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ALUMNI MEET IN GOVT SCHOOLS

Coming back to the same classroom after about 25 years or so is a nostalgic experience altogether. And, if you find your teacher and the buddies around, you've had goose bumps. Getting an opportunity to share your emotions with the diehard friends of school/college days at the same place which defined your life course is a memorable event.



BACK TO SCHOOL : Alumni to support Alma Mater

A MoU between AlmaConnect and Delhi Government has been executed on April 13 under which AlmaConnect will setup alumni portal for all 1028 Schools under Delhi Government for free of cost. These portals will help in connecting senior students with alumni so that they can get mentoring and motivation from them. Alumni will also get an opportunity to give back to their Alma Mater in the form of guiding young students.

The portal will enable alumni & students to select their schools and create an account. Further, there will be an organized directory where people will be able to search alumni based on where they are working, what they are doing alongside their contact details. Furthermore, successful alumni will be motivated to speak to students and motivate and guide them in their careers. There are more features such as Jobs, Events, and Discussion Forums in the website which alumni & students can avail too.

Alma Connect Solutions Pvt Ltd is a company offering alumni networking services and products. It works with over 400 schools & colleges across India and abroad helping them connect with their alumni. It's client list includes IIM Ahmedabad, IIT Delhi, IIT Roorkee and so on.

Earlier, Dy Chief Minister had emphasized the need for connecting the alumni to inspire students to improve their academic performance and thus desired to formulate an Alumni Association in all Govt schools. The MoU was signed between Swapnil Khandelwal from Alma Connect and Ms Vineeta Shankar of DoE in the presence of Principal Secretary Ms Punya Salila Srivastava and Director of Education Ms Saumya Gupta.

Project 'Agni 5' Missile Man: A Pass Out Of DITE

I (G Ramaguru) was born in Rajapalayam, a small town in southern Tamil Nadu. I was 4th of the 7 children in my house. My father was a small business man selling bangles and we use to do little bit of farming. We struggled a lot financially during my school days.

After completion of my 10th in a small Tamil medium government school with 64%, I wanted to join diploma in a local polytechnic college. I along with my father and some recommendation approached the principal of Polytechnic requesting a seat. He scolded and declined the seat and asked me to come back only after doing well in my 11th standard. I was really disheartened and decided to work really hard. That meeting with him changed my life.

I joined a private English medium school for my Higher Secondary. In Spite of being introduced to English for the first time, I worked really hard and used to top my class. I still remember the days before I joined the school. We did not have money for buying the uniform even. I and my elder brother travelled about 10 kms on cycles selling bangles on road in couple of nearby towns. We did this for the whole day and got my uniform stitched just before the start of the school. I even remember couple of more such struggle led incidents during that time. The school was far and I used to take my friend on his cycle to the school every day. Once we were not in a position to pay 20 rupees extra for the English medium and I borrowed it from my chemistry teacher just before the last date.

After doing well in my 12th, I applied for all professional courses in Tamil Nadu which included Medical, Agriculture, CMC, IITs and also various engineering colleges. By God's grace, I got selected for a BE in Mechanical Engineering in PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore. Even though the fee was on the higher side, my father borrowed money and got me the admission in the college. I worked really hard and graduated in 1984 with a first class distinction.

After my graduation, due to the financial crunch, I started working in small companies in Bangalore/Mysore for Rs. 1500 per month. Simultaneously, I was also applying and giving exams like GATE, TRTC, NTTF etc. I was lucky enough to get selected for PGTD in Tool Room and Training Centre Delhi, an Indo Danish Govt Project, now known as Delhi Institute of



HAND HOLDING : Ramaguru guides a student at DITE

Tool Engineering (DITE). I was really happy and elated when I received the selection message in telegram and my joining date was in couple of days. After informing my father, the very next day I boarded a train which was going towards Delhi and after travelling in 3 trains and with only 25 rupees in hand I reached TRTC at 6 am. I met RS Kalra sir, Deputy Manager, TRTC at 8 am and informed him that I did not have any money now to pay for the college and my father will send telegram money directly to him which will reach in couple of days. I still remember what he said that day. He told me, "I need not pay anything for the course and instead will be given a

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Sustaining Heritage For Future Generation

DELHI INSTITUTE OF HERITAGE RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT

The students of Master in Archaeology and Heritage Management (MAHM) participated in a 15-day archaeological excavation programme at Purana Qila, New Delhi recently. Earlier, they carried out a three-day



exploration training in West Uttar Pradesh and Haryana at sites like Banawali, Bhirrana, Kumal, Rakhigarhi (all in Haryana) and Barnawa (in West UP).

The archaeological site of Purana Qila was jointly excavated by the Chandigarh Circle and Mini Circle, Delhi of the Archaeological Survey of India. The Students were imparted in-depth training in the theory and methods of archaeological excavations covering the issues like importance of stratigraphy, section and plan and its related drawings, archaeological photography, documentation of archaeological objects/evidences and their study, sampling and documentation of palaeo-botanical and archaeo-zoological material for further investigation in the specialized labs, on-site pottery study and drawing, archaeological report writing, ethics of archaeological site conservation,



lessons on creating public awareness among the public, etc. The students learnt how to interpret the archaeological data in the reconstruction of cultures of bygone age.

As per the excavation report of the students, the Purana Qila is believed to have been built under Sher Shah Suri. Trial excavation began here in the year 1954-55 and was carried out until 1973 by B B Lal to ascertain the antiquity of

the site and to trace out any linkage with Mahabharata. In 2013-14, another group of archaeological excavators began work and is continued till date.

Delhi Institute of Heritage Research and Management, an autonomous Institute of higher learning of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi and affiliated to GGSIP University has been conducting two years full time Masters Degree Courses in Archaeology and Heritage Management and Conservation, Preservation and Heritage Management since 1998. Along with the class room teaching by the state of the art teaching aids, the Institute also provides practical training to students through archaeological field training, both in-house and out-doors conservation, workshops, seminars symposiums, etc.

The passed out students are gainfully employed both in private and government sectors such as Central and State Universities (Banaras Hindu University, Delhi



University), Archaeological Survey of India, State Departments of Archaeology, Department of Tourism, National Museums and State Museums, Hotel and Hospitality sector and NGO's working in the field of heritage. Some of the premier organizations and agencies like National Gallery of Modern Arts, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, National Museum, Delhi Archives, Mehrauli Fort Museum, Jodhpur, City Palace Museum, Udaipur, Bal Bhawan, Delhi, K.P. Jayaswal Patna Museum, Indira Gandhi Memorial Museum, Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Museum, INTACH, Aga Khan Trust for Culture, etc., in which the students are employed.

DIHRM is committed to conserve, preserve, protect and present the heritage for present and future generations. The Institute also plans to start PhD Courses in both subjects as well as diploma/certificate courses in Museum and Tourism Management and also a short term Tourist Guide Training Course. ■



STUDENTS DISPLAY APPAREL AND FASHION ACCESSORIES

BHAGINI NIVEDITA COLLEGE

Education Minister Manish Sisodia graced the 24th Annual Day Function of Bhagini Nivedita College on 22nd April. An exhibition was organized by the students of Apparel Design and Construction Course, Home Science Department of the College displaying the apparel and fashion accessory items. It also included photography report of the various activities organised during the year and projects on advanced garments construction, design development, fashion illustration project and fashion accessory projects.



GUARD OF HONOUR : Deputy Chief Minister Visiting the College

The Deputy CM was accompanied by Pawan Sharma, Chairman of Governing Body, Ms Padmapriya Janakiraman, Guest of Honour, and the Principal, Dr Purabi Saikia. The Minister viewed the work of the students with deep interest and also interacted with them and appreciated the way in which the college was preparing the students for meeting the challenges of the future and praised the faculty.

The Annual Day Function started with the Saraswati Vandana enchanted by the students with the lightening of the lamp by dignitaries. The Annual Day Function was presided over by Pawan Sharma. The Kair villagers welcomed the Chief Guest and other dignitaries with the turban, a symbol of pride and respect.

The Principal presented the Annual Report of the College. Dr Vandan Sharma, who was adjudged as the best teacher by the Government of NCT of Delhi was felicitated on the occasion. The Prize/Award was distributed and the College Magazine was released.

The Dy CM encouraged the students and faculty members for their efforts and praised the yoga session and exhibition of Apparel Design and Construction by students. He congratulated the students and teachers and non-teaching staff for their achievement and provided assurance for early construction of college building, and he guided the students to become tech-savvy and apply technology in everyday life and also assured to



ART WORK DISPLAY : Manish Sisodia interacting with Students

provide every kind of help to make the college technology friendly. He extended thanks to the Kair villagers for initiation the idea of a girl's college in rural areas and making it a reality in the remote areas for promotion the girl education.

Prof Sudhir Kumar-Treasurer, Governing Body, an eminent scholar of Sanskrit, Head of Department of School of Sanskrit, JNU, motivated the students and encouraged them with his novel ideas. Ms Richa Pandey Mishra, Chairperson of Shaheed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences, University of Delhi, inspired the students with her thoughts and vision. Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr Nirmala Rana, Secretary, Staff Council. ■

Union Minister visits WCSC

Union Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Anant Kumar Hegde visited the World Class Skill Centre (WCSC) along with other officials on April 4 and interacted with the students. DTTE Director in charge Ms Garima Gupta and Additional Director Vivek Kumar Tripathi briefed the Minister about the ongoing activities at WCSC. The Project In-charge Ajay Kumar Vashisht took the team to the various departments. The Minister was impressed with the course curriculum and the standard of training and placements. He suggested introducing Emotional Quotient through a 15 minute computer game for Personality assessment of the students.



Pact with Mahendra



Mahendra and Mahendra has entered into a pact with ITI Mayur Vihar to provide training in the field of Automobile industry. In this connection, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between DTTE Additional Director Vivek Kumar Tripathi and Mahendra and Mahendra officials.

Jaquar lab at ITI Narela

A state-of-the-art Plumbing Lab has been developed in partnership with Jaquar Foundation at Narela ITI (Lala Hans Raj Gupta) which will impart training to the students with the latest technology. The students will also have an opportunity to visit the Jaquar field work.



Ms Punya Salila Srivastava, Principal Secretary along with former DTTE Director Manoj Kumar encouraged the staff and students. They visited the Electrical, Electronics, Motor Mechanics, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, COPA, Draughtsman Civil/Mechanical, Computer Hardware and Networking and other Departments in the campus. Electronic panels developed by the ITI students were appreciated. For the first time, Smart Boards are being used to facilitate teaching computer hardware and networking in classes.

Bid Farewell

Manoj Kumar, Director DTTE has been posted as the Chairman cum Managing Director of DTC. The DTTE officials gathered together on April 19 to bid farewell to the Director who served the office for over three years.



Skill Competition



The 54th State level Skill Competition was organized at ITI Pusa. DTTE Additional Director Vivek Kumar Tripathi giving away the prizes to the winners on April 6 at the IHM auditorium encouraged the organizers to work towards more participation. In all students from 19 ITIs from Delhi,

Puducherry and Chandigarh participated. Ms Suman Dhawan, Dy Director, DTTE emphasized the need for providing platforms to such budding talents where they can showcase their skills.

Blood Donation camp

A Blood Donation camp was organised at ITI Jail Road on April 19 with the help of GTB Hospital. The camp was inaugurated by DTTE Deputy Director Dr Suman Dhawan. Over 140 units of Blood were donated by the trainees and staff. A small exhibition of the innovative creations of the institute's Fashion Design Technology and Electronic Mechanic trade trainees was also organized.



Jashne-e-Khayal



Meera Bai Institute of Technology organised "Celebration of Thoughts: Jashne-e-Khayal" in collaboration with "Dilse: an Organisation working for the promotion of literary talents of budding laureates". The programme included, poetry

competition, lecture on poetry composing skills and Poetry recital. The objective was personality development through literary creation; promote literary talents and provide platform for the budding literary persons. Ms Sakshi Singh, 1st Year Diploma in Interior Design, Ms Sana Aslam Khan 2nd Year Diploma in Library and Information Science and Ms Tulika Mathur, 2nd Year Bachelor in Business Administration were adjudged first, second and third respectively.

Ambedkar Memorial Lecture



The Tenth Dr B R Ambedkar Memorial Lecture (AML), organised by Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD), was held on April 14 at India International Centre (IIC). Homi K Bhabha, the Anne F Rothenberg Professor of Humanities, Director of the Mahindra Humanities Center, and Senior Advisor to the President and Provost at Harvard University, delivered the lecture, titled, "The Burdened Life: Ambedkar, Arendt and the Perplexity of Rights," which threw light on the contemporary challenges of migration and rights in context of Ambedkar and Arendt's philosophies on equality and justice.

Prior to the lecture, Shyam B Menon, Vice Chancellor, AUD, welcomed the audience and marked the significance of the 10 years of the Ambedkar Memorial Lecture Series. A visual exhibit to commemorate the 10 years of the Ambedkar Memorial Lecture was also displayed in the outside foyer at IIC. At the event, the special volume as part of the 10 year Ambedkar Memorial Lecture retrospective was announced and, flyers of the same were circulated. This volume titled Conversations with Ambedkar, is being edited by Valerian Rodriguez, the Ambedkar Chair, at AUD. ■

NLU-Delhi Adjudged Second Among Law Institutions

NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY



The Ministry of Human Resource Development released the India Rankings 2018 (National Institute Ranking Framework) and the Report of Higher Educational Institutions on April 3 at Vigyan Bhawan.

National Law University, Delhi got the second rank in the law institutions category where more than 70 institutions participated. NLU, Delhi received a score of 74.58, which is only 1.21 behind the top-ranked institution and 3.63 more than the third rank institution.

It has scored the first position in the Teaching Learning and Resources category which evaluates the numbers and quality of faculty, library and lab resources and general facilities and second position in the Research and Professional Practice category which looks at the quantity and quality of research.

Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh was felicitated with a special award on this occasion by the Minister of HRD Prakash Javedkar. As a policy NLU, Delhi does not participate in any rankings conducted by commercial magazines and portals.

Gold Medal



Divyesh of Ambedkar Institute of Technology wins Gold Medal in 100 mtr and 200 mtr in Cerebral Palsy category at the National Games held at Nadiad in Gujarat. He has been selected for the World Games at Spain. ■

Capsule Course



A "Capsule Course on Legal Aspects & Legal Matters for the Officers of Central Economic Intelligence Bureau" was organised at National Law University on April 5. ■

DPSRU Signs MoU With Apollo Hospital DELHI PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES AND RESEARCH UNIVERSITY



A memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU) and Apollo Hospital Education and Research Foundation (AHERF) on April 16 by Prof Raman Dang, Registrar, DPSRU and Dr Gautam Kumar Saha

(Scientific Associates), AHERF. Vice Chancellor Prof Ramesh K. Goyal, Professor Nirmal Kumar Ganguly (President, AHERF), Dr Sanjeev Sharma, Dr Sunita Kumari, Dr Gautam, Prof DP Pathak, Director DIPSAR, Prof Harvinder Popli were present on the occasion.

The purpose of the partnership is to jointly develop a research centre of excellence in the areas of clinical research with good standards and values. In addition, the University will have various training programs jointly like Post-Graduate Diploma in Clinical Research.

On the occasion, Professor Nirmal Kumar Ganguly envisioned his thoughts, experience and facts of clinical research areas, interdisciplinary research with full commitment to the achievement and maintenance of excellence in education, research and healthcare for the benefit of humanity. The MoU will provide benefits to students through multi-dimensional programmes by the experienced faculty and Hospital-institute interaction coupled with latest tools and techniques namely as use of Bio-informatics tools for predictive models in diagnosis, prognosis, treatment and follow up, and validation of the same using experimental techniques that make them potential leaders. It will also initiate new joint educational and training programs of national need and relevance in the fields of Clinical Trials, Clinical Research and allied areas with assured placement in their chosen profession. The programme was coordinated by Dr Madhu Gupta.

Taping Techniques

A workshop for physiotherapy students was organized on April 16 on Hands-on Training about Taping Techniques. Dr Prahlad Priyadarshi (PT) Sports Physiotherapist in Sports authority of India, was invited as

resource person to teach and to give Hands-on Training about Taping Techniques. Dr Shilpa Jain coordinated the programme. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr Arun K.Agrawal, Member, Board of Governors, DPSRU.



Sri Lankan team visit

Pharmaceutical Society of Sri Lanka visited and had interaction with the staff and students of Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University (DPSRU) on April 27. Ms Chinta Abhayvardhan and Sudath Hewage expressed their desire to have a link between the national associations, WHO-SEARO and the federation of international pharmacists (FIP). The interaction created has unique relation between DPSRU and SEAR Pharm forum that ultimately lead to mutual benefit about research professionals and healthcare team.

Health Hack

DPSRU Innovation & Incubation Foundation (DIIF), with the support of CL Educate Ltd., Indian Pharmaceuticals Association (IPA), Delhi Branch and Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers of India has launched one of its kind health care hackathon "Health Hack" Solving Healthcare Issues on April 13 at DPSRU Campus. The pitching session was inaugurated by Prof Ramesh K Goyal.

Prof Goyal shared his vision and said that Health Hack is a platform where young innovators come together and create projects/innovations to solve health care issues in a short span of time. Prof Raman Dang welcomed all the experts, team members and participants.

Prof Harvinder Popli enlightened her view that the main objective of organizing the Health Hack was to promote innovation with an aim to create solutions to medical problems and barriers and boost in Healthcare sector through Technology Transfer and focus on High value production to provide world class affordable, acceptable and accessible health care products. ■

APP FOR 3D, VIEWING OF CT/MRI SCANS

IIIT-D Final year B Tech student Palash Bansal has made it possible to view CT and MRI images in a virtual reality environment through a software application. The project aims at helping schools and medical colleges teach anatomy and pathology to trainee doctors, performing surgical simulations apart from diagnostics.

The initiative, started as a research project, has now been packaged as a business model. Explaining the outcome of his project, Palash said, "With the development of computer science and technology, we are now able to even reconstruct three-dimensional models of the scans through complex algorithms and color them."

Bansal said his application RealVol, which would soon be incorporated, has taken this technology several steps ahead, enabling a person to see the same CT/MRI images in a Virtual Reality environment with complete 3-dimensional perception.

This Application RealVol also won 16th addition of Microsoft Imagine Cup India Finals, and he along with two other teams will represent India at the Imagine Cup finals in USA and compete for \$ 100,000 prize money and a mentoring session with Satya Nadella. Palash has been working on RealVol for over one-and-half-years under the guidance of Dr Ojaswa Sharma. ■





Aryabahatt IoT – at Shaw Auditorium – April 18



G B Pant IoT – at Sri Fort – April 16



Pusa IoT –at College Campus – April 19



Kasturba IoT – at Shaw Auditorium – April 19

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stipend of 1000 rupees per month". This gave me freedom to study well without any burden.

The 2 years at TRTC changed my life completely. We were given excellent education, accommodation and various opportunities to pick up a lot of technical and management skills. I got really good at tooling, manufacturing, drawings and management skills as we used to manage our own hostels. After TRTC, I worked for BPL as a design engineer for 6 months and joined DRDL in November 1987 under the directorship of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam. I was lucky to work under various great leaders and various projects at DRDL for the past 30 years. Currently, I am scientist-H grade and leading the Agni 5 project. The skills and knowledge I gained at TRTC really helped me grown as an engineer under DRDL. I am blessed with a very supportive wife and 2 sons. I have a responsibility towards my alma mater and I will be more than happy to help out any students at DITE to establish them in their career. (As told to Manoj Varghese)

Online Courses

National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL) is offering Online Engineering and Management courses For Faculty Members & Students. For details visit: <https://onlinecourses.nptel.ac.in/explorer>

The tentative course list can be found at the link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/e/2PACX-1vQrnLO4ocWndT_busWy_e9cpuYxYGg3Cc3THic_EB4EG6wvTx4yFpYxmzrl0BQ_rbrMEpL3jz8wvKMH/pubhtml

ITI Admissions

Online ITI Admissions will begin from June 1, 2018 and the last date is June 20, 2018. For more details visit <https://www.itidelhiadmissions.nic.in>

Polytechnic Admissions

CET exam will be held on May 26 and 27, 2018 for the selection of students for the 31 courses in 10 IoTs.

B.Voc Admissions

Online application forms for B.Voc courses for the Academic Year 2018-19 will be available from May 30, 2018. Any 12th (in any discipline)/ITI/Diploma pass out students can apply. For details visit www.ipu.ac.in

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Last Date : May 20, 2018

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