

# Woxsen University's SportsX vision unveiled by P.V Sindhu *Grandeur driving Zeal.*

By Asha Rallapati & Sindhukavi S.



14 August 2023 will go down the history of Woxsen University as one of the most extravagant evenings as the inauguration of Asia's finest indoor sports arena was unveiled by Badminton legend, P.V.Sindhu.

The evening commenced with a grand invite by the students of Woxsen University waving their flags in pride as they welcomed Ms. P.V.Sindhu. She inaugurated the magnum opus in a traditional ribbon cutting ceremony and proceeded for a tour into the building witnessing the exuberance of the Sports shop, gym, billiards, chess, table tennis, pilates and squash court. Last and the most awaited, she stepped into the olympic-standard badminton court and could not help but be awestruck at the top-notch badminton court. She then proceeded for a game with the Founder and chancellor of Woxsen University, Mr.Veen Pula

followed by a game with the students themselves.

After the walk throughout Sportx, she was welcomed into the outdoor seating, where she shared spaces with the distinguished dignitaries of Woxsen University such as the Founder, Mr.Veen Vice Chancellor, Chief Executive Officer Mr.Vishal Khurma and Vice President Dr.Raul Rodriguez.

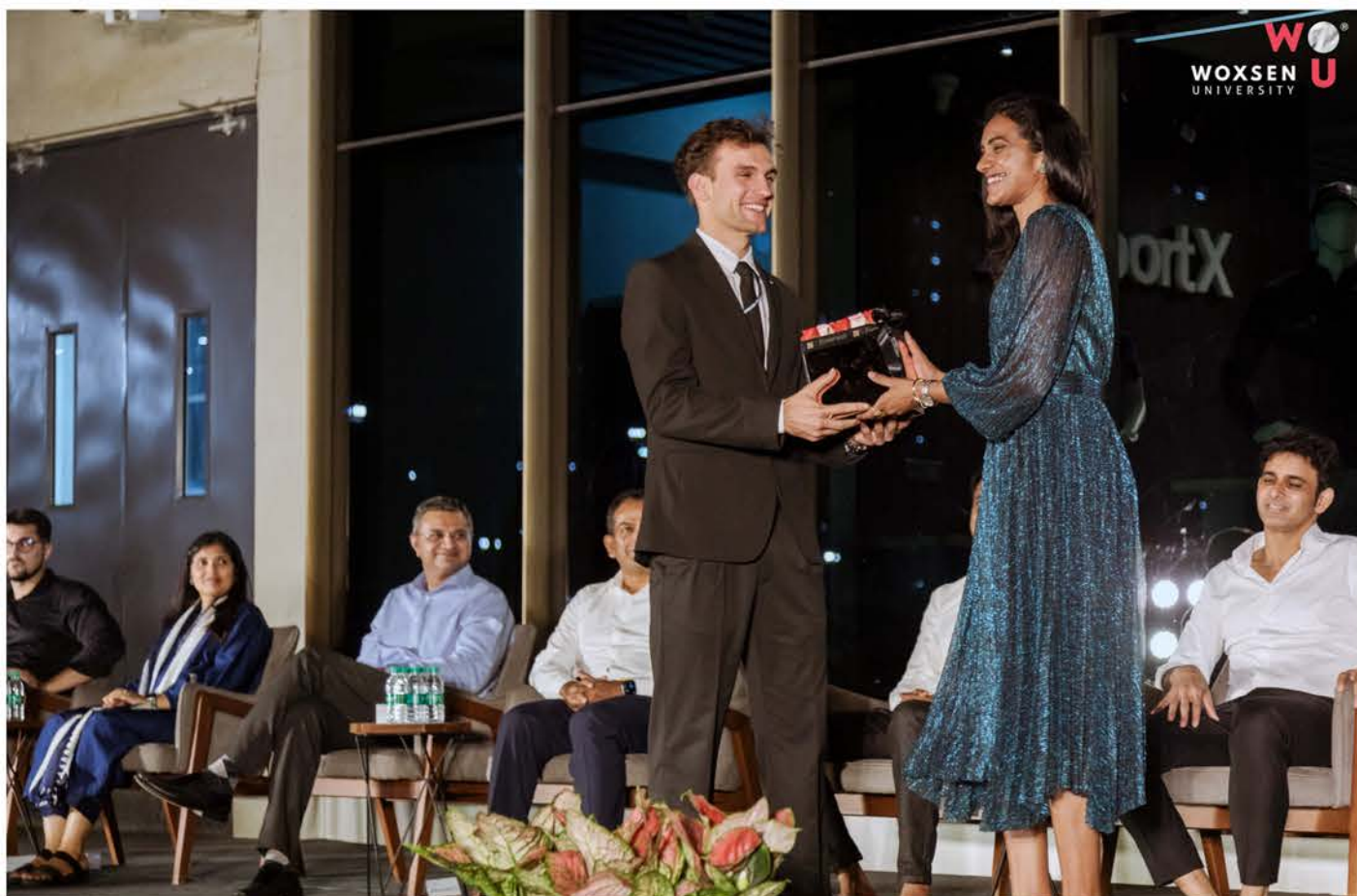
The event commenced with Ms.P.V. Sindhu addressing the crowd. The Padma Bhushan Awardee, Olympic medalist, and World Badminton champion, expressed her admiration for Woxsen University's exceptional infrastructure by saying, "I have visited many universities, but Woxsen stands out as the best." When discussing the sports facilities at Woxsen University, she encouraged students, stating, "I believe that sports amenities like those at Woxsen will certainly motivate you to participate, and I

encourage students to make the most of what Woxsen has to offer. The opportunities you have here are a stepping stone to greatness."

The founder and vice chancellor, Praveen K Pula, expressed his gratitude to P.V. Sindhu for gracing the occasion and being a beacon of hope for aspiring athletes. He remarked "With a strong purpose, passion ignites. When passion turns into obsession, remarkable things happen. My vision for Woxsen was an acclaimed sports hub, and SportX is proof of that ambition."

He further stated "Today, as we stand here with P.V. Sindhu, we are not just inaugurating sports facilities; we are inaugurating dreams, aspirations, and a commitment to excellence."

The memorable inauguration of the extravagant Sportx at Woxsen Universty left an indelible mark as it marked the beginning of a sports trajectory within our campus and would undoubtedly serve as a catalyst for students to dream big, work hard, and, like Sindhu, etch their names in the history.



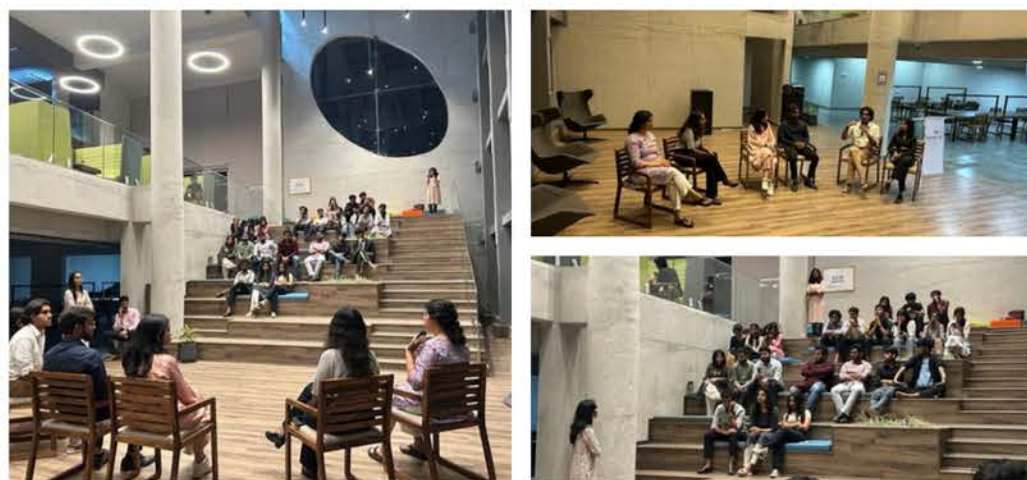
# Hard pick between Transcendence and Enlightenment

By Mehreen Abid

Loneliness – something everyone has felt at some point in time. It's hard to put in words how the absence of someone's existence in our lives can conjure irrational doubts within us; "does there exist any value to my actions?" To prove otherwise is a rather intricate task, loneliness is a hefty baggage one must drag across every individual platform we arrive at, a baggage that leaves a trail of uncertainty about the comprehension of your self-worth. So, how does one deal with baggage of such burdensome intensity? The answer to that query, you might have been able to discover if you had been in the library on 24th of August, 2024. Following the quiet hours after a bustling day of jam-packed classes, people huddled in the library to attend the humble event organised by Literature Club. Hosted by a senior executive and vice president of the club, a round of discussion was initiated that questioned the views of 4 panellists – Anay samarth (B.Tech), Anisha Gugale (B.A), Anannya Sanjay (B.Des) and Deeksha (BBA) – on what they assume to be the difference between solitude and loneliness.

The rest of the discussion encompassed of taking into account the root causes of loneliness, what it's effects are on a person, how social media plays into exasperation of such emotions, and if having a romantic partner to depend on can lessen the burden, or create a turmoil of frenzied superficial connections that momentarily provide with respite.

Along with the panellists, the audiences perspective had quite a lot to add onto the existing views being thrown about – Ms. Antarleena Basu, a faculty of School of Liberal Arts and Humanities was of the belief that loneliness leads to transcendence, factoring well-known personalities of Charles



Bukowski, and Jean Paul Sartre. They urge people experiencing loneliness to beautify their external environment so they may feel whole on the inside. Her views aligned with those of Mr. Pankaj, a Business faculty, that connected feelings of loneliness stemming from romantic relationships as mentioned by Surdas, an ancient hindi poet. The alternating views of whether being lonely is healthy, and if so to what extent, was elaborated through the 50 minute session, where no doubt some members left with more on their mind than what they came with. To end with an intense note by a beloved of all loners, Charles Bukowski – "and when nobody wakes you up in the morning, and when nobody waits for you at night, and when you can do whatever you want. What do you call it, freedom or loneliness?"

# For Us and For Them- Exploring Safe Cohabitation

By Sindhukavi S.

If you take a casual stroll at the campus, it is certain that you will be greeted by one of the furry friends at Woxsen. Friends to most, fears to few, these dogs needed care, and that's where the Animal Welfare Club comes to the rescue!

It is noteworthy to mention the initiatives and awareness campaigns they have taken to ensure a safe haven for humans and dogs alike. The date August 16 marked an important awareness program which was graced by two prominent Animal Welfare enthusiasts, Ms. Shreya Paropkari, Legal consultant for Humane Society International & Board member of Blue Cross Hyderabad and Smt. NSK Kumari, Shelter director & Chief Financial Officer, Blue Cross. The program commenced with our CEO, Mr.Vishal Khurma addressing the crowd and formally inviting the chief guests. He was followed by Ms. Shreya who elaborated on the conflicts between man and

dogs, responsible pet ownership and ethical treatment of Indie dogs. She was followed by Smt. NSK Kumari, who enumerated the threat of overpopulation of dogs, identifying vaccinated and sterilized dogs and the need to take care of strays.

It brings me absolute pleasure to inform you about our University being awarded with a certificate from Blue Cross for our relentless commitment towards fostering the safety of the dogs within campus. Beginning in the month of July, the full-fledged vaccination drive consisting of three different injections including the animal birth control, anti-rabies vaccination, seven in one vaccination program, the dogs within our campus have been going in batches to get their vaccination shots. A staggering

24 dogs have been vaccinated, so if you come across a right-ear notched dog, be assured for they are vaccinated. This was followed by students being distributed with certificates for their enthusiastic participation in the event. The event came to an end with the address by the man behind the work, President of the Animal Welfare Club, Vishal Choudhary, who highlighted the significance of creating a safe space for students and dogs.

These initiatives could not have been possible without the everlasting support and guidance of Madam Dean. Dr. Kakoli Sen and aspecial appreciation to Mr. Abhijeet and Deepanshi Gaur for helping throughout the vaccination drive!



# Debate on Personal Data Protection

By Navami Pudupully

Following approval from both houses of Parliament, the President of India formally gave power to the 'Digital Personal Data Protection Bill' on 11th August 2023. Aimed at safeguarding personal data of Indian citizens and fostering safe data management practices, this bill is a true sui generis - an unprecedented privacy Act in India spotlighting the protection of citizens' personal data. While India just managed to hop on the boat, Germany, on the other hand, had already been occupying the seat with the best view. With The German Federal Data Protection Act (BDSG) and General Data Protection Regulation (2018), Germany has been heading toward data privacy ahead of schedule.

There's a secret third house of the parliament camping in the Library basement every other Monday to posit and discuss views they deem right- the Woxsen debate club. The latest pressing issue raised to motion on the 28th was - Are data privacy bills a step in the right direction or a hindrance to growth in India and Germany? In a world where data is increasingly valuable, are data privacy bills fulfilling the purpose?

The latest debate witnessed the usual roster of Vasim Hunani, Amaan Bhimani, Harit Raja, and Pratham Mundra, alongside newcomers Shanmukh and Alexander Vogler.

Although a solid conclusion wasn't drawn, as it happens with these things, it was an opportunity to ponder on aspects of privacy and data collection that often go unnoticed. Points as

unfathomable as the stoppage of the use of the internet as a whole to the question of privacy within our own university premises in an era of surveillance and body cameras were acknowledged.

While we could debate the fruitfulness of said debate, viewers couldn't help but notice a recurring pattern of digressing. At a platform where participants are meant to lock horns intellectually, they are instead locked to rip each other's heads off, figuratively speaking. Clear intellectual thoughts are swapped for petty personal insults. Diplomatic and calm composure takes a gnarly transformation into cheapshot middle school attitudes. And then it's never about coming to a conclusion or drawing up a solution; it's about educating fellow opponents or rather imposing what they believe is right on the other team.

This latest debate reminisced a live news channel, where the trajectory of the agenda got lost in yelling, name-calling, and unnecessary theatrics.

Regardless, at the end of the day, we are always delighted to announce the winner. Harit Raja's comical delivery and wit bagged him the 3rd position, while Vasim Hunani's ever-diplomatic composure and intellectual demeanor ranked him 2nd. But the true winner was Amaan Bhimani's class act and to-the-point rhetoric.

But such things go beyond winners; a debate is to inform, to be cognizant.



# A Street Cause Initiative - Renovating the Kamkole Hostel

By Sindhukavi S.



In the vicinity of Woxsen University is situated a government hostel with over 100 inhabitants. The hostel, though a house to many, was deprived of basic facilities and the plight of these residents caught the eye of Dr. Shilpi Agarwal, Head of Finance Studio who prompted the team of Street Cause Woxsen to take up an initiative to improve the state of these residents.

The team of Street Cause Woxsen surveyed the hostel and analyzed the requirements of the hostel and planned accordingly to alleviate them from the distress caused due to the lack of basic infrastructure. Upon analyzing the hostel, it was clear that the hostel lacked basic electrical facilities such as lights, fans and street lights along with an inefficient drainage system. Thus, the team of Street Cause Woxsen got electrical facilities fixed along with a new drainage system to ensure a better living to the inhabitants.

The project was inaugurated on the auspicious occasion of Ambedkar Jayanthi 14 April 2023 by the team along with Dr. Shilpi. The inauguration was a celebration consisting of games, quizzes and a cake cutting celebration with the children who resided there. The project lasted an entire month and concluded by the 10th of May 2023.

The Kamkole hostel residents now have an efficiently functioning Street Light, tube lights, fans as well as a drainage system, thanks to the Street Cause Team at Woxsen. We wish them the best of luck in more such endeavors.

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"A life without a cause is life without an effect"

**Kamkole Government Hostel** **Renovation of Hostel**

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# The leader within You!

**By Mekala Chethana**

Even before talking about my perspective on leadership, I just want to share my experiences as a student when I was in school. I have done my primary till 10th in DPS. No, not the DPS you know. It's Dilsukhnagar Public School. Anyway, I was a mediocre student. I was never a class leader, nor I was a teacher's pet nor I scored great marks... I was just an average student who tried very hard to reach a certain grade which, looking back, perhaps was not a very great thing. Also, the main thing was I never yearned to be a good student. I just studied for the sake of studying or maybe for the sake of my dad who tried his best to educate me with his beautiful ways. I guess even my parents weren't so happy with my performance but they never compared me with someone else because they believed in my capabilities and had always been supportive. Every year, the list on the class board that said "top five" never included me. Not for one, two, or three years but for twelve long years... My name wasn't on the board and I wasn't sad too. For too long, I thought I was incapable, especially when I compared myself to my friends and believe me, it was a competitive environment, specially among girls.

I guess my 11th standard was the toughest in all my academic career till now. I was going through a lot in life. As I mentioned, I was a mediocre student and I wasn't very good at mugging up my lessons. Every time I used to understand the whole thing simply and try to put them in my own words. So when the examiner looked up keywords, he couldn't get any and I always used to score less than I imagined. The same happened in my Intermediate first year and I scored the least in Sanskrit. And yes of course the whole graph just fell like a huge mountain on my shoulder. Just because I was not habituated to mugging up I couldn't score well in Sanskrit. But the saddest part was I was not even thinking about writing the betterments because I very well knew that I would fail again...

This particular incident just changed me as a person. For one full year, I was very dejected, especially when looking at my parents. They never yelled or scolded me for what happened but still, they were upset somehow. So the second year, I worked like a machine! Yes like a machine. I had only three things to do in a day - study, eat, and sleep - that's all. It was a bit depressing because I had this one last chance to score well to make the graphs high. I am the kind of person who shows the least interest in food and slowly I started to eat more. Whenever there is a gap I am used to eating anything I could. It was a sign of depression. Till the last minute of my examinations not a single thing

bothered me or affected me. It was all about studying, studying, and just studying. And the results came out - I think it was a few days before my birthday. And guess what happened! I scored above 90 in all subjects and as a commerce student, I scored the highest in commerce and to add to the joy, I scored very well in Sanskrit.

When the results came out even before I opened them my dad entered my room I gave them to him and he started to read them out loud. I was in shock for two and a half minutes and I didn't know how to react because compared to me, my dad worked thrice harder to put me in the right direction and helped me with my studies just like he is been doing since the start. I will never forget those smiling faces of my parents when they saw my scores in my intermediate second year. But I feel there is the slightest chance that I might forget my second year but I would never forget my first year because it was a major failure. Without this major failure, I wouldn't do anything I am doing right now. After my well-wishers congratulated me, my dad came to me and said "Now do you realize your potential?". That moment changed everything. My whole thought process and my methods of working.

Since then, till now including my present journey at Woxsen, work has been always my priority. But I never did it by nagging or just for the sake of doing it. Yes, sometimes the workload was more but still, it didn't pull me down. I was very happy with myself and my professional life. I am still trying to be better day by day, personally and professionally. I am at least satisfied that I am sincere in whatever I am doing. I became goal-oriented and very well knew what I was doing.

So, with my experience, I want to express that everyone has a leader within themselves. Some might realize it very early or sometimes it takes time. Leadership is just not about showing and leading the way to people around us. It's firstly realizing who we are and then taking responsibility which will lead to a better future. Of course, everyone wants to become a leader but before that try to know yourselves, your potential, and your capabilities. For me, one of the reasons for my betterment is Woxsen because I was never aware of these opportunities before. These opportunities made me so confident and enthusiastic that I know very well how I am going to lead my future with the leadership skills within me. I wish that everyone will be able to cross paths with the leaders within themselves and try to create a better future for themselves and also for the people around them.

# Unveiling the unseen gypsy of teaching

By Poojitha Gattu

Woxsen's all-time favourite professor Dr. Dominic Kanbach well known for his optimistic and enthusiastic teaching, is a full-time professor and chairholder of Strategic Entrepreneurship at HHL Leipzig Graduate School of Management. He also serves as the academic director of research and head of the Strategic Entrepreneurship Research Group at HHL. His research areas cover the fields of strategic management, (corporate) entrepreneurship, and innovation in the digital era.

Many students are fond of his personality, and his interactive way of teaching which raises the zeal for learning, ensuring to build a relationship between the teammates and create a challenge that is difficult to crack.

Born and brought up in Germany, this native German still resides in his country and considers the HHL Graduate School

of Management as his academic home. His childhood tale paints a picture of a disciplined and self-motivated student from the age of 10 who became a beloved favourite for his teachers by actively voicing his opinions which soon cultivated his personality as extroverted in nature.

Undoubtedly, many people have affected Dr. Kanbach's academic journey along the way; nonetheless, PhD advisor, Stephan Stubner, stands out. "His intellectual genius, his ability to quickly understand complex ideas, and his narrative wizardry made an unforgettable impression. He has one of the best analytical brains in the world, and I was tremendously influenced by his method of teaching, which emphasized active participation from students. My whole approach to both teaching and learning has been shaped by the wisdom and insight he has shared with me as a mentor".



**Dr. Dominic Kanbach**

exchange" says Dr Kanbach. Strategy and digital business courses have unearthed wisdom from diverse students globally, showcasing the complexity of individual perspectives. His teaching style has become one for champions and is being adapted by professors all over the world with persuasive discourse, emphasizing comprehension over judgment—a shift he treasures dearly, especially after teaching around the world.

With an enduring passion for travel, he frequently journeys to universities worldwide, not only to teach but primarily to conduct research and partake in academic conferences across the globe, fulfilling his insatiable love for travel.

He is fond of Hyderabad, especially the cafes located in Jubilee Hills. "The city's cafes often feature relaxed atmospheres, making them perfect for leisurely conversations, work meetings, or simply

savouring a cup of aromatic chai." He adds that whenever he visits Hyderabad, he visits new restaurants and new concepts with modern architecture.

**A fulfilling job starts with finding fulfilment within.**

Answering the question to what was his biggest achievement in his career Dr. Kanbach replies "In my career, the true treasure lies in waking up every morning with a profound sense of happiness. It's not about the clock's tick or a mere job well done, but rather the contentment it brings". This eloquent reflection beautifully celebrates the profound happiness found in one's career, emphasizing the intrinsic value of contentment over mere routine. Despite occasionally starting his day fatigued due to long hours, the anticipation of engaging with delightful students fuels his drive.

With teaching new batch of students from all around the world, he advises his students on his biggest drive-in life – personal growth. Dr. Kanbach always believed in personal growth, the key that helps him endure. "Having a strong foundation of knowledge in fields like finance, marketing, strategy, and entrepreneurship is crucial, but it's not enough to stand out in today's world. One needs that solid knowledge base, but what

**"TEACHING ALWAYS TEACHES YOU SOMETHING"**

In the dynamic realm of education, Dominik's teaching style has evolved into a profound transformation. His initial desire for an interactive, hands-on approach has blossomed into a holistic philosophy. "Teaching is no longer a one-sided journey; it's a rich



truly sets you apart is what stays with you over time. It's like coming in as one person and, after a couple of years, emerging as a more mature, developed individual. That's what really distinguishes you in the job market and sticks around for the long haul."

After spending only a half-an-hour with Dr Kanbach we can totally understand the magic that he holds and we can only imagine the excitement one must feel every time he enters the classroom to teach.

## ***“The point of art is to look at the same thing, but feel differently.”***

**By Mehreen Abid & Asha Rallapati**

Hailing from the beautifully frosty city of Perm enclosed by the Ural Mountains in Russia, Paulina Epifanova – an exchange student at *Woxsen University* – help us envision the challenges and the insightful dedication that come as a package deal from taking small steps towards your passion. **“From as far as I remember myself,”** she recalls, **“I always wanted to leave my hometown to see the world, and now it’s my first time abroad. Now I’m in India.”**



**Paulina Epifanova**

Having completed her basic education requirements, Paulina describes how the field of interior designing has always enraptured her, but being unable to get into the right college to commence the preferred course, she was compelled to make-do with the second-best comparable option of pursuing Journalism. Although her life seemed to have taken a down-hearted detour briefly, at the age of 21, Paulina is now living the moment her childhood aspirations had encompassed of; to work as an Interior Designer in a prestigious Russia-based company that deals with national, as well as international customers.

Nonetheless, residing in your comfort zones for too long represent a rigid mental state, one where personal growth cannot allow an individual to foster and mould one-self to unfamiliar situations. To overcome it, you must broaden your skills past your thinking capacities, and aim for a higher outreach. That's what Paulina believes so, at least, with the intent of brandishing her own company one day, one where she need not work under someone else to undertake commissions. But for now, maintaining the intricate balance of managing the usual grind of attending to everyday-classes and assignments to complete her degree, while simultaneously taking on projects is what is keeping her pre-occupied during her time in the campus. **“But, it’s worth it,”** she asserts with utmost confidence. Drawing inspiration from personal experiences can lead to profound creativity. For Paulina, her artistic journey was deeply intertwined with the love and support of her close ones. Her passion for the arts has never suffered at the hands of an unsupportive family.

**“Can you tell us an interesting fact about you?”**

*“I’ve a guilty pleasure. Every 3 or 6 months, I would watch all of the Jelena (Justin Beiber & Selena Gomez) love stories, their dates, their timelines. I love to look at them so much!”*

In fact, all of her family implored encouragement in their own way. By asking her to produce her largest (and

most cherished painting) as a wall-décor in her father’s apartment, Paulina recalls the nostalgia of all her loved ones touching the artwork; from her boyfriend building a canvas for her piece from scratch, to her grandmother handing her a fabric as baseline for her handiwork, everyone had helped her overcome a rather difficult phase in time to acknowledge her lively future, all through a single painting. It makes sense then, her love for the arts extends all boundaries. It proves itself evident in the way her daily activities consist of reading books for the sake of expanding her knowledge, picking up new languages, meditating with the help of yogic practices, and a holding a firm belief in the destiny of fate by browsing through astrological articles in her free time.

*My favourite cartoon is ‘adventure time’. I’ve watched it about a million times. I know every. Single. Episode. By every word.*

Paulina is a shining example of what can be achieved when we follow our dreams and never give up. She is an inspiration to us all, and her story shows us that anything is possible if we set our minds to it.



**Art By:  
Paulina Epifanova**

## *The Wheel continues to spin in Woxsen*

**By Navami Pudupully**

To form bonds between women is to foster a community that believes they are capable of anything. It is the foundation of raising spirits and reciprocating a sense of belonging and strength. Bearing these values in mind, Margarete Golding established the 'Inner Wheel' Club in early 1942. What started as a single establishment of a women's organization in Manchester to 'create friendship, service, and understanding' has now expanded to set up bases in over 102 countries.

That mentioned, MBA sophomore Poojitha Gattu deserves her flowers for her work in bringing a rendition of this club to our university- the Inner Wheel Club of Woxsen New Gen.

Referred to as a beacon of inspiration, even at its nascent stage, the Inner Wheel Club of Woxsen New Gen aims to hone personal development, social fellowship, advocacy, and awareness, as well as dipping into service projects and international understanding.



I had the delight of conversing with the President of the club, Poojitha Gattu, regarding future endeavors and baby steps for the club.

"Destiny Groove is our latest proposal. We're in the works to

collaborate with Dr. Dominic Kanbach. Through this initiative, we aim to empower self-help groups by providing them with the necessary tools, guidance, and strategies to kickstart their startup initiatives. Such groups are often composed of individuals determined to make something for themselves but are devoid of the necessary resources. So, by formulating effective business strategies, we believe we make their ventures sustainable and profitable. In short, our motive is to reshape destinies by igniting entrepreneurship."

When asked about Dr. Dominic Kanbach's potential involvement in the project, she went on to say, "Dr. Kanbach has profound understanding and experience in strategic management. His involvement in this project could bring a unique perspective to the table. Aspects such as developing tailored strategies, workshops, training, mentorship, resource sharing, evaluation, and feedback, etc., under a veteran's guidance in his field would do wonders for our first big project."

Beyond the tangible contribution of helping build startups from ground zero, Destiny Groove hopes to promote a culture of entrepreneurship and self-reliance within these communities.

Destiny Groove's success will be measured in the meaningful difference it makes in the lives of aspiring entrepreneurs, and Poojitha Gattu, along with her team, is on a mission.



## SPOTLIGHT ON VILLAGE INITIATIVE



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. As a tiny hamlet, central and state government development resources are correspondingly severely restricted frequently coming up short of the community's true requirements. Despite these financial constraints, Sarpanch Nagalakshmi has shown exceptional dedication and keen leadership. Recognizing the challenges faced by a lack of funding, she has implemented inventive approaches to assure the growth and betterment of her village. Nagalakshmi has effectively turned the situation around through clever planning and an excellent grasp of community needs, calling attention to the possibilities that little villages like Allapur can accomplish when led by devoted individuals. The narrative of Allapur acts as a beacon of light for many other communities experiencing similar developmental issues.

Sarpanch Ankarpalli Nagalakshmi's dedication to the expansion of Allapur village is unrivaled. She has also provided monies from her own pay to help multiple developmental projects, demonstrating their devotion beyond just leadership. The village saw the building of CC roads, the addition of street lights, and the installation of a well-planned drainage system under her bright leadership. Nagalakshmi additionally served a key part in the implementation of a water tank policy, which has resulted in the building numerous water tanks across the village, providing regular water supply. In 2018, she introduced a plantation scheme, investing in the expansion of mango trees and other plantings as part of an effort to save the environment and encourage sustainable development. Her devotion to public service does not stop there. Nagalakshmi has also stated her desire to offer an acre of her own property for the construction of an old age home, proving her profound commitment to the welfare of Allapur residents.

We were also able to interact with the MPPS Allapur government school students. The school has classes from 1st to 5th grade with exact 47 children where 22 are girls and 25 are boys. Upon meeting



them we were able to understand their study pattern and educational abilities. There was a fun and delightful interactive session between us where we sung rhymes, played games and solved math together. The kids showed enthusiasm, discipline, and dedication during the meet.

The landscape unfolds, many plantations, temple, and concrete roads as well as semi-built houses. The locals, with their warm hospitality, share stories of their stories and daily life. The village panchayat has constructed mini water tanks all around the village to help with water scarcity. Conversations with the sarpanch offered insights into their challenges and aspirations. Allapur shines as a testament to the vibrancy and resilience of rural India.

In conclusion, 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.



## SOLAH students attend National Psychology Workshops, Present Research Paper.

In the annual event named Synod of Psychologists 2.0 - The Vision of Vocations organized by the Surana College (Affiliated with Bangalore University, Re-accredited by NAAC with A+, and Recognized by AICTE- New Delhi) on 31st July & 1st August 2023 four students - Harini Donakonda, Rishika Pasupulati, Jyeshtha Mahendra & Aditi Pasupuleiti, from the School of Liberal Arts & Humanities actively participated. During these 2-days' time, the students attended the Workshops on Animal-based Therapy and Nature-based Intervention (NBI) Therapy, which gave them practical exposure to two alternative (in a way unconventional) and activity-oriented psychotherapy techniques. Further, 3 of the students (Rishika Pasupulati, Jyeshtha Mahendra & Aditi Pasupuleiti) presented a paper titled - Personality Analysis of Convicts through the Lens of Forensic Graphology, and this paper has also been selected for the publication with an ISBN number as proceeding of the conference. This proved to be good learning exposure and networking opportunity for the students to represent Woxsen University in terms of their scholarly activities.

## Centre of Excellence for Anthropology of Religion and Ethnic Studies Formed in SoLAH



**Co-Chairperson:** Dr Eldhose Varghese, Assistant Professor, SoLH

### About the Centre

The centre is pledged to enhance the horizons of anthropology in general and select themes in particular. Anthropology is a holistic approach to the study of humans. The importance of the discipline is increasing day by day. Earlier, a myth about the discipline was that it studied distant cultures. However, contemporarily, the theories of Anthropology are required to understand human life. Eriksen defines anthropology as a "comparative study of culture and society, with a focus on local life" (2004: 9). "Anthropology has always been in the dynamic interplay between theory and ethnography" (Eller 2021: 25).

The centre is focused on the major epistemological developments and ontological shifts in the discourse of religion and ethnic studies. The centre includes diverse experts from around the globe for academic collaboration whose research focuses on Religion, Ethnic Studies, Social Movements, Peasant movements, discard studies, etc. In addition, the centre aims to provide a general understanding of various themes, theoretical developments, research methodology, contemporary issues and discourses in Social and Cultural anthropology.

## SoLAH faculty attends Five-Day National Workshop organised by NIRD

Dr. Siriman Naveen, Assistant Professor, SoLAH attended a workshop titled "**Effectiveness of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG): Scheme for Deprived Communities in Scheduled Areas**", organised by the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR), Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, from June 26 to 30, 2023.



# Big Push for Internationalisation at SoLAH

**School of Liberal Arts and Humanities** aims to provide holistic international exposure to all its stakeholders (faculties and students) with tangible experiences of international significance. To fulfil it, the school has taken a big step towards internationalisation with the signing of an MoU with Ulster University, UK.

The major takeaways of this milestone agreement are a dual degree program under the 2+1 arrangement and research collaboration between both universities involving interdisciplinary domains. The MoU was signed on behalf of Ulster University by Prof. Paul Connolly, Executive Dean, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, and Dr. P.V. Satya Prasad, Henry Giroux Dean School of Liberal Arts and Humanities, Woxsen University, on 28 August 2023. On behalf of all the faculty members and students of SoLAH, the Dean Dr. Satya Prasad expressed his gratitude to the Vice-President of Woxsen University, Dr Raul Rodriguez for his constant support and guidance.

Further, the proposed plans include the following steps to be undertaken to make the internationalisation of SoLAH in the long run:

## Genre-1 – Internationalizing Spirit

- The school aspires to organize an Inter-cultural Immersion programme (e.g., Spanish Cultural Immersion) for a span of 2-3 days where students (across India) will be exposed to various aspects of the culture – language, history (visit to historical sites like Golconda), politics, culinary, socio-philosophical sessions, attires, etc.
- The school plans to expose students to cultural events such as a film and Movie screening event with a discussion session. The event will be organised as per themed campus month. For example, August is being celebrated with the German theme at Woxsen, therefore, a pan-campus German movie screening would take place as the closing of the German theme month. There will be an interactive discussion session following the movie screening.
- The school plans to take help from foreign faculties, students and visiting fellows for conducting such events to build up the international spirit of the overall school.

## Genre-2 – Internationalizing Academic Mobility and Stackable Credits

- Organizing short-term course/ certification courses for both national and international students on interdisciplinary and intercultural education.
- The course outlines, and curriculums of the school are being designed according to international standards. The faculties have adopted interactive/Participative methods of teaching as per the global standard. Newly implemented NEP course contents and curriculums are being reorganised by the faculties, following the 4-year graduation system of the United States of America.
- The school has a Spanish language course at present with Prof. Alison Kearley. The school also prompt students to take a foreign certification/diploma on online platforms like Coursera.
- The Social Science Forum Core Committee is organising a two-day conference with a master class and interactive sessions. The masterclass will be conducted by an eminent professor from a prestigious foreign institute.

## Genre-3: Internationalizing Cross collaboration

- Collaborate with a foreign partner institution to organise a bi-monthly online event titled Humanities Today – an online debate/ discussion on the varied aspects of the study of Humanities. Students from Woxsen University can debate/discuss with students from the partner institutions and the videos can be uploaded to the YouTube channel.
- The school also bring international research collaborations. The faculties have their personal sets of achievements, under Woxsen University's banner in the said field.
- The faculties are involved in research publications in journals that are indexed in internationally renowned databases such as Scopus, WoS, IGI, SCI, and ABDC.
- The student exchange programme is already in action along with the faculty exchange program.
- The school aspires to invite foreign women leaders and artists for insightful and informative thought exchange to expose the students to foreign opportunities in their domains.

## Talk on History

Dr. Brundaban Mishra Co-Chairperson CoE – SAS, SOLH convened an Expert Talk on Art and Architecture in Centre for Excellence – South Asian Studies, School of Liberal Arts and Humanities organised on August 28, 2023. The students were enlightened by the address given by Dr. Binod Sathpathy, Department of History, BGCW, Pondicherry.



# 'Centre Stage' Students' Debate

**Report by Tanisha Rathod**

**BA (Hons.)**

**School of Liberal Arts and Humanities**

On 31st July 2023, students at the School of Liberal Arts and Humanities participated in a bi-monthly debate under the banner of "CenterStage" on the title "Justice Delayed is Justice Denied: Role of Media to foment Specific Cases Pending in Indian Courts". The debate was convened by Dr. Afaq Ahmad, Assistant Professor of Journalism, SOLH and supervised by the Dean Dr. PV Satya Prasad, SOLH.

What is Justice? Justice is a complicated idea frequently summed up as fairness and objectivity in how people are treated and how resources or punishments are allocated. It attempts to sustain the social norms of morality, equality, and the rule of law. Justice may be defined differently according to various cultures, philosophies, and legal systems.

Justice can be delayed for various reasons, such as a backlog of cases, insufficient resources, complex legal procedures, and external factors. These delays can have significant consequences for individuals seeking resolution.

In this world full of crimes and delayed justice, let us see the views of BA (Hons.) students on 'Justice delayed is justice denied.'

**For the motion:** Anisha, Isha, Nethra, Abinaya, Navya, Asha, Mehreen, Vedehi

**Against the motion:** Sujal, Pranati, Maria, Gnapi, Jessica

## Opening statements:

**For:** A judgement is only practical under a fixed period. Unjustifiable delaying of good proceedings and judgments can influence both parties. It also portrays the delaiance of the judicial system and reflects adversary on the judicial system's reputation. It brings a negative impact on India as a country. In some cases, there are chances that the defendant is innocent. The innocent being sued for so many years due to the delayed judgement can ruin the individual's reputation. Even when proven innocent, they will not get opportunities in the future. People will always see the individual as someone who sued against the case.

**Against:** Their statement was, 'justice hurried is justice buried.' In the fast track, all the case facts are not investigated and reviewed correctly. As William Langstone once said, "It is okay to let 100 accused go free than let one innocent be convicted". The judicial system's reputation is more impacted when an innocent person is found guilty. It demolishes the faith that an ordinary person has in the judicial process.

## Arguments:

**For:** There are many reasons why justice is being delayed. Many

things come into the purview of how a court case is handled, and delaying the process has many more consequences in the life of the people involved in the case, like the emotional aspect, financial aspect, and technical terms like pieces of evidence and eyewitnesses. If any case progresses like the 'Nirbhaya case,' there will be discrepancies towards the end of the case.

**Against:** In the 'Nirbhaya' Case, there was a lot of media involvement in the whole case. The media influence would have pushed the judicial to make a rash decision that could have been wrong. In the end, Nirbhaya did get justice. India is highly populated, with around 400 crore pending cases, and the total number of judges is just 17,615. The case has a long process, and the police will arrest the suspect based on circumstantial evidence. It is the court's job to prove that the evidence is real, and that might take time, and an innocent might get accused under the pressure of closing the case, which will impact the person's life.

**For:** To counter the point 'Nirbhaya' Case to give the verdict, the victim was emotionally and mentally pressured and abandoned.

**Against:** When it comes to the accused, who is innocent, is found guilty, will have a significant impact on his family, his social life, and mental health.

**For:** When justice is delayed, the defendant can brew up the pieces of evidence or try to divert the cases. Many pieces of evidence can be buried and removed.

**Against:** Most cases are delayed because of the high population and increase in crime rates and cases, and there are fewer judges to solve the case. Furthermore, regarding the 'Nirbhaya Case,' only four people were found guilty, but six were arrested. The judicial system took that decision under the pressure of the media, which ultimately led to the arrest of six individuals, where two of them were innocent. It took seven years to go through all the evidence to find out the guilty. If the judicial system rushed through the entire trial, then it would lead to the punishment of the two innocent individuals.

**For:** Due to the delay of the trial process, the evidence might get tampered and as a result, the two individuals were found innocent, where in all actuality, they could be guilty.

**Against:** All six individuals arrested for the crime are not guilty as the two individuals amongst the group are innocent based on the evidence provided, and the judicial system ensured that the evidence was not tampered with. If the trial process were hurried instead of adequately handled, it would lead to the death of the two innocent individuals.

**For:** As you stated earlier, the two individuals wrongly accused of committing the crime were eventually found innocent. It took about seven years for the judicial system to prove the innocence of those two individuals, which might be a case of evidence tampering, eventually leading to the release of the two individuals. So, the argument you have stated earlier contradicts your original point, thus proving our point.

**Against:** Once again, if we consider the 'Nirbhaya Case,' the two individuals who were suspected of the crime involving the four others due to improper evidence were sentenced to trial along with the four others. For example, if an individual who does not correlate with the crime committed by another is sentenced to punishment, would it be fair for that innocent person who has not committed the crime to be punished?

**For:** As the person who has witnessed the crime has not reported it, it will eventually lead to dismissal of the individual's innocence and would be suspected of involvement in the crime.

**Against:** As we went through the 'Nirbhaya' Case, the six individuals sentenced for trial would eventually be executed if the judicial system had not taken proper measures to determine whether the two other individuals were innocent. Due to these cases, the government has installed a fast track for investigating the cases. Media constantly pushes their narrative when reporting a case. There are other aspects, like police involvement, due to constant pressure, which leads to encounters and capital penalties.

**For:** The point that you have stated is agreeable. The legal system is very expensive and non-affordable for the middle-class and lower-class citizens.

**Against:** The government is raising five lawyers per year. It's a slow process, but it's happening steadily.

**For:** Media tries to give accurate news. However, it isn't efficient for the judicial system to focus on a particular case for years to come. This would deprive the citizens of the hope of fighting for justice against a particular case. And the media can't focus on a particular case for long.

**Against:** If we consider a particular case where an individual is falsely accused of committing the crime, over time, the judicial system must analyze the evidence appropriately, which could delay the justice of the individual falsely accused of the crime, stripping away his freedom. If the evidence were properly analyzed, this could eventually prove the accused's innocence. However, the accused individual would suffer from mental and physical trauma due to an extended period.

**For:** If the evidence was not thoroughly analyzed, which takes a long time, and if the trial was hurried without proper evidence, the accused, who is the victim in this case, might be sentenced for the

crimes that they haven't even committed. This would lead to the question of the legibility of the judiciary system.

**Against:** It is not based upon the given time. Rather, it depends on factors to consider before the judicial system passes proper judgment.

**For:** Considering the Babri Masjid case, it took around 28 years before the appropriate decision was taken. The conflict between the Muslims and Hindus led to the death of over 200 people in Maharashtra, Gujrat, and Madhya Pradesh.

**Against:** If the Babri Masjid case had been hurried before properly analyzing, it could lead to many communal riots, and religious revolts would have emerged.

**For:** If we consider middle-class families, they couldn't bear the financial procedures.

**Against:** Jessica Lal's case was delayed because of political influence as MLA's son shot her, and they couldn't get an eyewitness.

**For:** There are so many unreviewed and closed cases. A rape case reopened and got justice after 28 years, and in those years, the victim had a rape child and had to go through a lot of trauma and struggle.

**Against:** Some cases take a lot of time, some need more financial stability, and there needs to be more resources for the increasing number of issues.

**For:** There needs to be more attention put on some cases due to lack of political influence and no reputation as well as wealth.

**Against:** Cannot decide a particular time as some factors affect the case's judgments.

**For:** Media often exaggerates the cases, and this eventually leads to influencing the case entirely.

**Against:** The judges won't get influenced by the media and would try not to be biased and give a concrete judgment.

"Justice might be delayed because it takes time, but in this era, through reviewing and analyzing the case, the judgments are given in a certain time."

Media plays a critical role in affecting people's perception of a particular case, eventually affecting the overall judgment.

**For:** "media has a responsibility to give out the news accurately."

"We can take help of quasi-judicial bodies to make judgments."

Through the arguments above, we can see the points made by BA-Hons students. This debate has given us an overview of how the judicial system works, how the judges handle the cases, and how the verdicts are made.

In conclusion, this debate has enlightened us about how both the victim and the accused must go through a lot of trauma, struggle, and pain. The judicial system tries its best to give justice, which might sometimes be delayed.



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# Virtual Session on Data Journalism hosted by SOLAH for Journalism Major Students

The School of Liberal Arts and Humanities hosted a virtual session on "Data Journalism: A Primer" by eminent journalist Mr. Rajesh Mahapatra, Editor, Press Trust of India (PTI) for students of Journalism Major, on 11 August 2023.

Mr. Rajesh touched upon various aspects of Data Journalism with suitable examples and how it is revolutionising the traditional concept of news reporting in the country's media landscape.

Data journalism or data-driven journalism is journalism based on the filtering and analysis of large data sets for the purpose of creating or elevating a news story. Data journalism reflects the increased role of numerical data in the production and distribution of information in the digital era.

In the case of traditional media, this information is usually obtained from an individual person's account of a story (a single data point). Data journalism takes this one step further by asking questions to a collection of data points (many people's stories).

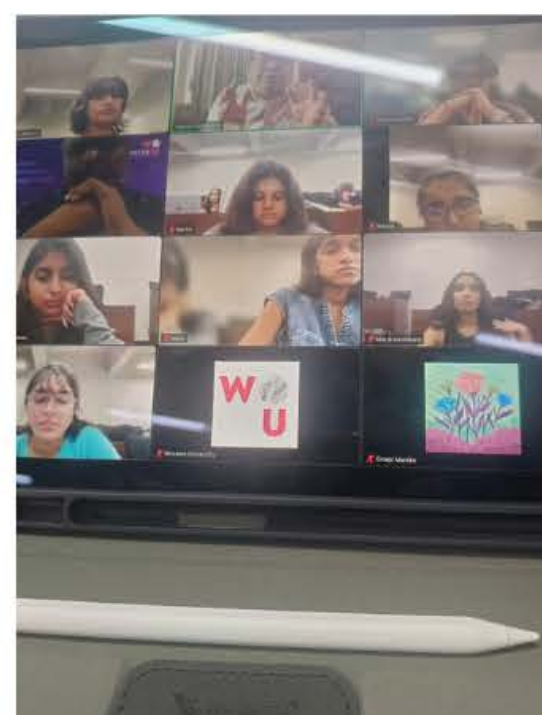
The future of journalism is set to be transformed by the increasing integration of artificial intelligence (AI) and data journalism. As the digital age continues to evolve, these technologies are poised to revolutionize the way news is gathered, analysed, and disseminated.

## Accessing quality data is the biggest challenge journalists face in data journalism

- Access to quality data
- Time pressure
- Lack of financial resources
- Lack of adequate knowledge in data analysis
- Ensuring data reliability. ...
- Lack of adequate knowledge in data visualisation
- Lack of interest from management
- Using data ethically

## Sources of data journalism

Statista provides statistical data from thousands of institutions and sources. It provides access to data from market and opinion research institutions, as well as from business organizations and government agencies. Statista includes data on more than 85,000 topics from 18,000 sources.



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# FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

## Dr. P.V. Satya Prasad



## Dr. Ranita Basu



## Dr. Eldhose Verghese

Dr. Eldhose Varghese (School of Liberal Arts and Humanities) on securing grants under Special Call for Short-term Empirical Research Project 2023 from ICSSR, Govt. of India.

Project Title: "Who Cleans Up After Us: An Ethnographic Investigation of Empirical Reality and Cultural Underpinnings of Health, Sanitation and Cleanliness among Select Tribal Groups of Western Ghats".

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| 143. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-1595 | Dr. Smitha S.                 | Assessing the Reach and Socio-economic Impact of Jan Aushadhi Yojana (JAY) in Southern Kerala: A Rigorous Field-Based Study   |
| 144. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-2420 | Dr. Eshita Boral              | Assessment of Public Awareness and Attitude towards availing Jan Aushadhi Yojana among the Rural and Urban Population: A Study of Tripura   |
| 145. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-1399 | Dr. Dhanya M                  | Barriers and Enablers of Drug Recycling: An Empirical Investigation using COM-B Model amongst Urban Households of Kerala  |
| 146. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-883  | Dr. Eldhose Varghese          | Who Cleans Up After Us: An Ethnographic Investigation of Empirical Reality and Cultural Underpinnings of Health, Sanitation and Cleanliness among select Tribal Groups of Western Ghats                           |
| 147. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-2660 | Dr. Saji P Jacob              | Evaluating Utilisation of Sanitation Facilities Under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan In Ecologically Vulnerable Regions of Kerala  |
| 148. | ICSSR-CIS-2023-2418 | Dr. Geetha N K                | Empirical Solutions for Energy Harnessing from Various Sources: A Comparative Study of Battery, Solar, Wind, Petrol, and other Energy Systems Using Mathematical Modelling : A Study of select areas of Karnataka |
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## Dr. Irfan Fayyas



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Publisher: Taylor and Francis

Published Paper:

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15-Aug-2023

Dear Dr Irfan Fayaz:

Ref: Systematic Review of Posttraumatic Growth from Sexual Assault in Women

**Congratulations** on the acceptance of your paper for publication in Journal of Loss and Trauma!

We appreciate the careful revisions that you have accomplished to your manuscript. You have satisfied all of our concerns. I am very pleased to inform you that your manuscript has been accepted for publication in JLT (and I trust that you and I are really proud of your work - this is a great article and I can't wait to see it printed in a journal)!

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## FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

The School of Arts and Design Congratulates **Prof. Anthima Ram** who has done a Design Patent. This design attempts to provide women a hassle-free, fully draped, and fully stitched saree with hidden pockets, which makes it easy to wear in less time without much or any knowledge of draping a saree. One can wear it like a gown or 1 piece dress. There is no requirement for the usual blouse and petticoat to support and complete the saree look.



**Prof. Namrata Swargari** from Interior Design Department attended a conference, Design Manthan FOAID for Architects and Interior Designs in Mumbai  
Date: 18th & 19th August 2023



**Dr Misria Shaik Ali**

Organized International workshop namely Sketch Group for the Society for Social Studies of Science, Student Section (6S) on AI in the age of writing  
6S sketch group: <https://stsinfrastructures.org/content/about-6s-2023-sketch-groups>

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# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

A big shoutout to Kirthika CS (Fashion Design, 4th Year) for an incredible achievement in fashion and academia. It's with immense pride that we congratulate Kirthika on her first paper being published in the prestigious UGC CARE Journal. This milestone speaks volumes about her dedication, creativity, and scholarly prowess.



## KOHSA -

a student competition where Sai Janani C S, Bhumika And Vedha (Fashion Design, 3rd Year), had chosen the theme of making a student handbook with the help of current AI tools and KOSHA garments that would be given as a guide to students travelling abroad on all the essentials needed by them to travel to countries like USA, UK, Australia, Europe, Canada etc. Sai Janani C S is the winning entry of the contest and Bhumika and Vedha (Fashion Design, 3rd Year) have got Special mention for the competition.



The School of Arts and Design Congratulates **Miss Vaishnavi** for getting placed in Studio ORAM (Hyderabad) a 2019-2023 Batch Student from Interior Design Dept.



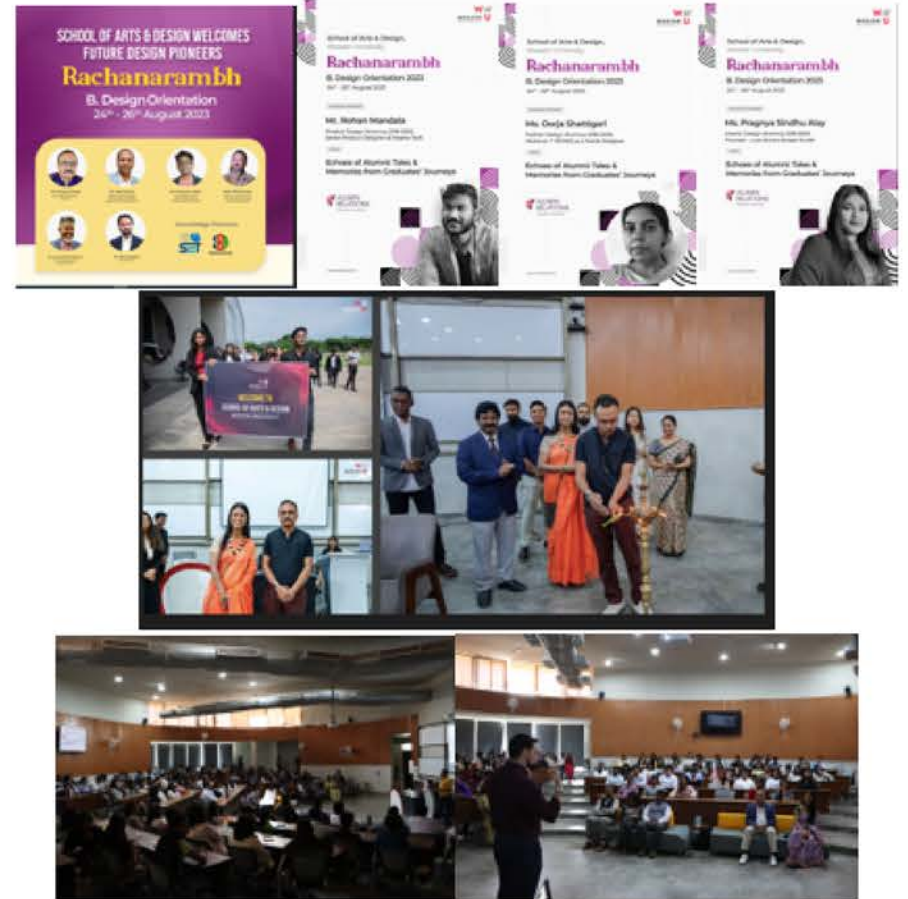
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# ORIENTATION – SCHOOL OF ARTS AND DESIGN

The next generation of young designers at Woxsen University, as our cherished B. Design freshers (2023-27 batch) in the School of Arts and Design (SOAD), ignite their journey with **"Rachanarambh" - a true ode to 'the beginning of creativity'**. The commencement of this transformative expedition is supported by academia and industry stalwarts like Parag Trivedi, Munwar Khan, Phil Gomm, Neeraj Jha, Nitin Kapoor, Sundara Raman, and knowledge partners Scopik and IBA CRAFTS PRIVATE LIMITED. Over the next 3 days (August 24-26) of the Orientation programme these young minds will be navigated to craft a future where design becomes a catalyst for profound change fueled by a passion for inclusivity, sustainability, and innovative thinking. The B. Design Foundation programme is supported by Professors Murali V Kesaboina, Ashwini Kalyani, Namrita Sharma, Muniba Syed under the able mentorship of Dean-SOAD, Adity Saxena, PhD and Vice President, Raul Villamarin Rodriguez, Woxsen University.



## Expert Interaction

Expert Interaction with Prof. Sumit Basena  
Assistant Professor and Coordinator for Start Up India and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in the Department of Multimedia, School of Design at Lovely Professional University. Gave a virtual session to the Communication Design Students.

Mr. Rounak Adhikary stands as the visionary Founder and CEO of Project X. Cloud is a name synonymous with innovation and transformative change in the realm of computing. With an illustrious career spanning over [number] years, Mr. Rounak has emerged as a true trailblazer, driving his dynamic team toward redefining the future of technology.

Guiding Innovation and Growth  
At the helm of Project X. Cloud, Mr. Rounak orchestrates a symphony of innovation and growth. His role as a product leader is exemplified by his skill in crafting and executing a compelling long-term vision. With an innate ability to align efforts towards robust product development and digital transformation, Mr. Rounak ensures that Project X. Cloud consistently delivers solutions that transcend the boundaries of conventional computing.

## MEMORIAL VISIT

On **31st July 2023** the students of Semester V went for a site visit to **Dr. Kallam Anji Reddy Memorial** in Hyderabad which showcases a seamless blend of architecture with the surrounding nature. During the visit, the students learned about the historical significance of the memorial and also got the opportunity to analyze and sketch the space.

They learned about the events that inspired its creation and how the design stands as an inspiration for the forthcoming generation. This knowledge enriched their understanding of the space and enhanced our appreciation for the architectural efforts that were made to preserve the contributions made by Dr.Reddy.

Following the memorial visit, the students proceeded to the Durgam Cheruvu front park to analyze how the design problem given to them would fit within the existing landscape surrounding the lake. They assessed how visitors from and around the bridge would interact with the site and how it would act as an extension of the park. They were accompanied by Prof. R.K. Shenoy and Mr Ramana Rao from Dr. Reddy's Founder's Memorial Team for their visit.



## IPA STUDENT CHAPTER INAUGURATION

Indian Plumbing Association is an apex body of plumbing professionals in India.

On 23rd August 2023, School of Architecture and Planning launched the IPA student chapter here at Woxsen.

Mr. Sanjay Bhilare, Chairman IPA Hyderabad and Mr. P. Sraavan Kumar Garu, Vice-Chairman IPA Hyderabad visited our campus for the inaugural session. They shared their insights about the students chapter and explained the duties and roles of students.

The office bearers for the students chapter was elected during the event. Shivani Kalva, Vansh Doshi, Siva Tejas and Manan Mantri were elected as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretaries respectively.

The event was concluded with the oath of office bearers taken by the student representatives.



## MOU- Sujalam

Delighted to announce the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, between the Centre of Excellence: Built Environment and Urban Resilience with Generative Design and Technology (CoE: BEUR-GDT), School of Architecture and Planning, Woxsen University, and Sujalam, Ahmedabad. This collaboration marks a significant stride towards advancing research and innovation in the realm of urban resilience through water management.

With this partnership, we're poised to tackle the challenges of urbanization with innovative solutions. The combined expertise of CoE: BEUR-GDT, Woxsen University, and Sujalam promises groundbreaking advancements in built environment sustainability, particularly water management in urban areas. As we navigate an increasingly complex urban landscape, this alliance will drive the development of resilient, sustainable, and technologically advanced cities.



## NIUM- Lecture

On 1st September 2023, selected students from the 7th Semester of the School of Architecture and Planning, Woxsen University visited the National Institute of Urban Management, Hyderabad to attend the lectures delivered by Mr Anand Tandon (CEO, NIUM), Dr Rajini Devarajan (Head, Heritage Department), Uma Gaytri and Nitya Khendry. The lectures were part of an Open Elective course collaboratively offered by NIUM and Woxsen University under the aegis of the existing MoU.

After insightful discussions, students visited Kalakriti Art Gallery to attend Orjit Sen's exhibition on Hyderabad's cultural spaces. The exhibition holds important insights for students of architecture to understand the dynamism of urban spaces and how ICH transforms and improves public urban spaces.

The visit and the course are facilitated by Professor Piyush Pandya on behalf of SoAP, Woxsen University.



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## Collaborative Design Studio- Woxsen University and DIT University Day 1

Collaborative Design Studio (Time-problem) between School Of Architecture, Planning & Design, DIT University, Dehradun And School Of Architecture & Planning, Woxsen University, Hyderabad for B. Arch. Sem - V Students

Project Title - Enhancing Universal Accessibility and Enriching Public Realm around Qutub Shahi Tombs, Hyderabad

Problem Brief - The collaborative design exercise seeks to merge the creative and scholarly capacities of the respective V semester students to deeply explore, analyze, and offer solutions to elevate the public realm's quality, universal accessibility and address urban design intricacies within the vicinity of the historic Qutub Shahi Tombs in Hyderabad.

The first day was a site visit to Qutub Shahi tombs in Hyderabad where the students explored the designated site in groups, focusing on a meticulous exploration of the Qutub Shahi Tombs' immediate environs with a deliberate emphasis on the intricate facets of public edges and realms.

We would like to thank Dr. Anjali Krishan Sharma, Director, Ar. Jitendra Kumar Sarohi, HOD,

Ar. Sandeep M. Saxena, Associate Professor and Ar. Rajarshi Roy, Assistant Professor from the School of Architecture, Planning and Design, DIT University, Dehradun and Prof. Abhijit Shirodkar, Dean, School of Architecture and Planning Woxsen University for their active interest and encouragement in collaborating for the conduct of the joint studio.



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The second day the DIT students visited Woxsen campus where they worked with our students in the studio. Each group consisting of students from both universities worked on formulating detailed proposals for their respective area. Integrate findings, solutions, and concepts & design proposals for the given design problem. Concluding the design studio with a final jury presentation.

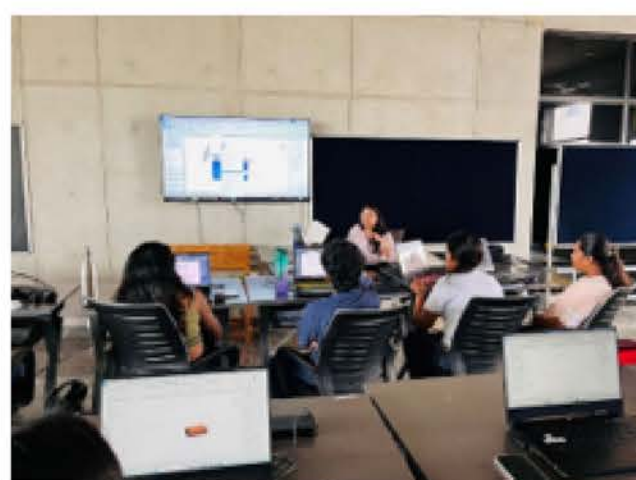
The joint studio was conducted under guidance of Ar. Sandeep M. Saxena, Associate Professor and Ar. Rajarshi Roy, Assistant Professor from the School of Architecture, Planning and Design, DIT University, Dehradun and Ar. Dhurma Bhavsar, Associate Professor and Ar. Debalina Ghosh, Assistant Professor from School of Architecture and Planning Woxsen University.



## REVIT Workshop- Semester 5

An intensive Revit 3 day course from 28th to 30th July was organized by SoAP for Semester V students. They were guided through the ins and outs of the software, with a range of practical, hands-on lessons ensuring they left with the skills and confidence to take full advantage of Revit software.

In this course, students learnt component and conceptual modeling, along with representation and rendering techniques under the guidance of Ar. Rashi Jain.



## Furniture and Product Design Workshop Sem 7

The 3-Day Furniture and Product Design Workshop for Semester 7 Students was a transformative learning experience conducted by the School of Architecture and Planning.

This intensive workshop aimed to provide students with advanced insights and practical skills in the dynamic fields of furniture and product design. Conducted by renowned industry expert Ar. Parag Sen, the course encompassed a range of engaging lectures, hands-on workshops, and collaborative activities.

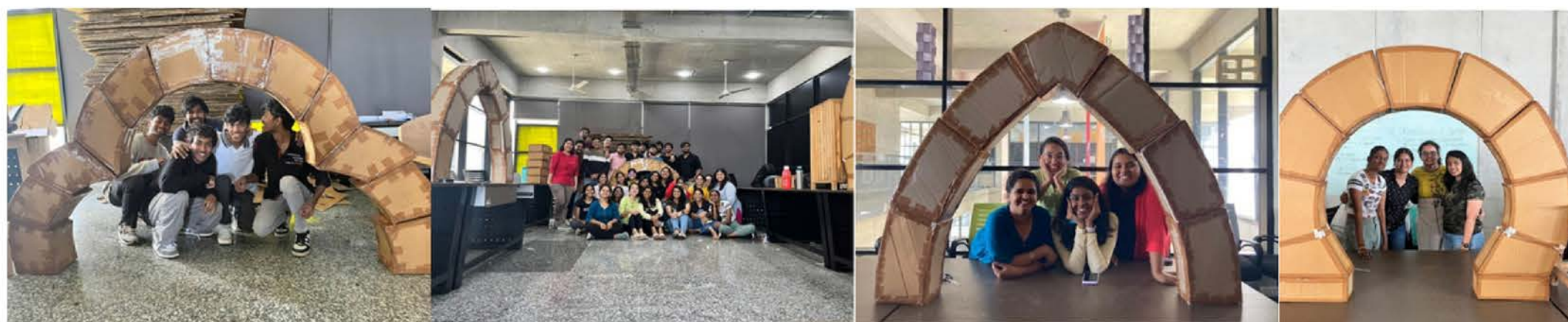
The course commenced with an exploration of contemporary design trends, offering students a deep understanding of the evolving landscape of furniture and product design. Through real-world case studies and examples, students gained insights into the importance of balancing aesthetics and functionality.

Ar. Parag Sen guided students through the essential process of design thinking and ideation. Participants learned how to brainstorm creative ideas, develop concepts, and translate them into tangible design.



## SEM 7- ABC...-ARCHES

As a part of their Advanced Building Construction and Materials curriculum the Semester 7 students did an Architectural Arch model-making workshop that teaches participants to create various arch structures using cardboard sheets. They started with design planning, learned to cut and shape cardboard, master assembly techniques, add details, and present their models. Along with designing and making the model, students had to check the stability of the arch by chain test. This hands-on experience fosters creativity and spatial thinking, making it valuable for aspiring architects and designers.



## 7th Seme visit IGBC Green Property Show

An intensive Revit 3 day course from 28th to 30th July was organized by SoAP for Semester V students. They were guided through the ins and outs of the software, with a range of practical, hands-on lessons ensuring they left with the skills and confidence to take full advantage of Revit software.

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