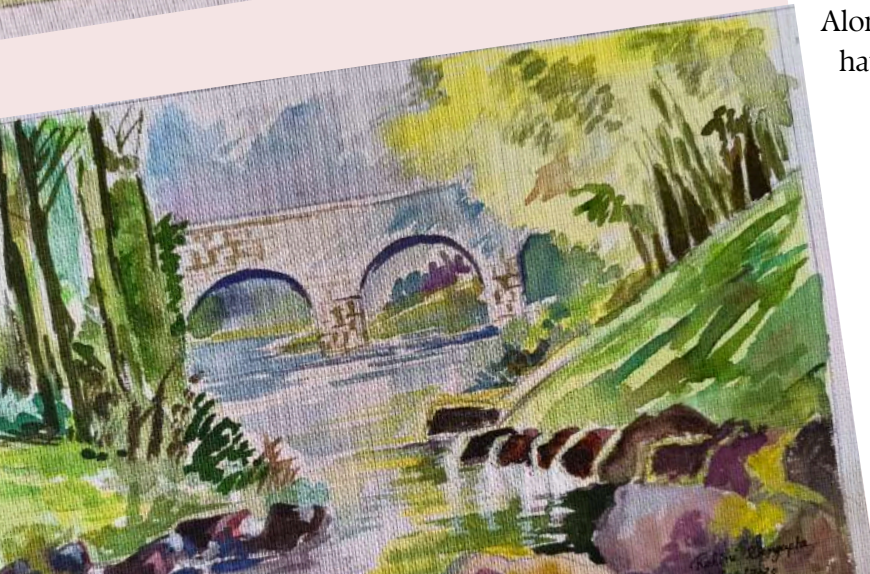


# *our* student submissions

The scientific study of the universe endears, say most, the anatomy of profound art, be it in whatever form it may present itself in. SIT Hyderabad proudly hosts various artists amongst its student body, all of whom embody the art through the classical form of acrylics, penmanship, or be it popularized form of media such as photography. The following section displays the works of our very own talented students sprawled across our two academic batches. It is our hope that future editions shall explore the intersection of the arts and the sciences, possibly delving into submissions from faculty as well.

Adjoining are two watercolor works by second year student Rohini Sengupta, both landscape acrylics on canvas paper that depict a rather dismal but ethereal nature backdrop. The two pieces are depicted again on the adjoining page so readers can admire them in their entirety. Although Rohini has yet to place these in a particular named collection, we are keen to refer to them as “The Pastel Medley Among The Arches”.

Alongside Rohini’s encapsulating artwork, the editors have chosen to place second year student Md Zakiur Rahman’s meticulously written poetry piece titled “The Garden of Carbon”. Complementary to the serene scenes presented in Rohini’s paintings, Zakiur’s piece invites readers to explore their own interpretations.



# The Garden of Carbon

By Md Zakiur Rahman

Far in the distance,  
A hint of green,  
Or perhaps a trace of carbon-laced air.  
I cannot deny the fragrance—  
Jasmine, dancing with specks of carbon.

To be, or not to be,  
Once mused by a man—  
But let me rephrase,  
For this isn't about what should be.

Of all the fragrances in the world,  
I'd still choose this garden of carbon—  
Birds chirping, cars honking,  
The sky's freshness tangled in  
The rush of city life.

How it contradicts—yet coexists,  
In rhythm, in tranquility.

It is to be, and yet not to be.  
Confusing? Deeply.  
Not the bustle of light,  
Nor the chirping of night—  
But the bridge between.

To witness it, to feel it,  
In ways not always deemed ethical.  
So I quote once more:  
To be or not to be—  
Is the question I no longer seek.



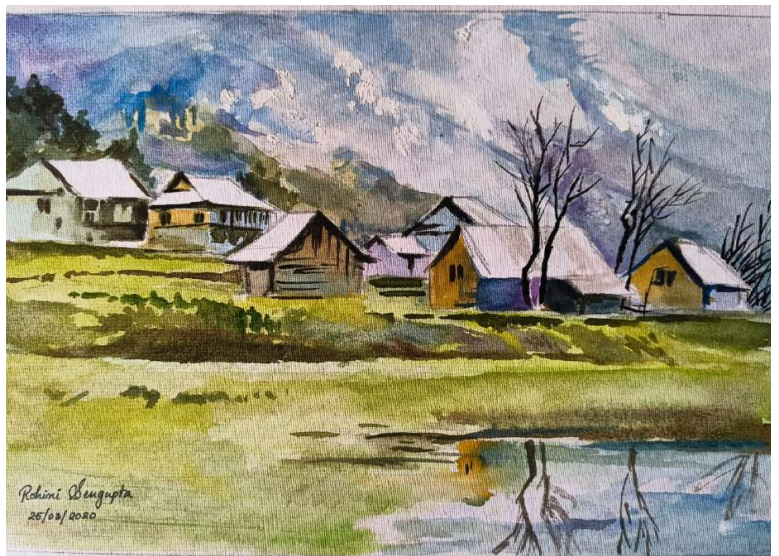
Watercolor on Canvas- The Bridge

By Rohini Sengupta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student



Watercolor on Canvas- Slavic Reflections

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Watercolor on Canvas- Slavic Meadows and Reflections

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**Rimiru**

By Pasam Chetana Rao, 1st Year CSE-AIML Student



**Tori Gate**

By Pasam Chetana Rao, 1st Year CSE-AIML Student



**Neyitiri**

By Pasam Chetana Rao, 1st Year CSE-AIML Student

## *Digital* Art Within *the* Pixels

John Whitney and Ivan Sutherland had always seen the nuances of science within the realm of art. From using mathematical functions to produce visuals to developing mediums to create computer graphical art, digital art has evolved significantly since its inception in the late twentieth century.

This section contains serene artworks by first year student Pasam Chetana Rao that exhibit the full fledge of her hefty design portfolio. The editors have chosen to marry this inflection of digital art alongside second year student PVL Srujana's pixel art, both representative of the new avenues that have changed the way art is created.



**Flight of the Pixelated Penguin**

By PVL Srujana, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student

Housed in the Dali Theatre and Museum in Figueres, Spain is a painting that exemplifies the intersection of classical art and pixels itself, teetering on the specificities of dual perception. Salvador Dali's "Gala Contemplating the Mediterranean Sea Which at Twenty Meters Becomes the Portrait of Abraham Lincoln (Homage to Rothko)" was inspired by an article the artist read about visual perception which investigated the minimum number of pixels needed to describe a unique human face.

Challenged by the question, Dali set about creating a double image painting: one with Gala, his wife, turned with her back towards the viewer looking toward the rising Mediterranean sun, and the other the head of Abraham Lincoln.

The editors have, thus, chosen to include this excerpt about the painting to urge the reader to explore it themselves, and possibly delve into their own creation. When prompted about the reasoning behind the dual image choice, Dali iterated that it provides, for him, a meditation on the dual nature of things, to the theme of sight and insight, and to the themes of life and death and to the dual identity of the artist itself.

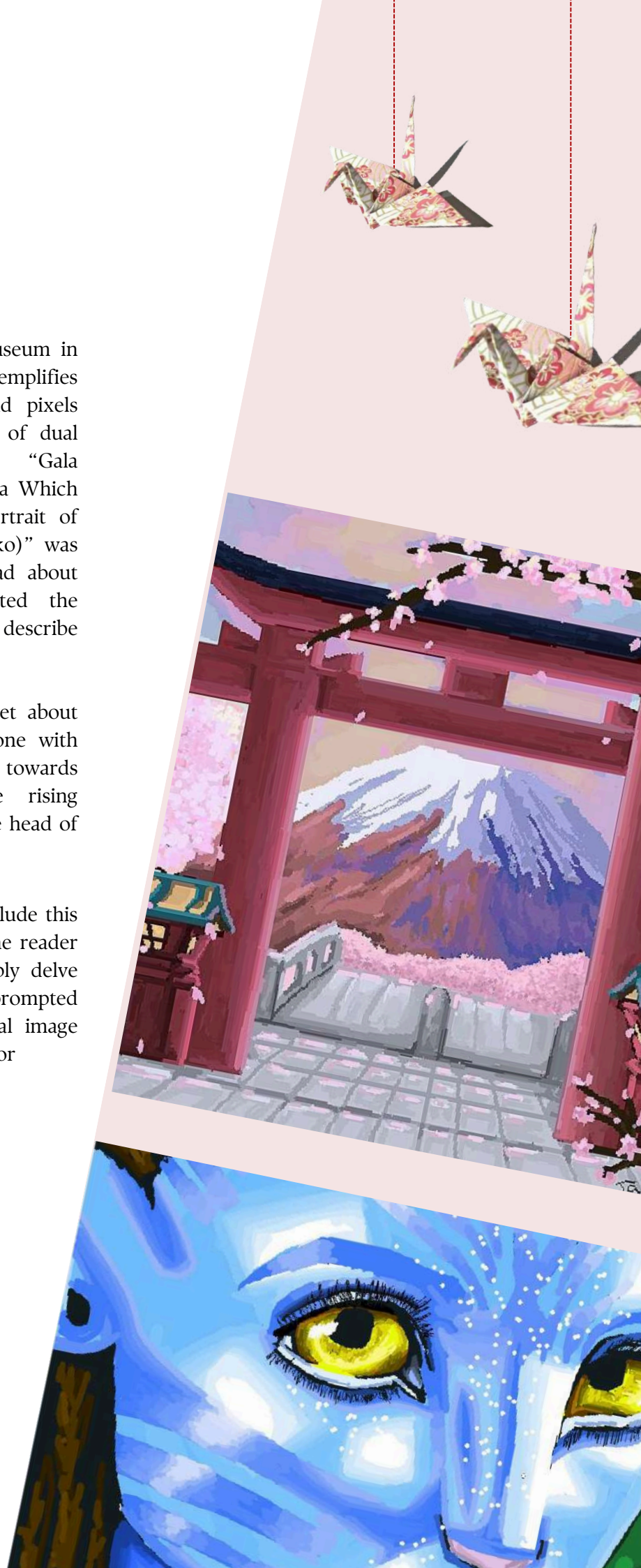
UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT ARE

**Tori Gate**

By Pasam Chetana Rao, 1st Year CSE-AIML Student  
and

**Neyitiri**

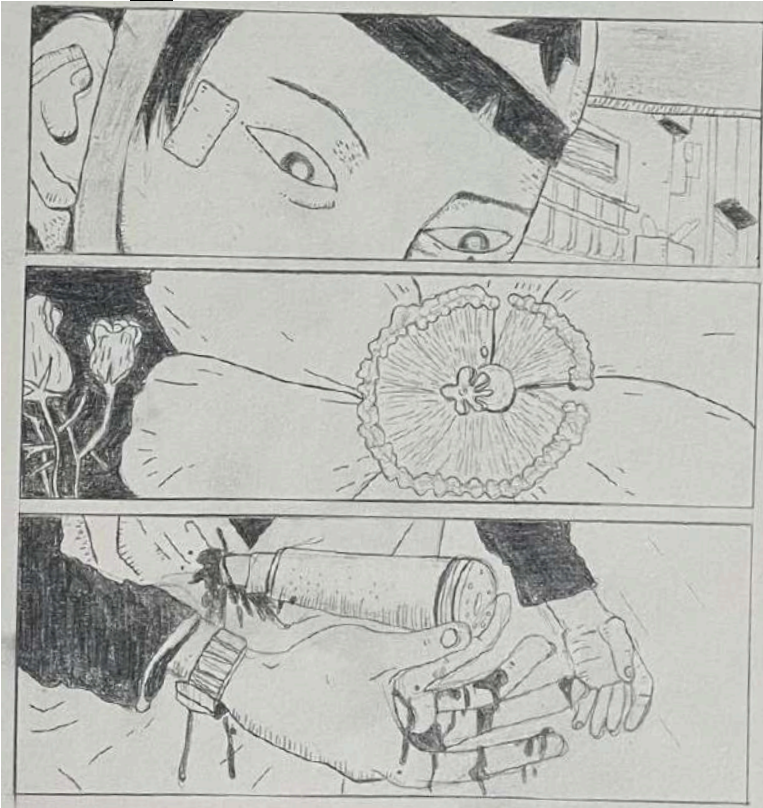
By Pasam Chetana Rao, 1st Year CSE-AIML Student



# *The* Monochrome *and* Greyscale

The significance of color, or the lack thereof, has historically opened portals into the depths of perception, either to point towards the exemplification of spirituality or the absence of it all. So, it's no wonder then that some of our very own artists at SIT Hyderabad have stuck to form and explored the possibilities of colors through limitation.

The featured artworks in this section embody two styles popularized through the spiritual significance of ink: suiboku-ga (japanese monochromatic kanga) and mandala art. With the two having deep historical roots in Hinduism and Buddhism, Mandala art in specific are characterized by their intricate patterns and radial balance, often designed to draw the observer's attention inward. This edition includes one of our mainstays: second year student PVL Srujana's Mandala Interpretation. Now used in meditation exercised and therapeutic practices, Mandalas have seemingly made their way into Srujana's repertoire through her practice of journaling.



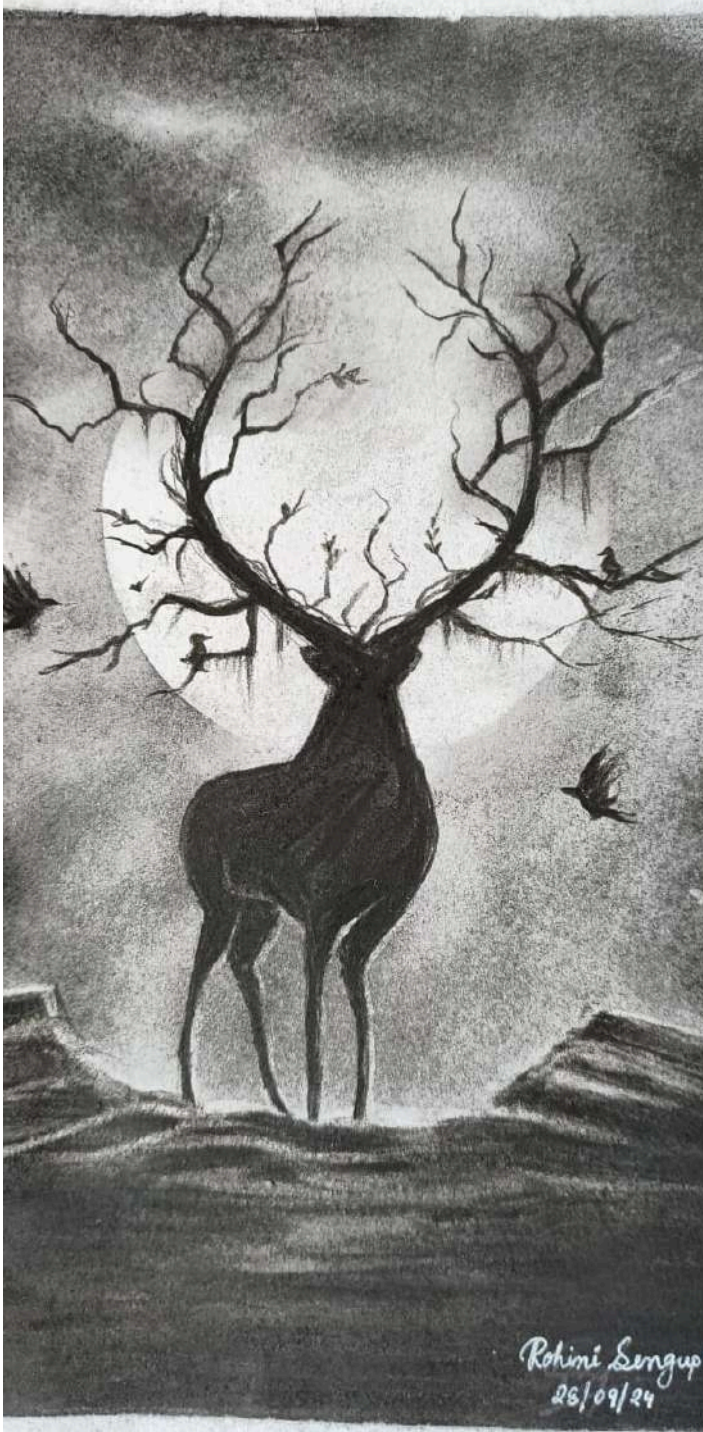
## **Chalk and Dagger**

By Saanvi Dande, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student  
0.7mm Pen pencil on Watercolour paper



## **Mandala**

By PVL Srujana, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year CSE Student  
Mandala Painting with Ballpoint Pen


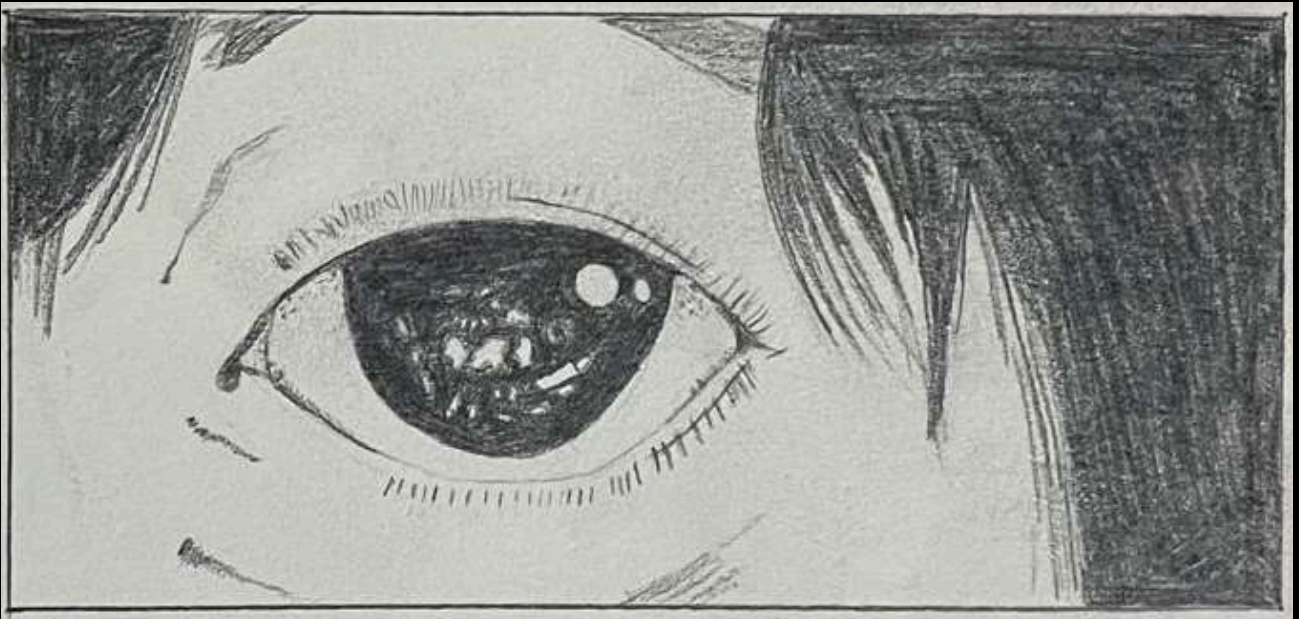


**Branched Celestials**  
By Rohini Sengupta,  
2nd Year CSE Student



**Ganesha**  
By Pasam Chetana Rao ,  
1<sup>st</sup> Year CSE- AIML Student  
Medium of Artwork

Shadowing in charcoal art is a technique that mimics realism by creating depth and volume in a drawing by using light and shadow. The two pieces you can see above are both masterclasses in this artform, from strokes that create smooth transitions to captivating shadows that layer light sources on a two dimensional medium.



*the  
catfight :*

Three Lives, Six Bartered Away to Keep a Desolate  
Boy Company

An opinion piece from the point of view of a cat wading through the crevices of a opportune campus. Penned by second-year student and Editor Saanvi Dande, the essay reads as a provocative Translator's Note to the forlorn sympathetics.

His fingers grasp the wires of a barbed wire fence; his tongue glides over the bottom row of his teeth, drops of blood threaten to spill from the faint cleaved fruit wound. “You’ve punctured my solitude,” I say, but his gaze is fixed on a distant sight, and he hums an empty response while his foot balances haphazardly on a thorny branch. I imagine a guard on the other side, whistling to the tune of a song I can’t quite recognize. . I tell him this, and he responds by whistling the tune he whistles when he knows no one’s around. I’ve learnt to whistle in my mind; the whispers hit the shelves of the endless library, fading out, burning themselves into my mind. There was a sharp whistle, but neither of us were startled: our bellies synchronized in laughter.

Before I begin to tell you why you’re reading a cat’s thoughts on paper, I’d like to apologize for my translator’s lack of immaculate grammar. After wrestling between the words on dictionary pages and bandages for involuntary face scratches, we’ve decided to settle with each other’s company (because we’re all we’ve got\*). My translator also requested I remind you (on several occasions) that he would prefer to remain anonymous because he needs an air of mystery in his life, and even if he refuses to believe it: he is not. Oh, and before I forget to tell you: I’m A Cat And It’s A Disgrace That I Went To All The Trouble To Be Here When We Don’t Have A Jukebox In Campus To Play Instrumental Jazz (, a novel).

You might start asking yourself why you’re still here: Is it the allure of a cat whose coat you have not stroked, whose eyes you have not stared into, or, could it be that you were searching for a hefty anecdote about the complexities of a strict day pass? (Please tell me it’s the latter because that’s what you’re getting and when you move on to the next sentence kindly pretend that you had a choice in the

matter.) Don’t want to stroke the cat? Then, day passes it is. I can not say with any firm commitment to either side that I believe that it has no flaws in its argument. Like everything I feel strongly about, I find myself at an impasse: like a pendulum swinging in either direction, gently grazing both extremities but never quite sticking to them. You might not have heard the brawl between a security guard and a witless student, limbs tangled up each trying to both pry each other away, scared at what shall become. You might not have heard the relentless underhanded comments the guard had to face when he let the student run in what was only a moment of compassion and slipping obligation. Or, you might not have heard the countless conversations of friends, dejected by their plans getting ruined again, and again. So, what has to happen? What has to happen so both sides do not feel like the enemy, a punishment for a crime yet to be committed?

There is dirt on the soles of his boots, rocks weaving through the crevices in the corner. The answer is simple, yet it is not. Problems will arise if what I say is implemented, but are problems not arising now? So listen, for it is what we’re best equipped to do, and think, for it is what I’m best equipped to make you do. All that has to happen is that the day pass system remains only on the weekends, and with a strict policy to not go out of campus till after 5:00 pm on weekdays without the provision for a day pass, most problems are resolved. I apologize for not having more to say on the matter, for it is clear to me that here, in the wishing well of the ground’s collarbone, all that has to happen is people be held accountable for their questionable choices. Blades of grass in my skin, my slender body against his shoulder. And he says, almost nonchalantly, like he didn’t care, “Maybe,we should do this again.”



## Amongst the *Chambers* 2025-2026

# The Men Beneath *the Deck*

Written By Dhruva Sai



An empire is not merely conquered; it is cultivated across generations. Today, this council begins its cultivation. As the newly elected members of the Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad's Student Council take their seats, they inherit not just titles, but the quiet, steadfast responsibility to build upon the groundwork laid by those before them—and to plant seeds for those who will follow.

Consider the Student Council to be a ship of great sailors, charting maps to newer lands, greener grass and warmer sun, has its Captain, The President, **Mr. Venkatesh**, ultimate authority, sets course and resolves conflicts and makes sure that the rest of the university falls in line. And then is the Executive officer, that handles the crew's welfare and ensues

discipline with a touch of morale- **Mr. Md. Rehan**, the Vice-President (Welfare & Engagement). What is a crew without its innovation and navigation and thus we have our Vice-President (Welfare & Engagement), **Mr. Vinay Chakravarthy Addanki**, the man responsible for bringing new opportunities to the students of university along with **Ms. Anvi Trivedi**, the scholar of the crew, the custodian of knowledge, records and training, the Vice-President (Academic).

And now to the record keeper, the charter of adventures and innovation whose writings will



be a memoir to all the achievements of the Student Council for the Council, **Ms. Meenakshi Vedala**, the Secretary of SIT. The Quartermaster, without whom the crew starves, the man responsible for all the wealth and book-keeping, **Mr. Ancha Sreesainadh**, the Treasurer. The Herald of the crew, the man handles messaging to the outside world—alliances, announcements, and reputation- **Mr. Anirudh Pratap Singh**, the Head (Public Relations & Media Communication). The person, that leads a community on its own, the Chair of IEEE Student Branch, **Ms. PVL Srujana**. The Ship's Adjudicator, the person that handles disputes, fairness and grievances – **Ms. Riya Shastri**, SPOC – Grievance Redressal Committee. The

Master-at-Arms, the man who equips students with skills, internships and trains them to be confident, skilled and dauntless; **Mr. K Sricharan Rao**, the President - Training & Placement Cell. The woman guarding the memory and meaning of the university's voyages, she commits to record as Editor, Newsletter Committee, **Ms. Saanvi Dande**. Another iconic woman, leading an inner community towards success and uniting students under one common interest, the undying hunger to learn more, and excel more, **Ms. Mokshita**, the Chair of ACM SBC. At the Headship of innovation and unity is **Ms. Saranya Venna**, the President of Microsoft AI Innovators Hub here at Symbiosis Institute of Technology. Last but foremost, **Ms. Anwita Rudravaram**, anchoring the voyage in scholarship and reason. The Head of Academics & Research Committee of SIT, Hyderabad.



ALTHOUGH BOUND BY DISTINGUISHED ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, THEY UNITE TO LEAD SIT HYDERABAD TOWARDS INNOVATION AND PROSPERITY.



**VENKATESH KARYAMPUDI**  
The Student Council President overseeing strategic planning.



**MOHD. REHAN**  
The Vice President- Welfare and Engagement assisting and leading.



**VINAY CHAKRAVARTHY ADDANKI**  
The Vice President- Innovation and President of E- Cell leading creativity.



**ANVI TRIVEDI**  
The Vice President- Academic leading specific verticals and fostering growth.



**MEENAKSHI  
VEDALA**

The Secretary and the Chair of the Internet Society (ISOC) managing logistics.



**ANCHA  
SREESAINADH**

The Treasurer managing budgeting, and finance-related planning.



**ANIRUDH  
PRATAP SINGH**

The Head of Public Relations and Media Communication overseeing media.



**PVL  
SRUJANA**

The Chair of the IEEE Student Branch leading IEEE activities.



**RIYA  
SHASTRI**

The SPOC of the Grievance Redressal Committee ensuring fairness.



**K SRICHARAN  
RAO**

The President of the Training and Placement Cell liaising with the official Office.



**SAANVI  
DANDE**

The Editor of the SIT Newsletter Committee ensuring timely publication.



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The Chair of the ACM Student Branch computing education events.



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The Head of the Academics & Research Committee promoting academic excellence.

# LETTER FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dear SIT Hyderabad Family,

Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad is more than a campus. It is a living space of ideas, ambition, discipline, and growth. Every day here shapes not just skilled engineers, but thoughtful individuals who carry confidence, responsibility, and purpose into the world.

Our classrooms inspire curiosity, our laboratories fuel innovation, our sports and cultural spaces build resilience and teamwork, and our campus life creates bonds that last far beyond college. What truly sets SIT Hyderabad apart is its people. Students who dream big, faculty who guide with passion, and a community that believes in excellence with integrity.

As students, we are privileged to be part of an institution that encourages us to question, create, and lead. Let us continue to support one another, push our limits, and contribute positively to everything we are part of. Together, we are shaping a future defined by knowledge, values, and impact.

SIT Hyderabad stands for progress, pride, and possibility. The journey we share here will define the leaders we become.



**VENKATESH KARYAMPUDI**  
President, Student Council

Venkatesh is a second-year Undergraduate student at Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad. He is currently delving deep into the nuances of his academic journey while also exploring his interests in combining extra-curriculars with science and technology.

With pride,

Mr. Venkatesh Karyampudi  
President, Student Council  
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