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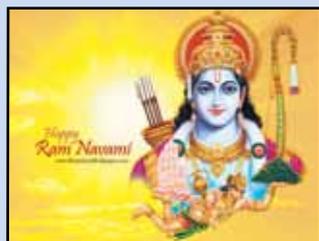
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By: Prof. Zakiya Malek & Prof. Rupal Shah

Faculty of Computer Technology (MCA) and Faculty of Computer Applications and IT (M.Sc-IT, PGDCA, PGDMA, BCA) hosted the State Level TechFest "Cyber Shadez" for the students of state of Gujarat at GLS Campus. The theme of the TechFest was "Internet of Things".

The objective of the TechFest was to provide a



platform for the dynamic young students of BCA, BSc (IT), BSc (CS), BE, MCA and

MSc (IT) to showcase their technical skills. The events organized during the

convention were OAK COMBAT – Reveal the Code (Java Programming), Tech Manthan – IT Quiz, Need for Game – Mobile Gaming, Web Page Designing, Tech Drashtikon -Idea Presentation, Tech Khoj – Virtual World. Total 175 students from across the state participated in the event with great enthusiasm.

Inauguration: Shri Sudhir Nanavati, Prof. R. P. Soni, Dr. Hitesh Ruparel, Dr. J. N. Goswami and Dr. B. H. Joshi

Prof. R. P. Soni, Campus Director (CE), GLSICT, welcomed the dignitaries and the participants. He initiated the event by giving everyone a food for thought and presenting before them his views of the theme. Dr. Bhushan Trivedi, Director, GLSICT and Prof. Trupti Dodiya, I/c Director, GLSICA briefed the audience about the program to be conducted during the day.

Dr. B.H. Joshi, GLS University, blessed the event and urged students to find how technology can become more beneficial in terms of

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WHEN APRIL WITH HIS SHOWERS SWEET WITH FRUIT...

By Nirja Vasavada

Geoffrey Chaucer, widely considered to be the greatest poet of the Middle Ages opens the prologue to his famous poem Canterbury Tales with a description of April, the return of the spring – the April rains, the burgeoning flowers and leaves and the chirping birds. This piece is located in England. Now, jump to India. April is when Holi has just gotten over, the power of truth is reassured, the fields are in full bloom and people are expecting a good harvest.

And that marks the new beginning, new year – the return of spring that Chaucer talks about in his work. It is quite remarkable to know how many Indian regions celebrate their new year in the month of April. Though these festivals follow



mainly their regional calendars, more or less all regional new years fall somewhere between 12 and 15 April. The centre spread covers all these new years. But the question is what is so special about this time of year?

Like most ancient cultures, Indians along with other South

Asian countries, traditionally observe the start of each new year with the arrival of spring, which occurs in mid-April. This is the time, when nature comes to life, to give life in return. It is the spirit of existence, spirit of liveliness that is celebrated as New Year.

And this is the same reason

why April also marks the beginning of new fiscal year. This pattern came into being in the British period in India where the British government formulated its annual budget on the basis of anticipated revenue receipts which would determine the planned expenditure and levy of new taxes and duties during the year. India, being an agricultural country, the main annual income depended on the unpredictable outcome of the main crops that would be harvested in April. This anticipated crop year income thus became the forecast for the likely annual revenue receipts to the government.

So Happy New (Fiscal) Year to all of us!

(The reviewer is Asst. Professor in English and Communication at NRBA)

SMPIC AT SABARMATI FESTIVAL 2016



On 23rd March SMPIC organised the Certificate Distribution program of the volunteers and winners of SABARMATI FESTIVAL at GLS AUDITORIUM. On this occasion the trustee of Sabarmati Festival Foundation Mrs. Anar Patel, Vanrajsingh Chavda, Syndicate member of Gujarat University and organiser of Sabarmati Festival marked their presence along with the Principal Dr. Ashwin Purohit. The volunteers were encouraged and appreciated for their outstanding volunteering during the 5 days Cultural fest. Trustees of the event were impressed to see the enthusiasm

of the volunteers and congratulated the volunteers for making the event successful. The student volunteers expressed their gratitude and also shared their experience at Sabarmati Festival. The leader volunteers and 300+ volunteers were felicitated with a Certificate of Appreciation. Along with this, the winners of various events like folk dance, music and western dance at SABARMATI FESTIVAL were also been felicitated with the Certificates. As a token of love and gratitude, a memento signed by all the volunteers was presented to Mrs. Anar Patel.

E-TAILING: GROWING SECTOR

By Dr. Belur Baxi

Indian e-commerce market has been growing since four years. In a span of four years e-commerce business has raised from 9.2 billion \$ to 21.3 billion \$. Similarly e-tailing business has also increased from 1.5 billion \$ to 6 billion \$ between 2012 & 2015. E-tailing business has grown 56% in last five years. Internet has played very important role in development of e-commerce and e-tailing. Sale of books, apparels and electronic items comprised 80% sale under e-tailing. Recent studies show that there is micro change in the e-tailing access mode. Many players of e-tailing has been shifted from web based selling to app base selling as internet access is very easy in case of mobile rather than laptop. It is estimated that e-tailing business will reach 76 billion\$ in 2021. One of the major reasons for the development of e-tail business in India is the large number of internet users numbering upto 180 million. This is mainly because of cut throat competition in the price for internet service amongst different telecom companies. E-tailing sector growth impacts the growth of other sectors also. It is estimated to provide



employment to 1.45 million people by 2021. E-tailing can be considered as the growth engine for other sectors like internal transport, banking sector for payment gateways, e-payment facilitators (like Paytm), mobile battery manufacturers, power bank manufactures (more number of consumers access e-tailing through applications), local transporters, Internet service providers. Indian rural market plays a vital role in the development of e-tailing business in India. Use of mobile in a city with a population of less than 10 lakhs is 15% higher in rural area as against urban area. Easy access to internet, large variety of products, significant discount, free home delivery and working family has spring boarded e-tailing industry to great extent. At present Flipkart is market leader

in e-tailing and Amazon is a close challenger. The market first three online-retailers (all together) is higher than fifty percent value of first ten offline firms all together. Even though e-tailing is passing through teething problem and huge loss investors in this business expect huge profitability.

At present industry is in the growth stage and attracting foreign direct investment in the form of joint venture with other supplementary service provider of foreign companies. Flipkart is in conversation with paytm (electronic valet- useful for e-payment) for buy out.

Sources: Business World February 2016, Indian Brand Equity Fund (ibef.org), Forbes India -Retailing issue)

(the writer is an Assistant Professor in Management at N R Institute of Business Administration)

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENT

Seema Pandit - Asst Prof. - NRIBA

awarded second prize in the best of three papers in the category of Research Scholar at National Seminar on "Accounting and Auditing-Education, Research and Applications" organized jointly by M.P. Arts & M.H. Commerce College and Gujarat University Area Accountancy Teachers' Association. (GUAATA)

Prof. Swati Modi has been conferred a Doctorate in Management, titled "The Value

Relevance of Financial and Non-Financial Information in Indian Corporates" under the guidance of Dr Bharati V. Pathak by School of Commerce, Gujarat University in March 2016.



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knowledge sharing and information gathering.

Dr. J N. Goswami, Principal Scientist - Chandrayan-I, was the Guest of Honour. He gave glimpse of Chandrayan-I and also about the Mars Mission. The talk was very informative containing the videos of the missions. He motivated the youth to analyze, think and actively participate in making India a better country. He also highlighted the burning topic of "Save the Earth".

Shri Sudhir Nanavati, President, GLS University, gave the inaugural address. He addressed the students about the importance about technology in today's world. He also encouraged and insisted that today's young mind should think out of box.

Dr. Harshal Arolkar, Head, M. Sc (IT) proposed vote of thanks.

Shri Ruchit Surti, Co-founder - Locanix, in his keynote address introduced the students to the field of Internet of Things. He also discussed few live examples

on the topic. The students enjoyed the session and participated in the fruitful discussion.

In the pre lunch session three events namely Idea Presentations, Web Design Idol for UG students and Preliminary round of IT Quiz were held in parallel.

The Idea Presentation event was judged by Dr. Ravindranath Pandya from IIM and Mr. Dharin Rajgor, CTO, System Architect, Head of Engineering for PG and UG respectively. Total 8 teams in PG and 4 teams for UG participated in it. The teams showcased their innovative ideas that had been converted to model.

Total 26 teams for PG and 8 teams for UG participated in Preliminary round of IT Quiz. 8 teams participated in Web Design Idol event and it was judged by Mr. Harnil Oza, CEO, Hyperlink Infosystem.

The post lunch session started with IT Quiz for UG which was managed by Prof. Disha Shah, Assistant Professor, GLSICA. Followed to it, were three parallel events:

Java Programming, Virtual World and Mobile Gaming. Total 22 teams for PG and 3 for UG participated in Java Programming. The judges for the event were Mr. Poorav Gandhi, Technopreneur, Aspire Solutions for PG and Mr. Kaushal Bhavsar, CEO, Pratikar Securities Pvt. Ltd. for UG respectively.

Tech-Khoj - Virtual world was judged by Mr. Ruchir Shukla, Founder and CEO, BizzAppDev at PG and at UG by Ms. Aditi Shah, Web Developer, Wordsworth. Total 16 teams participated in the event at PG and 16 at UG. Later Prof. Harshal Arolkar, Head, M. Sc-IT and Ms. Vinita Nair, Assistant Professor, M.Sc-IT conducted the final round of IT Quiz for PG students.

The event received positive feedback from students. The staff members of Faculty of Computer Technology and Faculty of CA & IT along with student volunteers coordinated the entire event with great success.

(The writers are Assistant Professors at GLSICT)



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C. U. SHAH PRIMARY SCHOOL

MEMOIRS

As per the schooling pattern in our state – Gujarat, the end of grade VIII marks the end of Primary section and the entry in grade IX the beginning of the Secondary section. The process is the just like the germination of a seed into a sapling which continues it's growth with the

passage of time. The students of std VIII have expressed their emotions and feelings as the complete the phase of Primary schooling and enter the next phase of intricate education.

By Miss Asima A.
Mansuri
Std VIII - A

MEMORIES OF PRIMARY SCHOOL

Leaving Primary school and going to High School is just like starting a new journey in our life.

All of the students are just like baby birds and the next is our primary school and the mother bird are our teachers. The mother bird feeds her babies and teaches them to fly and overcome difficult tasks. The teachers give us knowledge of life and teach us many important things of life and make us ready for High School. Leaving primary school is a difficult task because here we are in touch with all the teachers since childhood and we feel that they are just like our family members. There are many memories which I will never forget. There are many functions and competitions organized in our school. Just like when I was in SR KG, we celebrated "Red Day", each and every child was wearing red clothes. Then "47th School Foundation Day", our school celebrated it as "Eco Friendly Day" and there was "Fancy Dress Competition" for class 3 and 4 and I took part in it and it was my first time when I spoke on stage and then in

class 4, I became "Peacock". Participating in all these competitions gave me a lot of self-confidence. In class 6 Pearl Ma'm encouraged me to take part in an "Elocution Competition" and our group bagged the trophy. In class 7 I took part in a group drama it was related to "Cleanliness" and DevyaniMa'm directed our drama very nicely. She taught us how to speak while doing a drama, and our drama won hearts of all the judges and we got the first prize. The 50th School Foundation Day" on 5th March, 2014 all the students from first to eight standard and all the teachers, our Principal, everyone celebrated it with great enthusiasm. There were several dance performances, function was held at "Tagore Hall", NehaMa'm and sir who taught us dance made great efforts. We celebrated Christmas, and many other festivals together.

Really no one can forget the teachers and the years of Primary School Days.....

Raana M. Pathan.

સ્કુલ જ્ઞાનનો દરિયો છે અને હું અગાધ દરિયાને કાંઠે છીપલા વીણતું બાળક છું

School is the place where pebbles are polished and diamonds are made to shine. જેમ હુંબાર ઘડાને ઘાટ આપે છે તેમ ટીચરો બાળકોનું જીવન ઘડતર કરે છે. મારી સ્કુલના સંસ્મરણો વિશે લખતા-લખતા હું ભૂતકાળમાં ખોવાતી જાઉં છું. સ્કૂલના એટલા ખાટા-મીઠા સ્મરણો યાદ આવતા જ મારો સ્કુલનો પ્રથમ દિવસ યાદ છે. જ્યારે હું 1st standard માં એડમિશન લઈને અહીં આવી ત્યારે હું બહુજ રોતી હતી અને મારા કલાસ ટીચર નીલામેમ મારી મમ્મીને Morally બહુજ Support કરતા. એ મને બહુજ સાચવતા. ધીરે-ધીરે મને સ્કુલના બધાજ ટીચરોની માયા લાગી બધાજ ટીચરો માયાળુ છે. 5th Standard સુધીના બધાજ ટીચરો નેહામેમ, ભરતસર, અર્પિતામેમ, હીનામેમ, બેલાટીચર, માલવિકામેમ, બધાજ ટીચરોનો મને આગળ લાવવામાં ખૂબ ફાળો રહ્યો છે. ભરતસર અને અર્પિતામેમ ખૂબજ Dedicated છે, અને of course Principal શ્રી બેલામેમ પણ ખૂબ supportive રહ્યા છે. પછી હું આવી 6th Standard



માં, સૌથી પ્રથમ વખત મોટા થઈ ગયાનો અહેસાસ થયો. પ્રશાંતસર અમારા Class teacher હતા. પૂર્ણિમામેમ, દેવ્યાનીમેમ, નિકીતામેમ, અલકામેમ and most important my favourite Pearlmam, જેમની પાસેથી હું ઘણું બધુ English improvise કરી શકી, દુનિયાના નવા trends, મોટા stage પર confident થઈને speeches આપવાનું વગેરે જાણ્યું દેવ્યાનીમેમ

Maths અમને તો સરસ ભણાવતાજ પણ સાથે સાથે જીવનનો એમનો approach બહુ important રહ્યો. maths માટે દેવ્યાનીમેમ, નિકીતામેમ, અલકામેમ, હિન્દી, ગુજરાતી અને સંસ્કૃત માટે હીનામેમનું contribution જીવનભર યાદ રહેશે. Purnimamam બહુજ સરસ રીતે ભણાવતા અને ખૂબ support કરતા. 8th standard માં decalamationમાં Pearlmam બહુજ supportive રહ્યા. જોશીસરનો તો નાનાથી માંડી મોટા બાળકોને બહુજ લગાવ. સ્કૂલની કેન્ટીન, સ્કૂલના રસ્ટા, કલાસરૂમ્સ, ગાર્ડન, Auditorium વગેરેમાં અમારા ખૂબ સંસ્મરણો સચવાયેલા છે. અમારી સ્કૂલના 50th Anniversary નિમિત્તે celebration memorable હતું, જેમાં અમારી સ્કૂલનું sovenier The odyssey launch કરાયું હતું અમે કલાસરૂમ્સ ડેકોરેટ કર્યા હતા. બહુ ગળ્યુ ખાઈએ એથી વચ્ચે થોડુ તીપુ કે કડવુ ખાવુ પડે એવીજ રીતે કલાસમેટ્રસ વચ્ચે ઝગડા, તુતુમેમે થતી પણ હવે યાદ કરીને હસવુ આવે છે. સ્કૂલમાં GLS voice monthlyમાં article આપવો એટલે experience મળ્યો. અમે 7th standard માં imagica trip પર ગયા ત્યારે અમારા principal Belamem એ પણ અમને બહુ સાચવ્યા. હતા. Moreover our unique competitions like diya decoration, rangoli, salad dressing etc... વગેરે ખૂબ યાદ રહેશે અને practical lifeમાં એનો અનુભવ પણ ખૂબકામ આવશે. annual function, science fair yoga session કેમ ભૂલાય? મને મારી સ્કૂલ C.U.Shah Primary School ખૂબ ખૂબ યાદ રહેશે કેમકે તે મારે માટે સ્કૂલ નહિ but like family માં ગયા પછી હું આ બધુંજ બહુ miss કરીશ પરંતુ સાથે સાથે આ મીઠા સ્મરણો જીવનભર યાદ રાખીને જઈશ.



NR & GLS HIGHER SEC. SCHOOL

ORIENTATION

An Amalgamation of N.R. & GLS Higher Secondary School & SMPIC was present in GLS auditorium. SMPIC had orientated the students from its academic cultural and sports activities. They paved the pavement for various career options for the commerce students who are on the threshold of the college life. Dr. Ashwin Purohit the Principal of SMPIC had motivated the students to overcome the difficulties by giving practical examples. Mrs. Sunanda Shah, the principal of NR and GLS secondary and higher secondary school had inspired the students to implement optimistic



approach in the life to minimize all the hurdles. She also mentioned that Failure in academic life does not mean to put an end to life. That failure may be the key unlock your

destiny. This programme was a good gesture arranged by SMPIC and rarest of rare programme where the school students and college students were having exposure of their potentialities.

UPCOMING EVENT

GLS(J.P Shah) Institute of Business Administration is Organising a NAAC sponsored National conference "Higher Education In Post- Globalization Scenario" on the 12th and 13th of April, 2016.

N. R. PRIMARY SCHOOL

TEARFUL ADIEU TO OUR STUDENTS OF STD.VIII



Shakespeare has quoted, "Parting is such a sweet sorrow that you go on saying 'Good Bye, Good Bye' till its morrow." Students had organised a light entertainment programme. They had included various dances, speeches and solo in it. Reminiscences from Std. I to VIII were narrated by some students. With a heavy Heart and Blessings on our lips, the staff members of N.R.P.S. bid them a sweet adieu.

God Bless them all and make their dreams come true.



SOCIAL WORK AT NRPS



It's a matter of pride and honour to proclaim that N.R. Primary School won the prestigious award from Ahmedabad Shehar Samaj Shikshan Samiti On 25th Feb, 2016 Thursday at Gujarat

Vidhyapith. Our respected Principal madam, Mrs. Neetaben Trivedi was honoured the third prize by the Ex. Justice Mr. J.N.Bhatt of High court for the collection of highest amount for the sake of Social welfare.

Melodious Performance by our student artist at Sabarmati River Front Musical programme



Master Vishwaraj H. Trivedi of NR Primary School left the audience spell bound at the Sabarmati River Front Musical Programme by playing on Tabla and Matki. His skilful performance mesmerized each and every music lover. At the tender age of thirteen, he is an adept at Tabla and works Wonders with his artistic fingers.

Congratulations Vishwraj!!

K. N. PRIMARY SCHOOL



- A competition " **Chef Mom ka Kammal Machaye Dhammal**" was held on 18th March 2016 for the 'Moms' of the students of Std VI – A
- We got overwhelming support of enthusiastic Moms, that too at a very short notice. They sent snacks of Punjabi, Hyderabad, Mexican, Chinese, Italian, and South Indian and of course Gujarati cuisines, which even included delicious deserts.
- About forty dishes were made by the Moms which includes Paneer Kofta, Biryani, Nachos Salad, Manchurian, Pastas, Macaronis, Corn Salad, Upma, Idlis, variety of Theplas, Khaman, Dhoklas, Khichu, etc. and the mouth watering deserts - Brownie and Choco-balls.
- The dishes were so colourful and tempting that the children couldn't resist. They ate beyond



- their appetite and enjoyed the event at the most.
- The prizes were also distributed to the Moms

- who won the competition. The first prize was shared by two of the Moms i.e. Utkarsh Sharma's mother and Mahek Shah's mother for preparing delicious Pasta and mouth watering Brownie.
- The second prize was given to the mother of Jinel and Jaimil Vaghela who made tasty Paneer-Kofta.
- The third Prize was given to Rahil Dakwala's mother who made healthy and tasty Corn – Salad.
- The event became most memorable because of Parents' And Students' support as well as enthusiasm.
- The Principal Madam took keen interest and also the colleagues supported a lot. We distributed the left over food to the sweepers of the school as well as the poor People.

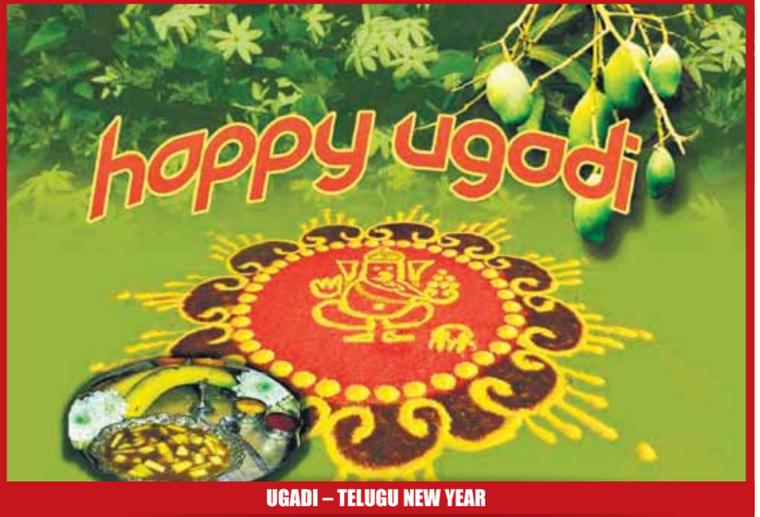
INDIAN REGIONS CELEBRATE THEIR NEW YEAR



BAISAKHI – PUNJABI NEW YEAR



VISHU – MALYALI NEW YEAR



UGADI – TELUGU NEW YEAR



RONGALI BIHU – ASSAMESE NEW YEAR



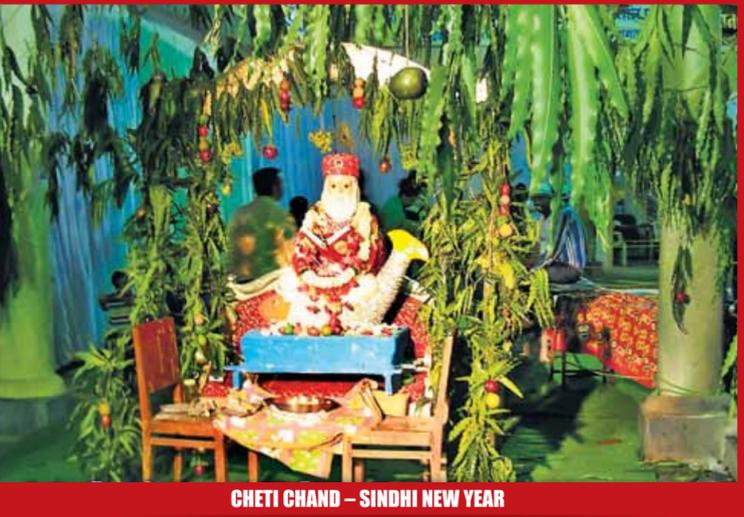
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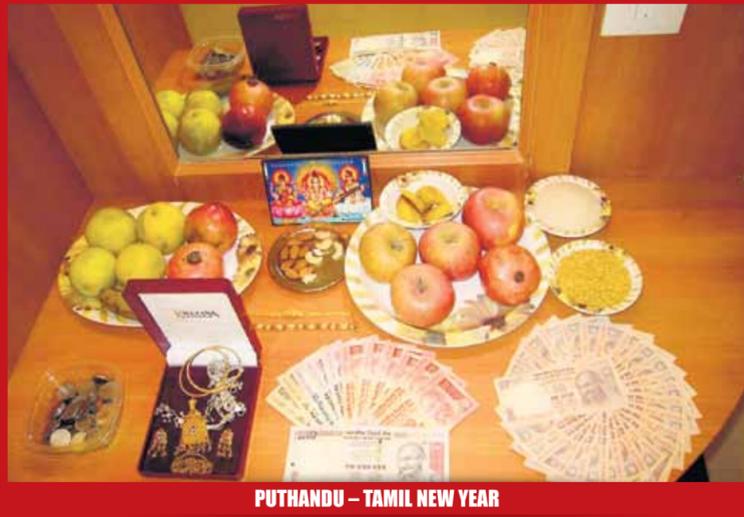
MAGHE SANKRANTI – ODIA NEW YEAR



GUDI PADWA – MAHARASHTRIAN NEW YEAR



CHETI CHAND – SINDHI NEW YEAR

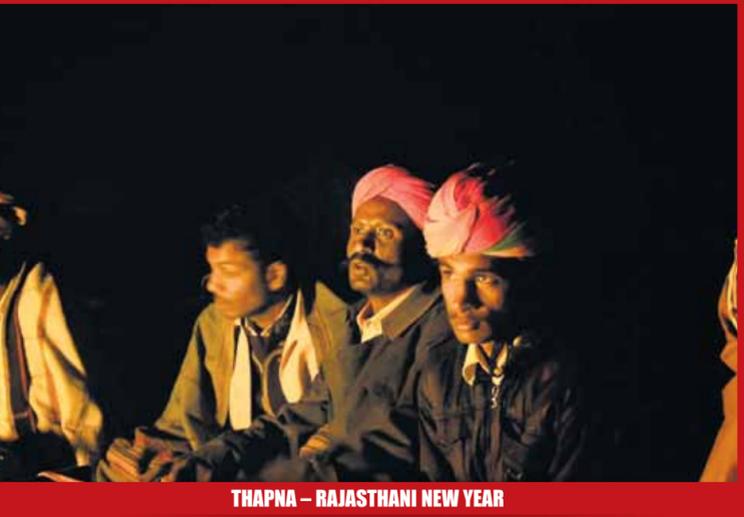


PUTHANDU – TAMIL NEW YEAR



NAVREH – KASHMIRI NEW YEAR

John Keats, one of the prominent poets of the Romantic Age describes autumn as “Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness”. The description fits perfect for Chaitra and Baisakh months of Indian Calendar, and these are the months when most of the Indian regions celebrate their new year to welcome the new colours of the nature. Let us see how these new year days are called, and celebrated in different parts of India...



THAPNA – RAJASTHANI NEW YEAR

રામાયણ કથા સત્ય અને જીવનદર્શન

ભગવાન શ્રી રામ એક સત્ય કે કલ્પના? એવા સવાલો કરતી પેઢીને રામના પરાક્રમો અને પ્રેરક સદ્ગુણો કરતાં ફિલ્મી હીરો રજનીકાંતના તરંગોમાં તરત ભરોસો બેસી જાય છે. એ આજના જમાનાની વરવી તાસીર છે. સંશોધન અને અભ્યાસની આધુનિક પ્રણાલીનો આવિષ્કાર થયો એના હજારો વર્ષ પૂર્વેની ઘટનાના પ્રમાણો મેળવવા કાંઈ સહેલા નથી. અને આદર્શો તો આમ પણ પચાવવા સહેલા નથી. આપણી ભાષામાં 'રામરાજ્ય' અને 'ગાંધીવીંધ્યા માર્ગ' જેવા રૂઢિપ્રયોગો છે પરંતુ તેઓ પોતીકો અર્થ ખોઈ બેઠા છે. આદર્શોને અમલમાં મૂકવાનું નૈતિકભળ આ સમાજ ખોઈ બેઠો છે ! આપણને ભગવાનમાં ભરોસો નથી પરંતુ ૩૧ માર્ચ ૨૦૧૬ ના રોજકલકતામાં ફલાયઓવર તૂટી પડતા ૨૬ ના મોત અને સેકડો ઘાયલ થાય ત્યારે પુલનું નિર્માણ કરનારી આઈ.વી. આર. સી. એલ. કંપનીના વડા 'ભગવાનનું કૃત્ય' કહી હાથ ખંખેરી નાંખે છે ! ભગવાન શ્રી રામ એક સત્ય છે કે નહીં તે વિચારવાને બદલે એ વિરાટ વ્યક્તિત્વમાં રહેલા સત્વનું અનુશીલન કરવું વધુ લાભદાયી છે. કવિઓની કલ્પના સૃષ્ટિ હકીકતોના અને અનુભવોના પાયા ઉપર રચાતી હોય છે. રોમાન્ટીસીઝમના પ્રણેતા કવિ વર્ડ્ઝવર્થ પણ સબળ સંવેદનાઓની પુનઃસ્મૃતિ કરવામાં અર્થાત્ કાવ્ય સર્જનમાં કવિના નીજ અનુભવની અનિવાર્યતા સ્વીકારે છે. ભગવાન શ્રી રામ કેવળ કલ્પના હોય તોય એટલી વિરાટ અને વ્યાપક કલ્પના ઈશ્વરના સહયોગ કે સંકલ્પ વિના શક્ય છે ખરી ? રામાયણ અને શ્રી રામ જેટલા કલાતીત છે એટલું કદાચ બીજું કોઈ નથી. શ્રી રામ અનેકવીધે અનેકરૂપે વિશ્વના ખૂણેખૂણે પોતાનું અસ્તિત્વ ધરાવે છે.

રામાયણના પ્રારંભમાં તેની રચના કરી રીતે થઈ એ અંગેની રજૂઆત છે. ભાવિ પેઢીના માર્ગદર્શનના હેતુથી વાલ્મિકી એક ઐતિહાસિક મહાકાવ્યની રચના કરવા ઈચ્છતા હતા. આ મહાકાવ્યના ચરિત્રનાયક તરીકે અયોધ્યાના રાજા દશરથના સુપુત્ર શ્રી રામને પસંદ કરવાનો નિર્દેશ નારદજીએ કર્યો હતો. શ્રી રામના સમયકાળ બાદ રામાયણની રચના થઈ હતી તેવો રામાયણમાં ઉલ્લેખ જોવા મળે છે. મહાકવિ કાલિદાસ રચિત રઘુવંશમાં શ્રી રામના પુરોગામી તેમજ અનુગામી રાજાઓની યાદી આપવામાં આવી છે. જો શ્રી રામનું પાત્ર કાલ્પનિક હોય તો આ યાદી કેવી રીતે સંભવે ? વાયુપુરાણ અનુસાર ૧,૫૦,૦૦૦ વર્ષ પૂર્વે શ્રી રામનો જન્મ થયો હતો, ભગવાન શ્રી રામના વિરાટ વ્યક્તિત્વની છાયા વિશ્વની અનેક સંસ્કૃતિઓ પર જોવા મળે છે.

રશિયાના કલ્મીક અને લેનિનગ્રાડમાં ત્યાંની સ્થાનિક ભાષાઓમાં રામાયણની કથાઓ પ્રાપ્ત થાય છે. વર્ણી મોંગોલિયન સાહિત્યમાં પણ રામાયણના અનેક રૂપાંતરણો પ્રાપ્ત થાય છે. જે રામાયણનો દીર્ઘકાલીન પ્રભાવ વર્ણવે છે. ઈ.સ. ૨૫૧ માં કાન્ગ સેન્ગ હુઆ દ્વારા સંપાદિત વિવિધ જાતક કથાઓ રામાયણની અનેક ઘટનાઓનું ચીની ભાષામાં નિરૂપણ કરે છે. ઈ.સ. ૧૬૦૦ માં 'કપિ'(વાનર) શીર્ષક હેઠળ હીઝ-ચી-ચી એ રચેલ નવલકથા હનુમાનના ચરિત્ર પર આધારીત છે.

(આ કોણ છે તે બને તો દર્શાવવું)

નરેશકુમાર ધાતુસેનાએ ઈ.સ. ૬૧૭ માં પોતાના શાસનકાળ દરમ્યાન સંસ્કૃત ભાષામાં 'જાનકીહરણ'ની રચના કરી હતી.



જે શ્રીલંકાનું સૌથી પ્રાચીન સંસ્કૃત સાહિત્ય છે. હાલ, સી ડોન બોસ્ટીન અને જહોન ડીસલ્વાએ રામાયણ આધારીત વાર્તાઓ રચી છે. આમ શ્રીલંકામાં રામાયણનો પ્રભાવ સદીઓથી છે. આજે પણ શ્રીલંકાના બહુમતી લોકો શ્રીરામ અને સીતા પ્રત્યે અપૂર્વ આદર અને શ્રદ્ધા ધરાવે છે.

કમ્બોડિયામાં રામાયણની કથા આધારીત શિલાલેખો પ્રાપ્ત થયા છે. જે ઈ.સ. ૭૦૦ ના સમયકાળના મનાય છે. અંગકોરવાટના વિશ્વ પ્રસિધ્ધ ભવ્ય મંદિરો રામાયણ વિષયક કથાઓ માટે સુપ્રસિધ્ધ છે. ઈ.સ.ની ૪થી થી ૭મી સદી દરમ્યાન રચાયેલા આ મંદિરોમાં રામાયણ સંબંધિત ચિત્રાવલિમાં હનુમાન અને અન્ય વાનરો પૂંછડી વિનાના દર્શાવાયા છે.

ઈસ્લામના આગમન પૂર્વે ઈન્ડોનેશિયામાં રામાયણ ખૂબ લોકપ્રિય હતી. ૯મી સદીમાં અંહી રચાયેલા મંદિરોમાં રામાયણની કોતરણી જોવા મળે છે. કેટલાક વર્ષો પૂર્વે રામાયણ વિષયક આંતરરાષ્ટ્રીય પરિષદ સૌપ્રથમ વખત ઈન્ડોનેશિયામાં યોજાઈ હતી તે જાણીને નવાઈ લાગશે. લાઓસના મંદિરોમાં પણ રામાયણને લગતા ચિત્રો અને રામાયણની પ્રતો જોવા મળે છે. રામાયણની કથા આજે પણ થાઈલેન્ડમાં ઘણી લોકપ્રિય છે. બે હજાર વર્ષ પૂર્વેથી અહીંના રાજાઓએ પોતાના નામની આગળ અથવા પાછળ 'રામ' શબ્દ જોડવા પ્રથા જાળવી રાખી છે. આજે પણ રામાયણ આધારીત નાટ્ય થાઈલેન્ડમાં ભજવવામાં આવે છે. ઈન્ડોનેશિયા અને કમ્બોડિયામાં પણ રામાયણના નાટક રૂપાંતરોની રજૂઆત ઘણી વ્યાપક અને લોકપ્રિય છે. મલેશિયામાં આજે પણ રામાયણની વિવિધ કથાઓ પર આધારીત સેંકડો નાટકો ભજવાય છે. અને આ નાટકોના પ્રારંભ પૂર્વે શ્રોતાઓ અત્યંત આદરપૂર્વક શ્રીરામ અને સીતાની વિવિધ પ્રાર્થનાઓમાં જાડાય છે. બર્મામાં ઈ.સ. ૧૦૮૪થી ૧૧૨ સુધી શાસન કરનાર રાજા ક્યન્થથા પોતાને શ્રીરામના વંશજ ગણાવતા હતા. છેક ૧૫૪મી સદીથી અહીં રામાયણ સંબંધિત વિષયક પુસ્તકો જોવા મળે છે. 'કાવ્યદર્શ' તેમજ 'સુભાષિત' રત્નનીધિ જેવા પુસ્તકો રામાયણની કથા પર આધારીત છે. રામાયણ વિષયક નાટકોનું મંચન કરવાની પ્રથા બર્મામાં પણ જોવા મળે છે. નેપાળમાં છેક અગિયારમી સદીથી રામાયણ ઉપલબ્ધ છે. ફીલીપાઈન્સના રીત-રિવાજો અને પરંપરામાં રામાયણનો વ્યાપક પ્રભાવ જોવા મળે છે. શ્રીરામને ઈશ્વરનો અવતાર ગણાવતી કથા અહીં ઘણી લોકપ્રિય છે. ઈટાલીમાં પુરાતત્વ ખાતાએ ખોદકામ કરતાં એસ્ટ્રેકોન સંસ્કૃતિના અવશેષો પ્રાપ્ત થયા

છે. જ્યાં ઘણા બધા ઘરોની દિવાલો રામાયણ વિવિધ પ્રસંગો દર્શાવતા ભીંતચિત્રોથી સુશોભિત જોવા મળી છે. ઈટાલીમાં એક સમયે વ્યાપકરીતે વિસ્તરેલી એસ્ટ્રેકોન સંસ્કૃતિના આ ચિત્રો ઈ.સ. પૂર્વે સાતમી સદીના ગણાય છે.

વિશ્વના દેશોમાં ઠેરઠેર પથરોયેલા રામાયણના આ પ્રભાવ પરથી એટલું તો ચોક્કસ કહી શકાય કે, રામાયણ દંતકથા નહીં પરંતુ એક ઇતિહાસ છે. શ્રી રામનું વિરાટ વ્યક્તિત્વ અને મહાન ચરિત્ર આજે પણ એટલું જ પ્રસ્તુત છે. પુરાતનકાળમાં સ્થાપિત નિસ્વાર્થ સમર્પણની ગાથા રામાયણ તેના શાશ્વત મૂલ્યોને કારણે આજે પણ એટલી જ પ્રેરણાદાયી છે. વિનાવાંકે અયોધ્યાના પાટવીકુંવર શ્રીરામ પિતૃગૌરવને કાજે જે સમર્પણ ત્યાગ અને સૌજન્ય દાખવે છે એ વર્તમાનયુગના વાલીઓ અને સંતાનો વચ્ચેના સંબંધોની ખાઈને પૂરવા માટેની પ્રેરણા આપવાની ક્ષમતા ધરાવે છે.

વર્તમાન ભૌતિકયુગમાં અહં અને ઉપભોગના તાણવાણાઓમાં અટવાયેલા દામ્પત્યજીવનને મૂલ્યનિષ્ઠ લગ્નજીવનમાં તબદીલ કરવા માટે સીતાજીની સહનશીલતા અને સમજણશક્તિ પૂરતા છે.

આજે પરિવારો તૂટતા જાય છે. ભાઈ-ભાઈ અને પિતા-પુત્ર વચ્ચેના સંબંધોની મીઠાશ ગાયબ થઈ ગઈ છે. સંપ અને શાંતિના અભાવે નર્કગાર સમા પરિવારોમાં એકતા, સુલેહ અને પ્રેમનું વાતાવરણ સર્જવામાં લક્ષ્મણ અને ભરત જેવા ભાઈઓએ દાખવેલ ત્યાગ, સમર્પણ અને સ્વજનો પ્રત્યેની પ્રતિબદ્ધતાનું અનુશીલ પૂરતું છે.

સીતાજીની શોધમાં અને રાવણ સામેના યુધ્ધમાં જટાયુ, નલ-નીલ, અંગદ, સુગ્રીવ, હનુમાન વગેરેનો આદરપૂર્વક સમાવેશ વર્તમાનયુગના લોકોને સહઅસ્તિત્વનો વૈશ્વિક સંદેશ પૂરો પાડે છે. ભીષણયુધ્ધમાં વિશ્વની કામનાથી શ્રીરામે યોજેલ રામેશ્વર સ્થાપનાની પૂજનવિધિમાં રાવણનો સહયોગ પરસ્પરની કટુતાને ભૂલી મૈત્રીભાવનો પવિત્ર આદર્શ આત્મસાત્ કરવાનું શીખવે છે. આવાતો અનેક આદર્શો શીખવતા રામાયણના મૂલ્યોને અપનાવી દિવ્યજીવન પામવાની પૂર્વશરત એ છે કે રામાયણનું પાન કરતા પૂર્વે તેના સર્જક વાલ્મિકીની જેમ નિર્દય લુંટારામાંથી સજ્જન સંત બનવું પડે. પવિત્રતાના પાત્રમાં જ દિવ્યતાનું અમૃત ધારણ કરીશકાય એ રામાયણનો શાશ્વત સંદેશ છે.

ડૉ. જયેશ માંડણકા (અંગ્રેજી વિભાગ)
બી.ડી.આર્ટ્સ કોલેજ

NRBBA SEM V TOPPERS



Anushka Lunia (1st Rank - standing on the left side of the standie), Mahan Rathod (4th Rank - not in the picture)

TOP 11 TO 50: Mahera Desai (Rank 16), Krushang Patel (Rank 16), Gaurav Dhanuka (Rank 17), Nidhi Khandelwal (Rank 19), Priya Prajapati (Rank 20), Pooja Sarode (Rank 21), Vikram Kaku (Rank 22) and Firoz Tabish (Rank 28)

NRBBA SEM III TOPPERS



Aastha Sutaria (2nd Rank - standing on the right side of the standie), Yashika Shah (5th Rank - standing on the left side of the standie), Shivam Maheshwari (5th Rank - standing first on right side), Vipin Chauhan (5th Rank - not in the picture)

TOP 11 TO 50: Zebafatima Ghoghai (Rank 11), Arihant Chopra (Rank 21), Astha Soni (Rank 22), Tanvi Asawa (Rank 22), Kirti Bafna (Rank 23), Khushbu Nikhal (Rank 24), Pratik Panjri (Rank 25), Pari Gandhi (Rank 26), Henil Gandhi (Rank 28)

સ્પોર્ટ્સ ડેની ઉજવણી



ગુજરાત વિદ્યાપીઠના મેદાનમાં એચ. એ. કોલેજ ઓફ કોમર્સનો વાર્ષિક સ્પોર્ટ્સ ડે યોજવામાં આવ્યો હતો. ૧૦૦ મીટર દોડ, ૨૦૦ મીટર દોડ, ૪૦૦ મીટર દોડ, લાંબી કૂદ, ગોળાકેંક, ચક્રકેંક જેવી

વિવિધ રમતોનું આયોજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. વિદ્યાર્થીના સર્વાંગી વિકાસમાં રમતનું મહત્વ વિષે મુખ્ય મહેમાન, આઈ. એમ. નાણાવટી લો કોલેજના પ્રિ. ડૉ. એલ. એસ. પાઠકે વિદ્યાર્થીઓને સમજાવ્યું હતું.

NRBBA'S R & P CELL : THINKING BEYOND THE BOUNDARIES

In the arena of higher education, three domains play a vital role – research, policies and practice. The research helps to refine policies and in turn these refined policies lead to improved practices. However, while we understand this in theory, how much of it is put into action is a burning question in today's age. And therefore, it is very important that we reconnect the gap that is seen between research, policies and practice, and only then, we can have a holistic view of the field of Higher Education, which is directly related to the future of our country. At NRBBA, the faculty members understand this symbiotic relationship between research and practice and therefore, the Research and Publication Cell is remarkably active throughout the year. In the last month, the R&P Cell organized four seminars by Prof. Dipalee Atre, Prof. Suruchi Sanadhya, Prof. Seema Pandit and Prof.



Geetanjali Chauhan respectively. Prof. Dipalee Atre in her extremely systematic presentation on 'Higher Education System at the BBA level – What purpose does it Serve?' put forth a question how do the syllabi of BBA help the students to perform better at MBA level. Prof. Suruchi Sanadhya, on the other hand talked about FDI in the context of Indian Economy and placed it in the present-day political scene in India. Prof. Seema Pandit made a presentation on Corporate

Social Responsibilities : Post Companies Act 2013, and explained the evolution and development of CSR practices in various companies. Prof. Geetanjali Chauhan in her distinctive manner explained the concept of Multiplier to the present audience. The staff and the R & P Cell of NRBBA is extremely grateful to Dr. Sarla Achuthan for all her support and encouragement. Her presence and inputs have been immensely useful in the research areas of the presenters.

MEDICAL & FITNESS WORKSHOP AND EXTEMPORE COMPETITION HELD ON INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



GLS University's Faculty of Management (NRIBM, NRPGDM, GLSICT-MBA and School of Management) organized a workshop on Medical & Fitness Issues under the Women Development Cell with the zeal of celebrating International Women's Day on 8th March, 2016. More than 60 students attended this workshop followed by an Extempore Competition.

The first session of the workshop focused on resolving

medical and gynaec issues. Dr. Darshana Thakker, Ob. Gynaec and Director of Sarjan Health Care talked about various issues concerning women health.

The second session of the workshop focused on Nutrition aspects for women. Ms Namrata Sheth, Nutritionist, talked about importance of balanced diet and its health benefits.

Students being into the age group of 18 to 25 years, could easily associate themselves with the topic and received various

insights on the discussed issues. They also got an opportunity to get their questions answered by the experts.

The workshop was followed by an extempore competition where students were given on the spot topics on womanhood like: Motherhood, Women & driving, Women and education and many more. The 1st position was secured by Shikha Sharma of GLS I-MBA and 2nd position was secured by Meghna Khatri of NRPGDM.

PAHEL 2016 – A STEP FORWARD TOWARDS HUMANITY



PAHEL was started by students of N.R. Institute of Business Management-PGDM with a dream to do something for kids who are special in some or the other way, but doesn't get an opportunity to prove. The underprivileged and differently-abled kids are given an opportunity to display their talent in music, dance and allied areas. Students of NRPGDM visit NGOs to meet the children and help them prepare for the competitions as well.

More than 150 children between the age group of 7 to 18 years, who are visually impaired, hearing impaired, mentally challenged or have other disabilities showcased their talents in various arts including

vocals, dance and thematic representations and drama through 17 performances from various NGOs like Blind Peoples Association, Samvedna, Sarjan, Sparsh, Uthan Taleen Kendra, Savera and many more.

Judges and guest invited for the event were (IPS officer) Deputy Municipal Commissioner of Ahmedabad - Mr Siddhartha Khatri, Radio Jockey- Vasisth Thakkar (Radio Mirchi), Actor -Ravi Meena and District Social Defence Officer-Mr Bharat Desai.

Participants were very enthusiastic and performed extremely well. The constant motivation and cheers from the students made it an evening to remember!

બ્લડ ડોનેશન ટ્રોફી



જી. એલ. એસ. તમામ સંસ્થાઓમાં વર્ષ ૨૦૧૫-૧૬માં રેડક્રોસ સોસાયટી દ્વારા બ્લડ ડોનેશન કાર્યક્રમ યોજાયો હતો. ઘણાં વર્ષોથી જી.એલ.એસ.માં આ પ્રકારના કાર્યક્રમનું આયોજન થાય છે તથા ઘણી મોટી સંખ્યામાં વિદ્યાર્થીઓ આ કાર્યક્રમમાં ભાગ

લે છે. ગાંધીનગર ખાતે ગવર્નર હાઉસમાં રાજ્યપાલ શ્રી ઓ.પી.કોહલી દ્વારા અભિવાદન સમારંભનું આયોજન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. શ્રી વાડીભાઈ પટેલ અને ડિ. સંજયભાઈ વકીલસાહેબે આ સમારંભમાં હાજરી આપી ટ્રોફી સ્વીકારી હતી.

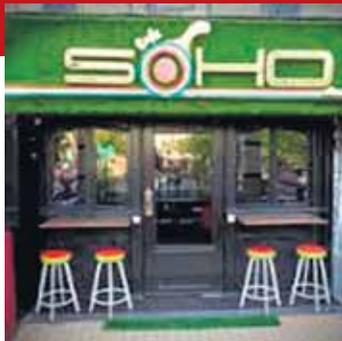
RESTAURANT REVIEW

Café SoHo

By Vivan Mehta

Who knew in the dead centre of Ahmedabad one could visit New York City? Yes, the Pizza's at Café SoHo are as good as you'd have them in the Big Apple ! Pizza is as different as the people

that seek them out, some like an authentic thin and crispy Italian pie, some prefer a Chicago Deep Dish, most people haven't gone above Jasuben's or Dominoes' while I am, and will always be a fan of a well done NYC Pizza. The ambience of the Café has the same vibe as one would get when they'd step into a



NYC Pizzeria; low lighting, rustic decor and just a few

tables (so you better make a reservation by calling them first), next and most important the FOOD - which easily gets a 4.5/5 rating. I strongly suggest the Mediterranean Pizza and the California Pizza, with a side of their special SoHo fries and a pitcher of their Iced Tea to wash it all down. Café SoHo isn't all that

pocket friendly though so the suggested meal would serve 3/4 persons with a damage of Rs.350/Rs.400 per head, but is it worth it? HELL YES.

P.S. Café SoHo has a Spicy Food Challenge for those adventurous enough.

(The reviewer is a Semester VI student of NRBA)

MOVIE REVIEW

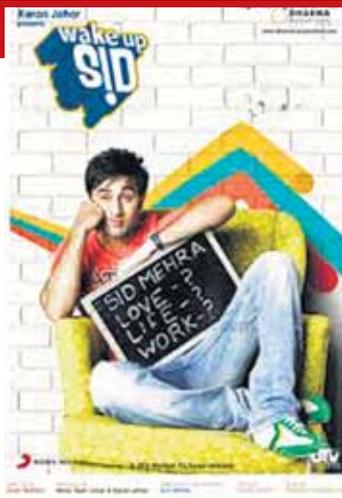
Wake up Sid

Reviewed by Gopi Solia

There are some movies that you watch again and again because you relate to it. Wake up Sid is one such movie that every youngster would relate to. It's a fine blend of realities and reveries of today's youth.

The story revolves around this young, warm "hero" who like many youngsters is not deeply concerned with his studies and professional

ambition and lives the Bombay life. Siddharth AKA Sid (Ranbir Kapur) is disinterested to join his father's company which manufactures "flower showers" to Sid's displeasure. This makes his parents concerned about Sid's future but the young brat is not worried. Then enters the perfect antithesis of Sid. Ayesha. Ayesha (Konkana Sen) who like many other people comes to Mumbai to fulfill her dreams gets a job at a magazine, buys a flat for



herself and is independent. The story takes a turn when

Sid flunks and leaves his parents house and has no place to go. So he resorts to Ayesha. Here starts the "punar janam" of the hero and he starts to understand his responsibilities. My personal favorite part of the movie comes when Sid, missing his mother, goes to meet her and realizes his parent's importance in his life. With Ayesha's help he also manages to get an internship in the same magazine and tries to follow his passion for photography. Initially

platonic, slowly the duo starts developing feelings for each other but is unable to express them. The movie ends in the perfect 'bollywood' manner where everything falls into place and the hero and the heroine live happily ever after. If you are looking for a good way to pass your time then Wake up Sid could be what you are looking for.

Have a happy movie. :)

(The reviewer is a Semester VI student of NRBA)

SCHOLARSHIPS / FELLOWSHIPS / RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

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A) OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS :

- 1. PhD Scholarships in Risk & Emergency Management in Italy, 2016-2017**
Last Date: April 12, 2016
More Details: <http://www.umeschool.it/rem/applications/>
- 2. Call for Nominations: UNESCO Prize for Girls' and Women's Education, 2016**
Last Date: 20th April 2016
More Details: <http://en.unesco.org/news/call-nominations-2016-unesco-prize-girls-and-women-s-education>
- 3. UCL IMESS Scholarship Programme for Master's Degree Level, 2016**
Last Date: 28th March, 2016
More Details: <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/www.imess.eu/fees-and-funding/imess-scholarships>
- 4. Academic Scholarships for Master Students at Hamburg University in Germany, 2016**
Last Date: 30 April, 2016
More Details: <https://www.haw-hamburg.de/english/international-degree-students/tuition-fees-scholarships/master-scholarships.html>
- 5. Mercedes-Benz Japan Co., Ltd. Internship In Japan, 2016**
Last Date: 30 April, 2016
More Details: https://kopra.org/?site_id=9&action=detail&id=3011
- 6. International Student Scholarship at Australian Catholic University in Australia, 2016**
Last Date: 30 April, 2016
More Details: http://www.acu.edu.au/international/costs_and_scholarships/scholarships_and_offers/international_student_scholarship
- 7. Scholarship for Female Indian Entrepreneurs at Tel Aviv University in Israel, 2016**

Last Date: May 1, 2016

More Details:

<https://en-recanati.tau.ac.il/imba/ParasolFoundationTrust/?tab=1>

- 8. Xiamen University Scholarships for International Students in China, 2016**
Last Date: April 30, 2016
More Details: <http://admissions.xmu.edu.cn/en/show/56.html>
- 9. A number of opportunities for "Summer School and Internship" for science students are available in India.** Interested students should get the details from www.educationtimes.com or education times of 28th March, 2016.

B) OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEACHERS:

- 1. ICGEB Research Grants for Member States, 2016**
Last Date: 30 April, 2016
More Details: <http://www.icgeb.org/research-grants.html>
- 2. Sir Ratan Tata Post-doctoral Fellowship**
Last Date: 9th May, 2016
More Details: <http://www.lse.ac.uk/asiaResearchCentre/fellowships/sirRatanTata.aspx>
- 3. Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in South Asia Studies at University of Oslo in Norway, 2016**
Last Date: 11th April 2016
More Details: <http://uio.easycruit.com/vacancy/1588265/62042?iso=no>
- 4. Jacobs Foundation Research Fellowship Program for Overseas Scholars in Germany, 2016**
Last Date: 15th April 2016
More Details: <http://jacobsfoundation.org/what-we-do/research-funding/jacobs-research-fellowship-program/>
- 5. Book Fair Fellowship**

Last Date: 30 April 2016

More Details: <http://www.book-fair.com/en/>

C) OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS:

- 1. LabEx DynamiTe PhD Position on Environmental Changes and Societies in the Past, 2016**
Last Date: 4 May, 2016
More Details: <http://labex-dynamite.com/en/doctoral-positions-campaign-2016-profile-n-5/>
- 2. 2016 STEP (Summer Trainee Engineering Program) Internship in Australia**
Last Date: May 10, 2016
More Details: <https://www.google.com/about/careers/search#!t=jo&jid=175785001&>
- 3. UNESCO/POLAND Co-Sponsored Fellowships Programme, 2016**
Last Date: 30 April 2016
More Details: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/fellowships/programmes/unesco-poland-co-sponsored-fellowships-programme-engineering/>
- 4. ACCA Asia Pacific Regional Internship Programme, 2016**
Last Date: 15 April 2016.
More Details: <http://www.accaglobal.com/sg/en/student/support-for-students-and-affiliates-in-singapore/aip1516.html>
- 5. New Zealand Development Scholarships (NZDS)**
Last Date: 30 April 2016.
More Details: <http://www.scholars4dev.com/2786/new-zealand-development-scholarships-for-africans-asians-latin-americans-and-pacific-islanders/>
- 6. The Ravi Sankaran Fellowship Program for promoting Bio-Diversity Conservation in India.**
Last Date: 15 April, 2016
More Details: <http://www.ravisankaran.org/fellowships/>

EVENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

SMPIC

WINNERS OF MAHATMA GANDHI ELOCUTION TROPHY COMPETITION



Devanshu Vakil and Jaslinkaur Bagga from SMPIC won the Best team Trophy in Prestigious Inter-collegiate Mahatma Gandhi Elocution Competition organized on 13th Feb.,2016 by H L College of Commerce on the topic 'If incredible India should resort to Gandhian practices of communication to resolve internal conflicts'.

GLS(I & RKD) INSTITUTE OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

PAPER PRESENTATION 2015 – 16



GLS(I & RK Desai) Institute of Computer Applications organized an internal paper presentation competition on 22nd January, 2016. It provides students to present their ideas and research ability. It gave the opportunity to showcase the comprehensive knowledge of the students.

WINNER OF HLCC MUN DEBATE COMPETITION

Devanshu Vakil from Semester II was awarded "High Commendation" and a cash prize of Rs 2500 for bagging 1st prize in HLCC MUN debate competition organized by H L College of Commerce on 22, 23 and 24th of January,2016.



Participation of students in Cancer Awareness Program



In order to bring awareness about cancer among students on cancer awareness day, 3-February-2016, The Gujarat Cancer & Research Institute had organized pre-conference event "Cancer Awareness Programme for Students" as a part of "6th International Translational Cancer Research Conference", GLS(Induben & Ratilal Desai) Institute of Computer Applications also participated in this conference.

WINNER OF SARDAR VALLABHBHAI PATEL DEBATE COMPETITION



Heena J. Navani from SMPIC won the 3rd prize in Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Debate competition organized on 24th Jan.,2016 by Gujarat Prantiy Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Ahmedabad. She was awarded cash prize and certificate.

WINNER AT RENAISSANCE INTER COLLEGE FASHION SHOW

A team of 21 students of GLSICA had participated in the fashion show event of Renaissance, the annual inter college festival organized by the B.K. school of Management, where they bagged the first prize. The theme of GLSICA students was "IT – Now & Then" representing the contrast between technologies.

PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AT SMPIC

SMPIC organised Personality Development Workshop from 28th to 30th December 2015 for 70 students of Bridge Course. Ms. Rini Bahal Purohit, a soft skill trainer and Ms. Preeti Nakhat, a corporate trainer delivered sessions on Body Language, Grooming, Interview Skills and Decision Making.



TREE PLANTATION ACTIVITY



"Plant a Tree, plant a new life....Take care of trees. They take care of you" Working towards this noble cause, the Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR) team of GLS (Induben & Ratilal Desai) Institute of Computer Applications organized Tree Plantation on 29th January 2016, to sensitize students on the value of tree plantation.

WINNER OF DEBATE COMPETITION AT S. V. ARTS COLLEGE

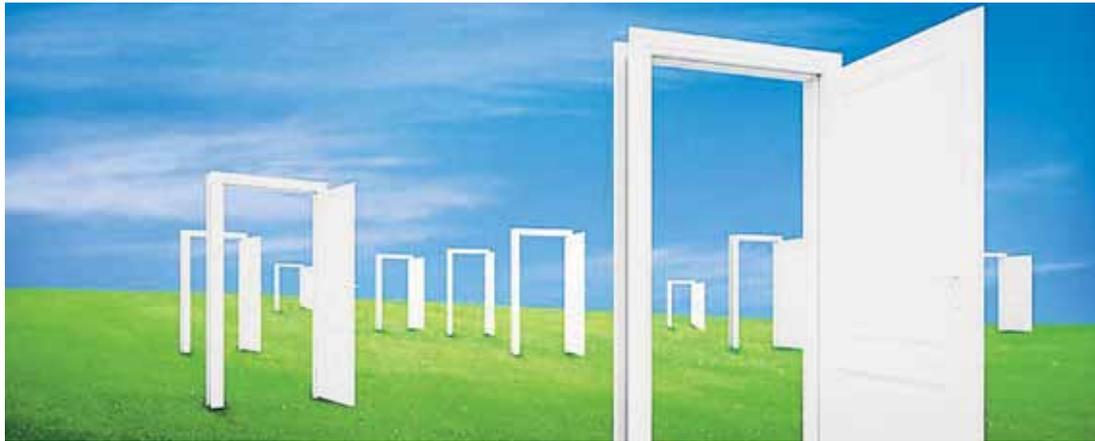
Jaslinkaur Bagga from SMPIC won the 2nd individual Best Speaker's Prize in a debate competition organized on 20th February,2016 by S. V. Arts College.

DOORS OPENED TO AN OUTSTANDING FUTURE AT GLS CAMPUS!

At GLS, all the institutes strive to provide quality education and training in multiple verticals. The staff members also put in their best efforts to impart a fine blend of education, knowledge and professionalism. The first responsibility of any of the GLS associated institutes is to its students, and this responsibility does not end with making student a graduate. GLS believes in opening doors to opportunities to have a good career. Placement drive is one such initiative that is taken very seriously at every institute.

For example, GLS (I & RKD) ICA had companies like TCS, Infosys, Wipro and Accenture and total 21 students got offer letters from these companies.

GLS (J P Shah) BBA and SMPIC also had TCS, ICICI



bank and ICICI Prudential placement drives. One of the profiles that TCS offered was Data Processing Role and Marketing Research and Advance Analytics. Other than these, GLS (J P Shah)BBA also had companies like Godrej and Boyee, Oratech, Action Edge, Flamingo Travels, Star Union Daichi, Claris Outsuka, Birla Sun Life and Knack Packaging coming to their

campus. These companies have short listed around 80 plus students.

At SMPIC, 11 students got offer letters from TCS and 29 from ICICI Prudential. Apart from this, one of the SMPIC student got appointed at Institute of Computer Accountants (ICA) at the post of admin assistant.

NRBBA Placement cell has had continuous and

rigorous training programmes in the respective area meet the expectation of industries. The workshops included areas like soft skills development, group discussion, interviewing skills, resume building, Advanced MS Office, Importance of flexibility at workplace, self assessment of strength and weaknesses, career planning, personality grooming, job retention, achievement orientation and many more

aspects that groomed them to face the challenges that the corporate world offers. The hard work paid off very well. The college had top notch companies like TCS Gandhinagar, ICICI Prudential, KidsAge, Narhari Exports, Krishna Metals, HRRE Engineers visiting on campus. These companies had various scrupulous rounds like written test, group discussion, psychometric test, technical interview, telephonic interview for students to ensure the most appropriate candidate is hired. 45 out of 59 registered students have received offer letters from these corporate sectors. They are offered with various profiles of Business process services executives, Process Services executives, Business Development executives, HR Executives, Marketing Executives, E-commerce Executives and Accounts Assistant.

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