





From the Chancellor's Desk



Woxsen University represents a long-cherished vision to establish an institution of higher learning that transcends traditional education and redefines it through innovation. Our mission is to nurture well-rounded individuals who can apply their learning meaningfully, positively impacting society.

At Woxsen, excellence is pursued in every domain. We offer an environment where academic distinction is balanced with non-academic pursuits. Our world-class infrastructure comprises state-of-the-art learning spaces, advanced laboratories, a vast central library, and comprehensive sports and fitness facilities. This holistic approach ensures that

students thrive both academically and personally.

In today's rapidly evolving, interconnected world, we recognise the importance of a global outlook. With over 150 international partnerships spanning 40 countries, Woxsen integrates global best practices into its curriculum. Our commitment to meaningful research and impactful outcomes fosters a culture where students are encouraged to engage deeply in the research process.

We aim to cultivate an ecosystem that promotes independent thinking, creativity, innovation, diversity, and multiculturalism. We aim to develop socially responsible global citizens, ready to lead across business, society, and beyond. Our pedagogy bridges the gap between classroom theory and real-world application, equipping students with the skills and mindset necessary to tackle complex, real-life challenges.

At Woxsen, we encourage our students to channel their creativity and innovation toward expanding knowledge and driving meaningful research that translates into real-world benefits. Every member of the Woxsen community is united in our shared mission and vision, working collectively to redefine the landscape of higher education.

To our remarkable team, including faculty, marketing, placements, bridge, sports, gateway, security, food & beverage, operations, infrastructure, finance, and all other departments – their relentless dedication has been instrumental in

Woxsen's continued growth as a leader in education. Whether shaping young minds, driving innovation, or ensuring seamless operations, their contribution has been exceptional.

The whole team's collective efforts have led to significant milestones: outstanding student placements, cutting-edge infrastructure, and remarkable achievements in academics and research. Together, we have built a strong foundation for an even brighter future.

As we enter 2025, I reaffirm my unwavering commitment to positioning Woxsen University as a global brand synonymous with excellence in education and innovation. Over the past decade, I have devoted myself fully to building Woxsen into a world-class institution, and I remain steadfast in this mission. With the momentum we have created, we will continue striving for even greater heights. Our journey has just begun, and the best is yet to come.

Praveen K. Pula

Founder & Chancellor, Woxsen University

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ABO	DUT WOXSEN UNIVERSIT
	ABOUT WOXSEN UNIVERSITY



Woxsen University is a unique initiative designed to reimagine education and learning. Established in 2014 as a School of Business, Woxsen transformed into a university in 2020 and stands as a flagbearer among private universities in the young state of Telangana. It is driven by a strong belief in creating a highly invigorating knowledge platform that transcends traditional academic boundaries.

Woxsen's foundation rests on four pillars:



Academic Excellence,







Global Exposure,

Diversity & Inclusivity.



Pioneering new-age programs across various disciplines, Woxsen is creating robust platforms for learners to navigate change and embrace disruptive technology. Whether in

Management, Arts & Design, Technology, Architecture, Sciences, Liberal Arts & Humanities, or Law, Woxsen is spearheading a new paradigm in education—one built on adaptability and resilience.

The academic curriculum structure is built on five key elements:

- A. Internationalization
- B. Research
- C. Corporate Alignment
- D. ERS (Ethics, Responsibility, and Sustainability) / CSR
- E. Entrepreneurship / Career Progression

1.1 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS & FACULTY

Woxsen University (WOU) provides a diverse array of academic programs. The institution offers undergraduate, postgraduate, and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degrees across more than 12 disciplines, with approximately 2525 students enrolled in these programs. These range from conventional fields such as Engineering, Architecture, Management, and Law, to innovative areas like Blockchain Technology and Artificial Intelligence.

WOU is proud to have more than 500 qualified and dedicated faculty and staff members. In addition, the University engages around 60 distinguished visiting faculty members to ensure the delivery of high-quality education.

1.2 LAURELS AND DISTINCTIONS

> School of Business :

📌 Global Rankings

- 3 Palmes Excellent Business School Ed universal Business Schools Ranking 2024
- 101+, Top MBA in Business Analytics Program QS Business Master's World Ranking 2024
- 151+, Top MBA (General) Program QS Business Master's World Ranking 2024
- 151+, Top MBA in Financial Services Program QS Business Master's World Ranking 2024

📌 National Rankings

- **Best B-Schools Beyond IIMS** Dalal Street Investment Journal 2024
- #8, All India Top 50 State Private Universities Outlook ICare University Rankings 2024
- #11, All India Top 100 B-Schools Times B-School Ranking 2024
- #12, All India Top 130 BBA Institutes Outlook ICare 2024
- #14, All India Top 50 Schools of Eminence (Employability) IIRF 2024
- #20, Top B-schools in India Business World Ranking 2024
- #11, Top Private B-schools in India Business World Ranking 2024
- #3, Top 36 Private Universities Times B-School Ranking 2023
- #3, Top 20 South B-Schools Times B-School Ranking 2023

- Level 5, Top Global Pioneering School Positive Impact Rating 2023
- #12, All India Top Pvt. B-Schools IIRF 2023
- #15, All India Top Private B-Schools Business World Ranking 2023
- #16, Top 50 Business Schools for Research in India *IIRF 2023*
- #25, Top 50 State Private Universities Outlook ICare University Rankings 2023

School of Design :

📌 National Rankings

- #2, All India Top Pvt. Design School *IIRF 2024*
- #3, All India Top 25 Private Design Institutes Outlook ICare 2024

> School of Technology:

🖈 National Rankings

- #20, All India Top 160 Pvt. Engineering Institutes Outlook ICare 2024
- #28, All India Top Engineering Colleges Education World 2023
- #1, All India Top Emerging Engineering College Outlook ICare 2023

School of Architecture and Planning:

🖈 National Rankings

• #3, All India Top 30 Private Architecture Institutes – Outlook ICare 2024

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		#28, All India Top Engineering		
School of Technology	National	Colleges	Education World	2023
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School of Technology	National	Engineering College	Outlook ICare	2023
School of Architecture		#3, All India Top 30 Private		
& Planning	National	Architecture Institutes	Outlook ICare	2024
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1.3 <u>STUDENT ACTIVITIES</u>

Woxsen University remains committed to fostering a holistic educational experience by integrating academics with extracurricular activities, cultural engagements, global exposure, and leadership opportunities. Throughout the 2023–2024 academic year, the University hosted diverse student-led initiatives, workshops, conferences, and experiential learning programs that enriched campus life and nurtured students' intellectual, creative, and social skills.

A. Cultural and Academic Events

• Woxsen University hosted the "**Diplomats' Conclave**" on September 22nd and 23rd, featuring former ambassadors and civil servants discussing global issues and geopolitics. Notable attendees included J.K. Tripathi and Srikumar Menon.

KALEIDO X CHITRASTRA Film Festival

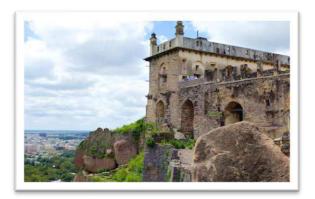


Organised by the Department of Communication Design, this twoday film festival celebrated creativity, storytelling, and cinematic expression. The event brought together aspiring filmmakers, artists, and creative minds to showcase their work, participate in interactive sessions, and engage with industry professionals. The campus

transformed into a hub of artistic innovation, enabling students to explore the intersection of visual storytelling and media arts.

• Heritage Walk at Golconda Fort

Hosted by the School of Liberal Arts and Humanities, these immersive heritage walks, held on October 6, 2024, allowed students to experience Hyderabad's rich cultural and historical legacy. The walk offered an insightful journey through the architectural marvels, historical narratives, and cultural significance of the Golconda



Fort, fostering a deeper appreciation for history and heritage conservation.

• The three-day **Infinity Fest of 2024** started off with a bang, featuring interesting workshops, wild performances, thought provoking lectures, an explosive night of DJ beats, and most importantly, the food stalls. Amidst the celebrations, a long queue of people gathered at the Haleem stand, which served the stew to an eagerly awaited crowd of customers throughout the entire fest.

"Vigyanshala" Celebrating National Science Day Event-2024

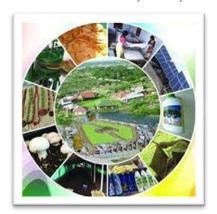


The "Vigyanshala" event was organized on 27-28th February 2024. The National Science Day Project Expo at Woxsen University, themed "Indigenous Technologies for Vikshit Bharat," was a resounding success. The showcased projects showcased remarkable innovation, reflecting the students' technical prowess. The

National Science Day quiz and sit-and-draw competitions were enlightening, encouraging both knowledge exploration and creative expression.

• Rural Tech Park Visit

On December 20, 2024, students visited the Rural Technology Park at NIRDPR,



Hyderabad. This visit aimed to provide insights into sustainable rural development, innovative technological solutions tailored for rural India, and the role of technology in enhancing rural livelihoods. Students interacted with experts, researchers, and practitioners, gaining valuable perspectives on rural entrepreneurship, sustainable infrastructure, and grassroots innovation.

B. Workshops and Conferences

- School of Law organized the international conference "Apprise 2024" on April 8th, highlighting women's contributions in STEM and STEAM fields. Key speakers included Dr. Joseph Muscat, Mrs. Michelle Muscat, H.E. Mr. Reuben Gauci, Dr. Jikyeong Kang, Ms. Helke Carvalho Hernandes, and Ms. Prajkta Malve.
- On February 20th and 21st, 2024, School of Law hosted an International Conference on Comparative Analysis of Sentencing Policy: India and Global Perspective.

Design Vanguard 2024



Design Vanguard 2024 organized by the School of Arts & Design, marked a significant milestone as Hyderabad's first comprehensive design show, orchestrated by the School of Arts and Design in collaboration with T-Works. Held in April 2024, the event attracted a diverse audience exceeding 450 individuals, including government officials, corporate leaders,

celebrities, parents, designers, and NGO founders.

• ADoBE'24: Enhancing Urban Experience of a University Campus



ADoBE'24, an international workshop, commenced on June 8, 2024, focusing on urban sustainability, architectural resilience, and peoplecentric city planning. Participants—including students, faculty, and industry professionals—engaged in discussions and hands-on activities to explore solutions for making university campuses more inclusive, green, and innovative.

- School of Liberal Arts and Humanities successfully organised an international conference on **War**, **Capitalism**, and the **Developing World** in a virtual mode.
- James Stoner and School of Business organized a Conference on "Empowering Tomorrow's Leaders: Integrating Sustainability into Higher Education".
- 5-Days Workshop on "Generative AI for Digital Marketing"

School of Sciences organized a five-day workshop, "Generative AI for Digital Marketing," from February 12th to 19th, 2024, with sponsorship from the Ministry of MSME, Hyderabad.

C. Student Clubs and Leadership Councils

• Student Council 2023–24

The Student Council played a pivotal role in organising and leading various studentdriven initiatives throughout the academic year. The council collaborated with faculty, administration, and student organisations to ensure an engaging and inclusive campus environment. Their efforts led to a series of successful events, leadership programs, social impact projects, and community-building activities.

• Lingo – Communications Club

Recognising the importance of effective communication in both professional and personal growth, Woxsen University launched *Lingo – The Communications Club*. The club encourages students to develop public speaking, storytelling, debate, and

interpersonal communication skills through workshops, panel discussions, and interactive events.

• Skribble Club

• Paparazzi Photography

Club Genesis

Club Genesis nurtures creativity and ideation, encouraging students to embark on entrepreneurial and tech-centric journeys that shape the future.

CROWDCORE

CROWDCORE is Woxsen's Urban Design & Planning club, focusing on crowd dynamics, spatial design, and innovative solutions for real-world social systems.

• Aesthetrix Architecture

Aesthetrix is the hub for aspiring architects, merging aesthetics with practical design thinking through workshops, model-making, and guest lectures.

- Spectrum Science
- The Literature Club
- Animal Welfare

D. Summer Programs

• Woxsen Summer Program (WSP)

The Woxsen Summer Program (WSP) provided students with a unique opportunity to experience university life, interdisciplinary learning, and hands-on industry exposure. Participants explored seven diverse academic domains, attended expert-led sessions, and took part in field excursions to locations such as:

- o **T-Hub:** India's largest startup incubator, offering insights into the world of entrepreneurship and innovation.
- o **State Gallery of Art:** A deep dive into India's contemporary and traditional art forms, fostering artistic exploration.
- o *Heritage Jail Museum*: A historical visit that connected students with India's past, law, and governance structures.

This program allowed students to network, gain practical exposure, and refine their academic and career interests.

E. International Collaborations & Exchange Programs

Woxsen University continued to expand its global footprint by offering students international exposure through a range of exchange programs, study abroad opportunities, dual-degree pathways, and faculty collaborations. These initiatives aimed to provide students with:



- Cross-cultural learning experiences by studying at renowned international universities.
- Access to global faculty and industry leaders, enhancing academic and professional perspectives.
- Opportunities for research, internships, and collaborative projects in different countries.

Commitment to Holistic Development

Through these activities, Woxsen University has reaffirmed its commitment to providing students with an education that goes beyond textbooks. The institution continues to emphasise experiential learning, leadership development, cultural awareness, and social responsibility, ensuring that students graduate as well-rounded, industry-ready, and socially conscious individuals.

Woxsen University has also remained steadfast in its commitment to cutting-edge research and development (R&D), fostering academic innovation, technological advancement, and interdisciplinary collaboration. The 2023–2024 academic year witnessed remarkable progress in research output, global partnerships, and the establishment of specialised centres, positioning the University as a hub for intellectual growth and scientific inquiry.

1.4 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

A. Establishment of Centres of Excellence (CoEs)

Woxsen University has significantly expanded its research ecosystem through the creation of multiple Centres of Excellence (CoEs) across various disciplines. These centres serve as think tanks for interdisciplinary research, enabling faculty, students, and industry professionals to collaborate on innovative solutions to contemporary challenges.

The University boasts:

- 15 CoEs at the university level, facilitating cross-disciplinary research.
- 26 faculty-led CoEs, focusing on specialised domains.
- 21 student-led CoEs, fostering early-stage research and entrepreneurship.

Each CoE is dedicated to advancing knowledge in high-impact areas, including sustainable development, artificial intelligence, business analytics, financial technology, and healthcare innovation.

B. Advancements in Artificial Intelligence Research

The AI Research Centre at Woxsen University is at the forefront of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) innovations. The centre conducts both fundamental and applied research in AI, robotics, computer vision, and natural language processing (NLP), with a special focus on:

- AI in Business Strategy Developing predictive models for decision-making.
- AI in Healthcare Enhancing diagnostics and treatment plans using machine learning.
- Metaverse & Virtual Reality (VR) Exploring immersive experiences in education and training.

The University provides state-of-the-art computational resources to support high-impact AI research and development projects.

1.5 <u>International Conferences</u>

A. International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Knowledge Processing (AIKP 2024)

Hosted by the School of Business, AIKP 2024 brought together renowned AI researchers, industry professionals, and academicians to explore the latest advancements in artificial intelligence (AI), data science, and knowledge processing.

Key Highlights:

- Panel discussions on AI-driven business intelligence, ethical AI, and future technological disruptions.
- Research paper presentations by global scholars, focusing on AI applications in finance, healthcare, and education.
- Workshops on AI ethics and policy frameworks, equipping students and researchers with essential tools for responsible AI governance.

B. 2nd International Conference on Digitalisation, Innovation, Transformation, and Sustainability (DigITS 2024)

DigITS 2024 revisited existing narratives around digitalisation, sustainability, and business transformation. Hosted by Woxsen University, the conference facilitated critical discussions on building responsible businesses through policy innovation, technological advancements, and sustainability-driven strategies.

Key Focus Areas:

- Sustainable business models in a digital-first economy.
- Innovation-led transformation in corporate governance and financial markets.
- Digital disruption in traditional industries such as banking, healthcare, and retail.

C. International Conference on Architecture & Design of Built Environment (ADoBE'24)

Organised by the School of Architecture & Planning, ADoBE'24 addressed pressing challenges in urban planning, architectural resilience, and environmental sustainability.

Key Sessions Included:

- Smart city design and urban infrastructure planning.
- Sustainable materials and eco-friendly construction technologies.
- Case studies on architectural interventions in disaster-prone regions.
- Collaborations with global architects and urban designers to reimagine the future of university campuses.

1.6 Specialised Workshops & Technical Training Programs

A. Future Tech Summit 2024

Hosted by the AI Research Centre at Woxsen University, this two-day summit served as a dynamic platform for knowledge exchange among academicians, industry leaders, and technology enthusiasts.

Themes Explored:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI), Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), and the Internet of Things (IoT).
- Emerging technologies in healthcare, fintech, and real estate.
- Hands-on demonstrations of AI-driven predictive models and automation tools.

• Strengthening industry-academia collaborations to bridge research with real-world applications.

B. ADoBE'24 Post-Conference Workshops

Following the ADoBE'24 Conference, Woxsen University conducted a series of specialised workshops to provide participants with practical skills and hands-on learning experiences.

Key Areas of Focus:

- Sustainable architectural paradigms and innovative urban planning models.
- 3D modelling and digital fabrication techniques in contemporary architecture.
- Climate-responsive design methodologies tailored for urban environments.

C. World Intellectual Property Day 2024 – Patent Drafting Workshop

Organised by the Research and Development Cell (R&D Cell), this workshop offered comprehensive training in patent laws, drafting strategies, and intellectual property (IP) commercialisation.

Expert Speaker:

- **Ms. Pooja Shah**, a prominent patent and trademark attorney, led an interactive session covering:
 - o Patent filing and prosecution procedures in India and internationally.
 - Strategies for protecting innovation in the digital era.
 - o The role of IP in business development and research commercialization.

1.7 <u>Lecture Series & Thought Leadership Initiatives</u>

A. Woxsen Leadership Series

An exclusive platform designed to connect students with global thought leaders, policymakers, and industry visionaries.

Featured Guest Lecturers:

- **Prof. Vijay Govindarajan** (Dartmouth College, USA) Spoke on *Innovation in Emerging Markets*.
- **Dr. Cary Cooper** (University of Manchester, UK) Conducted a session on *Workplace Psychology and Leadership in the AI Era*.



• Industry experts from **Tesla**, **Google**, and **McKinsey & Co.** – Shared insights on technological disruption and strategic foresight in business management.

B. Dean's Lecture Series

Curated to nurture intellectual curiosity and interdisciplinary thinking among students, the Dean's Lecture Series featured in-depth academic sessions and mentorship opportunities.

Key Highlights:

- Interdisciplinary discussions on business analytics, sustainability, and AI-powered decision-making.
- Panel discussions on leadership, innovation, and entrepreneurship in evolving markets.
- Exclusive mentorship sessions with global faculty and leading research scholars.

1.8 Impact and Outcomes

Through its wide array of conferences, workshops, seminars, and lecture series, Woxsen University has:

- Successfully bridged the gap between academia and industry, offering students real-world exposure and hands-on learning.
- Enhanced research productivity by fostering partnerships with international universities and industry leaders.
- Promoted knowledge dissemination through interactive platforms, networking events, and collaborative learning experiences.
- Strengthened its global academic presence, positioning Woxsen University as a pioneering institution in research, innovation, and business education.

With a strong emphasis on intellectual discourse, research excellence, and global engagement, Woxsen University continues to shape forward-thinking leaders, researchers, and entrepreneurs equipped to thrive in a rapidly transforming world.

Chapter II
GOVERNANACE OF THE
UNIVERSITY

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2.1 <u>LEADERSHIP TEAM</u>



Mr. Praveen K. Pula Chancellor

Mr. Vishal Khurma
CEO





Dr. Raul V. Rodriguez
Vice-President

Dr. Krishna Chalam Vice-Chancellor



2.2 GOVERNING BODY



Mr. Praveen K. Pula Chancellor



Mr. Vishal Khurma CEO



Dr. Raul V. Rodriguez Vice-President



Dr. Krishna Chalam, Vice-Chancellor



Dr. M. Rammohan Rao Former Director, IIM Bangalore



Ms. Shobha Dixit Director, ALPLA India



Mr. Sridhar Gadhi Founder & Exec. Chairman, Quantela



Ms. Ratna Rakhi Pula Trustee, Woxsen University



Ms. Daisy Chittilapilly President, Cisco India & SAARC (XLRI, Jamshedpur)



Ms. Revathy Ashok Co-Founder, Strategy Garage (IIM Bangalore)



Dr. Yogita Rana IAS,
Secretary to the Government (Education Department)



Ms. Anisha Singh Founder, She Capital (American University, US)



Mr. Yves Leterme Former Prime Minister, Belgium



Dr. Adity Saxena Dean- School of Arts & Design, Woxsen University



Mr. Abhishek Vaidya Deputy General Manager Woxsen University (Dual Gold Medallist | Mannheim Business School | Woxsen University)

2.3 ACADEMIC ADVISORY BOARD



Dr. M. Rammohan Rao Former Director, IIM Bangalore (Carnegie Mellon, US)



Dr. Vishnuprasad Nagadevara Dean Emeritus, Woxsen School of Business



K. Venkataramanan Former CEO & MD, Board Member, Larson & Toubro



Dr. A.H.Kalro Former Director, IIM Kozhikode



Leena Gandhi Tewari Chairperson, USV Limited



Prashant Tewari Managing Director, USV Limited

	Chapter III
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3.1 Global Engagements & Strategic Partnerships

Woxsen University continues to expand its global footprint through a series of high-impact academic partnerships, strategic alliances, international programs, and diplomatic engagements. These initiatives strengthen the university's global presence and reaffirm its commitment to fostering internationalisation in higher education.

A. Most Recent Academic Partnerships

Woxsen University has formalised collaborations with several prestigious institutions across the globe. These partnerships enable faculty and student exchange, collaborative research, dual-degree opportunities, and cross-border academic innovation.

New Partner Institutions (2023–2024):

- Universidad Surcolombiana, Colombia
- University of Huddersfield, United Kingdom
- Birmingham City University, United Kingdom
- Riga Technical University, Latvia
- Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, Ghana
- Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Spain
- University of Ghana, Ghana
- Bowie State University, United States
- Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile
- Universidad Antonio de Nebrija, Spain
- Hult International Business School, London, United Kingdom
- Waseda Business School (Graduate School of Business and Finance), Japan

B. Academic Talent and International Engagement Metrics

Woxsen University takes pride in hosting a diverse and distinguished academic community that enhances its research and teaching ecosystem.

- Chair Professors: 77
- Distinguished Professors: 74
- Emeritus Professors: 12
- Adjunct Professors: 177

- Visiting Thought Leaders: 6
- Executive Fellows: 289
- Student Exchange Outgoing: 70 students
- **Student Exchange Incoming:** 45 students

C. International Programs, Conferences & Summits

Woxsen's faculty and students actively participated in academic forums across **45 countries**, representing a wide array of disciplines with a strategic emphasis on artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) applications across various industry domains.

Key International Engagements:

- House of Diplomats Special Episodes:
 - o Hosted Mr. Alberto Guani, Ambassador of Uruguay in India.
 - o Hosted His Excellency Mr. Federico Salas, Ambassador of Mexico to India.
 - Hosted His Excellency Mr. Jason Hall, High Commissioner of Jamaica in India.

Distinguished Visits:

- Mr. MJ Akbar, Former Minister of State for External Affairs, Government of India, visited the campus and lauded the university's academic excellence and student quality.
- Dr. Kiran Bedi, Former Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry and India's first woman IPS officer, delivered a keynote address during a special edition of Future You Talks.
- His Excellency Dr. Joseph Muscat, Former Prime Minister of Malta, accompanied by Mrs. Michelle Muscat, Former First Lady, and Mr. Reuben Gauci, High Commissioner of Malta in India, attended the *Apprise 2024* conference.

Strategic Collaborations:

- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed with the National Research University of Electronic Technology (MIET), a premier institution in Russia, to promote joint research and academic exchange.
- Woxsen University has officially joined the **BRICS+** Universities Association, a prominent international alliance connecting leading higher education institutions from BRICS countries and other emerging economies, including Argentina, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.

Media Recognition:

• Woxsen University was featured in **Galicia Confidential**, the most-read newspaper in the Galician language, highlighting the institution's growing global visibility and academic impact.

Chapter IV	
RESEARCH	

4.1 RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

A. SCOPUS & RESEARCH METRICS

- Total SCOPUS-Indexed Articles: 800+
- H-Index: 34
- Total Citations: 6,500+
- Patents Published: 130+
- Patents Granted: 05+
- Designs Registered: 35+
- **Designs Granted:** 07+
- Faculty-led CoEs: 28
- Student-led CoEs: 27
- CoEs Partnered with Universities: 11
- CoEs Partnered with Industry: 11

B. AI Research Centre of Excellence – Output Overview

- Journal Articles: 20
- International Conference Papers: 08
- Books Published: 15
- Book Chapters: 24
- Patents Filed: 07
- Articles in Magazines & Blogs: 39
- Completed In-house Projects: 11
- Ongoing Projects: 10
- Consultancy Projects in POC Stage: 03 (Valued at ₹34 Lakhs)
- MOUs with Industry Partners: 04
- MOUs with International Universities: 05
- Short-Term Courses Launched: 08

C. International AI Events

- 1. One-Week Short-Term Course on Advanced Technologies in Healthcare (with Deeplearning.ai)
- 2. Future Fronts Metaverse Hackathon (with Venus Venture & Scubaverse)
- 3. Short-Term Course on Building Emotional Intelligence
- 4. 3rd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence & Knowledge Processing (AIKP'23) (with University of St. Thomas, USA)
- 5. *Think Tank Thrive* Ideathon on Industry Challenges (with Almaty Management University & Astana IT University, Kazakhstan)
- 6. Future Tech Summit 2023 (with Johannesburg Business School, South Africa)

D. AI Awards & Initiatives

- Secured **3rd Place** in *AI4SDG* at GBSN Beyond 2023
- Launched Woxsen AI Policy Taskforce and AI Assessment for Higher Education
- Developed a Generative AI & Metaverse App for experiential learning
- Faculty trained on Metaverse; hosted Woxsen Metaverse Odyssey for SDG awareness
- Completed the IT Empowerment Initiative by the School of Business
- Submitted 4 Research Grant Applications
- Two New Book Proposals Accepted (Healthcare & Neuromarketing)
- Launching the **Woxsen Insights Network (WIN)** on July 1 under AIRC a podcast and interview series aimed at deep-diving into research-driven knowledge sharing

4.2 <u>CENTRE FOR LANGUAGES AND MULTICULTURAL COMMUNICATION</u> (CLMC)

- Signed MoU with Linguapax International, Barcelona, Spain
- MoU signed with **UNESCO Chair of World Linguistic Heritage**, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), Spain
- Hosted the **Inaugural Symposium** of CLMC featuring keynote by **Dr. Imtiaz Hasnain**, Maulana Azad Chair Professor, MANUU

	Chapter V
C	CORPORATE ALIGNMENT

5.1 Engagement Overview

• MDP & Projects in Pipeline: ₹1.4 Crore

• Industry Guest Sessions: 26

• Corporate Executive Fellows: 293

• Professors of Practice: 63

• Industry Visits (Domestic & International): United Breweries, Recykal, TCS, Titan, Skyroot

• Woxsen Corp Hub Consulting: Launched

• Industry MOUs Signed: 40

• **Industry Partners:** Fortune 100 (9), Fortune 500 (24), Startups (7)

5.2 Signature Events

- Woxsen Global Executive Summit 2023
- Infinity 2023
- **Dinner With CEO** 23 February 2024
- **Masterclass by Prof. James Stoner** 9 February 2024
- School of Business Marketing Conclave 28 February 2024
- **Dinner with Former PM of Malta** 8 April 2024, attended by 9 CXO-level corporate leaders

5.3 <u>Industry Projects / Training / Consultancy / MDP Initiatives</u>

Organization Name	Project Type	Project Area
Amara Raja Design Alpha	MOU pitched	Jt. Research, internship
College of Defence Management	MOU submitted	Academic collaboration, research projects.
KJOC Global LLP	MDP Planned	Price Optimizations & AI and Chat GPT
		for Excel
Western Coalfields Limited	MDP Planned	Design Thinking & Strategic Management
Elico Healthcare Services	MOU	On skill-building measures
Recykal	MOU	Jt. Research and skill building & case
		study building
Re sustainability Ltd	MOU	Jt. Research and skill building & case
		study building

Chapter VI

ETHICS, RESPONSIBILITY & SUSTAINABILITY (ERS)

Woxsen University's social wing has made a meaningful impact on **6,465 individuals**, including children, women, and rural residents across **14 underserved communities** in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh over the past year. Our ERS initiatives reflect our unwavering commitment to inclusive growth and social transformation.

Key ERS Initiatives:-

- Environmental Awareness Program: Conducted by the School of Liberal Arts & Humanities for Class X students, focusing on sustainability and biodiversity (March 7, 2024).
- **Social Infrastructure Project**: Renovation of the Kamkole hostel for socially marginalised boys, led by the TRY Rural Entrepreneurship initiative.
- **Skill Development**: Soft skills and job readiness training for students at the Government Social Welfare Degree College, Budhera.
- Community Healthcare: Dental check-up camp hosted by the School of Technology in partnership with Roy's Dental Care, Sangareddy (February 7, 2024).
- Educational Support: Distribution of stationery and resources to three government primary schools and one Anganwadi center in Medak District.
- Social Justice Day Celebration: Organised by the School of Law, dedicated to empowering young girls at the Government Girls School, Sadasivpet.
- Women Empowerment & SDG 5: Conducted by the School of Sciences to raise awareness and support women's safety and leadership.
- Menstrual Health Advocacy: Launch of "Breaking the Silence" project by the School of Arts & Design, promoting workplace inclusivity and menstruation awareness.

Highlights:-



On 8th August 2023, three students from school of humanities visited Allapur for the initiative of spotlight on village. Sarpanch Ankarpalli Nagalakshmi administrates the local governing body, the gram panchayat, in the charming village of Allapur, that has a population of 650 inhabitants. The "Spotlight on Village" initiative's visit to Allapur on August 8th, 2023, illuminated the exceptional leadership of Sarpanch Ankarpalli Nagalakshmi and the unwavering spirit of the

village's residents. Despite resource constraints, Nagalakshmi's innovative approach and deep

commitment have driven transformative changes, from infrastructure development to environmental initiatives and educational engagement. The interaction with MPPS Allapur students showcased their eagerness for learning and their potential for growth. Through this initiative, Allapur stands as an inspiring example of how dedicated individuals and resilient communities can create meaningful progress, serving as a guiding light for other similar villages facing developmental challenges in rural India.

Kamkole School-Sports Fest:

The school management of Government high School-Kamkole had approached us, expressing their desire to organize an Independence Day sports competition for their students at our university campus due to lack of sports facilities at their school.

As our university actively support the UN SDGs, organising sports meet at our campus is in line with the UN SDG 4 (Quality Education) and UN SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), we believe that this collaboration will provide a fantastic platform for the students of Government High School-Kamkole to showcase their sporting talents and promote physical activity. Woxsen Kirda Sports club coordinated the event and made it a success.

Sports event: Volleyball, kabaddi, throwball, cricket and football

Program date: 7-9/08/2023 (3 days)

Timings: 1.00PM-4.00PM (3hrs each day)
Participants: 300 students (100 students per day)

Woxsen Students Participated: 20





ERS- Session on Child Rights:

On 22nd December 2023, as part of ERS Activity, School of Law, Woxsen University visited ZPHS Kamkole and conducted awareness program on Right to Health and Right to Education between 11am to 12pm. We were given 9th Standard classroom to conduct the event. Along with the Faculty Dr.Ajoy Jose, two first semester law student volunteers namely Sanskruthi Reddy and Sathvik Reddy joined for the event. Human Rights are universal rights of all human

beings, regardless of race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, or other status. Every human being has the right to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health.





Empower Her Wellness

The "Swasthya Mela," organized by the School of Sciences in collaboration with Olive Hospital, took place on April 30, 2024. This health-centric event aimed to prioritize the well-being of Woxsen University's Group D employees by providing comprehensive medical assistance and resources. With a focus on fostering a culture of health and resilience, the day was structured to offer a wide range of activities and services tailored to enhance participants' health awareness and practices.

The inclusion of comprehensive medical tests and health assessments at "Swasthya Mela" underscored the event's commitment to prioritizing the well-being of Woxsen University's Group D employees. By offering a range of tests and screenings, the medical camp provided participants with essential information about their health statuses, empowering them to make informed decisions and take proactive steps towards healthier lifestyles. As we reflect on the success of Swasthya Mela, we recognize the significance of these medical tests in promoting health awareness and fostering a culture of wellness within the Woxsen community.





> Street Cause Woxsen's & Finance Studio Heartwarming Initiative at Kamkole Boys Hostel:

On April 21, 2024, Street Cause Woxsen & Finance Studio organized a heartwarming initiative to give back to the community. Around the vicinity of the campus of Woxsen University, is where the Kamkole Government Hostel is situated where we distributed essential items and joy.

Key Takeaways: We distributed essential items including clothes, stationery, chocolates, sports facilities, and shoes to Kamkole Boys Hostel residents.

- Engagement & Participation: The initiative saw active participation from the MBA batch of 2022-2024 and support from Dr Prasad Padmanabhan's Finance Studio and Dr Bjorn Espen Eckbo FinWiz Woxsen.
- Impact & Outcomes: Through collective effort, the initiative made a meaningful impact on the lives of those in need, highlighting the spirit of compassion and empathy.

• Conclusion and Follow-up Plan:

Street Cause Woxsen's initiative at Kamkole Boys Hostel was a success, thanks to the generous contributions and support from the MBA batch of 2022-2024, Dr Prasad Padmanabhan's Finance Studio, and Dr Bjorn Espen Eckbo FinWiz Woxsen. This event exemplifies the power of collective action and the importance of giving back to our communities.





> Session on cleanliness, Hygiene and Sanitation :-

By 42nd Amendment in the Constitution of India Article 48A was added to DPSP which mentions 'To protect and improve the environment and to safeguard forests and wildlife' whereas by the same Amendment a duty was also casted upon the citizens under Article 51A, to 'Protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wildlife and to have compassion for living creatures'.

On 24th January 2024, as part of ERS Activity, School of Law, Woxsen University visited near Panchayat Raj Office Kamkole and conducted awareness program about adverse effects on health due to negligence of cleanliness, Hygiene and Sanitation. Along with the Faculty Prof. Ummul Waraah and Prof. Nehal Ahmad, three first semester law student volunteers Lokesh, Sharath and Harshini (I Sem BBALLB(Hons)) joined for the event.

The idea was to create an understanding among the targeted group for making a rightful choice in day-to-day life in accordance with the sustainability principles enshrined in our constitution.

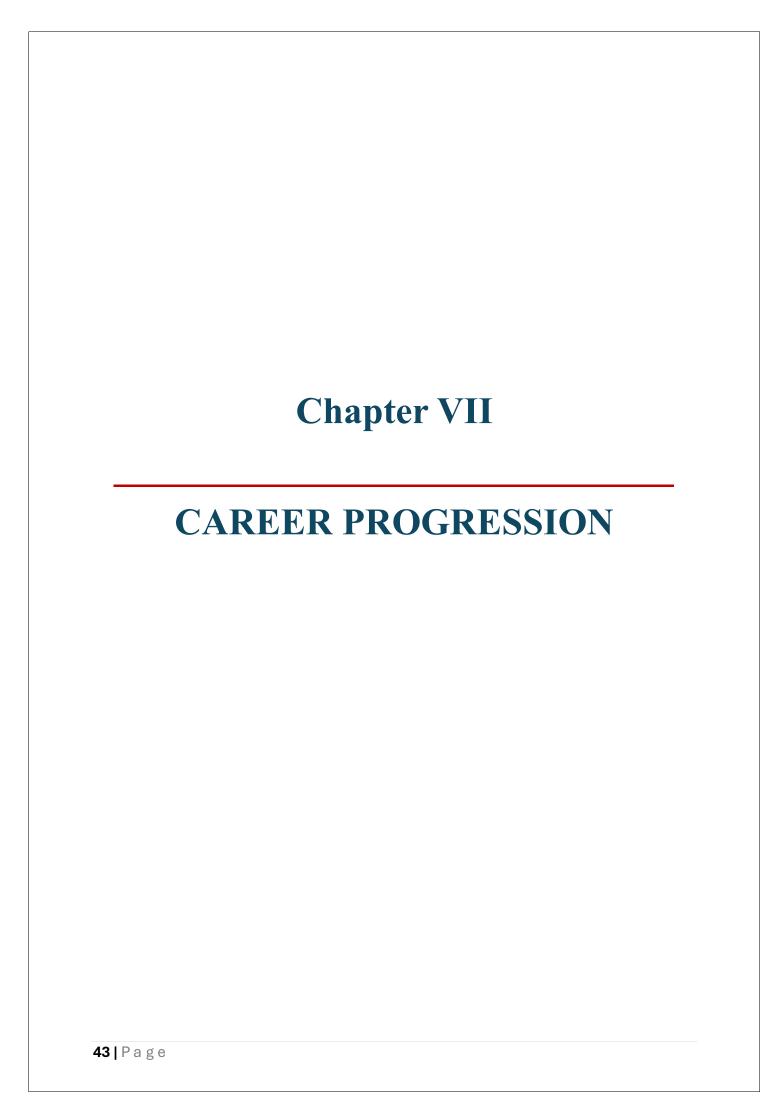




> Arts & Crafts session for Children of Labor workers :-

Organized weekly by the School of Architecture & Planning, the students indulged the manual worker's (NCC) children with multiple activities. This month, on 4th May 2024, Saturday, the students indulged the kids with the finger painting. Following are few pictures of the activity.





7.1 Entrepreneurial Development – Trade Tower

Woxsen's **Trade Tower** continues to nurture entrepreneurial excellence:

- MSME Grant: Secured ₹1.45 Cr from the Ministry of MSME, Govt. of India, for projects by Prof. Dhruma Bhavsar, Ms. Avani Reddy, and Ms. Charu Dhyani.
- Entrepreneurship Workshops: Organised *IDEATIA: Idea Generation Workshop* and *Innovative Business Idea Workshop* (February 22, 2024) in collaboration with Sahyogh Club.
- **Thought Leadership Series**: Launched *Talks from the Top* to bridge the gap between ideation and startup creation.
- **Student Engagement**: Hosted a session on entrepreneurial mindset for students from Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Institute of Management Technology.
- **Startup Ecosystem**: Signed **30+ MoUs** with emerging startups and industry mentors for incubation and guidance.

7.2 Placement Readiness & Highlights

What makes Woxsen students' industry-ready?

- 150+ Industry Exposure Sessions including leadership series, conclaves, and guest lectures.
- Career Connect Services: Personalised career mentoring by a dedicated coach throughout the academic program.
- **Skill Development**: Regular workshops run by the Placement Preparation Team.
- **Industry-Academia Integration**: Ongoing collaboration to develop customized training modules and centralized content repositories.

Placement Outcomes

Program	Highest Package	Average Package
B. Tech (2020–24)	₹ 24,00,000	₹ 8,08,000
MBA (2022–24)	₹ 19,00,000	₹ 9,10,000
B. Des (2020–24)	₹ 12,00,000	₹ 7,25,000
BBA (2021–24)	₹ 9,00,000	₹ 6,40,000

7.3 Student Achievements

- **Abhinav Kolla**: Won *Best Animated Short Film* for *BAND* at the Indo-French International Film Festival.
- Sreeja Rayab: Secured sponsorship from *The Saga* for an international fashion competition.
- Octaves Band (led by Rajendra Meshram Mudhur): Runners-up at *Battle of Bands* hosted by Mahindra University.
- Generative AI Certification: Students received certification via Microsoft's specialised AI program.
- Architecture Heritage Award: SoAP students secured second place in the *Council of Architecture's Excellence Awards*.
- **Design Registration**: Granted to Manikya Sai Tejaswini V and Anthima Ram for their innovative design work.

Hackathon Success:

- o B.Tech. 2nd-year students: First Runners-Up at *Hard War 2.0*, UPES, Dehradun.
- o Other B.Tech. teams achieved top honours at the national-level hackathon by the Oriental Institute of Science & Technology, Bhopal.

7.4 School Wise Achievements

A. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The School of Business (SoB) at Woxsen University has witnessed a year of **remarkable milestones**, international representation, and influential thought leadership across global platforms.

> Highlights of the Year

Global Media Recognition

Prof. Syed Hasan, Associate Dean, featured in an exclusive interview with **Asharq News**, Saudi Arabia, sharing insights on contemporary business education and leadership.

• Advisory Board Engagements

- Hosted the 2024 In-Person International Advisory Board Meeting, concurrently with the Entrepreneurial Excellence Summit.
- Organized the **3rd International Research Advisory Board Meeting** under the aegis of the Centre for Management Research.

• Strategic Collaborations & Summits

- Co-hosted the Entrepreneurial Excellence Summit 2024 in collaboration with WE Hub, Government of Telangana.
- o Released a first-of-its-kind knowledge report titled 'Revisiting Leadership in the Age of Algorithm' in partnership with CII Leadership Centre.

• Academic Prestige & Recognition

 Selected by the Academy of Management as one of only four Indian institutions to present at the prestigious OB Division Symposium.

> International Representation

• Times Higher Education Asia Universities Summit

Dr. Kakoli, Dean-SoB, represented Woxsen at the Sunway University-hosted summit, strengthening global academic relations.

• Blockchain Festival Asia 2024, Singapore

Prof. Syed Hasan showcased Woxsen's innovation ecosystem at this international platform.

• CII National HR Excellence Award Confluence 2023-24

Dr. Kakoli contributed to a high-impact panel discussion on HR strategies in dynamic economies.

BioTechX USA 2024

Dr. Hemachandran will deliver a keynote on "Necrobotics 360: Shaping the Future of Healthcare", bridging technology and life sciences.

• Global Conference on AI & Human Rights, Slovenia

Dr. Hemachandran presented his research at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, on AI's implications for human rights.

• SuperReturn Emerging Markets 2024, Amsterdam

Prof. Syed Hasan was an invited speaker at this global investment conference, bringing in perspectives from emerging economies.

• MOVE: Mobility Reimagined Conference

Dr. Rajesh Kumar served as **Technical Chair** and **Panel Member** at the Tech, Data & Innovation Stage, furthering discourse on future mobility.

> Strengthening Global Relations

- Strengthened strategic partnerships, including one with the **Indian Navy**, marked by a visit from **Lieutenant Commander Ravi Prakash Singh**.
- Dual Degree Programs established with Antwerp Management School, Porto Business School, and Montpellier Business School.

> Impressive Rankings

- MBA in Business Analytics ranked #3 in India, #13 in Asia, and among the Top 101+ globally.
- MBA in Finance ranked #2 in India, #14 in Asia, and Top 151+ worldwide.
- MBA (General) ranked #17 in India, #27 in Asia, and among the Top 151+ globally.

> Distinguished International Guests

- Hosted former Prime Minister Yves Leterme of Belgium and Prof. Kenneth Bollen from UNC, Prof. Meelis Kitsing from Estonian Business School, and Dr. James Stoner from Fordham University, fostering intellectual engagement.
- Engaged with industry leaders like Mr. Jose Antonio Cachaza from LALIGA and Dr. José I. Rojas Méndez from Carleton University.

> Prestigious Collaborative Programs

- Progressive Studies Program, in collaboration with Kedge Business School, provides students with global exposure.
- TRY Rural Entrepreneurship initiative recognised as the 2024 PGS Sustainability Awards Regional Winner for South and Central Asia.
- Apprise Initiative hosted Dr. Joseph Muscat, former Prime Minister of Malta, focusing on gender parity and reducing bias.

> Faculty Enrichment Initiatives

• Transformative Teaching FDP
In collaboration with the AI Research Centre, Sob hosted a Faculty Development
Program within the Woxsenverse, centered on 'Transformative Teaching: Embracing
Sustainability in Higher Education'.

> Awards and Recognitions

- Innovations That Inspire award from AACSB in 2024.
- **EFMD accreditation** for the MBA program, recognised globally.
- Selected as a **PRME Champion** for 2024-2025, emphasising responsible management education.

> Research and Innovation

- 3rd place in the GBSN EFMD Going Beyond Awards for AI-driven sustainable development.
- Achieved a **100% placement rate** for the 2024 MBA batch.
- Hosted a Generative AI Hackathon in partnership with Bologna Business School.

Exclusive Events and Programs

- **Dinner with the CEO** networking event featuring **Mr. Pradeep Panicker**, CEO of GMR Hyderabad International Airport Ltd.
- Launched the "AI in Business" executive education program for professionals.

> Intellectual Contributions

- Signed 19 MOUs, fostering cross-sector partnerships.
- Filed 5 innovative patents and made significant academic contributions with 12 books edited, 31 book chapters, 26 conference papers, and 67 published articles.

> Celebrating Student Achievements

- Nine MBA students selected for a program at University of Groningen, Netherlands, showcasing excellence in market research.
- Ms. Depa Avani Reddy won the MSME Idea Hackathon, securing ₹15 lakhs in funding.
- Aaron G. Benedict and Abhishek Ponneri were runners-up in a competition at Mahindra University.
- **Puskur Harshith Rao** and **Vivek Malempati** ranked 3rd and 15th, respectively, in a national quiz on road safety.
- **Deepesh Keswani** received the **International Strategy Award** for outstanding performance in the Market Capture Competition.

Exceptional Placements and Internships

- MBA graduates Anurag Pisipati and Sushanth Kumar placed at Ixoreal Biomed.
- Prestigious internships for Jaswanthi Boppisetty and Vamsi Kasibhotla at S&P Global, with potential PPOs.
- BBA students secured placements at companies like Scaler, Planon Software, Digital Nest, Arcesium, and Evergent Technologies.
- Paid internships for both BBA and MBA students at Arvind Fashion.

> Commitment to ERS/SDG

- **Project Hunar** empowers **Madarsa students** with essential mainstream education skills.
- Project Aspiration 2.0 introduced educational programs at Raikud School and plans
 to implement them in 10 model schools across Sangareddy to broaden access to
 quality education.

B. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

The School of Technology at Woxsen University continued to make significant strides in academic excellence, international collaboration, and impactful research throughout the academic year 2023–2024.

→ Highlights of the Year

- **Global Collaborations:** The school signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with *teal.blue Società Benefit* and *W2W Solutions Italia Srl*, Italy, marking a key step in fostering international academic and research partnerships.
- Community Engagement: A thought-provoking ERS (Ethics, Responsibility, and Sustainability) activity titled 'Stand Out Together with your VOTE for your Tomorrow' was conducted to raise awareness about the importance of democratic participation and voting rights among the university community.

• Research Excellence:

- Prof. Balaji presented his paper, 'Investment Planning Framework for Mitigating Cascading Failures', at the prestigious 23rd Power Systems Computation Conference (PSCC 2024) in Paris, France.
- o The International Conference on Sustainable Smart Computing and Green Energy (ICSSCGE-2024) was successfully organised on June 25–26, 2024, providing a global platform for discussions on eco-friendly technological innovations.
- Experiential Learning: Students of the school visited the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), enhancing their exposure to real-world agricultural technology and sustainability initiatives.

• Capacity Building:

A three-day International Faculty Development Program (FDP) on 'Effective Grant Writing Strategies Using AI' was successfully conducted, equipping faculty with essential skills for securing research funding.

• Innovation Ecosystem:

In collaboration with **NGE**, the School of Technology is establishing a cutting-edge **Innovation Lab**. The infrastructure is supported by the school, while the technical components such as sensors, communication devices, and circuit boards are provided by NGE.

> Global Partnerships

Woxsen University has established several strategic international collaborations to advance research and industrial exposure:

- In partnership with the City University of New York (CUNY), a weather monitoring station was installed under Dr. Balaji Venkateswaran, enhancing environmental and meteorological research.
- Collaborations with **Teal Blue Digital Solutions** and **W2W Solutions Italia Srl** are opening avenues in the **Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT)** domain, including joint research and internships.

Distinguished International Guests

The school hosted several eminent international figures to share their expertise with the Woxsen community:

- Marco Piccolino Boniforti, an expert in human-machine interfaces and social impact innovation.
- **Roberto Caspani**, founder of W2W Solutions and a thought leader in energy monitoring and IIoT technologies.
- Prof. PGL Leach, Honorary Research Professor, Department of Mathematics,
 Durban University of Technology, known for his advanced contributions to mathematical sciences.

> Conferences, FDPs, and Workshops

The School of Technology has actively conducted high-impact academic events to enhance both faculty and student competencies:

- A specialized **Human Language Interface and Speech Processing workshop** was led by **Marco Piccolino Boniforti**, CEO of Teal.Blue SB srl, and **Roberto Caspani**, providing hands-on training with **Bixby Developer Studio**.
- The International Workshop on Mathematical Modelling and Solution Procedures (IWMMSP 2024) offered applied mathematical solutions for real-world challenges.
- An FDP on "Effective Grant Writing Strategies Using AI" (March 12–14, 2024) equipped participants with tools for leveraging AI in research proposal development.

- On February 27, 2024, an International Seminar on the Real-Life Applications of Differential Equations was held for first-year engineering students.
- In celebration of **National Science Day (February 28, 2024)**, over 80 students participated in a range of scientific events and competitions. The program featured guest lectures by **Prof. Satyanarayana** and **Prof. Peter Leach**.

> Intellectual Contributions

- The school signed **10 new MoUs**, facilitating rich academic and research collaborations.
- A total of 12 patents were filed, underlining the school's innovation-oriented culture.
- Faculty and students produced **62 academic publications**, significantly contributing to Woxsen's scholarly footprint.

> Student Achievements

The School of Technology is proud to highlight a series of outstanding accomplishments by its students across diverse platforms:

- A student team secured victory at the prestigious **R1 Code Fiesta**, showcasing their exceptional programming expertise.
- Kriti Kannan and Lalithya Tumuluri, mentored by Dr. Reddy Sekhar, Dr. Jaswanth Nidamanuri, Dr. Amogh Deshmukh, and Tejaswara Rao G, were awarded a patent for developing an innovative system for snake detection and repulsion.
- At the **International Business Planning Competition**, Woxsen students represented India with distinction.
- A six-member first-year team reached the **finals of Smart India Hackathon 2023** at the Chennai Institute of Technology under the guidance of **Prof. Aditi Saxena** and **Prof. Bhanu Prakash**. Team members included:
 - Ashwin N
 - o Amin Soudagar
 - Sreeya Chatterjee
 - Mohammed Aqib
 - Sheikh Asad Ghouse
 - Preetham Sunku
- Lekhak Surya (B. Tech, Year 1) won first place in "Alankaar" at IMPLEZ 9.0, hosted by the Institute of Management Technology, Hyderabad.

- Aakash Chilakamarri (B. Tech 2027) presented a research paper on "A Virtual Patent Teacher Collaboration Platform for Tracking Students' Academic Progress" at the STRIDE International Conference at Northcap University.
- Several students were selected for internships at the National Institute of Rural Development's Geo-Informatics division.
- Amritesh Hiras, along with Bhuvin Sai, Akshith Mynampati, Aditya Jayaraman, and Karthik Vikranth Naidu, secured first place and a cash prize of Rs. 51,000 at the National Level Hackathon 2k23, held at the Oriental Institute of Science and Technology, Bhopal, under the mentorship of Dr. Purushottam M.

> Commitment to ERS/SDG Initiatives

The School of Technology remains committed to community empowerment and sustainable development through innovative outreach:

- Artificial Intelligence Awareness Workshop and an interactive leadership session were held at Karuna High School, Sangareddy on September 22, 2023.
- A **Dental Check-up Camp** was conducted on February 7, 2024, in partnership with **Roy's Dental Care**.
- At Zilla Parishad School, Kamkole, a session on "Applications of Mathematics" highlighted real-world applications in architecture and product design.
- The "Empowering Rural Resilience: The Evolution of Smart Villages" event at ZPHS Venkatapur, held in collaboration with COE-New Age Technologies, explored sustainable village models.
- The "SOT-VOTE" initiative promoted civic engagement and voter awareness.
- A Medical Camp at Nature Cure Hospital, Hyderabad (October 18, 2023), in collaboration with the Telangana State Yogadhyayana Parishad and the Ministry of Ayush, reinforced community health and wellness goals.

C. SCHOOL OF ARTS & DESIGN

The School of Arts & Design at Woxsen University continued to expand its creative and academic frontiers, integrating design thinking, industry collaboration, and global outreach into its pedagogy during the academic year 2023–2024.

➤ Highlights of the Year

• Global Representation:

Dr. Adity represented Woxsen University at **NIB 2024**, hosted by Manchester Metropolitan University's *Network of International Business Schools*, strengthening the school's global academic presence.

• Executive Education:

The **David Dunne Design Thinking Lab** conducted a distinctive five-week **online Executive Program**, tailored for corporate leaders. The program was facilitated by the esteemed Munwar Khan and focused on innovative problem-solving through design thinking.

• Industry-Academia Interface:

The **Department of Industrial Design** welcomed **Prof. Srinivasarao Patturu**, Founder of *The Why Lab*, as a jury member for evaluating student projects, enhancing real-world perspectives in design education.

• Landmark Events:

The School proudly hosted **Hyderabad's first design showcase – Design Vanguard 2024** at T-Works. The event featured **Mr. Adivi Sesh**, renowned actor and director, as the Chief Guest and spotlighted the creativity of emerging designers.

• Student Entrepreneurship:

A major milestone was the launch of **J.Qork**, *India's First Campus-Born Premium Lifestyle Brand*, developed through a student-driven capstone project. The initiative highlights the entrepreneurial spirit cultivated at SoAD.

• Research and Dialogue:

The School organized a session under its *Research Way* lecture series featuring **Dr. Rohit Negi**, who discussed his community-based methodology through the lens of 'Towards a People's Geography of Delhi: One Neighborhood at a Time'.

• Fashion Innovation:

The **Department of Fashion Design** hosted an exclusive session titled 'The Wool We Do Not Know' in collaboration with The Woolmark Company, promoting sustainable material awareness in fashion design.

• Faculty Development:

An International Faculty Development Program (FDP) on Active Learning Strategy was successfully organized in collaboration with the Centre for Learning Design and Ding Learning, UK, aimed at enhancing pedagogical innovation.

> School Events

• Design Vanguard 2024

In April 2024, SOAD made history by hosting *Design Vanguard 2024*, Hyderabad's first comprehensive design exhibition, in collaboration with **T-Works**. The event welcomed over **450 attendees**, including **government officials**, **corporate leaders**, **designers**, **celebrities**, **parents**, and **NGO founders**, and served as a vibrant platform for innovation and design excellence.

• Kaleido Film Festival

In September 2023, SOAD hosted its **inaugural Kaleido Film Festival** on campus, offering a dynamic interface between students and the Telugu film industry.

Renowned personalities such as **Sudheer Babu**, **Mrinalini Ravi**, and **director Harsha Vardhan** participated, enriching the students' cinematic understanding.

• Valorant Tournament in Collaboration with SKOAR

Also in September 2023, SOAD organized an inter-university **Valorant gaming tournament** in collaboration with **SKOAR**, attracting **827+ participants**, emphasizing the university's support for gaming, tech culture, and student interests.

> School Achievements

• Ranked 2nd Top Private Design College in India (IIRF 2024)

The Indian Institutional Ranking Framework (IIRF) ranked Woxsen's SOAD as the #2 private design college in India, affirming its position as a leading hub for creative education.

Top Spot at International Design Awards 2023

SOAD won in the category of 'Nurturing Students and Faculty Wellbeing' at the International Design Awards (IDA) 2023, recognizing its holistic approach to academic and personal growth.

Faculty Development Programs (FDP) and Faculty Recognition

• FDP on Design Research Methodology

(*October 30 – November 3, 2023*)

In collaboration with **Banaras Hindu University**, this FDP offered advanced training in design research to faculty members across India.

• National Recognition – Ministry of Education

In April 2024, **Prof. Munwar Khan** was named one of **55 nationwide mentors** by the **Ministry of Education**, **Government of India**, for a national capacity-building initiative in **Design & Entrepreneurship**.

> Student Achievements

• Abhinav Kolla – Best Animated Short Film

B.Des (PD-2019) student **Abhinav Kolla** received the **Best Animated Short Film Award** at the **Indo-French International Film Festival** (Feb 2024) for his film "Band."

• Film Success: "Valayam"

The short film "Valayam", created by SOAD students, received multiple nominations at the Indian Film House National Awards:

o **Best Editor**: Mythreya

o Best Director & Cinematographer: Deekshath

Best Actor: Venudarshan

o Best Negative Role: Premchand

• A Silent Regret – Official Selection

Akarsh Goyal (B. Des Hons., Comm. Design, 2022–2026) received an official selection for his short film "A Silent Regret" at the Indian Film House National Awards.

• Mood Indigo, IIT Mumbai – Fashion Design Showcase

In January 2024, SOAD's **Fashion Design students** claimed the **2nd runner-up** position at **Mood Indigo**, one of India's premier cultural fests, under the mentorship of **Prof. Ashutosh Kumar**. Team: **Esha Jayakumar**, **Sobhika Saravanan**, **Deepika Gunda**, and **Amisha Gogia** (Semester V).

• Photography Competition – UCA, London

In December 2023, SOAD co-hosted a photography contest with the University of Creative Arts (UCA), London, themed "Gender & Gesture". Sremanth M won 2nd place with a \$100 prize.

• Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar Winner

Gauravi Reddy (B. Des. Comm. Design, 2026 batch) received this prestigious award for promoting **Kuchipudi**, an Indian classical dance form.

• Bank of Baroda Achievers Awards (April 2024)

The following students were honored for their exceptional accomplishments:

- o Bushra Fathima
- o Dhoni Mudrakola
- o Madhur Meshram Rajendra Meshram

D. SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING

The School of Architecture & Planning (SoAP) continued to lead meaningful conversations and impactful actions in the realm of sustainable urbanism, heritage conservation, and inclusive design throughout the academic year 2023–2024.

> Highlights of the Year

> ADOBE'24 International Conference:

Building on the success of the inaugural edition, SoAP successfully hosted **ADOBE'24** with the theme 'Cities: Embracing Inclusivity'. The event attracted extensive media coverage with features in seven leading newspapers across digital and print platforms.

> Community Engagement & Heritage Awareness:

SoAP students were featured in *The New Indian Express* for their participation in a collaborative **Musi River workshop**, an initiative led by *The Deccan Archive Foundation* with INTACH Heritage Academy, Aseem NGO, and Focus High School.

> International Workshops:

The school organized two international workshops – 'People and Cities: Enhancing Urban Experiences of a University Campus' and 'Sustainable Paradigms: Navigating Architectural Resilience' – fostering global academic discourse.

> Academic Milestones:

The first graduating B. Arch class at SoAP presented their pre-final projects, marking a major academic milestone.

> Skill Enhancement Initiatives:

Hosted an **International Parametric Design Workshop** facilitated by Mr. Viorel Acsinte, providing advanced exposure to computational design tools.

> Professional Networking:

SoAP launched the **Indian Plumbing Association (IPA) Student Chapter** at Woxsen University, enhancing student access to professional networks and industry knowledge.

> Strategic Collaborations:

Signed MoUs with organizations including **Sujalaam**, **Cluster One Creative Solutions Pvt. Ltd.**, **Dharatal Incorporated**, and **CHATI ASSOCIATES**, **Nagpur**, to foster collaborative opportunities.

> Urban Research Projects:

Proposed a collaborative initiative with **The Urban Lab** to expand the *100 Junctions Project*, envisioning redesigned urban junctions in Hyderabad.

> Publication:

Published 'Archiving Architecture Theses 2022', showcasing shortlisted and winning entries from the COA Awards 2022.

> Student Achievements:

A 4th semester student triumphed in the **2024 Superhero's Abode Rendering** Challenge hosted by Archial Competition, showcasing creativity in conceptual design. Another student presented a paper titled *'Bridging the Gap: Integrated Hubs for India's Work-Life Challenges'* at **REVA University**, Karnataka.

> Major Events & Recognition:

Hosted the **Zonal Council Meet – Zone 5** of **NASA India** on April 20–21, inaugurated by Ar. Samar Ramachandra. The event facilitated collaboration among architectural colleges from Karnataka, Telangana, Goa, and Andhra Pradesh.

> Heritage Collaboration:

In celebration of the *International Day of Monuments and Sites*, SoAP partnered with **ICOMOS India**, **Salarjung Museum**, and other cultural bodies to host an exhibition titled 'Disaster and Conflicts through the Lens of the Venice Charter', while also contributing to the **ART+DESIGN World Heritage Day Celebrations**.

> School – Internationalization

Ar. Piyush Pandya, along with co-author Ar. Dhruma Bhavsar, presented a paper titled "Heritage of Mid-Level Historic Towns in India in Connection with Historical Trade Routes and Revival of Riverine Transport." This research highlights the significance of mid-level historic towns in India, exploring their heritage in relation to historical trade routes and the potential for revitalizing riverine transport to enhance cultural and economic connections.

> School - Corporate Alignment

Woxsen University has signed an **MoU** for the formation of **Arcause Clubs**, aiming to foster community engagement and student participation in various initiatives. The university's students have achieved remarkable accomplishments across diverse platforms, showcasing their talent and dedication.

> Collaboration - MoU

Woxsen University has recently strengthened its collaborative efforts by signing **Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs)** with **Chati Associates, Cluster One Pvt. Ltd.**, and **Dharatal Incorporated**. These partnerships aim to enhance academic and industry connections, fostering opportunities for research, innovation, and practical learning experiences for students and faculty.

> Faculty Achievement-Research

Woxsen University faculty have been actively engaged in impactful research and scholarly activities in the field of architecture and planning:

- Prof. Rajdeep Routh and Prof. Dhruma Bhavsar published their paper,
 "Evaluating the Relevance of Good Governance Parameters in Acceptance of Cultural Policies: A Case of Heritage TDR at Ahmedabad", in the journal Heritage and Society by Taylor & Francis on July 6, 2023.
- Dr. Ravikumar S. had his paper, "Characterisation of Fused Deposition Modeling Components Fabricated at Different Print Orientations", accepted for publication in Engineering Research Express.
- Prof. Sonia Gupta was invited to speak at the Stockholm International Water Institute's World Water Week (August 20–24, 2023) on "Women Leaders: Leading Innovations for Change in the Water Sector."
- At the International Conference on Restructuring, Revamping, and Rebuilding Independent India, Profs. Piyush Pandya, Rajdeep Routh, and Dhruma Bhavsar presented their paper, "Crafting Policies: Analysis of the Craft Sector Policies of Gujarat State."
- Prof. Piyush Pandya also delivered a guest lecture on "Introduction to Urban Heritage Management" at Swarrnim University on August 19, 2023.

• Prof. K Chandrakanth contributed to the field of plumbing with articles on "Net Zero Sanitary Waste in Built Environment" and "Use of BIM in Plumbing Service" in Indian Plumbing Today.

> Sustainability and Innovation Initiatives

- The Bandha Project, led by Dhruma Bhavsar, Shweta Prasad, and Vishakha Rao, received the Bandha grant under the MSME Idea Hackathon 3.0 for Women Innovators. This project integrates sustainability, women's empowerment, traditional Indian textiles, and government support to transform the wellness and sustainability market. The grant was announced on February 29, 2024, at the CPSE Conclave in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, by the Hon'ble Minister of MSME.
- Shweta Prasad and Dhruma Bhavsar also secured the SEED Research Grant 2024
 from Woxsen University for their project, "Revolutionizing Mobility in Class II
 Cities", which focuses on enhancing safety, resilience, and inclusivity in road
 infrastructure for sustainable urban spaces.
- The Charminar Precinct Revitalisation project, led by Debalina Ghosh and Rajdeep Routh, also funded by the SEED Research Grant 2024, aims to improve traffic management, public space quality, and heritage preservation.

> Faculty Achievement - Conference

Woxsen University faculty have made significant contributions to international conferences in diverse fields:

- Dr. Ravikumar S. presented his paper, "Comparative Study on Empirical-Based Models for Shear Strength of RC Beam-Column Joint", at the International Conference on Cement and Building Concrete for a Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure (CBKR 2023) on March 29, 2023, organized by the Department of Civil Engineering at the National Institute of Technology Warangal in association with Springer.
- Ar. Debalina Ghosh and Prof. Abhijit D. Shirodkar presented their paper,
 "Adaptive Reuse of Abandoned Jute Mills Along the Hooghly River in Bengal: A Sustainable Approach", at the 6th International Conference of Contemporary Affairs in Architecture and Urbanism (ICCAUA 2023).
- Prof. Sonia Gupta and Prof. Suganya Law contributed to ICCAUA 2023 with their research on "Circularity of Wastewater Treatment in Cities: A Study of Selected Zones in Kolkata, India."
- At the same conference, Debarati Chakraborty and Prof. Sonia Gupta presented their paper, "The Evolving Fringe as Future Prime Movers of Sustainable Cities: Case Studies Around Kolkata, India," while Assoc. Prof. Poulami Banerjee Das and Prof. Sonia Gupta explored urban dynamics in their paper, "The Sprawling Tales of Two Cities: Kolkata, India, and Dhaka, Bangladesh."

- Ar. Merin S. Cherian, Ar. Debalina Ghosh, and Ar. Keerthana L. discussed urban revitalization through "Sustainable Brownfield Redevelopment: A Solution to Control Urban Sprawl."
- In the International Conference on Growth and Sustainability of Livelihood in BRICS Countries, organized by DUT-BRICS Research Institute and University of Kota, India, Prof. Rajdeep Routh and Prof. Dhruma Bhavsar presented their paper, "Evaluating the Relevance of Good Governance Characteristics in Acceptance of Cultural Policies: A Case of Heritage TDR at Ahmedabad, India."
- Ar. Sanjana Gupta, along with Ar. Piyush Pandya, presented their work,
 "Exploring the Phenomenology of Historic Urban Spaces Through Concepts of Genius Loci and Intangible Cultural Heritage," contributing to a deeper understanding of historic urban spaces.

> Faculty Achievement - External

- On May 18, 2023, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), the All-India Institute of Local Self-Government (AIILSG), and the Indore Municipal Corporation jointly organized a U20 event titled "Reinventing Urban Governance for Indian Cities" at the Brilliant Convention Centre in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. Prof. Piyush Pandya was invited to serve as the moderator for the thematic session on "Championing 'Local' Potential and Identity."
- Prof. Pandya also contributed to the INTACH Heritage Academy's certificate
 course on Heritage and Well-being as part of the INTACH Certificate in Heritage
 Studies and PG Diploma in Heritage Studies for the academic year 2022-23. His
 lecture, "Interaction and Learning in Historic Towns," aimed to illustrate the
 relationship between interaction, learning, and individual and societal well-being,
 exploring how urban heritage fosters various aspects of 'self,' leading to a more
 productive society.

> Faculty Achievement - External Invitations

- Prof. Abhijit Shirodkar was honored to serve as a distinguished panelist at the Council of Architecture's International Conference on "Architectural Education in the Changing World."
- Dr. S. Ravikumar was invited to deliver a guest lecture titled "Stress Free Talk: Let's Get Tense with Stress" at the SPARD School of Architecture and VIT, sharing valuable insights on managing stress in the architectural field.

> FDPs/Webinars/Courses Conducted

Woxsen University has been actively involved in various educational initiatives and professional development programs:

• A notable webinar titled "Incorporating Cultural Heritage in Architectural Curriculum and Pedagogy" was conducted by the Council of Architecture

Training and Research Centre in collaboration with the School of Architecture and Planning at Woxsen University.

- Dhruma Bhavsar was awarded certificates for successfully completing an 8-day national online training program on "Parametric Tools and Computational Design in Architecture" and a 5-day Faculty Development Program on Python organized by the School of Technology at Woxsen University.
- Dr. S. Ravikumar completed a 5-week Online Faculty Development Program on Linear Algebra organized by the Department of Applied Sciences and Humanities at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's Sardar Patel Institute of Technology.
- Prof. Gagan Jain took part in an online training program titled "Crossing the First
 Milestone in Research" organized by the ICFAI School of Architecture in
 Hyderabad and participated in a workshop on Intellectual Property Rights and
 Patent Drafting conducted by the Research and Development Cell at Woxsen
 University.
- Prof. Suganya Law attended a one-day comprehensive training program on the Telangana State Eco Niwas Samhita organized by Ela Green Buildings and Infrastructure Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- Prof. Rajeshwar Rao expanded his knowledge by completing various courses from
 prestigious institutions, including the University of Michigan on Climate Change,
 Sustainability, and Global Public Health; Parsons on Digital Fashion Reality; and
 Yale on Roman Architecture. He also took courses on the Metaverse and a
 Photography Capstone Project from Michigan State University, along with
 preparation for the Autodesk Certified Professional AutoCAD exam.

Faculty Achievement - PhD

On October 16, 2023, Prof. Rajdeep Routh from Woxsen University participated in a session focused on Public Policy and Public Administration at Pandit Deendayal Energy University, highlighting his commitment to advancing discussions and research in the field of public policy.

> Faculty Development

- Prof. Rajeshwar Rao participated in online training programs on Research Premise and Research Methodology, organized in collaboration with Dayananda Sagar College of Architecture, and the Application of PLS-SEM in Research, conducted by the University Institute of Architecture at Chandigarh University.
- Prof. Debalina Ghosh contributed to ICOMOS INDIA by focusing on building regional cooperation through the shared cultural heritage of Kolkata and Dhaka, emphasizing the importance of collaboration in preserving and promoting cultural assets.

> Student Achievements & Engagements – School of Architecture and Planning

Woxsen University's students from the School of Architecture and Planning have showcased exemplary talent and commitment across a wide array of platforms during the academic year 2023–24.

• Sports Achievement:

M. Janani (Semester VI) secured **first place** at the **37th District Level Yogasana Championship 2023–2024**, organized by the Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy District Yoga Associations in collaboration with the Telangana Yoga Association.

• Heritage Quiz Recognition:

Students from Semester V actively participated in the **INTACH Architectural Heritage Quiz 2023**, where teams comprising Janani & Ayushman, and Pavan Raj & Ajith, received **special mentions in the top five** nationally.

• Exhibition & Documentation:

A student-led project titled "Documentation of Indigenous Dwellings of Milgirpet Village, Telangana", coordinated by Prof. Debalina Ghosh and involving nine Semester VII students, earned a top three national position and was showcased at the Art, Architecture, and Design Biennale, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi (December 9–15, 2023).

• Research Presentation:

Shivani Kalva (Semester VII) presented her guided research, "From Neglect to Neighbourhoods: Uncovering Zaheerabad's Hidden Potential," at the Urban Innovation Conference at the School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal (March 1–3, 2024).

• Thematic Poster Competition:

Students participated in a poster-making event on "Women and Water," organized by Woxsen School of Architecture & Planning in collaboration with the Indian Plumbing Association.

Winners: Jarupula Aaradhya and Bollaram Jahnavi.

• Startup Exposure:

Praveen Kumar GD (Semester II) represented Woxsen at the **Startup Maha Kumbh Yatra** in Delhi (March 18–22, 2024), organised by DPIIT, Invest India, and Startup India.

• Workshops & Field Engagement:

Students took part in the workshop "From Classroom to River Front" (March 24, 2024), organised by The Deccan Archives Foundation in association with INTACH Hyderabad and ASEEM, fostering hands-on learning in urban riverfront revitalization.

• Museum Exhibition:

On the occasion of the International Day of Monuments and Sites, students

exhibited their work at the Salarjung Museum, themed "Disaster and Conflicts through the Lens of the Venice Charter," in collaboration with ICOMOS India.

• Leadership & Hosting:

Woxsen University hosted the **NASA Zonal Council Meeting – Zone 5** (April 20–21, 2024), inaugurated by Ar. Samar Ramachandra. The event brought together architecture schools from Karnataka, Hyderabad, Goa, and Andhra Pradesh, fostering collaboration and cultural exchange.

Design Competition Victory:

Manan Mantri (Semester IV) won first prize in the 2024 Superhero's Abode Rendering Challenge, organised by Archial Competition, for his imaginative design of a superhero's residence.

• Climate Action Recognition:

Students *Shreya Atasniya* (Sem 8), *Vansh Doshi* (Sem 6), *Vardhan Tated* (Sem 2), and *Abhay Simha* (Sem 2) participated in the **Seeds of Peace competition** organised by the U.S.-based Student Society for Climate Change Awareness. Their projects were recognised nationally, earning them advancement to **Phase 2**.

Course Completion – Adaptive Reuse:

Students completed the 'Adaptive Reuse Course', a joint offering by Woxsen University and the National Institute of Urban Management (NIUM). The course emphasised sustainable design solutions for underutilised heritage sites.

E. School of Liberal Arts & Humanities

The School of Liberal Arts & Humanities (SoLAH) showcased dynamic academic growth, interdisciplinary engagement, and international collaborations throughout 2023–2024.

> Highlights of the Year

• Academic Conferences:

Successfully hosted **Resonance 2024: International Conference on Human-Machine Interaction** in July. Also organized *'Like and Subscribe: 1st Conference on Digital Cultures, Influencers & Social Media in India'* on April 27–28, 2024, reflecting on evolving digital identities and narratives.

Global Academic Engagements:

Welcomed **Dr. Uwe Skoda** (Aarhus University, Denmark) and **Prof. Jyotrimaya Tripathi** (IIT Madras) for lectures and collaborative interactions.

• Research and Field Practice:

Dr. Ranita Basu completed her Faculty Immersion Programme on *Disaster Risk Reduction and Psychological Support* and is currently developing a case study on

'Building Resilient Communities in Himachal Pradesh' in partnership with DOERS NGO.

• Publication and Literary Initiatives:

Launched 'REMINISCENCES', Woxsen University's first-ever literary magazine, celebrating student creativity and critical thought.

• Debate & Discourse:

The student-led platform **Centre Stage** hosted a debate on 'Can Political Party Manifestos Sway Voters during Lok Sabha Elections 2024?' encouraging civic awareness and political discourse.

Faculty Research Highlights:

- o **Dr. Antarleena Basu** published her article 'We shall be faithful from generation to generation' in the Journal of Graphic Novels and Comics, examining totalitarian narratives in Guy Delisle's Pyongyang.
- Dr. Areeba participated in a democracy-focused workshop organized by the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, in partnership with Hanns Seidel Stiftung, Germany.
- Dr. Brundaban Mishra was selected as an Academic Collaborator for the Marginalized & Endangered Worldviews Study Centre at University College Cork, Ireland.

Distinguished International Guests

In 2023, SOLH welcomed globally renowned academics to enrich its intellectual landscape:

• Adjunct Professors:

- o Prof. (Dr.) Farooq Kperogi
- o Dr. Nadia Mansour
- o Hari Hara Sudhan Ramaswamy

• Distinguished Professors:

- o Prof. (Dr.) Abiodun Salawu
- o Dr. Faisal Al Rfouh

These appointments significantly enhanced the university's global academic standing and offered students unique insights from diverse scholarly perspectives.

Prestigious Collaborative Programs

The School of Liberal Arts and Humanities continues to foster global academic relationships through strategic MoUs and thought leadership:

- Signed a landmark MoU with **Prof. Gita Dharampal** from the **Gandhi Research Foundation**, deepening philosophical and cultural studies collaborations.
- Entered international partnerships with:
 - o Ahram Canadian University, Egypt (September 18, 2023)
 - University of Sinop, Türkiye (October 25, 2023)
 These agreements promote research, student and faculty exchange, and joint academic events.
- As part of the **Pierre Bourdieu Virtual Lecture Series**, the School hosted a compelling session on "*Religion and Environmental Crisis*," exemplifying its commitment to addressing contemporary global issues.

Commitment to ERS/SDG Initiatives

SOLH has actively contributed to Educational and Research Support (ERS) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through diverse community-focused programs:

• Social Initiatives:

- o Sanitary Pad Donation Drive for Woxsen's support staff.
- Syntax Spotlight: Ongoing English language instruction for students at Munipally Government School.
- o *Project Aspiration 2.0*: Career guidance workshops for schoolgirls, encouraging higher education and career awareness.

• Environmental Engagement:

- o Poster competition on Environment and Sustainable Development.
- Field visit-based Environmental Awareness Programme at Ananthagiri Bioreserve Forest (B.A. Sem-I).
- Awareness event on Environmental Sustainability and Biodiversity
 Conservation for 10th-grade students at Vivekananda School, Sadasivpet.

Educational Outreach:

- o Mental Health of Children awareness for parents at Samyuktha School.
- o Discussion series on Tribal Stakeholders in the Organic-Cosmetic Industry.
- o Career sessions on:

- Political Science and Indian Civil Services by Ambassador Mahesh
 Kumar Kamtam
- Ethnic Conflict Resolution by Dr. Anshuman Behera
- Trends in Political Science by Dr. Shaji S.
- Public Policy in India by Prof. Bruce Bueno de Mesquita (NYU)

• Mass Communication & Journalism Enrichment:

- "Future of News" and "Data Journalism: A Primer" sessions by Mr. Rajesh Mahapatra (Editor, PTI).
- o Careers in Mass Communication session by **Dr. Prashant Bhat**, University of Houston (Dec 22, 2023).

• Debate and Discourse:

- o CenterStage, a bi-monthly student debate forum, tackled topics such as:
 - "Mahatma Gandhi's Role in Nation Building"
 - "Can Political Manifestos Influence Lok Sabha Voters in 2024?"

> Intellectual Contributions and Academic Excellence

- Hosted 15 international lectures and Faculty Development Programs (FDPs) in 2024.
- Contributed **20 academic publications** in books and journals, reinforcing the department's scholarly output.
- Organized the **2nd David Scott Kastan Literary Debate Competition**, challenging participants to debate the relevance of retelling fairy tales amid contemporary crises.
- Launched the inaugural **Woxsen Litfest (April 3, 2024)** featuring:
 - o Chief Guest: Mr. M. J. Akbar, former Minister of State for External Affairs
 - o Speakers: Ms. Devika Chopra (NewsX), and Ms. Shilpa Suraj, acclaimed fiction writer

> Celebrating Student Achievements

- Saiba Jena secured a coveted internship at Advaita Labs, facilitated by Dr. Antarleena Basu.
- **Isha Rani**, under Dr. Antarleena's mentorship, had her research paper accepted in a **Scopus-indexed volume**.
- As part of the "Spotlight on Village" initiative, SOLH students volunteered at the Government Primary School in Allapur Village, delivering community education while honing teaching skills.

F. School of Law

The School of Law (SoL) made significant strides in legal education, research, and community engagement during the 2023–2024 academic year. Through impactful collaborations, innovative programs, and contributions to legal discourse, SoL continued to build its reputation as a center of legal excellence.

> Highlights of the Year

• National Debate Competition:

SoL organized a **National Debate Competition** in May 2024, conducted virtually, bringing together law students from across the country to debate on contemporary legal issues.

• Strategic Collaborations:

- Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with AD-roit Links, enhancing academic and professional exchanges.
- Announced a strategic collaboration with A.G. & Associates, further strengthening SoL's industry ties.

• Faculty Development & Workshops:

An **International Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on '*Integrating Artificial Intelligence and Law*' will be organized by the school, reflecting the increasing relevance of AI in the legal domain.

• Publications:

- Published a book titled 'VPN and Cyber Crime in India: Legality and Limitation', addressing the challenges of cybersecurity in India.
- Released the first volume of the Woxsen Law Review 2024, a peer-reviewed journal dedicated to contemporary legal issues.

• Certificate Courses & Training:

Launched a **6-week Online Certificate Course** on *Settlement of Family Discords*, scheduled for August 2024, focusing on legal and social approaches to family conflict resolution.

• Field Visits & Legal Research:

As part of the **Legal Research Methodology** course, SoL organized a field visit to **Pochampally Cooperative Handloom Society** in collaboration with **BAUDHIK**, exploring the intersection of legal research, heritage, and community welfare.

• Expert Talks & Awareness Programs:

Hosted an Expert Talk on 'IP and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)'
 by Ms. Aliaa Mohamed to commemorate World IP Day 2024.

o Organized an **Awareness Session** for girls on *Muslim Personal Law* related to marriage and divorce, contributing to social awareness and legal education.

• Faculty Internships & Collaborations:

Faculty participated in an internship at the **Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon Interdisciplinary Centre for Research Ethics and Protocols**, Cochin University, enhancing research ethics in legal education.

Conferences & Competitions:

- Presented a paper at the National Conference on Implementation of Indian
 Knowledge System (IKS) in Contemporary Legal Education at The Faculty of
 Law, University of Delhi.
- Participated in the ISCB Competition at Solbridge International School of Business, South Korea and the IALS Dean's Americas and Asia-Pacific Law Deans' Forum at Berkeley School of Law, USA.

• Community Support & Outreach:

- Extended Legal Aid to victims of Rape & Sexual Harassment through the Sakhi Centre, Sangareddy.
- Launched Kavach: Integrative Training Workshop in Law and Psychology for Social Workers, fostering cross-disciplinary training for legal professionals.

• Monthly Online Law Series:

Hosted a monthly **Online Law Series**, featuring **Adv. Rajeev Rambhatla**, Partner at King Stubb & Kasiva, Advocates & Attorneys, covering current legal trends and practice.

Conferences, Seminars & Faculty Development Initiatives

The School of Law actively participated in and organised numerous high-impact academic events during the year:

• International Conference: Apprise 2024

(April 8, 2024) – Focused on women's contributions in STEM and STEAM. Keynote speakers included **Dr. Joseph Muscat** and **Mrs. Michelle Muscat**.

• Diplomats' Conclave

(September 22–23, 2023) – A high-profile gathering of former ambassadors and civil servants, such as **J.K. Tripathi** and **Srikumar Menon**, exploring global diplomacy and geopolitics.

• Lecture Series & Guest Talks

o January 2024: Launched a lecture series on Research Methods and Ethics

 February 15, 2024: Guest lecture by Prof. Pok Yin Stephenson Chow
 (Newcastle Law School) on "The Evolving Notion of Culture in International Legal Protection of Cultural Rights."

• Conferences & Workshops

- February 20–21, 2024: International Conference on Comparative Analysis of Sentencing Policy
- March 5, 2024: Workshop on "Mooting Skills and Etiquette" by Advocate
 Saumya Upadhyay
- March 6, 2024: Model Lok Sabha on "Global Development of the Nation Post-2019", co-hosted with the Centre of Excellence (COE)
- o March 12–14, 2024: International Conference on Media, Law, and AI in the Post-Truth Era
- o March 21, 2024: Session on Legal Journalism
- April 25, 2024: World IP Day celebration with Ms. Aliaa Mohamed (WIPO Academy)

• Entrepreneurial Awareness

 April 16, 2024: Awareness session on Entrepreneurship, in collaboration with Trade Tower

• Faculty Development Program

 April 25, 2024: Virtual FDP on "Adapting to New-Age Technologies in Academia, Industry, and Research."

• Honorary Recognition

o May 7, 2024: **Dr. Kiran Bedi**, India's first woman IPS officer, was conferred the title of **Emeritus Professor of Law**.

• Other Notable Events

- April 22, 2023: Panel Discussion "Arbitration vs. Litigation", with 180 participants
- July 19, 2023: Virtual International Colloquium "Spiritual Criminology and Victimology" featuring Prof. Natti Ronel
- o December 10, 2023: Seminar on Restorative Justice
- May 17, 2023: International Colloquium "Awareness on Indian and Oman Labor Law"

> Student Achievements

The School of Law at Woxsen University celebrated an inspiring year of student success and engagement:

- During the **Law Week celebrations**, students demonstrated academic excellence and co-curricular prowess:
 - o Sri Pranavi V *1st Place*, Debate Competition
 - **Umra M Khanam** *1st Place*, Exhibition
 - o Pakhi Khandelwal 2nd Place, Poster Making
 - Sanskruthi Reddy & Siri Yadav Outstanding Performance in Dance Competition
 - Vyshnavi Ganti Best Speaker, Model Lok Sabha (organized by the University Debate Club)
- The School of Law also achieved 2nd place in the International Business Plan Competition, securing a 70% scholarship from Solbridge University, Korea.

> Commitment to ERS and SDGs

The School of Law remained deeply committed to social responsibility and sustainability through impactful outreach:

- ERS Initiative Kamkole Panchayat Raj Office (January 24, 2024)

 Awareness session on hygiene, sanitation, and public health aimed at empowering local communities.
- SDG-Aligned Program on Gender Equality
 Conducted an engagement specifically for schoolgirls, promoting SDGs 4, 10, 16, and 17, and raising awareness on social justice and gender equality.
- ERS Session Government Degree College, Zaheerabad (March 22, 2024)
 A dialogue on women's rights and personal laws, aligned with SDG 16: Peace,
 Justice & Strong Institutions.

G. School of Sciences

The School of Sciences (SoS) continued to make an impact in research, community engagement, and industry partnerships in 2023–2024. With initiatives ranging from healthcare and solar energy to innovative research in biomedical sciences, SoS strengthened its role as a hub for scientific advancements and societal development.

> Highlights of the Year

• Health and Community Engagement:

In collaboration with **Olive Hospitals**, the school hosted a **Swasthya Mela** medical camp for **Group D employees**, providing comprehensive health checkups and consultations.

• Voter Awareness:

SoS, in association with the Election Commission of India's SVEEP initiative, organised the 'Vote Shakti' Voter Awareness Program, encouraging informed electoral participation among students and staff.

Academic Leadership in Research:

- Dr. Daya Shankar was invited to serve as a keynote speaker at the 2nd International Conference on Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs, scheduled for November 2024 in the USA.
- Dr. Shankar and Dr. Beauty Pandey successfully completed the Solar-Powered Vaccine Refrigerator Project, funded by the International Solar Innovation Council (InSIC).

• Exhibitions & Collaborations:

Hosted a **3-day exhibition** in collaboration with the **Institute of Plasma Research**, **Department of Atomic Energy**, showcasing cutting-edge research in plasma science and technology.

• Strategic Partnerships:

- Signed an MoU with GVN Solar Power Inc., a leader in solar energy solutions based in Vancouver, Canada.
- Secured a collaboration with International Institute of Information
 Technology, Hyderabad (IIITH), strengthening research and educational linkages.

• Student Achievements:

Mr. Guru Teja Reddy, a B.Sc. (Honours) student, achieved the remarkable feat of climbing Pisang Peak, Nagkartshang, and Mount Everest (5364 meters), showcasing perseverance and determination.

• Research Leadership & Conferences:

- Dr. Shankar served as a speaker at the 7th Education Leaders Conclave & Awards in Hyderabad (July 18–19, 2024).
- Invited as a speaker at the Research and Industrial Conclave at IIT Guwahati (August 9–11, 2024).

MoUs and Research Centers:

- Signed an MoU with INTI International University, Malaysia, ranked QS 516.
- Launched the Biomedical & Applied Clinical Science (BioMACS) Research Center, focused on addressing global healthcare challenges through interdisciplinary research.

• Community Empowerment:

Organised the **Bal-Vikash ERS activity** in collaboration with **Aikya Vidya Hare Krishna Movement** at **Saraswati Sishu Mandir**, Sangareddy, to empower rural communities by bringing education to underprivileged areas.

• Disaster Management & Awareness:

Met Col. S.P. Pandey, Joint Advisor, National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India, to discuss potential R&D collaborations and joint training programs for the 'Apda Mitra' initiative.

Research Projects Granted

The School of Sciences continues to make impactful strides in research and innovation through prestigious grants:

- Dr. Daya Shankar, Dean, received a €4,800 grant from INSIC-Solar Innovation, Finland for his project titled "Development of Solar-based Vaccination Refrigerator."
- Dr. Beauty Pandey, Associate Professor, secured USD 3,500/month for 6 months under the DST-SERB International Research Experience (SIRE) program for her project, "Development of Graphitic Carbon Nitride Based Composites for Photodriven Hydrogen Generation and Carbon-Dioxide Reduction." She is pursuing the research at the National University of Singapore, contributing to clean and sustainable energy solutions.

Notable Events

The School of Sciences organized a series of transformative academic and outreach events throughout the year:

• "Pratisthapan" – Student Orientation Program

(September 11–15, 2023)

A five-day holistic induction for new students featuring expert sessions from academia, industry, government, and institutional leadership.

• Women Empowerment & Safety Awareness Session

(*February 9, 2024*)

Featured speakers Mrs. Saritha, IPS, and Adv. Vallala Nagaraju, addressing safety and empowerment themes.

• National Science Day Celebrations – "Vigyanshala"

(February 27–28, 2024)

Included the inauguration of the **Satheesh Reddy Physics Laboratory** by **Dr. G. Satheesh Reddy**, Scientific Adviser to Raksha Mantri. The **Project Expo** on "*Indigenous Technologies for Vikshit Bharat*" showcased student innovations.

- Biomedical and Applied Clinical Sciences Research Centre Launch
 Alongside this, the school was selected as a Nodal Center by the Indian Institute of
 Remote Sensing (IIRS-ISRO), Dehradun, bolstering its remote sensing research
 capabilities.
- Workshop: "Generative AI for Digital Marketing"

(*February 2024*)

A five-day workshop sponsored by the **Ministry of MSME**, led by **Prof. Debdutta Choudhury** and **Dr. Daya Shankar**, provided insights into the application of AI in digital strategies.

• International Women's Day – "Mindful Discourse: ElevateHer"

(March 8, 2024)

A forum to invest, inspire, and include women and girls in the discourse around empowerment.

• Voter Awareness Drive – "Vote Shakti"

(May 8, 2024)

Conducted in collaboration with the **Election Commission of India**, the program aimed to raise awareness on electoral participation ahead of the Lok Sabha and Assembly elections.

> MoUs & Collaborations

• MoU with Aikya Vidya – Hare Krishna Movement Hyderabad (January 23, 2024)

This partnership supports **tribal and underprivileged communities**, beginning with the tribal-dominated villages of **Ahobilam (Andhra Pradesh)** and **Bhadrachalam (Telangana)**.

• MoU with IIIT Hyderabad

(April 26, 2024)

Formalized at the IIITH campus with participation from key stakeholders:

- o From IIITH: Prof. K.S. Ranjan (Registrar) and Prof. Ramesh Loganathan
- From Woxsen SoS: Dr. Daya Shankar, Dr. Beauty Pandey, Dr. Ramakrishna Madaka, and Dr. T. Santhosh Kumar

This collaboration aims to strengthen interdisciplinary research and technological development.

ERS Initiatives

The School of Sciences continued its commitment to social responsibility and educational outreach:

- Swasthya Mela (April 30, 2024)
 In partnership with Olive Hospital, this community health fair promoted wellness and preventive care.
- "Bal Vaigyanik" Science Education for School Students
 Aimed at igniting curiosity in young learners, this ERS activity promotes science
 awareness and motivates high school students to pursue higher education in STEM
 fields.

7.5 General Updates

Woxsen University has continued to make strides in strengthening its academic and global partnerships, enhancing student opportunities, and recognising faculty excellence. Here are some of the key updates from the academic year:

> Highlights of the Year

- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Xunta de Galicia, Spain:
 Woxsen University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Xunta de Galicia, Spain, fostering stronger academic and cultural ties between the institutions and exploring future avenues for collaboration.
- Partnership with Universidad Nebrija, Spain:

Dr. Raul signed a strategic partnership with **Universidad Nebrija**, Spain, across multiple sectors, creating several opportunities for Spain-India cooperation in research, student exchanges, and academic programs.

• Green Innovation Challenge (GIC):

The university organised the **Green Innovation Challenge (GIC)** competition, providing a vibrant platform for students to showcase their critical thinking skills in solving global environmental challenges.

- The Victoria Forum Video Contest:
 - In collaboration with Woxsen University, the **Victoria Forum** hosted a video contest aimed at tackling the critical issue of building trust in a complex world, encouraging students to creatively engage with pressing global concerns.
- Kiran Bedi Emeritus Professor:

We are proud to announce that **Kiran Bedi**, renowned social activist and former police officer, has joined Woxsen University as **Emeritus Professor** at the **School of Law**, enriching the academic community with her vast experience and insights.

• Annual Academic Awards Ceremony:

Woxsen University honoured its outstanding educators at the **Annual Academic Awards ceremony**, recognising their dedication to fostering a dynamic and vibrant learning environment, as well as their commitment to student success.

> Sports

Summary of Intercollegiate and International Sports Achievements

Woxsen University continues to foster a vibrant sports culture, celebrating significant achievements at intercollegiate, state, national, and international levels. Our students have demonstrated exceptional athletic talent and sportsmanship across a variety of events:

- International Achievements: At *Ekat2023*, an international badminton tournament, Woxsen students secured victories against teams from Pakistan, Russia, and Sri Lanka. Additionally, students achieved the runner-up position in the 24–30 years category at the **State Level Yogasana Championship** held in Hyderabad.
- **District & State Level:** In the **District Level Yogasana Championship**, one student represented Woxsen in the yoga category, exemplifying discipline and poise.

• Women's Participation:

- A student was the runner-up in women's singles badminton at the *Intercollege Sports Tournament* hosted by IBS, Hyderabad (1–3 December 2023).
- o A basketball team of nine students and a throwball team of eleven students participated with strong performances at the *Mahindra University Tournament* (February 2024).

• Men's Participation:

- The **volleyball team**, comprising ten students, reached the semi-finals at the *SNIST Tournament* (November 2023).
- o The **men's basketball team**, with fifteen players, emerged as runners-up in both the *SNIST* and *IBS* tournaments.
- Three students competed commendably in the **badminton event** at IBS, while the **football team** with sixteen members showcased team spirit and determination at the same tournament.

These accomplishments underscore Woxsen University's commitment to holistic student development, where athletic excellence is celebrated alongside academic achievements. The institution remains dedicated to nurturing sporting talent and anticipates even greater success in the forthcoming seasons.

> International Relations

Woxsen University has significantly expanded its global footprint through active participation in prestigious international academic, research, and policy forums. The institution has showcased its commitment to global education and collaborative growth through a series of notable engagements and partnerships.

Participation in Global Forums & Conferences

Woxsen representatives contributed to and attended high-profile events, including:

- **GBSN Beyond** at The American University in Cairo
- EFMD Global Asia Annual Conference, Thailand
- Association of African Business Schools
- QS Higher Ed Summit: Asia Pacific 2023
- OEB Global Conference, Berlin
- World Water Week by SIWI
- THE World Summit, Sydney
- AI Summit, New York
- AACSB Conference, Osaka
- CEEMAN Annual Conference, Almaty
- CII HR Conclave, Mumbai
- India Tech Talent League '23, Hyderabad
- FTSC 2023 at Parsons School of Design, USA

Faculty Contributions & Academic Leadership

- Dr. Hemachandran K spoke at the Association of African Business Schools and the QS Higher Ed Summit.
- Dr. **Kakoli Sen** presented at EFMD Global Asia and virtually at the University of Sistan and Baluchistan, Iran.
- Prof. Syed Hasan participated in a faculty exchange at IBS Moscow.
- Dr. Adity Saxena engaged in international dialogues at the OEB Conference in Berlin and collaborated with the University for the Creative Arts, UK.
- Dr. **Kiran Kumar Ravulakollu** presented at India Tech Talent League '23 on "Developing In-Demand Skills for Future Work."
- Prof. **Debdutta Choudhury** was recognized by AACSB.

• Dr. **Daya Shankar** delivered a keynote on green energy at a Ministry of Agriculture event.

> Student Recognition

- Woxsen students won a national-level competition at **IBS Hyderabad** and earned accolades in an international event in the **Russian Federation**.
- B.Tech students won a national-level hackathon in Bhopal with their project **AISH Analytical Improvement of Soil Health**.
- Student teams **EVANGELION**, **ZHAGARAM**, and **LYNX** secured top spots at the **MARK XXIV** Hackathon.

Global Collaborations & Outreach

- Woxsen's "AI for Sustainable Development Goals" initiative secured **third place** in the GBSN-EFMD *Going BEYOND* Awards.
- Hosted the **PRME Hyderabad City Meet-up**, led by Dr. Shruti Choudhary.
- Faculty and student exchange programs with 149 international universities, with 45 outgoing and 25 incoming exchanges.
- Ongoing academic partnerships with **Ulster University**, **University of Bitola**, **Al Ahram Canadian University**, and **University of Sinop**.
- Launch of the "Bal Vaigyanik" ERS initiative by the School of Sciences to promote STEM among high school students.

> Faculty Accolades

- Prof. Manikya Sai Tejaswini V and Prof. Anthima Ram obtained a registered design patent.
- Hosted ADoBE'23, an international colloquium curated by the School of Arts & Design.
- Dr. Shruti Choudhary and Sir Cary Cooper were among the keynote speakers at WIN'23, Woxsen's inclusion-focused conference.

> Awards & Nominations (2023)

Woxsen University's excellence and impact have been widely recognized through numerous awards and accolades in 2023:

- **IDA 2023 Award** Awarded to the **School of Arts & Design** in the category of *Nurturing Student and Faculty Wellbeing*.
- Award of Excellence in Documentation of Architectural Heritage 2023 Received by the School of Architecture (CoA) at the zonal level for Category C: *Indigenous Dwelling*.

- CEEMAN Responsible Management Educator of the Year 2023 Recognising excellence in management education.
- Emerald Award for Best Publication (2023) Celebrating Woxsen's outstanding contribution to research and academic publishing.
- **Bronze at the GBSN Beyond Awards** Honouring the university's global impact through sustainable and innovative initiatives.

> Trade Tower & Institution's Innovation Council

Woxsen University continues to drive innovation and entrepreneurship through its **Trade Tower initiative**, fostering a dynamic ecosystem that bridges academic learning with realworld business application. The initiative actively supports students, faculty, and early-stage
entrepreneurs through training, competitions, and strategic partnerships.

a) Capacity Building & Training Programs

To strengthen entrepreneurial capabilities within the academic community, Woxsen organized several impactful training initiatives:

- Online Workshop on Entrepreneurship & Government Funding Schemes Aimed at faculty development, this workshop equipped educators with critical knowledge to mentor and guide student-led ventures effectively.
- Management Development Program (MDP) on Digital Marketing
 Funded by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), this
 program empowered participants with key digital marketing strategies to fuel business
 growth in a competitive landscape.

b) Entrepreneurship Events & Competitions

The university fosters hands-on entrepreneurial experience through engaging platforms:

- Startup Pitching @ Global Executive Summit 2023

 An exclusive platform where student and early-stage startups pitched their ideas to an audience of global business leaders and investors.
- MSME Idea Hackathon 3.0 (Women)

 This inclusive innovation challenge led to three winning projects, each awarded significant grants—promoting women-led entrepreneurship and scalable innovation.

c) Strategic Collaborations

Woxsen University's innovation ecosystem is further enriched through impactful partnerships:

• The Factor-Y Offers mentorship and collaborative on

Offers mentorship and collaborative opportunities for emerging entrepreneurs to refine their business models.

• Sreenidhi Ascend Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship

A valuable partner in providing funding avenues, incubation support, and strategic guidance to student-led ventures.

> Graduates of the Year

The academic year 2023–2024 has been a landmark period for Woxsen University, marked by significant academic accomplishments, innovative initiatives, and continued strides in entrepreneurship, research, and global engagement. Woxsen's commitment to academic excellence, experiential learning, and thought leadership has positioned it as a trailblazer in India's higher education ecosystem.

Celebrating a Cohort of Excellence

This year, **516 students** successfully graduated from Woxsen University across undergraduate and postgraduate programs, each empowered with the interdisciplinary knowledge and practical experience needed to thrive in today's competitive landscape. These graduates are the embodiment of Woxsen's mission—to nurture capable, ethical, and forward-thinking professionals and leaders.

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CAMPUS INFRASTRUCTURE - INNOVATION MEETS SUSTAINABILITY

8.1 Overview

Located on a **200-acre** estate near Hyderabad, **Woxsen University** stands as a **pioneering force** in modern education, seamlessly blending technological sophistication with **sustainable design**. Through **cutting-edge academic facilities, thoughtfully designed living spaces**, and **holistic wellness amenities**, the university cultivates a truly **world-class learning environment**.

A. Academic Excellence in Modern Spaces

Classrooms & Lecture Theatres

- Smart-enabled classrooms featuring interactive boards, projectors, and high-speed internet foster an engaging learning experience.
- Amphitheatre-style lecture halls encourage open discussions and active student-faculty collaboration.

Hi-Tech Laboratories & Studios

- From **AI and robotics labs** to state-of-the-art **design studios**, students engage in hands-on experiential learning.
- These advanced facilities serve **technology**, **engineering**, **and creative arts** disciplines.

B. The Hub of Knowledge: The Woxsen Library

Digitally Enhanced, Multi-Level Library

- Spanning 50,000 square feet, Woxsen's library blends traditional and digital learning with access to global research databases, e-books, journals, and more.
- It provides a **tranquil and inspiring environment** for research-driven education.

Creative and Collaborative Zones

- Group study rooms, research hubs, and creative workspaces foster innovation.
- Robotic book retrieval systems and digital kiosks enhance accessibility and efficiency.

C. Accommodation & Community-Living Spaces

Student Housing

• AC and non-AC hostels for male and female students include high-speed internet, common study areas, and leisure lounges.

Faculty & Staff Residences

• On-campus apartments and private residences facilitate closer mentorship and collaboration between faculty and students.

D. Recreational & Athletic Excellence

Comprehensive Sports Facilities

• Cricket and football grounds, tennis and basketball courts, and indoor sports arenas support physical fitness, team building, and leadership development.

Wellness & Fitness Centers

• A fully equipped gym and student lounges provide fitness and relaxation outlets to maintain a balanced lifestyle.

E. Sustainability at the Core

Eco-Friendly Campus Design

• Implementation of solar power systems, energy-efficient architecture, and natural ventilation significantly minimizes environmental impact.

Water Management & Green Landscaping

• Planter boxes, water-saving systems, and extensive green spaces reinforce Woxsen's commitment to sustainable development.

F. <u>Diverse Culinary Experiences</u>

Multi-Cuisine Dining

- With options ranging from a lively central cafeteria to a cozy coffee shop and multicuisine restaurant, Woxsen provides nutritional variety and culinary excellence.
- Offerings include vegetarian and non-vegetarian meals, light snacks, and wholesome dishes.

A Campus that Inspires

Woxsen University's campus infrastructure is more than just a collection of buildings—it is a dynamic learning ecosystem. By merging innovation, sustainability, and a student-first approach, Woxsen cultivates an environment where academic success, entrepreneurial thinking, and global citizenship thrive.