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SCHOLARSHIP AND ENDOWMENT DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION



Sri. S.D Shibulal , Infosys Technologies inaugurates the Scholarship and Endowment Distribution.



Sri. S.D Shibulal,distributing Scholarship Certificates. VICT Chairman Sri. K.muraleedharan looks on.

Scholarship and Endowment distribution function was held on Monday 27.04.09 at 2.00 pm. Sri T. P Sreenivasan, Former Ambassador of India to the United Nations presided over the function and Sri. S.D Shibulal, Chief Operating Officer and co-founder, Infosys Technologies Limited inaugurated the function. Chairman Sri.K Muraleedharan gave the welcome address.Chief patron Er. P K Asokan distributed the endowment scholarships.95 students were awarded with scholarship certificate and 22 students with endowments. One student was also given scholarship on behalf of the PTA. Executive Director Er. K R Brahmadathan, Project Director Dr.G.Mohanachandran, PTA president Sri. P V Shaji, College Dean Dr. P. Pratapachandran Nair and Principal Dr. S P Subramanian were also present.

COLLEGE ARTS FESTIVAL "NINAVU 09"



Sri. Madambu Kunjukuttan inaugurates College Arts Festival 'NINAVU 09'.

College Arts Festival "NINAVU 09" was held on 27th and 28th April 09. The inauguration was held on 27th April . Ms. Gayathri Asokan, Play back singer and Sri Madambu Kunjukuttan, actor and writer were the chief guests. Department of EEE won the overall first place in the two day festival.



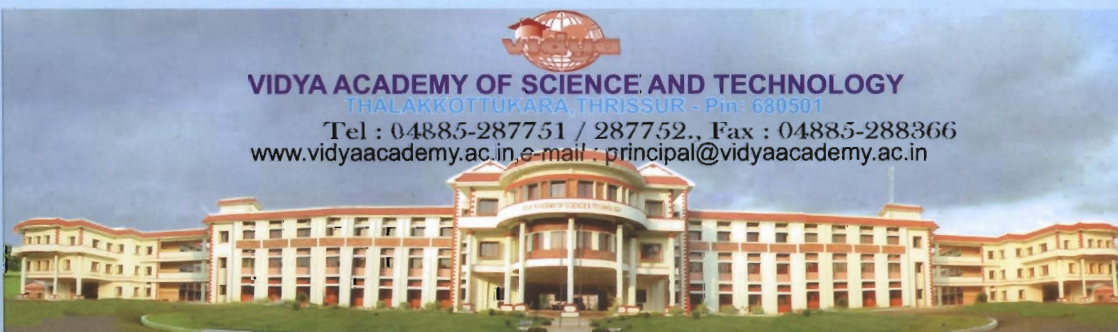
The Secretary's Message

I am extremely happy to welcome you all to the third issue of our College NewsLetter, "Vidya News and Events".

We have an avowed mission to transform the enthusiastic, motivated and meritorious students like you all and groom well in our College environment for the career of brilliant future technocrats. Since its inception in 2003 August we have been trying to offer excellent and quality education. We have established R& D wing and lately set up full fledged T & P cell to assist and support our students to obtain placement in reputable firms by the time they complete their studies in our college . Our student support cell is also functioning well and is being expanded to cover all students.

My hearty congratulations to the Editorial Board and all others who have sincerely contributed their efforts to publish this news letter.

S.Sudhakaran



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From the Principal's Desk



"British rooled avar kantry faar meny ears.they destrayed avar kulture. So waat? Let us destray there laangvege lake dhis"

This is taken from the mail box of a student. By looking the way our younger generation communicate through SMS, I really fear the above paragraph is going to become true in the near future. Some of the abbreviations commonly found in SMS are 2day, nite, mrng, wen, drms, beoz, msg, lyf,abt, luk, colge, ppl, nvr, thix..... By practicing these spellings and usages, there is always a possibility that you forget the actual spelling and tend to write the same in examinations and other places also.

Communication is the most vital skill for an engineer. If you want to be successful in your career, you have to minimize (if not eliminate), the SMS kind of communication, which is completely lacking in grace. Please practice giving full responses using appropriate words and proper spellings. The ultra casual English that is acceptable at friends level will not be acceptable at work.

With best wishes
Dr. S.P Subramanian
Principal

College Sports Meet



Sri. T.K Chathunni, former international footballer and coach speaking at the college sports meet.

College Sports Meet was held on Friday 24.04.09. Sri. T K Chathunni, Former international footballer and coach was the chief guest. Department of Civil Engineering won the overall championship.

College Tech Fest "TANTRIK 09":

College Tech Fest "TANTRIK 09" was held during 29th and 30th April 09. Students from various colleges along with our own students participated in various technical events. Project exhibition, Motor show, Air show and invited talks were also held. Sri. A. D Dinesh, Executive Director M Far Hotels Ltd and Comdr Shamsudin, Chairman SILK & MD TRACO were the chief guests for the inaugural session which was held on 29.04.09 morning.

Achievements in Sports

Intercollegiate sports competitions PECSAGA is in progress. Our college cricket team and college table tennis (Men) team won the championships and college table tennis (Women) team won the second prize.

Our college volleyball team participated in the PECSAGA volleyball tournament held at Sahridaya College of Engineering and Technology, Kodakara 1st to 4th April 2009.

World Environment Day-09



Planting saplings on the world Environment Day Project Director Er. G Mohanachandran, Executive Director Er. K.R. Bbhramadathan, Prof. V.A Sudhakaran looking on

The World Environment Day is observed every year on 5th, June all over the globe. The theme for 2009 is 'Climate Change and the Broader Consequences of Environmental Change and What Societies can do in Response'.

World Environment Day was celebrated on 05.06.2009 under the auspices of Civil Engineering Association. The students of 2007 & 2008 batches planted Ashoka and Teak saplings respectively in the Vidya Campus to represent their batches.

The members of the college National Service Scheme units and Rotaract club participated in the Environment Day observance organized under the auspices of www.agriume.com, the online agriculture portal, Indian Red Cross Society and Nodal Institute for Training, Consultancy, Assessment and Development (NITCAD).

Our students took part in the "Peoples Eco-Rally" held at Thrissur town, with the aim of educating the public on method of saving energy and reducing the individual "Carbon footprint". They also attended three seminars on different environmental aspects.

The Department of Computer Applications celebrated World Environment Day 2009 by organising a

Slide presentation contest on the theme of “Save Environment”.

FAREWELL TO THE SENIORS



Er.K.R Brahmadathan speaks on the farewell programme, Dr P Pratapachandran Nair , Principal Dr. S.P Subramanian, Dr. M.N Agnisarman Namboodiri and Prof. Sudha Balagopal are also seen.

A farewell programme for the 2005-09 batch of students was conducted on 19/06/2009 in the main seminar hall. The current third year students had also participated in the function to wish the outgoing students. The programme started with a buffet lunch for all staff and students.

Er. K.R Brahmadathan, Executive Director, Vidya International Charitable trust, presided over the function. Professor Emeritus, Dr. Pratapachandran Nair, Principal Dr. SP Subramanian, HoDs of all departments were all present on the occasion.

A musical concert by the Vidya Music club after the official programme made the event vibrant and memorable.

ISTE Induction Training Programme



Dr.D. Balakrishnan, Academic Director inaugurates the Induction Programme conducted by ISTE Kerala Section at Vidya Academy , by lighting the lamp.

Induction training programme on “Teaching Excellence & Methodologies” was conducted in our college from 21.05.09 to 27.05.09. The course was designed for young teachers who were inducted in the teaching profession from our college and nearby colleges. Participants from VAST , IES Engg College-Chittilapilly, Mets Engg College, Mala and Royal

College of Technology, Akkikavu attended. The sessions were handled by eminent teachers like Dr. P J George, former DTE of Kerala, Dr. D Balakrishnan, our Director and former Jt Director of Technical Education, Dr. S Radhakrishnan Principal , Govt Engg College, Wayanad, Dr. C E Krishnan, Principal Sree Narayana Gurukulam College, Kolenchery, Dr. R P R Nair former HoD CE , Govt Engg College, Thrissur, Dr. S P Subramanian ,our Principal, Dr. V K Vijaya Kumar, Professor, Sree Krishna College, Guruvayoor, Dr. V V Unnikrishnan, AP, Govt Medical College, Thrissur and Fr Paul Pottackal a well known counselor.

Visit of IEI Accreditation Team

A panel of three experts visited the college during 2nd and 3rd June 2009 for the purpose of accreditation of EEE, ECE, CSE, and ME branches by Institution of Engineers (India).



Institution of Engineers (India) Accreditation team on their visit to the college

SEMINARS / CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS

Dept of ECE organized an essay writing competition on June 5th in connection with World Environment day celebration. The topic was "Global Warming- Consequences and Possible solutions". The following students won prizes

First Prize	Sunish R. C (S6 ECE)
Second Prize	Aseela K (S4 ECE)
Third Prize	Libinkumar (S4 ECE)

Eight students won consolation prizes.

As a part of IE students' chapter, a talk on “Teleportation” was conducted by Viswanathan and Ashish, S6 CSE on 12/06/09 from 1.30 to 2.30pm.

A team of 42 students and 3 teachers- Rajesh SK, Anu Kurien and Anooja VS (all from EEE Dept.) visited VSSC, TVM, and were accompanied by Er. Siju, Scientist VSSC. They visited the Space Museum at TERLS and were given explanations about PSLV and GSLV satellites along with the history of VSSC. Satellite launch videos and models of Chandrayan were shown and upcoming projects, mission of ISRO and technical data regarding launch vehicles were explained Sudha Balagopalan IEEE SB counsellor.

15 students from S6 EEE had the good fortune and thrilling experience of associating with Ottotrations in their project "Reconnaissance study of potential small hydro power sites in Malappuram district" by Total Energy Security Mission, Govt of Kerala. They are the supporting agency in Malappuram to do this project. We are the only college in Kerala other than GEC, Thrissur to associate with the project.

Prof. V. A. Sudhakaran, HOD CE, attended a brain storming session on "Syllabi and Curriculum Development for Community College" to be started in July '09 by COSTFORD under the IGNOU scheme.

Prof. K.V.Leela delivered a lecture on "Seismic Detailing of RCC structures (IS 13920)" on 18th June 09 in connection with the training programme for Architects & Engineers conducted at Kochi, by Govt. of Kerala in collaboration with UNDP as a part of implementing UEVRP (Urban Earthquake Vulnerability Reduction Programme).

A motivational talk on the subject "*Shaping your career for success in IT, Engineering and Construction industries*" was given by Mr. Jayan Mundakkal on Monday, June 22, 2009. Mr. Jayan, who works for Bechtel, has over 13 years of international experience working for leading projects in the Middle East, Europe, Great Britain and the USA.

Dr V N Krishnachandran, Head of Department of Computer Applications, gave a talk on "Computer Algebra Systems (CAS)" on 19 June 2009 at IES Engineering College, Thrissur. A CAS is a software package for doing symbolic as well as numerical computations in mathematics. The occasion was the inauguration of the Mathematics Club of the college. The lecture combined a live demonstration of the capabilities of a CAS package.

Inauguration of VAST Student's Chapter Civil Engineering Division was conducted on 3rd April 09 at 10.30 am in the College Auditorium. The function was inaugurated by Prof. V.K. Lakshmanan Nair, Hon. President, The Institution of Engineers (India), Trichur Local Centre. The chief guest of the function was Prof.R.P.R. Nair, rtd. Prof. GEC. Thrissur. Er. P V Narayanan, Hon. Secretary, IE, Thrissur local centre, Dr. D. Balakrishnan, Academic Director, VAST and Dr. P. Pratapachandran Nair, Professor Emeritus, participated.

Mr. Vipin Raj K.D., INTERCADD SYSTEMS Pvt. Ltd., Ernakulum conducted a class on the software "REVIT" to S4 CE students under the banner of Civil Engineering Association on 03.04.09.

The first IEEE hub 4 student congress was held on April 4th 2009 in the college. Mr. Jugunu George IEEE Kerala section student representative and about 50 student volunteers from various colleges participated

PLACEMENT ACTIVITIES

Infosys Campus Connect overview meeting for information sharing and collective contribution from

the faculties of CSE and MCA was held on Friday, April 03, 2009.

The Turbo Plus Information Systems campus recruitment drive (for training) was conducted at our college on Tuesday, March 31, 2009. Forty one students selected by Turbo Plus for their 9 months paid training program.

The HCL Infosystems campus recruitment drive results were released and two of our students have been selected; Ms. Nishitha H Rao and Mr. Vishnudas PH from the final year CSE and EEE respectively.

Congratulations!



Ms. Saira Salim 5th Sem ECE has entered the 3rd round of Idea Star Singer 2009. Congratulations ! She had been adjudged first in light music in the Dzone youth Festival, and been placed second in the Interzone youth festival, Calicut University in the year 2009.

DOWN MEMORY LANE



Inaugural function of the North Academic Block

WORDS OF WISDOM

He who knows not,
And knows not he knows not,
He is a fool.

He who knows not.
And knows he knows not,
He is worse, shun him.

He who knows.
And knows not he knows,
He is asleep; wake him up.

He who knows.
And knows he knows,
He is wise;

FOLLOW HIM