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**NAAC VISIT TO VSIT**


Under the leadership of Dr. Rohini Kelkar and Asif Rampurawala the college underwent accreditation for the first time. The NAAC Peer Team visited VSIT on 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015. As a mark of respect they were given a unique Lezim Welcome. The three members of the Team were from three different states viz: Pondichery, Gujarat and Karnataka.

The day one of the visit was scheduled for Interaction with the Principal of the college, Departmental presentations and cultural Programme These presentations were represented by the respective H.O.D's. The departmental exhibitions were the main attractions of the second day. The IT Department exhibition was arranged in Lab 103. It also included ICT exhibition which mainly comprised of the teaching as well as aid for teaching such as VSIT Live, V-print, Wi-Fi Campus, Servers, Systems and their configurations

Commerce and Management Department exhibition was displayed in A-302. This exhibition included committee activities and best practices of the college. The convenors of the committee explained their role in carrying out the activities and their objectives.

The Dept. presentation was followed by the interaction with Parents, Alumni and N.S.S Unit of the college.

The Peer team interacted with the teaching as well as non-teaching staff on 31<sup>st</sup> This visit is a memorable event for the college. The greatest take away of this visit was the exemplary team spirit of the VSITians to achieve the common goal.

*"Great things are done by a series of small things brought together"*

## CONVOCATION



The convocation programme was organised by the VSIT on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015 in the Auditorium. The programme was chaired by Dr. Venkat Ramani, Registrar D.Y. Patil University. It was organised in two sessions. The first session was meant for IT Department, which began at 3.30 pm and lasted up to 5 pm. The second session was for Management, Commerce and PTMC Departments, which began at 5.30 pm. till 7 pm. This programme enabled all the degree holders to enjoy the honour of receiving their prestigious Degree Certificates in person. These sessions were anchored by Prof. Prachi Mahajan, Prof. Daisy Kulkarni and Prof. Nutan Singh. The programme went very well as it was planned meticulously.

*“The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet”*

## VIGOUR 2014



VIGOUR is the prestigious inter-collegiate cultural programme of the VSIT. ‘Lights Camera Action!’ was the theme of Vigour 2014. The programme was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2014.

The Fest received a thumping victory and is set as a bench-mark for other colleges. The great force of the core committee of the Students Council made it possible. The committee took pain staking efforts to achieve the success at the Fest.

The whole campus of VSIT was enlivened by the bubbling enthusiasm of the students. Events comprising the theme of Fun, Performing Arts, Academics and Sports were held during this Fest. The events: Street Dance, Street Play, Dance Off, Melodies and War of Electronic Dance Music were the main attractions of the Fest. The Campus of the college looked like Mini Bollywood

The success of the Fest goes to the Students Council convener Prof Umesh Koyande, Vigour co-ordinator Prof Geeta Sahu and the Students Council Committee.

*“The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things but their inward significance”*

## VERVE 2014-15



24<sup>th</sup> December was the most awaited day for the VSITians. It was a day for “VERVE”. VERVE is an annual cultural programme of the college.

The programme began with Ganesh Vandana. It was followed by the Personality Contest: Mr and Ms VSIT. This contest offers a platform to search originality, sense of humour and talent among the students.

The theme of the VERVE 2014 was ‘Cultures of India’ conveying the message of unity in diversity, which is a unique feature of our Country. All the dance performances were based on various cultures of India. The last event of the first half was “RAMP WALK”. The members of the Students Council and the faculty members of the VSIT walked the ramp representing the same theme. The enthusiasm of the audience knew no bounds at the remarkable performance.

The major event of the second half was MAAY MARATHI. It is an event which celebrates the authentic culture of Maharashtra. The dance performances included various folklores of Maharashtra. This programme helped to revive and remind the great culture of Maharashtra.

VERVE 2014 earned a huge acclaim from the audience. This occasion was graced by the invaluable presence of Mr. Vishwas Deshpande - Managing Director VDT, Mr Milind Tadvalkar - Director VDT, Dr. Rohini Kelkar - Principal VSIT, Prof Ashok Seth - Dean Administration, other dignitaries of VSIT and the parents. Besides the fabulous performance the programme was very well controlled by the members of the Students Council

*“Music has the divine power to soothe every heart”*

## SPECIAL HOLIDAY FOR SPECIAL STUDENTS



The N.S.S Volunteers under the leadership of N.S.S Programme officer Prof. Vijay Gawade had undertaken the task of making paper bags out of old newspapers during the Christmas vacation, when rest of the college students were enjoying their lovely Christmas vacation. They made around 10,000 paper bags which were distributed to the shop-keepers and vendors in the vicinity of the college and few other areas in Wadala. The main objective of this task was to encourage the environmental protection by saying “NO TO PLASTIC”. The volunteers also collected the clothes, which were generously donated by the staff as well as students to be distributed among the slum children. Hats off to the VSIT NSS Unit!

*“Great achievement is usually born of great sacrifice and is never a result of selfishness”*

## CHANCE PE DANCE – A BOLLYWOOD DANCE WORKSHOP



Shanivar Manch organised a fun event “Chance Pe Dance – Bollywood Dance Workshop” on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2014. The students were full of energy to learn the fun filled dancing steps. They were enjoying learning the dance and also dancing in groups. The choreographer Mr. Akshay More taught some Bollywood dance steps in a very simple and easy way to the students which helped them enjoy to the fullest and also dance with each other in co-ordination. The workshop was conducted by Shanivar Manch In-charges Prof. Chitra More and Prof. Amraja Shivkar.

In the beginning being non-dancers students had the fear of dancing in front of the crowd. But eventually they started enjoying and fear was replaced by fun and enthusiasm.

Because of this workshop students gained confidence to face the crowd fearlessly. It acted as a stress reliever for them. It also helped them to know the importance of doing anything in co-ordination.

*“With any part you play, there is a certain amount of yourself in it.  
There has to be, otherwise it’s just not acting. Its lying”*

## A Step Towards Avishkar 2014-15



“Research is to see what everybody else has seen and to think what nobody else has thought”. Realising the importance of research in academics the R & D Committee of Vidyalankar School of Information Technology organised a “Guidance Session on Research Based Projects for Commerce, Management & IT Students and Faculty” on the above mentioned date, highlighting the importance of research and the role played by “Avishkar- The State Level Research Convention” in this direction.

The resource persons for the session were Dr. Anjali Patkar, Professor, Mithibai College; Dr. Madhavi Pethe, Principal, Dhanukar College; Mr. Mandhar Bhavé, Professor, Ruparel College and Dr. Manjiri Bhavé, Assistant Professor, Khalsa College & Chief Coordinator for Summer School.

The opening of the session was marked by a speech & introduction of the dignitaries by the principal Dr. Rohini Kelkar.

Dr. Anjali Patkar, Professor, Mithibai College, enlightened the students and faculty on the basic concepts of research, clarifying the misconceptions about discovery, invention, innovation and research. She gave the audience an elaborate account on the process of research and various steps involved in the process.

Dr. Madhavi Pethe, Principal, Dhanukar College, emphasised on considerations to be made while choosing area and topic for research. Breaking numerous myths about scientific research, she made the audience understand that a research pertaining to commerce or management is also scientific as long as the process of research is scientific in nature. While interacting with the students cleared many apprehensions they had regarding choice of topics for research and project work.

Mr. Mandhar Bhavé, Professor, Ruparel College, educated the students about the process and working of a live research project particularly in the field of information technology.

In the last part of the session, Dr. Manjiri Bhavé, Professor, Ruparel College, elaborated on the concept of “Avishkar- The State Level Research Convention” and its role in promoting research oriented activities among the students. Further she gave information on the process and concerned dates for Avishkar 2014, informing the students about the eligibility criteria and how to apply for it.

*“Intelligence is the ability to adapt to change”*

## READER'S CHOICE – VSIT PLACEMENT!!!



The placement cell of VSIT did a commendable job by placing about 66 students from various streams in different companies. Forty students from commerce and management got placements as management trainees for Birla Sun Life Insurance Company. Twenty five students from BAF and BBI were selected as Trainees for TCS (Business Process Services). And one student from BMS for T.P Link.

The credit of these placements goes to The Placement Officer Mrs. Vandana Shrivastav, Prof. Vivek Gupta and Prof. Priyadarshini Potdar.

*“Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined”*



## PRESERVING ART AND CULTURE AT VSIT



Vidhya Tadkal, faculty member from management department, swayed the audience in the auditorium by her melodious voice by singing Hindi Filmi song “ Dil Hai Chhtotasa.....” from ‘ROJA’ at the cultural programme , organised to welcome the NAAC Peer Team on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Her unique talent was appalauded by the audience

Madhavi Mhatre , one of the admin staff of VSIT , performed Bharat Natyam Nrutya during the cultural programme organised for welcoming the NAAC Peer Team . Apart from being an efficient admin staff she is a good dance performer.

*“Small opportunities are often the beginnings of great enterprises”*

## FACILITY TOUR BY EVS DEPARTMENT



The facility tour by the E.V.S Department under the guidance of Dr Siddhesh Patil, earned a special acclaim by the peer team for its extra-ordinary Project activity with the help of students' participation viz:

Nakshatra Van - Plants representing Nakshatras

Saptarshi - Plants representing seven stars

Arogya Van- Represented by medicinal plants

Panchvati - Representation of plants in a five systematic circles

*"One impulse from vernal wood may teach you more of man"*