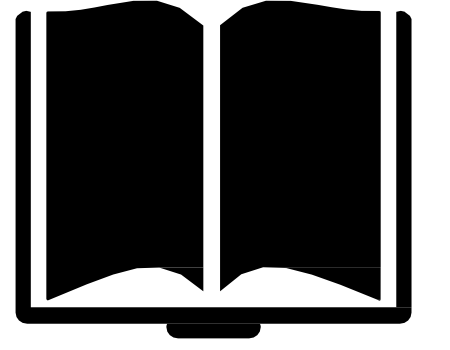




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Use the Pause to Prepare for Your Next Leap!

Dear Readers,

It is truly a pleasure to share this edition of our newsletter with you. Our department has been buzzing with energy, creativity, and enthusiasm, reflected through the numerous activities and events conducted throughout the semester.

From innovative competitions to socially impactful initiatives, our students have continuously stepped forward to learn, lead, and make a difference. These experiences go far beyond textbooks—they shape confidence, perspective, and purpose. I urge every student to stay curious, stay involved, and keep pushing boundaries. Remember, growth happens when you step out of your comfort zone and embrace new opportunities.

I encourage students to actively participate in such initiatives and utilize every opportunity to learn beyond the syllabus. Continuous engagement, curiosity, and consistent effort will undoubtedly pave the way for future success.

As you prepare to return for the next semester, let this thought inspire you:

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."



PROF. SONALI BORKAR
IN-CHARGE, FIRST YEAR ENGINEERING

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“Recognizing achievements, motivating dreams.”

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Scholar's Day



The Department of First Year Engineering organized 'Scholar's Day', a felicitation ceremony for the overall toppers of the December 2025 examinations, on 24th March 2026 at Vidyalankar Campus from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. The ceremony began by honoring toppers from Information Technology Engineering, followed by Computer Engineering, Electronics and Computer Science, Electronics and Telecommunications, and Biomedical. The event was well received by students, who expressed gratitude towards the management and faculty for organizing such a motivating and well-planned initiative.



Chemathon

The Chemathon held on 3rd April provided First-Year EXCS students with a platform to showcase innovative and sustainability-focused projects. The event enhanced creativity, teamwork, and practical understanding of chemistry concepts. It also encouraged students to think critically about real-world problems and develop innovative solutions. Overall, the event created an engaging and collaborative learning environment.



A visit to IIT Bombay and the Kala Ghoda Art Festival was organized for students to provide academic and cultural exposure. At IIT Bombay, students explored the campus and gained insights into innovation, research, and higher education. The Kala Ghoda Art Festival offered a vibrant experience of art installations and performances, encouraging creativity and a broader perspective. Overall, the visit was enriching and left a lasting impression on the students.



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Student's Speak

C, FE Electronics & Telecommunication

My journey from Semester 1 to Semester 2 has been enriching and transformative. Initially, everything felt new and overwhelming, but I gradually adapted to the vibrant campus environment and built meaningful friendships that made my college life enjoyable. The support from faculty has been exceptional, with approachable professors and effective teaching methods that made learning easier. The flexible assessment pattern reduced stress and allowed better understanding of subjects. Alongside academics, various events and activities provided opportunities to explore interests beyond the classroom. Active participation in clubs, committees, and events like hackathons helped me gain practical exposure and improve my problem-solving skills. Interactions with industry experts offered valuable insights into real-world applications. Facilities like the canteen and DEN added to a balanced and enjoyable college experience. This journey has also taught me the importance of time management, self-discipline, and stepping out of my comfort zone. Each experience, whether big or small, has contributed to building my confidence and shaping my perspective towards learning and growth. Overall, this journey has strengthened both my academic development, making it a truly memorable



Harshad Patankar, FE Computer Engineering

Completing the first two semesters of Computer Engineering at VIT has been both challenging and rewarding, shaping not only my technical skills but also my overall approach to learning. The institute's inspiring infrastructure, including the Innovation Lounge and well-equipped labs, provided excellent hands-on learning opportunities. The faculty have been highly supportive and approachable, encouraging us to go beyond the syllabus through hackathons and coding platforms. A vibrant coding culture, along with peer learning and active participation in clubs, created a motivating environment. Additionally, workshops, guest lectures, and technical events helped bridge the gap between theory and real-world applications.

This journey has also helped me develop important life skills such as discipline, teamwork, and problem-solving. Working on projects, participating in competitions, and interacting with peers and mentors have boosted my confidence and adaptability. Each experience has contributed to my growth, preparing me to take on future challenges with a more focused and determined mindset.

Overall, these experiences have built a strong academic and personal foundation, and I look forward to growing further and making the most of the opportunities ahead.



Aryan Chavan, FE Electronics & Computer Science

Stepping into VIT for my first semester was both exciting and filled with anticipation. The campus atmosphere was vibrant, encouraging both academic and personal growth. What stood out the most throughout both Semester 1 and Semester 2 was the unwavering support from the faculty. All the teachers were extremely cooperative and approachable, always ready to guide us whenever we faced difficulties.

Their teaching methods were clear, structured, and focused on building strong conceptual understanding. Whenever doubts arose, they ensured that every student's queries were addressed patiently and effectively. This made learning not just easier, but also more engaging and enjoyable.

The continuous encouragement and support from the faculty played a crucial role in this growth. Beyond academics, the overall experience at VIT helped me adapt to a new environment, manage responsibilities, and develop a more disciplined approach towards my goals.

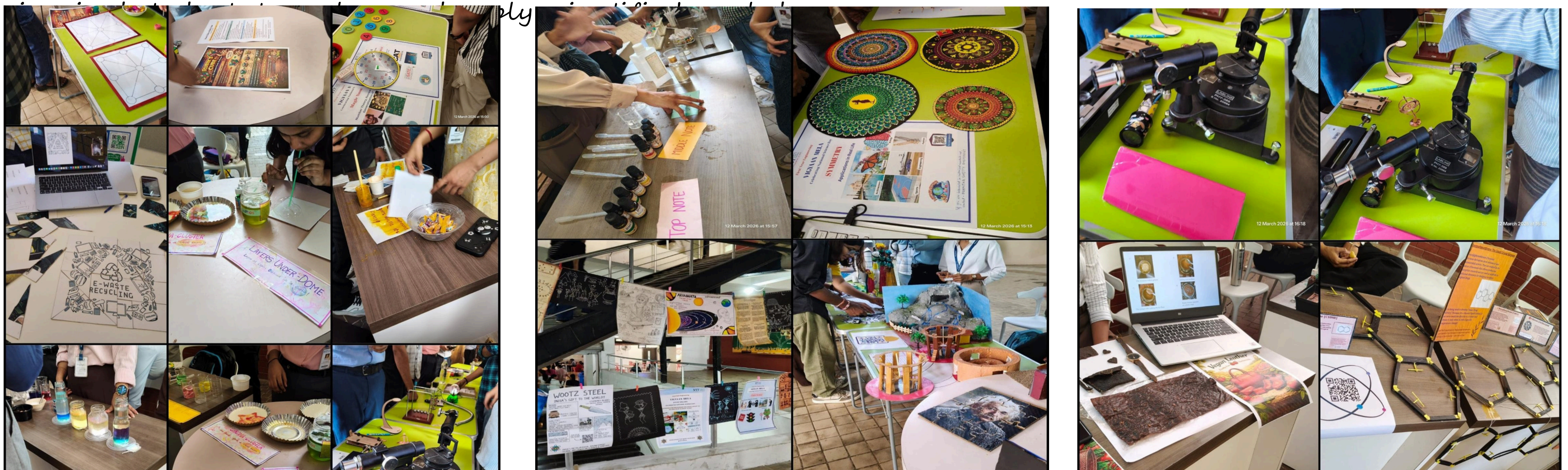
Looking back, my first year at VIT has been nothing short of excellent. It has been a journey filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences that have laid a strong foundation for the years ahead.



Departmental Activities

Vigyan Mela

The Vigyan Mela was organized at Vidyalandkar Institute of Technology on 12th March 2026 to celebrate National Science Day, with the theme "Exploring the Wonders of the Universe." The event aimed to promote scientific thinking, creativity, and practical learning among first-year students, where all subjects showcased their projects through models, experiments, and demonstrations. The mela included engaging activities such as games, puzzles, and live experiments, along with working models like solar chargers and generators, making learning interactive and enjoyable. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation and enhanced students' understanding, communication skills, teamwork, and problem-solving abilities. Overall, it was a successful initiative that



Faculty Achievements

Dr. Micky Barua authored a book titled "Particles of Consciousness: A Journey Through Life, Mind and the Universe" co-authored with Dr. Manish Rane. The ISBN No is 978-93-49196-51-3 and the year of Publication is 2026.

Dr Micky Barua authored research paper titled "A Digital Humanities Approach to Kalkatta" in International Journey of Advances in Engineering and Management.

Prof. Nilima Main and Mr. Arya Parab have been granted a UK Design Registration for their project "Rotatable Detachable Power Extension Board" by the Intellectual Property Office, UK (March 2026). This achievement highlights innovative, user-friendly design in electrical systems and reflects the global recognition of our department's research efforts.

Prof. Nilesh Ramakant Deokar, Assistant Professor at VIT, was awarded a Certificate of Participation for a Five-Day National Level FDP on Data Analysis using JAMOV. The program was conducted from 27th to 31st March 2026, enhancing his professional and analytical skills.

Dr. Leena Potdar & Prof. Aarti Koduri's research paper titled "Evaluating Innovative Pedagogical Approaches for Higher-Order Learning Outcomes in Communication Skills Course" was published in the international peer-reviewed journal JRSP-ELT (ISSN: 2456-8104), Volume 10, Issue 53, January 2026.

This publication highlights their contribution to advancing innovative teaching methodologies and enhancing higher-order learning outcomes in communication skills.

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