



NEWSLETTER

JULY 22 - DECEMBER 22



Dear Friends & Well-wishers of DA-IICT Gandhinagar,

It is my pleasure to present you with the December 2022 edition of the Institute newsletter. Periodic dose and dollops of news and updates featuring everything that happened at DA-IICT and with DA-IICTians during the 2nd Quarter of the academic year 2022-23 covering the months of September, October, November and December. A lot has happened during the past four months, from Placements to Immersions, from Centre activities to festival Celebrations.

Everything was in overdrive as if we were trying hard to make up for the over two years lost being away from our beautiful campus. The energy, the excitement, and the enthusiasm was palpable and

infectious. This issue will give you glimpses of the achievements in the academic and research areas, alumni contribution, international and corporate relations.

Your comments and suggestions are welcome to make the next issue of the newsletter more interactive.

Warm regards,

Prof K. S. Dasgupta

Director DA-IICT Gandhinagar



NEW FACULTY RECRUITMENTS



Dr. Gopinath Panda joined the institute as an Assistant Professor in July 2022. He completed his PhD in (Mathematics) from IIT Bhubaneswar. He was an Adjunct Faculty in the College of Aeronautics at Florida Tech, Melbourne, USA, and a Voluntary Researcher in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at The University of Central Florida. He has four years of Postdoctoral Research experience from various reputed institutions.



Dr. Jenson Joseph joined the institute as an Assistant Professor in July 2022. He completed a PhD (Communication), from the University of Hyderabad. He has specialized in Media Theory, Film Studies, Cultural Studies, Malayalam Cinema, Popular Culture. Dr. Joseph has worked at Alexander von Humboldt as a Research Fellow. (Department of Gender and Media Studies for the South Asian Region, Institute for Asian and African Studies (IAAW)) Employment



Mr. Cyril Jos joined the institute as an Adjunct Faculty. He is pursuing his PhD at the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, which is affiliated to the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. He has previously taught at St Xavier's College, Thumba and The Asian School of Business in Trivandrum, Kerala. Mr. Jos has obtained his B.A Economics from St Xavier's College, Mumbai and M.A and M.Phil Applied Economics degrees from the Centre for Development Studies. He is also the recipient of a UGC Junior Research Fellowship.

ALUMNI TALK

The Alumni Association organized an alumni talk on 29th November, 2022. The title of the talk is "Revealing unseen opportunities with our alumni" Gauravi Dubey from (2001-2005 BTech) batch Currently working at Indian Revenue Service- Customs and Indirect Taxes., Irukulapati Naga from (2005-2009 BTech) batch currently working in at Ericsson Research and 5G patent holder, Indira Negi from (2003-2007 BTech) batch currently working at Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Kunal Gupta from (2015-2017 MDes) batch currently working at DX/UX Research at Intel Corporation shared their experiences. The talk was organized in hybrid mode.

In the technological field, all of us are so focused on getting high packages that we have neglected to explore other opportunities available to us after college graduation. At this point, many of us have already been hired, while others are on the hunt for jobs. In this talk students are enlightened with the knowledge and opportunities after graduation. What career paths they took after graduation.

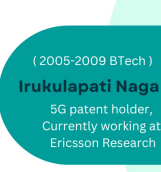


**DA-IICT
Alumni
Association**

Revealing unseen opportunities with our Alumni



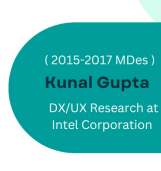
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(2003-2007 BTech)
Indira Negi
Deputy Director at
Bill and Melinda
Gates Foundation



(2015-2017 MDes)
Kunal Gupta
DX/UX Research at
Intel Corporation



29th Nov, 2022



2:00 - 3:00 pm

TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS

A good teacher can ignite the imagination, inspire hope and instill a love for learning in a child. Teachers' day is celebrated on 5th September, which is the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the second president of India and a well-known scholar. In honor of Teachers' Day, the Cultural Committee hosted a celebration at the OAT on Monday, 5th September 2022. There were several celebrations: music performances by Prof. P S Kalyan Sasidhar & the Music Club, dance performances by Khelaiya Club, Dance Club and a stage play by the DTG.



PG BOOTCAMP

During the pandemic, BootCamp was organized in a virtual environment. The Alumni Association initiated the student chapter in the offline mode. The PG BootCamp is an event organized by the Alumni Association student chapter, inviting the alumni of M. Des keen to share their ideas on design. To make it one of the best student-alumni interactions, the Alumni Association invited all design enthusiasts.



SEMESTER LONG PROJECTS 2.0

The Developer Student Club members hosted Semester Long Projects (SLoP). Interested students from across the country who are passionate about coding and want to contribute to open-source projects were invited to participate.

This program follows the structure of Google Summer of Code (GSoC), a global program that teams students with open-source software and technology-related organizations to develop software. In the course of the project, participants were guided by experienced mentors. Participants collaborated on software development using GitHub. There were exciting cash prizes and goodies for mentors!



TARANG 22

Cultural committee hosted garba nights during Navratri, the festival of nine days and nine nights, which comes as a resurrecting event to kindle our spirits and infuse new confidence in us. Tarang 2022 was organized on the 30th of September 2022. Here are some glimpses of the event:



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS AT “WAVES 22” BITS GOA

1. The Khelaiya Club won the first place in ‘Nrityanjali’ (Non-Thematic)
2. The Music Club (‘Dora and Associates’) won the second position in ‘Silence of the Amps’
3. The pariah kite “ DAIICT Band “ won the third position in Silence of the Amps

MoU SIGNED BETWEEN JULY - DECEMBER 22

- Jadavpur University
- Anand Agricultural University
- Rishabh Integrated skill enhancement (RISE)
- Smt. GR Doshi and Smt. KM Mehta Institute of Kidney Diseases and Research Centre Ahmedabad

PROF. S C SAHASRABUDHE MEMORIAL LECTURE

Prof. S C Sahasrabudhe Memorial Lecture was hosted on the 20th of November, 2022 at DA-IICT. The title of this year's talk was “The Fiber that Changed the World” Dr. R. K. Shevgaonkar (FIEEE, FINAE, FNASc, FIETE, FOSI Professor Emeritus, IIT Bombay Former

Director, IIT Delhi) was the speaker of the memorial lecture. This memorial lecture was initiated by IEEE Gujarat Section last year, and the inaugural lecture was delivered by the then IEEE President Susan Kathy Land in 2021.

WORKSHOP ON GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)

A Workshop on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) was organized between 19-23 September, 2022 for DA-IICT staff members. 13 employees enrolled themselves for the this workshop. An inaugural function was held at CEP 002 on the 19th, at 3.30 pm. Dr. K S Dasgupta (Director DA-IICT) inaugurated this workshop in the presence of Dr. Ranendu Ghosh (Acting Registrar) and Shri Hasendrasinh Jhala (Head- HR & Administration). Mr. Viral Dave, DA-IICT Ph. D. student, was the instructor, and covered the following topics in the workshop:

- GPS
- An overview of QGIS software
- Adding different data to QGIS
- Georeferencing Raster data
- Image Registration
- Vector data creation, styling
- Raster data styling
- Thematic Mapping
- Attribute data management
- Integration to spatial data
- Data Query
- Google Earth

Basic concepts of GIS and Remote Sensing

- Introduction to GIS
- Vector Data / Raster Data
- Projection

Participants acquired the knowledge and on-hand practice of various tools of GIS. A “Participation Certificate” was awarded to all the participants.



CONCOURS

Concours is the annual national Sports Fest of the Institute, and entered its 12th edition this year. The central idea of the fest is to ingrain vigour and honour in the students - the most important characteristics of a winner. As always, Concours facilitated healthy competition among the students in nine different sports – Badminton, Basketball, Chess, Carroms,

Cricket, Football, Lawn Tennis, Table Tennis and Volleyball – and also gave the students an opportunity to explore other interests like music, quizzing and online gaming. It is a 4-day event, which was held on the 3rd–6th November. This year we witnessed participation from 35+ colleges from all over India. Here are some glimpses of it:



i.FEST

On the second weekend of November '22, with a footfall of more than 7000 participants across Gujarat, IEEE SB DAICT organized one of Gujarat's largest technical carnivals - i.Fest '22 Reality Reloaded ! With the energy of resurgence.

Team i.Fest '22 came forward to celebrate the revival of the real world with more than 20 technical and cultural events. With a hilarious Stand-Up Night with Chirayu Mistry, and quiz events like 'iHunt' and 'Roboclash', the fest commenced with a great deal of enthusiasm on the first day.

On the second day, with many other cultural events such as i.Clash and SellOut going on in parallel, coding events like 'RepoReboot', 'i.Relay' and 'Catch the flag' (fixing bugs in websites) were held. 'CryptoTrade', an online trading event using dummy currencies, attracted participants in huge numbers. On the third day of the fest, various quiz events like i.Quiz, i.Ganith, Chess64, and 'i.Bot' took place. i.Ride (a slow-cycling event), Paintball and Treasure Hunt were some of the prominent fun events. Apart from all this, we had with us in The Open Box, Mr.Sandeep Jain (founder of 'GeeksforGeeks'), Ms.Roop Venkatakrishnan (Director at Sapient Wealth) and Mr.Ashris Choudhury (Creator, India in Pixels), who inspired folk to think about the future of technology,

the importance of finances and the power of creativity. Mr. Rajeev Jyoti (Director, INSPACE Technical) also came to talk to us about the future of potential start-ups in Space Science and Technology.

A musical event by 'When Chai Met Toast' added glory to the fun-filled fest. The carnival ended with a joyful and heartwarming event – the 'Drum Circle' by Rujul Vora.

i.FEST '22
REALITY RELOADED

20+ Technical and Cultural Events | 11th - 13th November

i.Ganith	Cryptotrade	RepoReboot	FizzBuzz
BlindC	Chess64	i.Papyrus	i.Relay
i.Cube	SellOut	i.Clash	i.Bot
i.OHunt	i.Capture	Roboclash	i.Quiz

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YOUTH RUN'22

Youth Run'22 was a 7km long marathon organized by the Synapse Committee as a pre-fest event to Synapse'23, aiming to create awareness about a suitable 'Lifestyle for Environment'. We were glad to receive participation from the CRPF, SAI and health enthusiasts from Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar in large numbers. Here are some glimpses of Youth Run '22:



BLOOD DONATION CAMP

"Give the gift of life": Sambhav club organized a Blood Donation Camp in association with the Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad on 17th November 2022. The donation was held in the Faculty mess, and donors were provided food and all the necessary care. A team from the Blood Bank was accompanied by two air-conditioned Mobile Vans to help with the donation. Here are some glimpses of this event:



FIGMA 101

MUSE (the Design Club) hosted a session called Figma 101. The session was led by members of MUSE and aimed to introduce attendees to the basics of Figma, a popular design and prototyping tool.

There were approximately 40 participants in attendance, all eager to learn more about Figma and how it could be used in their design work. The speakers began by providing a general overview of Figma and its capabilities, including its collaboration features, design tools, and prototyping capabilities. Throughout the session, attendees were given the opportunity to ask questions and try out Figma for themselves, with the speakers providing guidance and assistance as needed. The speakers also shared their own experiences using Figma in professional and personal projects, providing valuable insights and tips for attendees.

STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



Mr. Darshan Prajapati completed skills development courses such as 'NDG Linux Unhatched' from CISCO Networking Academy, and 'Cyber Security' from IBM. We congratulate him on his achievements.



Mr. Priyank Santola completed skills-development courses like 'NDG Linux Unhatched', 'Linux Essential', 'Introduction to CyberSecurity', 'Introduction to Packet Tracer', from CISCO Networking Academy and 'Cyber Security' from IBM. We congratulate him on his achievements.



STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



Ms. Shena Thakkar completed her MBA with 9.30 CPI from Gujarat Technology University in October 2022. We congratulate her on her success.



Mr. Kirit Pandya completed MBA with a specialization in Human Resource Management. In addition, he participated in a number of skill development activities, including global online training on “Demystifying Water and Waste Data for Communication and Action (Focus on River, Solid Waste, Plastics)”, an online training course on “Integration of informal sector in Solid Waste Management”, and a Master class of a Workshop on “Excel Pivot Table.”

PLACEMENT

Congratulations to our students for receiving an offer of 51.03 LPA from Microsoft. Microsoft has made full-time employment offers to 19 students and summer internship offers to 25 students.

We wish you all a happy and prosperous future.



A big congratulations to our students
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25 have been offered internships at Microsoft

Wishing you all a prosperous and happy future

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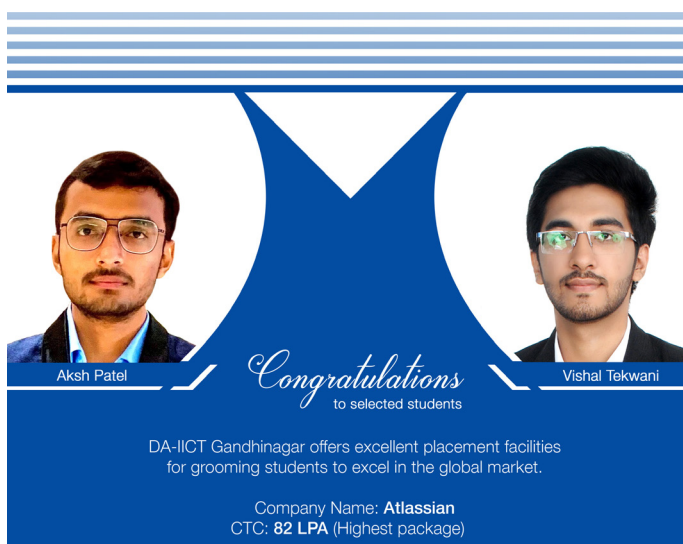
The Placement Cell of Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology, Gandhinagar expresses its immense gratitude to Sprinklr for their long term association with us. All together, they made 16 SI offers and 21 full-time campus placement offers to our students. We congratulate all the selected candidates.

Sprinklr is an American software company based in New York City that develops a SaaS customer experience management platform. We look forward to having a long-term campus-corporate association with them.



Mr. Aksh Patel and Mr. Vishal Tekwani have been placed with Atlassian as Software Engineers. The company has offered 82 LPA to both students.

An Australian software company, Atlassian Corporation Plc, develops software tools that are used by software developers, project managers, and other software development teams. The company is domiciled in the UK, with global headquarters in Sydney, Australia, and US headquarters in San Francisco.



UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENT

We are pleased to inform you that DA-IICT Gandhinagar is going to organize the 17th Convocation on 28th January 2023. After the covid 19 pandemic this is our offline event where Students, Teaching and NonTeaching staff and others associated with the DAIICT Gandhinagar are invited. Convocation preparation take place under the leadership and guidance of Prof. Ranendu Ghosh. (Acting Registrar)

Convocations will be significantly different this year. Graduation ceremonies will be held for B.Tech 2018, M.Tech 2020, Msc IT 2020, Msc DS and MDes 2020. From time to time, the Registrar's office will inform everyone.



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