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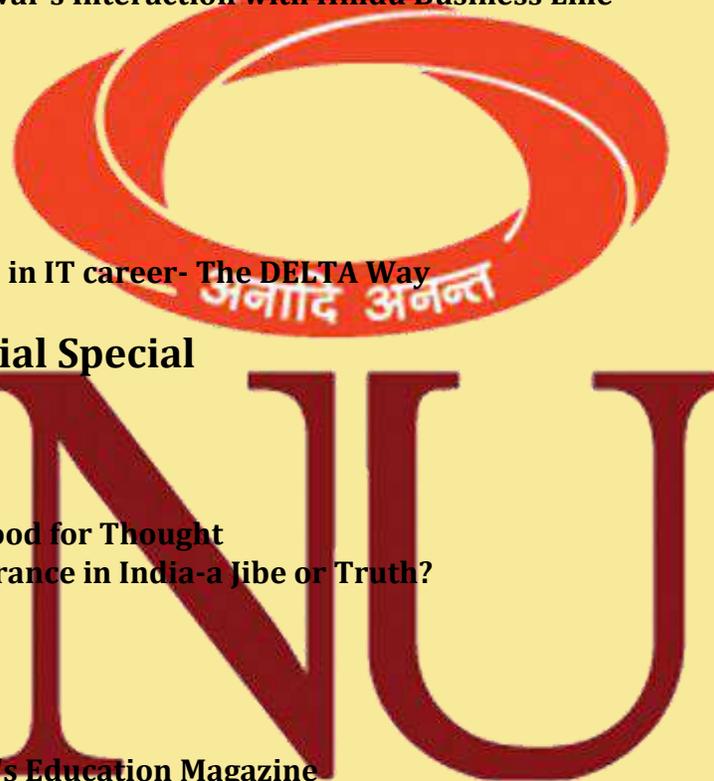
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From the Editor's Desk

Dear Readers,

As monsoons set in and give relief from the scorching heat, team Newsletter is ready with another edition of the newsletter. While the B. Techs and several faculty members were on vacation, the university did not cease to be out of action and hence we found much news for our next issue.

NU has been featured in magazines through talks and articles and that means quite some recognition! The details are available in the Campus news and the Achievements section. Whatever has happened in or out of the campus, has been covered and compiled in the newsletter by our team.

All regular sections are there as well. Our B.Tech student Shreyas Sanghvi has bagged Summer internship at Jet Airways. Shreya Mahabala Alva of B.Tech (2013-17) has been awarded the best outgoing student by Cognizant We congratulate them on their success.

I hope this issue is appreciated and enjoyed by all our readers. On behalf of The NU NL team, I wish all the readers a Happy Reading experience.

Warm regards,

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CAMPUS NEWS



IBM Live Chat Session

On 30th May 2017, IBM India hosted a Facebook live chat with the students of NIIT University on their IBM India Recruitment Facebook Page, wherein **Mr. Rajib Bose**, Senior Managing Consultant with IBM Interactive experience, shared useful tips and provided practical guidance for engineering graduates.

Japanese Way of Life

The Asian Lenses Forum organized a talk on '*Japanese Way of Life*', presenting an alluring nation's culture, by **Professor Poonam Dey** on 20th April 2017. In the evening, Vividha Arts Club conducted an activity portraying the colorful and creative culture of art in Japan under the theme of *Japanese Anime* character sketching and fan origami making.

Eminent Personality –Prof Easwar Krishna Iyer

Professor Easwar Krishna Iyer of Great Lakes Institute of Management, Chennai, visited the University on 13th May 2017. He gave a structured idea of the new emerging digital order in terms of technology and marketing strategies. The students interacted with him and discussed about various technical changes taking place in recent times. He also gave relevant examples to let them envisage every strategy in a very sequential manner.

Activity Oriented Courses

NIIT University has introduced Activity Oriented Courses (AOC) of one credit each under HSS category starting from August 2017 semester. This is an initiative taken by the university to motivate the students who are interested in also being assessed for activities other than academics. This novel thinking will definitely help the students to develop and nurture their skills in other areas of interests.

Prof VS Rao, President NU Writes an Article for Education Times

An article by **Professor VS Rao**, President NU, on '*What Indian Academia Must Do to Ride the Digital Wave*', appeared in the Special Edition of Education Times- an education supplement of Times of India. The series carries articles from leading academic institutions including IIT Madras, University of Leeds, Oxford Community Schools, HBR Ascend and others.

Focusing on the importance of rightly-skilled talent, the article by **Professor VS Rao**, talks about the need for India's higher education system to keep pace with technological and business trends, emerging and reshaping itself as Education 4.0.

Further, highlighting the demand of the digital era to gain expertise in areas such as Automation, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and more, it mentions that the institutions now need to develop digital innovators who are equipped with problem-solving, technical and agile skills. Also, the training provided must involve professional practice or some form of industry internships and constant exchanges and interactions between academia and industry practitioners.

Mr. Rajendra Pawar's Interaction with Hindu Business Line

Mr. Rajendra Pawar recently interacted with a famous publication, Hindu Business Line discussing the urgent need to reskill. The publication, quoting **Mr. Pawar** wrote, "The bad news is that jobs in the IT sector are not growing in sync with the growth in population and automation is making some job profiles disappear. But the good news is that automation is happening in newer sectors and that newer job profiles are getting created".

It further mentioned, that Mr. Pawar is unfazed by the doomsday predictions on IT jobs. He feels there is a need to reskill the four million strong IT workforce to make them digitally ready. "It is a big task to re-purpose them to make them relevant and stay longer in work life," he said.

THE INDIAN LEOPARD



The Indian leopard (*Panthera pardus fusca*) is a leopard subspecies widely distributed on the Indian subcontinent and classified as Near Threatened by IUCN since 2008. The species *Panthera pardus* may soon qualify for the Vulnerable status due to habitat loss and fragmentation, heavy poaching for the illegal trade of skins and body parts in Asia, and persecution due to conflict situations. They are becoming increasingly rare outside protected areas. The trend of the population is decreasing. The Indian leopard is one of the five big cats found in India, apart from Asiatic lion, Bengal tiger, snow leopard and clouded leopard.

With strong legs and a long well-formed tail, head as big as a panther's, broad muzzle, short ears and small, yellowish grey eyes, light grey ocular bulbs; black at first sight, but on closer examination dark brown with circular darker colored spots, tinged pale red underneath. Indian leopards are distributed all over India, in Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and parts of Pakistan. In the Himalayas they are sympatric with snow leopards up to 5,200 metres (17,100 ft) above sea level. They inhabit tropical rain forests, dry deciduous forests, temperate forests and northern coniferous forests but do not occur in the mangrove forests of the Sundarbans. In Sariska National Park, the diet of Indian leopards includes axis deer, sambar deer, nilgai, wild pig, common langur, hare and peafowl.

Hunting for the illegal wildlife trade has the greatest potential to do maximum harm in minimal time. Apart from poaching, Indian leopards are threatened by loss of habitat and fragmentation of formerly connected populations, various levels of human-leopard conflict in human-dominated landscapes, and competition with other predators.

Status in the Wild: Near Threatened

Divya Sara Kurian
B.Tech (2013-17)

Source: www.wikipedia.org

WISE WORDS

Rising to the Top in IT Career... The DELTA Way

What makes a person realize his/her career dreams? Well, the obvious answer is that one has to set a goal and try to accomplish it. Getting into premier organizations like the Apple, Google and Microsoft is not easy. A similar challenge is faced by many working professionals.

Take the big-four among the Indian IT companies. In the last two to three years, these companies would have added more than twenty thousand in terms of campus recruits to their workforce. It hardly matters which institution or university the recruit graduated from. Getting into such corporate houses seems easier than before, because of the huge intake, but how does one make it to the top? How can one be different from the rest? How can one be a cut above the ordinary? What is the delta that gets you an admission to your dream institutions or helps reach the top brass faster? Many youngsters might be grappling with the above questions.

The answer is quite simple. It is 'DELTA'. Let me explain. DELTA is the increment in the behavior that one has to demonstrate which will clearly differentiate the person from mediocrity. Many adolescents relax after getting a job which pays them a yearly income of a good four to five lakh rupees. They get into the routine of conducting themselves with the daily schedule and remain among the majority — 85 to 90 per cent. Now coming to the DELTA, which is the recipe to zoom to the top five percent.

D in DELTA is the 'dedication' with which you carry out the assignments that are entrusted on you. The job given to you may be very simple or highly complex. The degree of dedication demonstrated should be impeccable.

E is the 'energy', of course the positive energy that one displays. Current trends indicate more young ones are getting older, not at all in proportion to their age and they blame it on the early burnout, due to the nature of the job. While no job is bad, the choice of getting into the job lies entirely with the individual, so why blame?

L in DELTA is 'learn, learn and learn'. This is a continuous process and in full agreement to Deming's statement 'learning is not compulsory, neither is survival'. An individual who learns a new thing every day will be unstoppable. The most important learning is not to commit the same mistake. This is one reason, most companies emphasize on the fact 'we need people with experience' as a part of their recruitment drive. Experience plays a very important role in molding an individual. T stands for 'truthfulness'. Whatever be the given situation, one should never compromise on core values especially that of integrity. The newspapers are flooded with stories of the so called greats, who fell like a pack of cards and the reason for their fall is none other than compromising on integrity. While there could be a lot of short term gains, negotiation on truthfulness is definitely a no in the long term.

There are many examples of top performers being shown the door as they were found guilty on the integrity count by their employers. Finally A is for 'attitude'. This is missing in the present generation and sadly in a very big way. Lack of the right kind of attitude has killed the careers of many prodigies. Most employees are working with a mercenary kind of attitude which is very dangerous. For a few dollars more, people are making

amends to the employer's name.

What is our contribution to the organizations that we work for? On the other hand, organizations are spending tons of dollars to improve employee satisfaction, curb attrition and in return they get more and more resignations. Changing jobs frequently does not reflect a healthy resume as well.

DELTA is essential for making it to the top in any chosen field. Each one complements the other and five ingredients are absolutely necessary to hit the 'right' angle pointing upwards in career advancement. In my feeling good luck follows the person with the above qualities like a shadow.

Mr. Y C Roy

Centre for Industry Collaboration

(This article was originally published in the Deccan Herald)

STUDENT EDITORIAL

Just Beyond

You stare down at your hands,

at your fingers,

as they reassure you, try to

make you see, you're not alone

Try to make you see you're something

While you study the calluses in your hand

Wondering why you can't feel a pulse

If there really is something there

Inside you

They tell you that others have been through this

It'll just take some regular medication,

They reassure you

Goosebumps on your arms as you shudder lightly

A shiver just passed down your spine

With some sort of eerie premonition

You're almost pleased

It's been days since you've felt anything genuine

Been days since your body voluntarily did anything

But breathe and swallow

First time in forever that your body didn't have to

Force a reaction

They think you need comfort as they come closer

Embrace you, try to warm the husk that you've become

Your heart is already gone

Never to return

Waiting just beyond for your soul, your body

Calls you in the middle of the night

Says it's found what you sought

Acceptance and peace just beyond

Found in dreams painted crimson

Black shadows moving on the floor

Saying, join us for we shall accept

Without another question, any doubt

We welcome you amongst us

You'll become one with us

No more thoughts, decisions, opinions

Just belonging and silence

Don't listen to them, the shadows whisper

We've seen them lie before

Fooled a million reflections that faded

Into mere silhouettes

Gave them white powder and pills

That faded them

Made them dead walking

Their eyes hollow

Their heart, already beyond,

Their soul, still residing here,

Vanquished, just like their will

And they became slaves

Pandering to the whims of society

Living on the fringes

Never letting their reputations

Go to waste

Don't listen to them

Listen to us, just beyond, and come and join us

Where we will be as one, as one, as one

Where your heart is, your soul and spirit follow

Fade into the black, give in

Find your peace here

Come, come, come

You wonder why you feel so weightless

Yet something makes your shoulders

Curl inwards, protecting you from an

Unseen force

They whisper in your dreams, your consciousness

End this foolishness, they scream

Join us in oblivion, in blood-stained dreams

They come and they show what we could be

What our potential is

The pinnacles we could reach

As you study the calluses in your hand

The cracks on the ceiling

They outline the rigorous schedule you need to follow

As they continue trying to comfort you



It all sounds rather tedious

You examine the small shadows in the corners

The shadows everything is making on the floor

You wonder what it would be like to be the shadows

Crimson dreams come back to you as your eyes widen

They are still talking, you note, they seem happy

That your eyes widened

Apparently, you were too blank while they were talking

of white powder and strange pills

Regular injections were being contemplated as well

You turn to the window to look at the

Grey clouds arriving, the harbinger of heavy rain

You hope that there's hot chocolate waiting for you at home

As they continue to drone on

And the shadows still whisper

It all mixes in your mind-

Drugs, blood, injections, just beyond

You're just a little bit confused now

As you drink what they asked- ordered- you to have

But you don't really mind or care

By now, your mind is far away, too far to reach

Just beyond was over-rated anyway

Just a little bit more is perfectly alright with you

Tulika Singh
B.Tech (2015-19)



EXPRESSIONS

Philosophical Food for Thought

1. We should keep oscillating between thinking, admitting truth and finally living with it.
2. For fools, it is a discussion; for wise, it is an expression.
3. Learn an art of earning a learning first, and then learn.
4. Have diversification in business, not in partner.
5. Live by virtues of your effort.
6. The basic trait of human is selfishness, and human haunts for survival. Now, do you love humans?
7. We believe in observing words, what we forget is believe in observing actions.
8. Emotions are gossip for many to pass time; share them wisely.
9. Sometimes... be indecisive, be private. It's an endangered art.
10. A way to be happy is 'not keeping expectations from anyone'. I don't completely agree because human relations are entangled with expectations. All we need to realize is, some are bound to be unfulfilled while few are worth keeping.
11. An explanation to anger leads to solutions while an expression of anger leads to argument.
12. Sitting on a bench, she said - "we have a very good understanding between us, don't we?"
He said - "It takes 2 minutes to fall in love with someone."
"I Love you too", she replied.
13. Difference between good and bad management reflects the difference between making lot of money and lot more money.
14. It's good to be mediocre, it teaches sophistication.
15. Every effort is a success.
16. Silence is a true friend, it never betrays.
17. Some have their dreams as desktop background, some own them.
18. Should we praise talent?
Not exactly. Praise the process of engagement, strategies, focus, perseverance and improvement. They make us hard and resilient.

Manoj K Rana
MBA-BA

Religious Intolerance in India-a Jibe or Truth?

“India presents a paradox-swords and armors among brothers”-this line, in my opinion, best outlines the intolerance jibe ,which the media echoes in tandem with the so-considered secular, left-wing and right-wing political parties. Moreover, it is no less a hotcake for the reel and pen heroes to also bat out their personal attack against the ruling government. Nonetheless, let us allow a ‘ but’ to stand in between the question and rejuvenate the definition of being an Indian first. If we can imagine India as a gigantic atomic-model, then the periphery (nucleus) must hold both active and passive people (the protons and neutrons) with the bond of love, faith and truth. And being a ‘Hindustani’ is more sugarcoated than just being a Hindu or Muslim or Christian, etc. However, to supersede this question of intolerance, can or should the unfortunate death of a single minority being polarize or eclipse the amity among 125 crore others? Why can’t we nullify this petty thought and in the same vein embalm ourselves with the more diurnal ground-reality of the rational democratic life that India does not embrace the fascia of caste whenever she celebrates or mourns? Can’t we de-rationalise the hellish question of tolerance or intolerance? Considering, the same raw fact that people from all religions and sects hog the limelight-both at the apex and at the annex. No argument suffices to earmark India as intolerant. If someone is so philanthropic so as to return his hard-earned cognizance,he/she should return it against more coherent facets like illiteracy,poverity,terrorism,rape,barbarity,etc. and not just to justify or glorify a mere hoax.Alas!

Rahul Saha
B.Tech (2016-20)



Business World's Education Magazine

NIIT University was featured in the inaugural issue of Business World's Education magazine– BW Education. The launch issue featured **Prakash Javedkar**, Union HRD Minister on the cover, along with **Rajendra S Pawar**, Chairman and Co-Founder, NIIT Group and **TSR Subramanian**, Ex- Cabinet Secretary. The article also mentioned NU as the university whose focus is on nurturing entrepreneurship.

Economics Research Paper Presented by NU Student

Under the able guidance of **Dr. Gurendra Nath Bharadwaj** and **Shrey Kumar, Soumi Pal**, a student of NU B. Tech (2015-19) was invited to present her Economics research paper titled '*Issues and Challenges of Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL), (with special reference to India)*' in the International Conference on '*Emerging India and Second Generation Reforms: Initiatives and Implications*' from 8-9th April 2017, organized by Department of Applied Economic, Lucknow University. She has written two papers simultaneously, one on the topic '*A New Model of Cashless Banking Post Office: A new Shoppy for all financial needs*' which was presented by her in 2nd Global Leadership Research Conference, at Amity Business School Noida on 24th February 2017 and the next paper on the topic '*Impact of Information Communication Technology on Student Faculty Interaction*' which was presented in the International Conference on the '*New Digital Age: Re-shaping Strategies for Business Organization*' on the same day. The presentations were accomplished with sincere efforts made by her and the support provided by her guide.

NU Featured in India Today (Aspire)

NIIT University has been featured in India Today (Aspire), an in-depth supplement by the India Today group on Higher Education and Career, in its special issue on - Top Engineering colleges of India. Highlighting NU's strong industry linkages, the magazine quotes **Mr Rajendra S Pawar**, Chairman and Co-founder NIIT Group & Founder NIIT University as, "Our deep understanding of the industry and strong Industry-linkages are the primary reason for the exceptional placement of 97.3 per cent last year".

Further **Professor VS Rao**, President NU mentions, “NU offers a new model of learning to correct the student's tunnel vision problem and allows them to educate themselves throughout their lives”. The article mentions the efforts made by NU students to ensure seamlessness with nature and society, the demand for divergence of knowledge and a wider understanding for quality education.

Summer Internship in Jet Airways

Shreyas Sanghvi, B. Tech (2016-20) student received a summer internship at Jet Airways in Mumbai from 22nd May 2017 to 21st July 2017. He is put into several departments. The various departments are Quality Control, Battery Shop and in the Line Planning Base Maintenance of the Hanger. His future plans are Avionics and Flight Control systems. With his hard work and zest of performing a new task every time, he has become a motivation for many young minds.

Best Outgoing Student Award

With her dedication and outstanding efforts, **Ms. Shreya Mahabala Alva**, student of NIIT University received an accolade of the Best Outgoing Student Award by the Cognizant Company.

Best Faculty Award

It is another proud moment for the university as **Dr. Prosenjit Gupta**, the Area Director of Computer Science and Engineering has been conferred the Best Faculty Award by Cognizant. He is one of the dignified professors of NU who has done a magnificent job in the field of Computer Science.



Professor Trupil Limbasiya (ICACNI 2017)

Professor Trupil Limbasiya presented and published two research articles in the Springer ICACNI 2017 from 1st -3rd June 2017 at NIT, Goa. The first paper was written along with B. Tech(2013-17)students **Prakhar Awasthi, Sanya Mittal** and **Sibeli Mukherjee**, on the topic '*A Protected Cloud Computation Algorithm Using Homomorphic Encryption for Preserving Data Integrity*', and the second article titled '*A Reputation- Based Trust Management Model in Multi-hop Cognitive Radio Networks*' with **Professor Ram Narayan Yadav** and **Dr. Debasis Das**. There, he also had an interesting discussion with **Professor Bimal Kumar Roy** (Padma Shri Award, Government of India, 2015) regarding advanced cryptography concepts in the real-world applications.

